

“Beacon of Faith,”
ST. ANN CATHOLIC CHURCH

“Cathedral of the Plains,”
THE BASILICA OF ST. FIDELIS

“Pearl of the Prairie,”
ST. BONIFACE CATHOLIC CHURCH



Parish Office: 601 10th Street, Victoria, KS 67671 • 785-735-2777 • Fax: 785-735-2779 Hours: Monday-Thursday 8:30-12:00 and 1:00-4:30 — Friday 8:30-12:00		Catholic Faith Education Office: 785-735-9244	
Gift Shop Hours: Monday-Thursday: 8:30–noon and 1:00–4:30 Friday: 8:30–noon	Weddings: Couples planning to marry must contact the Parish Office at least 6 months before the wedding date for marriage preparations.	Baptisms: All new parents are asked to complete a Baptismal Preparation class before their child is baptized. For information, please call the Parish Office.	Hospital Visits: To arrange for our pastor to visit someone in the hospital, please call the Parish Office.
In-Home Mass: Any homebound or hospice family interested in having Mass in their home should contact the Parish Office.	Holy Communion Brought to Homebound: Holy Communion can be brought to homebound parishioners. Please contact the Parish Office if you or someone you know is unable to come to a Sunday Mass.	BULLETIN ITEMS: Deadline is Wednesday at 11:00 a.m. Please contact Connie (sftch@ruraltel.net or 785-735-2777) at the Parish Office.	

www.stfidelischurch.com / www.stbonifacevincent.com

May 20, 2018 – Pentecost Sunday

Masses:

St. Fidelis, Victoria

Saturday — 5:00 pm
 Sunday — 10:00 am
 Monday — 7:00 pm
 Tuesday through Friday — 6:45 am

St. Ann, Walker

Saturday — 6:30 pm — November - April
 Sunday — 7:30 am — May - October

St. Boniface, Vincent

Sunday — 8:45 am

Eucharistic Adoration:

THURSDAYS • 10:00 A.M. TO 11:30 A.M.
 in St. Fidelis Chapel behind the main altar

Confessions:

at St. Fidelis — Mondays — 7:30 pm
 or by appointment (contact Parish Office)

Tri-Parish Prayer Line

Anyone wishing to request prayers for family or friends may call Helen Windholz (735-2508) or Teresa Shepherd (735-9576) to add their requests to the Prayer Line

Dates To Remember

May 28 — Memorial Day—PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
June 4 — School lunch program begins
June 4-7 — No Masses @ St. Fidelis
June 5 — Feast of St. Boniface
June 10 — Tri-Parish Card Party
June 15 — No Mass @ St. Fidelis
June 17 — Father’s Day
June 18-22 — Vacation Bible School
June 21 — First Day of Summer
July 4 — Independence Day—PARISH OFFICE CLOSED — Mass 8:00 a.m.
July 4 — No lunch program today
July 26 — Feast of Sts. Joachim and Anne
July 27 — Last day for lunch program
Aug. 3-4 — Herzogfest



“Peace be with you.
 As the Father has sent me, so I send you.”

(from the Holy Gospel according to John 20:19-23)



During the turbulent 1960's a woman became very upset with all the changes in the liturgy. She demanded of her parish priest, "Who is responsible for these silly changes?" The exasperated priest said, "It is the work of the Holy Spirit." The women shot back, "Why is the *Holy Spirit* doing things now which the *Holy Ghost* never did before?"

Seniors will remember the sign of the cross with the *Holy Ghost*. Real veterans will recall the Latin *Spiritus Sancti*, once translated as the *Holy Ghost* is now rendered in contemporary terms as the *Holy Spirit*. If you have never heard of *Spiritus Sancti* or the *Holy Ghost*, consider yourself a *young Catholic*.

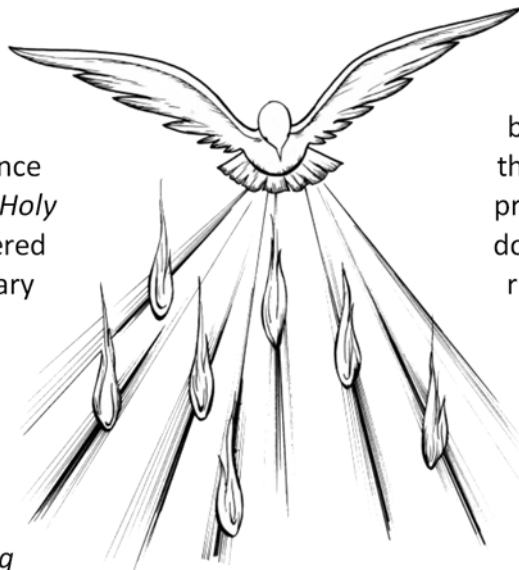
Today, Pentecost Sunday, we celebrate the feast of the third person of the Blessed Trinity: the Holy Spirit, the Holy Ghost, the Advocate, the Paraclete, the Counselor. The many names indicate a complex, perhaps ambiguous concept.

