

Beacon of Faith,
ST. ANN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Cathedral of the Plains,
THE BASILICA OF ST. FIDELIS

Pearl of the Prairie,
ST. BONIFACE CATHOLIC CHURCH



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| 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 (sftech@ruraltel.net or 785-735-2777) at the Parish Office. | |

www.stfidelischurch.com / www.stbonifacevincent.com

November 25, 2018 – Christ the King

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

- Dec. 2** — First Sunday of Advent
- Dec. 8** — Immaculate Conception (holyday of obligation)
- Dec. 21** — First Day of Winter
- Dec. 24** — Christmas Eve—PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
- Dec. 25** — Christmas Day—PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
- Dec. 26-28** — NO MASSES at St. Fidelis
- Dec. 26-28** — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED for Christmas
- Dec. 31** — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED @ Noon for New Years
- Jan. 1** — New Year's Day—PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
- Jan. 2-4** — No Masses @ St. Fidelis, Fr. John not available



**You say I
 am a king.
 For this I
 was born
 and for
 this I
 came into
 the world.**

(from the Holy Gospel according to John 18:33b-37)



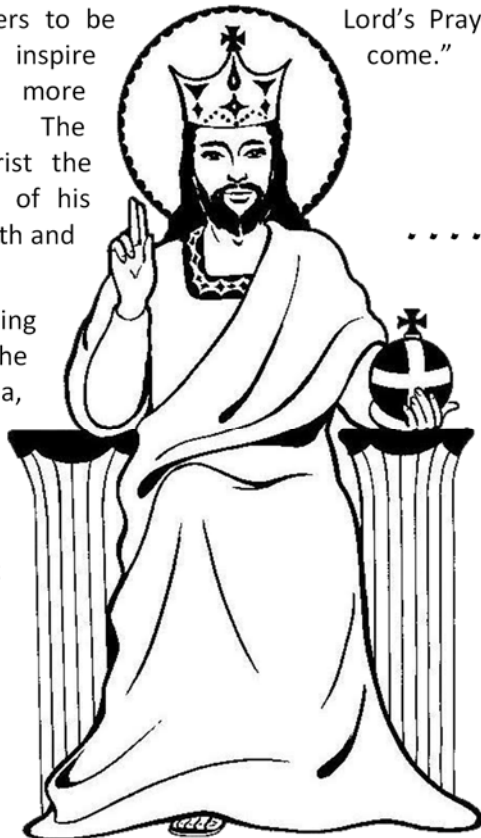
A King yet not a King

Today the church celebrates the *Solemnity of Christ the King*. This feast was established in 1925 by Pope Pius XI as a response to the rise of secularism in Europe. Modern philosophers were trying to undermine the significance of Christianity. They rejected the gospel teachings of Christ and the voice of the church in modern society.

In his encyclical which instituted this feast, Pope Pius XI proposed that this celebration among Christians would remind nationalistic leaders that Christ occupies a significant and enduring place in history; that his Church has the right to live its faith free from control by the state; that Christ reigns in the hearts and minds of his followers; and that the kingship of Christ is a noble model for all leaders.

Christ as king does not rival secular kings or heads of state. The kingdom of Christ is a different domain. When Pilate asked if he were a king Jesus replied, "My kingdom is not of this world." Yet the manner of his reign, a king of gracious service who commanded his followers to be servants as well, can inspire secular rulers to a more effective leadership. The humble service of Christ the King was to the point of his redemptive passion, death and resurrection.

When Christ the King comes to judge the nations at the parusia, justice will be tempered with mercy. Christ as King is not a domineering ruler, but one whose power is that of service. Christ the King does not have subjects, he has followers. He does not compel, he invites. He does not enforce, he embraces.



The Feast of Christ the King was established as an antidote to secularism which denies the existence of God and his place in history and our personal life. Wealth, power, and honor then become kings. That temptation is very present in our age. Today's feast is intended to proclaim Christ's reign over the minds and hearts of his follower and, properly understood, nations.

