

“Beacon of Faith,”  
ST. ANN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

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



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

[www.stfidelischurch.com](http://www.stfidelischurch.com) / [www.stbonifacevincent.com](http://www.stbonifacevincent.com)

## February 24, 2019 – 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### 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

- Mar. 1** — World Day of Prayer
- Mar. 6** — Ash Wednesday
- Mar. 8** — Stations of the Cross begin on Fridays of Lent
- Mar. 9-10** — Anointing of the Sick after all Masses
- Mar. 10** — Daylight Savings Time begins — Turn clocks AHEAD 1 hour
- Mar. 11** — No scheduled Confessions @ St. Fidelis—Fr. John not available
- Mar. 11-15** — No Masses @ St. Fidelis — Fr. John not available
- Mar. 11-15** — School Spring Break
- Mar. 17** — First Sunday of Lent
- Mar. 17** — St. Patrick's Day
- Mar. 18** — No scheduled Confessions @ St. Fidelis — Fr. John not available



Do to others  
as you would have them  
do to you.



(from the Holy Gospel according to Luke 6:27-38)





## Love your Enemy

When Abraham Lincoln was elected president he appointed his political rival Edwin Stanton as his Secretary of War. Said Lincoln, "Stanton is the best man for the job. He has been my opponent, but I will not let him be my enemy."

The most revolutionary commandment of Christianity is to love our enemy. No other religion has anything remotely like it. Some even bless vengeance. But the gospel says, "Love your enemies and do good to those who hate you." That obviously goes against our natural instinct. So many ask why do good to those who hate you?

Today's gospel explains: "Then you will be children of God for He himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked." If we love our enemies we do as God does. But why is God good and loving to the ungrateful? The Book of Wisdom says that kindness to the wicked "turns their hearts from destruction and their malice to mercy."

Here Christianity is surprisingly practical. Loving our enemies has the power to free our enemies from their hatred and vengeance. It is often the only thing that can. Returning their hatred with hatred only escalates the war. Ignoring them entrenches a cold war. But when I love my enemies I not only lay down my own arms, I disarm my opponents. They no longer have an enemy. They can only fight with their own conscience.

The personal application of this gospel is not about politics or war. It is

about our own interpersonal conflicts. A partner in marriage has been called *the intimate enemy*. When spouses have a falling-out, any small issue can escalate unreasonably. *Enemy* may seem like a strange term for children, except when they fight among themselves. Or when parents deal with a rebellious teenager, or when adult children are estranged from their parents. "Love your enemy" is the only effective way to disarm these intimate enemies.

My neighbor can be my enemy in a cold war. Such wounds are not easily healed, and the right words to repair such rifts are difficult to find. But an act of kindness can break the ice of mistrust. When that neighbor is in need of assistance, a helping hand can erase an old animosity.

Abraham Lincoln appointed his opponent Edwin Stanton as Secretary of War and thus disarmed him. When Lincoln was assassinated, it was Stanton who offered one of the most memorable tributes to Lincoln, "Now he belongs to the ages."

### ... and mirth

Don't fear the enemy that attacks you, but the false friend that hugs you.



### Parish Staff

**Pastor:**

Fr. John Schmeidler, OFM, Cap.  
email: frjohncap@gmail.com

**Bookkeeper/Minister to the Elderly and Homebound/Thrift Shop/Food Pantry:**

Jan Brungardt  
email: fidelis@ruraltel.net

**Catholic Faith Education Office:**

Jeanette Brungardt, R.E. Coordinator/  
Youth Minister  
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Shirley Brungardt, RCIA Director/  
Sacramental Records  
email: sfreled@ruraltel.net

**Housekeeping/Sacristan:**

Darlene Dreiling

**Groundskeeper:** Julius Dreiling**Maintenance:** Joe Brungardt**Organists:** Kathy Dreiling-Amrein  
Lou Ann Hammersmith**Choir Director:** Kathy Dreiling-Amrein**Technology Coordinator:**

Connie Windholz  
email: sftech@ruraltel.net

### Council Members

**St. Fidelis Pastoral Council**

Peggy Fitzpatrick 735-8186 (Chair)  
Andy Kuhn 639-2156 (Vice-Chair)  
Janea Dinkel 735-9529 (RelEd)  
Doug Kuhn 650-1058 (Bldgs & Grounds)  
John Schulte 735-2444  
Deb Braun 735-7106  
Gina Oberle 735-8056  
Jacque Schmidt 735-5011