Most of us have clear, simple images of God the Father, and even more so of God the Son, Jesus of Nazareth. But our concept of the Holy Spirit is often as elusive as the wind which is one of its symbols.

More controversial is the possible gender of the Holy Spirit. Feminine attributes of wisdom,

carrying, and nurturing are often attributed to the Holy Spirit in the Scriptures, prompting some to think of the Holy Spirit as a woman. God is pure spirit and therefore without gender, but we humans think in human terms. We are anthropomorphic.

God the Son did take on a male human nature, but the triune God is pure spirit and without gender. Only in an analogous sense can one refer to the Holy Spirit as *She* or *He*. Yet it would be wrong to use the neuter pronoun *It* since it does not properly recognize that the members of the Trinity are persons.



In *Romeo and Juliet* Shakespeare

wrote, "a rose by any other name would smell as sweet." The third person of the Trinity, by any name — *Holy Spirit, Holy Ghost, Paraclete, Counselor, or Advocate* — is the source of our every religious experience.

"Come Holy Ghost, Creator blest, and in our hearts take up they rest."

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"It is better to keep your mouth shut and be presumed ignorant than to open it and remove all doubt." ~ Mark Twain

Parish Staff

Pastor:

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Groundskeeper:

Julius Dreiling

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Joe Brungardt

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Kathy Dreiling-Amrein

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Council Members

St. Fidelis Pastoral Council

Peggy Fitzpatrick 735-8186 (Chair)
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Donna Juenemann 735-9700 (Sec)
Janea Dinkel 735-9529 (RelEd)
Doug Kuhn 650-1058 (Bldgs & Grounds)
John Schulte 735-9535
Deb Braun 735-7106
Gina Oberle 735-8056

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Harland Rupp 735-2206
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Randy Huser 735-4836
Fred Tholen 735-4801

St. Ann Pastoral Council

Helen Windholz 735-2293
Terry Riedel 735-9375
Jerry Nowak 637-5273

Contributions May 12-13, 2018

ST. FIDELIS:

Adult 2509.00 Loose 1357.50
Repair Fund 25.00

ST. ANN:

Adult 443.00 Loose 236.00

ST. BONIFACE:

Adult 265.00 Loose 216.00
Candles 80.75

~ MONEY COUNTERS ~

May 21 — Brenda Dreiling

May 29 (Tuesday) — Mary

Brungardt, Det Younger

V.F.W. Memorial Day Schedule Monday, May 28

9:00 a.m. Mass at The Basilica of St. Fidelis
(There will not be a 7:00 p.m. Mass
and no evening Confessions.)

CEMETERY VISITS

St. Fidelis Cemetery — after Mass (approx. 9:45 a.m.)
Sacred Heart Cemetery, Emmeram — 10:15 a.m.
St. Ann Cemetery, Walker — 10:45 am
St. Boniface Cemetery, Vincent — 11:15 a.m.
Holy Cross Cemetery, Pfeifer — 11:45 a.m.

V.F.W. and V.F.W. Auxiliary members meet at the
V.F.W. Hall after cemetery visits for lunch.



When people hurt you over and over,
think of them like sand paper.
They may scratch and hurt you a bit,
but in the end, you end up polished
and they end up useless.

~Chris Colfer

ST. ANN

St. Ann Dates to Remember:

- ◆ St. Ann Christian Mothers are sponsoring a parish hall and gym floor cleaning beginning at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, June 9. Bring your own mop and bucket.

Youth Ministry/Catholic Faith Ed

MAY CALENDAR

Tuesday, May 22

7:00 P.M. – Religious Ed Committee Meeting

Saturday, May 26 — Tuesday, May 29

Jr. CYO Rock Springs Camp

Monday, May 28

Memorial Day – Office closed

Monday, June 18 — Friday, June 22

Vacation Bible School, “A Wilderness Adventure Through the Sacraments”

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Midwest Catholic Family Conference

Come hear Ceili Rain, an Irish pop band, live on Friday night at the Midwest Catholic Family Conference August 3-5 in Wichita, Kansas. Ceili Rain has been providing joyful Irish flavored music to Catholic dioceses, youth gatherings, and festivals for 24 years. Save up to \$30 with early bird registration by July 16. Register online at catholicfamilyconference.org or call 316-618-9787. Email questions to info@catholicfamilyconference.org.

MAY HUMAN TRAFFICKING ALERT

Traffickers use all available resources, or venues, to help facilitate their crime, including hotels and motels. CALL hotel/motel personnel in your area to inquire about their knowledge about recognizing a trafficking situation. **U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking** (sistersagainsttrafficking.org).