The challenging message of Christ the King is that his crown is of thorns and his throne is the cross. The preface of today's Mass describes well the kingdom of Christ: "A kingdom of truth and life, a kingdom of holiness and grace, a kingdom of justice, love and peace." s we pray in the Lord's Prayer, "Thy kingdom come."

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A liberal is a conservative who has been arrested. A conservative is a liberal who has been mugged. ~ Thomas Wolfe

Parish Staff

Pastor:

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Kathy Dreiling-Amrein

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Contributions November 17-18, 2018

ST. FIDELIS:

Adult 2161.00 Loose 1332.00

Repair Fund 130.00

Human Development 155.00

ST. ANN:

Adult 328.00 Loose 222.00

Human Development 111.00

ST. BONIFACE:

Adult 240.25 Loose 328.00

Candles 9.25

Human Development 60.25

~ MONEY COUNTERS ~

November 26 — Bertha and
Kenny Brungardt

December 3 — Anita Braun,
Marilyn Braun

Christmas Basket Drive

The Tri-Parish Family Life Christmas Basket Drive is underway. We have decided that monetary donations work best for us and then we can purchase any of the food items we need. However, if you prefer to donate food items, we will need hams, turkeys, stove top stuffing, gravy mix, pasta sides, or chicken broth. You may drop your monetary donation off in the collection basket at any of the parishes or bring it to the office, but be sure it is marked for Christmas baskets.



If you know of anyone who needs a basket, please call Jan or Jeanette at the Parish Office. Thank you.

Advent Angels

This weekend **November 24-25**, the Tri-Parishes will sponsor the Advent Angels project. Sign up sheets are available in the church pews. A second collection will be held to gather the forms.



If you sign up, please do not forget to draw a name after Mass at the church entrances.

Please remember to pray for or do kind deeds for your secret family or person during the Advent season. It's nice to let them know on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day who has been praying for them.

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NOVEMBER HUMAN TRAFFICKING ALERT

Black Friday overshadows Thanksgiving as a shopping day but every day is a marketing opportunity for predators who shop globally on the internet. **U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking** (sistersagainstrafficking.org).

ADULT CHOIR

Choir Practice

The adult choir practices begin at 7:30 p.m. Dates of the remaining practices for this year are:

Tuesday, November 27.

Tuesday, December 4, and Wednesdays, December 12 and 19.

Anyone who would like to sing with the choir is welcome. Simply join us at practice in the choir loft.

ST. ANN

There will NOT be any Coffee & Rolls after the Mass at St. Ann's on Saturday, November 24.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

30 Days of Cash Giveaway Winners

Winners of the Knights of Columbus 30 Days of Cash Giveaway thus far are:

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| 1 Sharon Bleske | 11 Kim Peach |
| 2 Warren Wittman | 12 Allen Lang |
| 3 Ethel Younger | 13 Valery Schumacher |
| 4 Sandy McAlonan | 14 Amanda Braun |
| 5 Donita Wolf | 15 Nathan Legleiter |
| 6 Lois Sander | 16 Kim Taylor |
| 7 Marilyn Braun | 17 LeeAnn Schmidtberger |
| 8 Heidi Rupp | 18 Mary Lewis |
| 9 Kristin Mauch | 19 Josh Harbert |
| 10 Laura Brunner | |

St. Ann Parish Annual
CHRISTMAS POTLUCK
in the parish hall
immediately following the
6:30 p.m. Mass
Saturday, December 15, 2018
Bishop Gerald Vincke will be the
celebrant at the Mass
and guest of honor
at the potluck.
EVERYONE IS WELCOME!
Greet our new bishop and join
in the festivities!!

K. of C. Memorial Mass

The Victoria Knights of Columbus Council #1867 will have a Memorial Service on **Sunday, December 16**, during the 10:00 a.m. Mass in the Basilica of St. Fidelis recognizing those who have passed away this past year.



Mass Schedules and other events through the Christmas and New Year holidays can be found on the Basilica of St. Fidelis website at StFidelisChurch.com on the Mass Schedule page.