**St. Fidelis Finance Council**

John R. Braun 735-2622  
Harland Rupp 735-2206  
Randy Leiker 259-1392

**St. Boniface Pastoral Council**

Carol Freitag 735-9282  
Fred Tholen 735-4801  
Curtis Wellbrock

**St. Ann Pastoral Council**

Terry Riedel 735-9375  
Jerry Nowak 637-5273  
Bill Robben 806-669-5264

### Contributions February 16-17, 2019

**ST. FIDELIS:**

Adult 2063.00 Loose 804.00  
Repair Fund 300.00

**ST. ANN:**

Adult 100.00 Loose 166.00

**ST. BONIFACE:**

Adult 220.25 Loose 172.00  
Candles 12.00

### ~ MONEY COUNTERS ~

**Feb. 25** — Mary Brungardt, Det  
Younger

**Mar. 4** — Connie Dreiling, Janie  
Dinges

## With Sympathy

The sympathy of the parishes is extended to the family of **Chetty Ann (Brown) Peckham** of Derby, Kansas, who passed away Monday, February 11, 2019. Services were held at Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church in Derby on Saturday, February 16, with graveside services in St. Fidelis Cemetery, Victoria, on Monday, February 18.

### ST. ANN

#### Christian Mothers Dues

St. Ann's Christian Mothers dues of \$5.00 are due and payable to Lou Ann Hammersmith, Box 163, Gorham, Kansas 67640.

#### Christian Mothers Meeting

The annual St. Ann Christian Mothers meeting will be held after Mass in the parish hall on **Saturday evening, March 9**. All members are encouraged to attend.

## A Parent's Prayer

We gave you life, but we can't live for you.  
We can teach you, but we can't learn in your place.  
We can take you to church, but we can't believe for you.  
We can give you advice about your friends, but we can't choose them for you.  
We can tell you what is right and wrong, but we can't choose in your place.  
We can love you like our child, but we can't place you in God's family.  
We can pray with you, but we can't make you walk with God.  
We can show you how to live, but we can't give you Eternal Life.

~ Author Unknown

### ST. FIDELIS ADULT CHOIR

#### CHOIR PRACTICE

The St. Fidelis Adult Choir will have practice every Wednesday evening at 7:30 from February 27 through Holy Week.

## Tri-Parish

# Cards & Games Party

**Sunday, March 3 • 2:00 — 4:00 p.m.**

Parish Activity Center (north entrance)

*Everyone is invited.*

*Pick up a friend and come join the fun!*

***There will be snacks.***

*You are welcomed to bring a snack of any kind for everyone to enjoy.*



#### LET'S PLAY!

- Pinochle
- Skip-Bo
- Phase 10
- Farkle
- Dominos
- Rummikub

## Religious Education Classes:

There are no Religious Education classes on Ash Wednesday, March 6, or over Spring Break on Wednesday, March 13.

Classes will resume as normal on Wednesday, March 20, from 6:30—7:30 P.M.

Catechists, students, and families—we wish you a very enjoyable break!

## Attention St. Fidelis Altar Servers:

Parents, if you know of any dates that your child will be out of town or unavailable between Saturday, April 13, and Sunday, July 7, or if your child is switching from serving during a Saturday Mass to a Sunday Mass or visa versa during this time—**please let Jeanette Brungardt know by/before Wednesday, February 27.**

**The schedule for April 13 thru July 7 will be available and emailed to families by Wednesday, March 13.** Once the altar servers schedule is completed, individuals will need to find substitutes for the days they are scheduled but are unable to serve.

**\*Also, parents, have you considered being a commentator, greeter, or lector on occasion during Sunday Mass? If so, please contact Diane Gross. We will be collaborating to schedule servers and their parents interested in serving in one of the above ministries on the same Sunday. Please contact Diane Gross at 785-735-4804 or [dgross@gorhamtel.com](mailto:dgross@gorhamtel.com)**



*Thank you in advance, Jeanette Brungardt*

*Office: 735-9244 [Fidelisyouth@ruraltel.net](mailto:Fidelisyouth@ruraltel.net)*

## Religious Ed Committee Meeting

**Tuesday, March 5, at 7:00 P.M.**

**Please gather in the PAC's Meal Site Room.**

This will be the final meeting for committee members: Mary Kay Schippers, Scott Vonfeldt, & Naomi Dinkel as their terms will have come to completion. Thank you each for your service. As well thank you to Rebecca Woolsey, we wish you and your family the very best. The community of Victoria and St. Fidelis will miss you!