St. Fidelis Church is sponsoring a
summer food program at the
Parish Activity Center,
601 10th Street, beginning June 3.

A free lunch will be served to any children
from 11:00-11:30 a.m. Monday through Friday.

There are no enrollments or reservations
required,

but if you are bringing a large group
such as a day care group, please let us know that
morning by calling 785-735-2777.

For more information, contact Jan at the Parish
Office. This program is for any children.

It is not a government program.

There are no forms to fill out.

Just have the kids show up between
11:00 and 11:30 for lunch.

Thanks!!



"A Wilderness Adventure Through the Sacraments" VBS Vacation Bible School

Seeking donations

The Office of Religious Education is looking for camping and outdoor themed decorations/items to enhance the backdrop and setting for our VBS.



- * Artificial plants and greenery [Christmas trees work, too, IF they do not require much assembly and are easy to set-up.]
- * Easy to set-up tents
- * Blue, green, brown rolls of construction paper
- * Artificial fire
- * Wooden coat hanger
- * Scraps of wood

Items that are donated may be donated to the St. Fidelis Thrift Shop at the conclusion of the VBS (unless you specifically request that the item be returned to you).

Our Vacation Bible School is free to our children; any donations are extremely appreciated.

Other ways you can help:

- * Volunteering your time to decorate prior to the VBS!
- * Supervise a group for a day (or on the days you are available)
- * Play the guitar or piano during our faith station and during the Celebration of Mass
- * Grab some friends, grab a VBS script, and lead a skit to entertain our littles!
- * Offer to purchase snacks for one day during the VBS or donate money for snacks. At this VBS very specific snacks will be purchased which all tie in with the daily virtue and theme. A list of these snacks are available.
- * Make a small monetary donation.

Do you have something you think could be used or have a question? Please contact Jeanette Brungardt in the Religious Ed Office at 785-735-9244, on her cell: 785-639-5067, or by email at Fidelisyouth@ruraltel.net.

Thank you kindly for your support,

Jeanette B.

Catholic Charities of Northern Kansas 7th Annual Fundraiser

Fill a baby bottle with loose change, cash, or checks.
Return bottles to church
the weekend of June 23-24.
Your donations are appreciated!
ALL money stays local.

VICTORIA VFW POST 1751

Please call in advance if you would like the Club Room to be open on Friday evenings.

If you are looking for a place to gather for Receptions, Weddings, Anniversaries, Family Reunions, Class Reunions, Dances, First Communions, or any type of get together, the VFW has a full kitchen that can be used if needed. For more information to rent the Hall, please call Harland or Edna at 785-623-1368 or 785-735-2206.



First Care Clinic

Hours are:
Monday - Thursday
8:30 AM - 4:30 PM
Friday 8:30 AM - Noon
Phone: **785-735-3710**

Heartland Parishes Corpus Christi Procession

St. Joseph Parish of Hays is host this year to the Annual Heartland Parishes Corpus Christi Procession on **Sunday, June 3, 2018**, following the 10:30 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph's Church, 215 West 13th Street. Daughters of Isabella, Knights of Columbus, First Communicants, and all the faithful are invited to attend the 10:30 Mass and then the procession around the parish campus.



Mary Kay Schippers' Books Available in Gift Shop

"A Year on the Family Farm" (\$13) and its sequel, "Another Year on the Family Farm" (\$15), by Mary Kay Schippers are available in the St. Fidelis Gift Shop. Profits go to the Tri-Parishes.

City Council Meeting

Victoria City Council meetings are held on the third Monday of the month. This month's meeting will be **Monday, May 21**, at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall. Community residents are encouraged to attend.

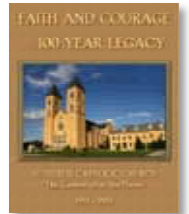
Give the story of your heritage! "FAITH and COURAGE. . .100 YEAR LEGACY"

The centennial history book of the Basilica of St. Fidelis, published in 2014, portrays the story of our ancestors' immigration from Russia to Ellis County, and a timeline of historical events surrounding the church, schools, and community. It's a perfect gift for friends or relatives who had roots and memories in Victoria. A limited few are still available for \$10.

**Cora Schulte 785-735-9233 (home),
785-735-4971 (cell) text, or email
cmschulte2@ruraltel.net**

**Free delivery in Ellis, Hays, Russell, &
Victoria.**

*Also available in the **St. Fidelis Gift Shop**
601 10th Street, Victoria*



**2018 RELAY FOR LIFE
OF ELLIS COUNTY**

Friday, June 1 | 7:00PM - MIDNIGHT
Downtown Hays Pavilion | 10th and Main

*We need you to help in the fight against cancer.
Your donation could fund the cure!*

**www.RelayForLife.org/EllisCoKS
or 785-623-1971 for more information**