2018 Holiday Schedules

PARISH MISSION

AT THE BASILICA OF ST. FIDELIS

presented by Ken Billinger

Monday, November 26 • after the 7:00 p.m. Mass

Tuesday, November 27 • 7:15 p.m.

Wednesday, November 28 • 7:15 p.m.

COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICE

at St. Fidelis, Victoria

Monday, December 3 • 7:30 p.m. (after Mass)

Confession Schedule for Advent

Monday Evenings at St. Fidelis

after 7:00 p.m. Mass (around 7:30 p.m.)

No confessions scheduled on Monday, November 26;

Christmas Eve, December 24; or New Year's Eve, December 31

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION MASS

(a Holyday of Obligation)

at St. Fidelis, Victoria

Saturday, December 8 • 8:00 a.m.

(regular Sunday obligation Masses as usual Saturday evening)

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

at St. Fidelis, Victoria

10:00 - 11:30 a.m. Thursday

(No Adoration on Thursday, December 27)

24-HOUR EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

at St. Boniface, Vincent

from 8:00 a.m. Saturday, December 15,

until 8:00 a.m. Sunday, December 16

Bishop Jerry Vincke will celebrate the 8:45 Mass at St. Boniface on Sunday, December 16

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

(Christmas is a holy day of obligation)

Monday, December 24 — Christmas Eve

5:00 p.m. • St. Fidelis, Victoria (*Children's Mass*)

8:30 p.m. • St. Ann, Walker

10:00 p.m. • St. Fidelis, Victoria

Choir will begin singing at 9:30 p.m.

Tuesday, December 25 — Christmas

8:45 a.m. • St. Boniface, Vincent

10:00 a.m. • St. Fidelis, Victoria

**NO MASSES AT ST. FIDELIS ON
Wednesday, December 26, through
Friday, December 28**

NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

Mary, Mother of God

(a Holyday of obligation)

Monday, December 31 — New Year's Day

5:30 p.m. • St. Fidelis, Victoria

Tuesday, January 1 — New Year's Day

9:00 a.m. • St. Fidelis, Victoria

**NO MASSES AT ST. FIDELIS ON
Wednesday, January 2, through
Friday, January 4**



Jr. CYO you're invited

to an evening packed with festivities to celebrate Christmas with friends and honor some of our beloved parishioners with care packages and caroling!

Saturday, December 8th, 5:00—8:30 P.M.

5:00 P.M.— Package care packages and decorate trailer @ PAC

5:45 P.M.—Dinner and games—PAC's Meal Site Room

6:30 P.M.—Depart PAC for caroling and delivering care packages

8:30 P.M.—Return to PAC

The main dish to be provided is hamburgers with all the fixin's. Those attending are invited to bring a side dish or dessert. Please dress VERY warm—WEAR LOTS OF LAYERS since you will be out doors! :) Hand warmers and hot chocolate will be provided.

Bring your parental consent form to ride on the trailer, a side dish or dessert, insulated mug with a lid for hot chocolate, and (optional) a blanket for the trailer ride.

RSVP by Wednesday, December 5, to Jeanette Brungardt.

Parental consent form MUST be signed by a parent/guardian and be present prior to any youth riding on trailer. This form is available in Religious Ed Office and posted on Seesaw.

CATHOLIC FAITH EDUCATION CALENDAR

NOVEMBER CALENDAR

Sunday, November 25

No Liturgy of the Word for Children (grades pre-K – 3rd grade)

Wednesday, November 28

6:30 – 7:15 P.M. – Religious Ed Classes

Early dismissal at 7:15 P.M.

6:30 – 7:15 P.M. – Second grade: First Reconciliation parent/student meeting in Chapel

CYO Ski Trip registration and rental forms due to Religious Ed Office

DECEMBER CALENDAR

Sunday, December 2

Immediately following 10:00 A.M. Mass the second grade class will receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation in St. Fidelis Church

Wednesday, December 5

2:20 – 3:15 P.M. – Kindergarten class gathers

5:15 – 6:15 P.M. – Jubilee Choir practice

6:30 – 7:30 P.M. – Religious Ed Classes

CYO Ski Trip parent + youth + chaperone informational meeting – gather in St. Fidelis Church following dismissal from religion classes. See separate bulletin ad regarding meeting for more info.