**Jubilee Choir will practice on Wednesday, February 27, from 5:15—6:15 P.M.**

**Jubilee Choir sings 2 Sunday's later, on Sunday, March 10.**



**Today, at 11:00 A.M., is the parent and student meeting preparing all 2nd graders & their families for the Sacrament of First Communion. Please gather in the Meal Site Room at the Parish Activity Center.**



## Saccos Catholic Gifts Religious Education Fundraiser



Do you have a relative or friend who will be receiving the Sacrament of First Communion this Spring or the Sacrament of Confirmation in the coming year? The Office of Religious Education has the Spring 2019 catalog available now for Saccos Company. The Saccos Company offers religious gifts and church supplies including: Communion sets for boys and girls complete with a rosary, My First Mass Book, scapular and Communion pin; custom printed Holy cards, wall crucifixes, candles, Bibles, trinkets such as bracelets, dolls, key rings, pendants, bookmarks, prayer books, etc.; keep sakes such as picture frames, stained glass or wooden plaques, crosses; photo albums, First Communion veils, dresses, ties, party goods, and even personalized keepsakes!

The catalog also includes patron saint sacramental, pewter statues, medals, jewelry, and personalized patron saint medals.

**Twenty percent of the profit will be donated, by Saccos, to the Office of Religious Education at the Basilica of St. Fidelis.**

If you would like to obtain a catalog as well as instructions on how to place an order, please contact Jeanette Brungardt in the Religious Education Office and she'll be happy to give you one, 785-735-9244.

**All order requests are due by Tuesday, March 5.** Orders will be placed on Friday, March 8, and Jeanette will contact individuals as soon as their order arrives.

Thank you,  
*Jeanette B.*

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# CYO Dodgeball & Dinner

Wednesday, 2/27/2019

CYO gather at tin gym/auditorium following  
religion classes for food and dodge ball!

## CATHOLIC FAITH EDUCATION CALENDAR

### FEBRUARY CALENDER

#### Sunday, February 24

11:00 A.M. – First Communion parent and student meeting in PAC

#### Wednesday, February 27

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

### MARCH CALENDER

#### Tuesday, March 5

7:00 P.M. – Religious Education Committee Meeting in the PAC's Meal Site Room

**\*\*SACCOS catalog orders due to the Office of Religious Education \*\***

#### Wednesday, March 6

Ash Wednesday  
No Religious Education Classes  
**\*\*Altar server requests are due to Jeanette\*\***

#### Sunday, March 10

10:00 A.M. Mass – Jubilee Choir sings

#### Wednesday, March 13

Spring Break  
No Religious Education Classes

#### Wednesday, March 20

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

“Cathletics” Vacation Bible School registration forms will be sent home with children, grades K – 5

**\*VBS pre-registration forms due to Religious Ed Office by Wednesday, April 17<sup>th</sup>\*\***

#### Wednesday, March 27

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

Lent penance service for grades 2 – 12

### APRIL CALENDER

#### Wednesday, April 3

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

#### Wednesday, April 10

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

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

#### Sunday, April 14

Palm Sunday - 10:00 A..M. Mass – Jubilee Choir sings at St. Fidelis

#### Wednesday, April 17

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

“Cathletics” Vacation Bible School pre-registration forms due to Jeanette in Religious Ed Office

#### Saturday, April 20

1:00 P.M. - Easter Egg Hunt at Victoria Elementary School – ages 0-9 years old. Gather in St. Fidelis Church parking lot

#### Sunday, April 21

Easter Sunday – 10:00 A.M. Mass – Jubilee Choir sings at St. Fidelis

#### Wednesday, April 24

Last day of Religious Education Classes  
6:30 P.M. – End of Year Mass for grades K – 12

### MAY CALENDER

#### Wednesday, May 1

6:30 – 7:30 P.M. – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade: First Communion practice at St. Fidelis Church

#### Sunday, May 5

10:00 A.M. Mass – Second grade receives First Communion at St. Fidelis

#### Sunday, May 22

10:00 A.M. Mass – Baccalaureate Mass at St. Fidelis Church

### DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA

#### REMINDER: DUES ARE DUE

Daughters of Isabella dues of \$15.00 are now due. Please mail dues to Wilma VonLintel, P.O. Box 33, Victoria, Kansas 67671.

### DIOCESE

### ST. BONIFACE

#### NOW FOR SALE

#### St. Boniface Parish Cookbooks

**COST: \$20.00**



The 153-page cookbook has recipes along with many helpful hints and numerous inspirational quotes of faith throughout the book. Cookbooks can be purchased at Mass on Sundays, or by calling Carol at 785-735-9282.

Diocese of Salina  
**CATHOLIC RURAL LIFE COMMISSION**  
Promoting Spiritual Growth and Faith Formation  
for those involved in Agriculture and Rural Life

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**ST. MARY QUEEN OF ANGELS, RUSSELL, KS**  
Beginning at 9:30 a.m. with Mass celebrated by honored guest and presenter Bishop Gerald Vincke. This will be an excellent opportunity for people to meet and interact with Bishop Vincke during the seminar.  
**\$10 per person with lunch provided.**  
Register online @ [www.SalinaDiocese.org/rural-life](http://www.SalinaDiocese.org/rural-life)

Salina's Annual Lenten Retreat • Saturday, March 9, 2019

Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World

An *invitation* for every woman & man who feels they are not  
godly enough... loving enough... doing enough....