Christmas care package items due and names/submissions for parishioners to receive care packages due to Religious Ed Office (***Original deadline was November 28—deadline has been EXTENDED**)

Saturday, December 8

Time: 5:00 to 8:30 P.M. - Jr. CYO Christmas Party and Christmas Caroling

Sunday, December 9

10:00 A.M. Mass – Jubilee Choir sings

Wednesday, December 12

No Religious Education Classes – District Christmas Concert

Wednesday, December 19

March for Life - Remaining payment due to St. Fidelis Church for those attending MFL 2019

6:30 – 7:30 P.M. – Grades 1 – 12 Religious Ed Classes

10th grade – Confirmation Letter to the Bishop due to Religious Ed catechist
10th grade - Chosen Confirmation name for the Sacrament of Confirmation due to Religious Ed catechist

Sunday, December 23

10:00 A.M. Mass - No Liturgy of the Word for Children

Wednesday, December 26

No Religious Education Classes – Christmas Break

CYO Ski Trip (12/26 – 12/29) – depart at 9 A.M. from PAC – Payment of \$300 due

Sunday, December 30

10:00 A.M. Mass - No Liturgy of the Word for Children

JANUARY CALENDAR

Wednesday, January 2

No Religious Education Classes

Wednesday, January 9

6:30 – 7:30 P.M. – Grades 1 – 12 Religious Ed Classes

First Reconciliation Parent + Student Informational Meeting



On Wednesday, November 28th, second grade students and parents will gather for the First Reconciliation informational meeting from 6:30 – 7:15 P.M. Parents: a note was posted on Seesaw and a letter mailed to your home with further details.

The second grade class will participate in a private penance service alongside their parents and classmates on Sunday, December 2nd, as they receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time.

Care packages for our Seniors

This Christmas the Religious Education Office would like to once again give to our elderly a sentimental care package to let them know they are prayed and cared for! In order to do so we are asking our students in grades K - 12 to consider contributing items for these care packages! Please see the list of suggested items at the very bottom of this note.



In December, our Jr. CYO will have a Christmas Party and hand deliver the care packages to our beloved parishioners! **I have set a goal of packaging 100 shoeboxes this year!** I absolutely believe we can meet, if not exceed, this goal! We packed over 75 last year!

The Parish Office is providing a list of our senior/elderly parishioners within the Tri-Parishes. **If you know of an individual you would like to bless with a care package please submit their name and address to Jeanette Brungardt in the Religious Ed Office by Wednesday, December 5 ← DEADLINE EXTENDED.**

So that we receive a balance of donated items, suggested items for students in specific grades follows:

If you think of other festive or fun ideas you are welcome to donate them; this list is suggestive.

Please drop your items off with your religious education teacher or during the PAC's office hours by Wednesday, December 5! (Mon - Thurs: 8:30-12 & 1-4:30 Fri: 8:30 - 12)

Grades K-2 - adult coloring books, coloring pencils, deck of playing cards, festive/Christmas warm socks, gloves, warm slippers

Grades 3-6 - Decorative Christmas rags or hand towels for home, hand lotion, soap, small bag of seeds for growing indoor/potted flowers, decorative pen and notepad, small prayer book or book of jokes, Rubik's cube, puzzle

Grades 7-8 Christmas ornament, crossword or activity book, compact mirror, small cosmetic bag, chap stick, nail clippers, or nail polish (for the ladies)

Grades 9-12 - treats: popcorn, pretzels, individual packets of tea or hot cocoa (low sugar or sugar free), small cosmetic/travel bag, nail clippers, chap stick or compact mirror (for the men), scented/festive candle, small framed picture of saint or a prayer, Rosary or other sacramental

****We welcome Christmas gift bag(s) as well to package the items in.****

Questions? Please contact Jeanette Brungardt

Office: 785-735-9244

Email: Fidelisyouth@ruraltel.net

Religious Ed Early Dismissal Wednesday, November 28th

All Religious Education classes: grades 1 - 12 will have early dismissal at 7:15 P.M. so that catechists and other individuals may attend the Advent Mission at the Basilica.

THE LEGEND OF THE

Christmas Tree

BY ANDREA PHILLIPS, CRUSADE MAGAZINE

What Christmas would be complete without the glittering fir, filling the house with color and warmth?

But whence the custom of the Christmas Tree? The pine fir certainly wasn't present in Oriental Bethlehem, when Jesus was born. Rather, palm trees grow in the East, and are often depicted around the Crèche.

So, why don't we decorate a palm tree, rather than a fir tree? Is the custom even Christian, we may ask?

Indeed, that Christmas tree standing in our living room has an ancient, wonderful history. And though the custom began pagan, it was "Baptized" and adopted by the wisdom of a great saint.

Saint Boniface was an Englishman who lived in the eighth century and who felt called to evangelize the German nation.

One of the pagan German gods was a great oak tree called "Thunder Oak" in honor of the god Thor, usually a child, under the mighty oak.

One year, fired by holy anger, Boniface decided to do away with the barbaric custom and bravely showed up with an ax just in time to prevent the killing. Before the astounded revelers, he

proceeded to hack away at the massive trunk.

Legend has it that a miraculous gust of wind pushed down the tree at the first blows. Impressed that the "god" did not strike down the daring priest, the pagans accepted Christianity.

As the giant oak collapsed, standing there was a small fir tree that, somehow, escaped destruction.

Pointing to it, the holy man said:

"This little tree, a young child of the forest, shall be your holy tree tonight. It is the wood of peace...It is the sign of an endless life, for its leaves are ever green. See how it points upward to heaven. Let this be called the tree of the Christ-child; gather about it, not in the wild wood, but in your own homes; there it will shelter no deeds of blood, but loving gifts and rites of kindness."

Thus using strength and tact, Saint Boniface did away with an idol.

So as you gather around the Christmas Tree this year, share its holy origins with your children, so they may not only love its lights and colors, but also the rich Catholic heritage that is theirs.



V.F.W. Auxiliary Christmas Party

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16

after 10:00 a.m. Mass

Social at 11:00 • Dinner at 12:00

Gift exchange (optional)

Collecting money for parish food baskets (optional)



Please call Kathy Kuhn 785-735-5040
by Monday, December 10,
if you plan to attend.

*Ladies: If you have items for Ft. Dodge,
please bring them to the Christmas Party.*

Old Soldiers Home Supplies

The Victoria V.F.W. is collecting for Old Soldiers Home, Fort Dodge, Kansas. They request the following items:

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|-----------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| T-shirts (LG thru 4X) | Disposable Razors | Canned Soup/Stew |
| Flannel Shirts (LG thru 4X) | Deodorant | Honey Bunches of Oats |
| Sweat Pants (LG thru 4X) | Instant Oatmeal Packages | Chef Boyardee Beef Ravioli |
| Diabetic Socks | Canned Fruit | |

Please call Kathy Kuhn at 785-735-5040 by **Sunday, December 16**, if you have something to donate.

Victoria V.F.W. Post 1751

would like to say

THANK YOU

to all the VOLUNTEERS who helped in preparing the Breakfast Luncheon on Veterans Day.

Without them, we would not have been able to have our luncheon.

Census Bureau Announces Job Openings for 2020 Census

The U.S. Census Bureau is hiring workers for temporary jobs available in **Victoria, Kansas and Surrounding Areas!** Starting in January 2019, in advance of the 2020 Census.

The 2020 Census Jobs website is now accepting applications for various positions. We need a large and diverse workforce to assist with recruitment, office management, information technology, and census enumeration. Due to our great need for workers and our variety of positions, we are encouraging job seekers, students, retirees, and persons with other full or part-time jobs to apply.

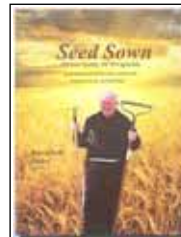
Applicants will be placed in a pool of 2020 Census positions for which they qualify, as jobs become available in their area.

For more information, please visit the <https://www.2020census.gov/jobs> page or call 1-855-JOB-2020 (562-2020). Applicants may also contact the Federal Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339 for TTY/ASCII.

The United States Census is an equal opportunity employer.

For job related information/interviews you may contact:

Marq Youngblood



SEED SOWN

Year of Luke, Cycle C

by Fr. Michael Scully, OFM Capuchin
Now available. It presents a prayer opportunity for the individual's personal spiritual growth for each week based on the Sunday gospel.

\$20 per copy / Order from: Haskell Catholic Center
2301 Barker St., Lawrence, KS 66046

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American Red Cross

BLOOD DRIVE

Victoria VFW, 204 E. Main
Tuesday, December 11 * 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit redcrossblood.org and enter: VictoriaKS to schedule an appointment.

Give more life. Donate blood.

SAVE THE DATE!

Heartland Catholic Women's Conference

REAL
Daughters of God

March 23, 2019

at Immaculate Heart of Mary in Hays

Watch & Pray

Tune in to Divine Mercy Radio November 27-30 for the KVDM Fall Care-a-Thon.

Chance to win prizes, play Catholic Trivia, and hear from local guests

Guests of particular interest for St. Fidelis, St. Boniface, and St. Ann's are:

(For a complete schedule go to dvmercy.com.)

Tuesday, November 27

10:00 a.m. – Fr. John Schmeidler

Wednesday, November 28

4:00-6:00 p.m. – Richard Falcon – Suicide Prevention

Thursday, November 29

10:00 a.m. – Bishop Jerry Vincke – Update from USCCB's Fall Conference

Friday, November 30

4:00-6:00 p.m. – Straight Talk with Fr. Fred Gatschet

You can listen via:

88.1 Radio • computer at dvmercy.com
smart phone app • Amazon Echo

Now available in the St. Fidelis Gift Shop for \$15⁰⁰

Mary Kay Schippers' latest book

THE RETURN TO THE FAMILY FARM STILL LEARNING LIFE LESSONS



Also available: "A Year on the Family Farm" (\$13) and its sequel, "Another Year on the Family Farm" (\$15), by Mary Kay Schippers. Profits go to the Tri-Parishes.

"Healing" Meetings

The Center for Life Experience, 2900 Hall Street, Hays

For information on these groups, contact

Ann Leiker at 785-259-6859 or email ccfpc@ruraltel.net.

TGI—FAMILY NIGHT OUT—Share with other parents what works and does not work in raising healthy children and building strong families. Interactive learning from a variety of professionals in their area of specialization related to child and family relationships. For all families in our community with children 0-10 years of age. **Tuesday, November 27, from 6:00-8:00 p.m.** "Smiling Despite Struggle: Can Humor Foster Health, Hope and Healing?" will be presented by Whitney Jeter Whitaker, asst. professor, FHSU Psychology Department. A meal and childcare will be provided. **RSVP by November 26, 2018**, to Ann at 785-259-6859, Karla at 785-623-2430, or Kaysie at 785-623-2440.

HEALING AFTER LOSS OF SUICIDE is an organization offering family members and friends of those who have lost a loved one to suicide a place to connect with others who are dealing with this highly specialized grief recovery process. The group will meet in The Center for Life Experience at 5:45 p.m. for a Brown Bag dinner on **Wednesday, November 28**, followed by a meeting at 7:00 .

First Care Clinic

Hours are:

Monday – Thursday

8:30 AM – 4:30 PM

Friday 8:30 AM – Noon

Phone: **785-735-3710**



HERZOGFEST COMMITTEE Annual

STARS & STRIPES BREAKFAST

Sunday, December 9, 2018

7:30 a.m. until noon • V.F.W. Hall, Hays

Tickets are sold at a discount for
\$8.50 (adult) and \$3.50 (child).

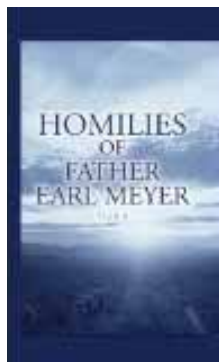
Contact any Herzogfest representative.

A current list of committee members is located on their website at www.theherzogfest.com or call Ashley Kanzenbach at 785-639-0788.

AVAILABLE

in the St. Fidelis Gift Shop

Soft cover \$10



"Homilies of Father Earl Meyer - Year A"

"Homilies of Father Earl Meyer - Year B"

"Homilies of Father Earl Meyer - Year C"

National Night of Prayer for Life

On **Saturday, December 8**, from 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m., St. Nicholas of Myra Church, Hays, will participate in the National Night of Prayer for Life. The purpose is to unite our prayers with Catholics throughout the country in an effort to help bring back the world to Christ and to bring about an end to abortion. The hours are chosen to coincide with Our Lady of Guadalupe's appearance to Juan Diego.



This is a Heartland Parishes of Ellis County event. For any additional information, please contact Ramona Weigel at the St. Nicholas Parish Office at 785-628-1446.

33rd Annual FHSU CATHEDRAL CONCERT



**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2
3:30 PM**

At the glorious "Cathedral of the Plains"
The Basilica of St. Fidelis
FREE TO THE PUBLIC

Victoria Schools Calendar



Monday — November 26

Lunch Menu: Chicken wrap, new potatoes, mixed vegetables, mandarin oranges, salad, milk

AIM period—Students will have directed study

3:30 pm JH basketball practice: Girls at Tin Gym. Boys in VES

3:30 pm HS boys basketball practice

5:00 pm HS Girls basketball practice

Tuesday — November 27

5:45 am HS boys basketball practice @ HS gym

Lunch Menu: Spaghetti, French bread, green beans, pineapple, salad, milk

AIM period—Students will have directed study

3:30 pm HS girls basketball practice @ VES

4:00 pm JH basketball vs Central Plains

Wednesday — November 28

Lunch Menu: Grilled cheese sandwich, tomato soup, cauliflower blend, apple wedges, salad, milk

AIM period—Students will have directed study

3:30 pm JH basketball practice: Girls at VES. Boys in Tim Gym

3:30 pm HS boys basketball practice

5:00 pm HS Girls basketball practice

Thursday — November 29

5:45 am HS girls basketball practice @ HS gym

Lunch Menu: Steak fingers, mashed potatoes, gravy, dinner roll, corn, peaches, salad, milk

AIM period—Students will have directed study

3:30 pm HS boys basketball practice @ VES

4:00 pm JH basketball vs St. John

Friday — November 30

6:00 am JH Girls basketball practice

Lunch Menu: Tacos, refried beans, frozen peas, grapes, salad, milk

AIM period—HS students will have SEL Time. JH students will have directed study

3:30 pm JH boys basketball practice @ VES

4:00 pm HS basketball vs. Hoxie



FHSU Faculty Members to Present Recital of Sacred Music

A Recital of Sacred Music will be presented on **Monday, November 26**, at **7:30 p.m.** at St. Nicholas of Myra Church, Hays.

FHSU faculty members Kay Werth (oboe), Ben Cline (cello), and Judith Ofcarcik (organ, piano) will collaborate with vocalists Michelle Cardinal Dolan and Ralph Thummel to present an offering of beautiful liturgical music to begin the Advent Season.

The concert is free to the public.

Victoria Recreation Adult Open Gym

The Victoria Recreation Commission will have open gym at the Victoria Elementary School Gym on Wednesday nights when religion is in session. If religion classes are cancelled for any reason so is Open Gym.

Tell your friends and get together for a night of drop-in basketball or volleyball or whatever you choose. For questions, contact Sharon Bleske @ 785-735-2454.

TIME 6:30-7:30 PM * SCHEDULE: (Must be over 18)

| NOVEMBER | DECEMBER | FEBRUARY |
|--------------------------|----------------------|-----------------|
| 7 Men | 5 Men | 6 Men |
| 14 Women | 12 District | 13 Women |
| 21 Thanksgiving Break | Christmas Concert | 20 Men |
| 28 Men | 19 Women | 27 Women |
| | JANUARY | MARCH |
| | 2 Christmas Break | 3 Ash Wednesday |
| | 9 Men | 13 Spring Break |
| | 16 Women | 20 Men |
| | 23 Men | 27 Woman |
| | 30 Women | |

ADVENT MISSION AT THE BASILICA



2018

- MONDAY, NOVEMBER 26 –**
7:00 P.M. MASS
7:15 P.M. DISCOVERING THE HOLY FAMILY
- TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 27 –**
7:15 P.M. PRAYER AND ADVENT
- WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 28 –**
7:15 P.M. THE QUEST FOR HOLINESS

NO COST - NO RSVP REQUIRED - BRING YOUR BIBLES



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CONFESSIONS WILL NOT BE HEARD AS USUAL AFTER MASS TOMORROW, MONDAY, NOVEMBER 26.

The outdoor crib at the Basilica of St. Fidelis will be blessed after the 5:00 p.m. Mass on Saturday, December 1.

There will be a Parish Communal Penance Service after the 7:00 p.m. Mass on Monday, December 3.



You are welcome to take a copy of the **Prepare for Him!** Advent Booklet which can be found at the entrances to the Basilica of St. Fidelis.

PLENARY INDULGENCE GIVEN WHEN VISITING A BASILICA

The faithful may obtain a plenary indulgence by visiting a minor basilica. An indulgence is a remission before God of the temporal punishment for a previously forgiven sin. To obtain a plenary indulgence during a pilgrimage to a basilica, one must participate in any sacred rite or recite the Lord's Prayer or the profession of faith while there, then go to Confession and Communion and pray for the intention of the pope.

~taken from *The Register*, the Salina Diocese newspaper

THURSDAY MORNING COFFEE is held at the Parish Office at 9:30. Come and join Fr. John, other parishioners, and friends at the Parish Office for a cup of coffee and a snack.



St. Fidelis Food Pantry

Parish Activity Center (PAC) • 601 10th St. • 785-735-2777

ST. FIDELIS THRIFT SHOP is always accepting donations. Thrift Shop hours are Monday, Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday from 10-2, Wednesday from 10-3:30, Thursday from 10-4. If these hours do not work to drop off your donations, contact Jan at the parish office.

MASS INTENTIONS

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| MONDAY | NOVEMBER 26 |
| 7:00 pm Eldon Schmidtberger | |
| TUESDAY | NOVEMBER 27 |
| 6:45 am Herman and Anita Weber family | |
| WEDNESDAY | NOVEMBER 28 |
| 6:45 am | |
| THURSDAY | NOVEMBER 29 |
| 6:45 am Wayne Billinger Robert A. Schmidtberger | |
| FRIDAY | NOVEMBER 30 |
| 6:45 am | |
| SATURDAY | DECEMBER 1 |
| 5:00 pm St. Fidelis Seraphin Scheck 6:30 pm St. Ann Frank Riedel | |
| SUNDAY | FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT |
| 8:45 am St. Boniface 10:00 am St. Fidelis George, Wilhelmina, and Varian Wellbrock | DECEMBER 2 |

* Sunday Rosary Schedule *

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| 1 st - Christian Mothers | 2 nd - Knights of Columbus |
| 3 rd - Daughters of Isabella | 4 th - Family Life |

MINISTER SCHEDULE

CANTORS

- Saturday, Dec. 1, 5:00 PM — Trilogy
Sunday, Dec. 2, 10:00 AM — Meagan Wellbrock

ALTAR SERVERS

- Saturday, Dec. 1, 5:00 PM — Caidyn D., Taylor A., Jaxon D.
Sunday, Dec. 2, 10:00 AM — Wyatt G., Brody & Brooklyn N.
Saturday, Dec. 8, 5:00 PM — Eric & Justin B., Abby B.
Sunday, Dec. 9, 10:00 AM — Shelby & Sienna S., Averi W.

Eucharistic Ministers\Lectors

These ministries are on a volunteer basis. Please sign up by the north entrance or come to the sacristy before Mass to see if anyone is needed.