This day of retreat will offer a place to be still and discover new ways to balance work and personal prayer. Let us learn from Martha and Mary as they seek, serve, and sit with their beloved. Their story is the tale of every person, who struggles to find time for prayer and reflection living in a world full of demands.

This day of retreat will be conducted by Ann Axman, co-director of Heartland Center for Spirituality. Ann is the mother of 3, and grandmother of 6 soon to be 7. She continually strives to find the balance in this busy world. Sister Esther Fiegel, a Dominican Sister of Peace, is on staff at Heartland for Spirituality. Though in religious life for over 60 years, balancing prayer and ministry remains an on-going challenge.

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**Saturday, March 9, 2019**

**St. Mary Queen of the Universe Parish Hall – 230 E. Cloud St., Salina, Kansas**

REGISTRATION: 8:30 – 9:00 a.m. • RETREAT: 9:00 – 3:00

\$20.00 (includes lunch/snacks)

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**RSVP by Sunday, March 3, to:**

Margaret Robertson, 785-820-1821, email [mbkrobertson@gmail.com](mailto:mbkrobertson@gmail.com)

Or Marlene Bonilla, 785-342-0130; email [sanmarbonilla@yahoo.com](mailto:sanmarbonilla@yahoo.com)

Mail \$20.00 to 145 Millview, Salina, Kansas 67401

*Sponsored by Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Salina Court #1972*

**Rachel's Vineyard Retreats**

*You are called by name. If you are struggling with your abortion decision come and see what Jesus has prepared for you. Give yourself His "gift" of a retreat weekend.*

**Rachel's Vineyard Retreats**

Healing the pain of abortion one weekend at a time

**Next retreat: Friday-Sunday, May 17-19**

**1-877-I-GRIEVE (1-877-447-4383)**

[rachelsvineyard@salinadiocese.org](mailto:rachelsvineyard@salinadiocese.org)

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**FEBRURAY HUMAN TRAFFICKING ALERT**

February 8 is the feast of St. Josephine Bakhita. Her life inspires a firm resolve to work effectively to free girls and women from oppression of violence and return them to their dignity in the full exercise of their rights. You can watch her life story on YouTube.

**U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking**  
([sistersagainsttrafficking.org](http://sistersagainsttrafficking.org)).

*Catholic Women's Conference*

**REAL**  
*Daughters of God*  
Redeemed Encouraged  
Alive Loved

*Gather in faith*  
**SATURDAY, MARCH 23**  
**8 a.m.-3:15 p.m.**  
*Doors open at 7:30 p.m.*  
Immaculate Heart of Mary in Hays

Featuring: Noelle Garcia and Vickie Broxteman

Cost: \$25 (Fri. & Sat)  
\$20 (Sat. only)  
\$5 (Fri. only)

Register online at [www.ihm-church.com](http://www.ihm-church.com)

For information, call 785-625-7339  
Deadline: March 10

**Pre-conference Gathering**  
*Optional event*  
**Friday, March 22**  
**6:30-8 p.m.**

# LENTEN YARD CROSSES

Knights of Columbus throughout the area are sponsoring a project to provide and install a cross in the yard of people that would like to have one during the Lenten season. The Knights of Columbus will construct, install, and remove the cross for you.

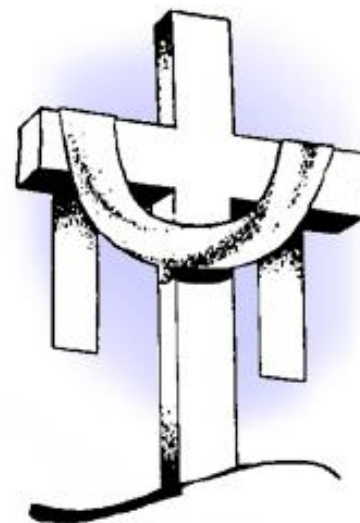
The cost to participate in this event is \$20.

Knights of Columbus will install the crosses on the Saturday morning following Ash Wednesday morning (March 9). The Knights will remove the crosses on Saturday morning, April 27,

the first Saturday following Easter Sunday.

If you choose, you may decorate the cross with a ribbon or cloth, but nothing permanent. If you are interested, see any of the Knights after any Mass this weekend (February 16-17) to sign up. The Knights will be at both entrances.

Anyone living in the country who would like one is welcome to sign up and we will drive out and install them and take them down.



## K. of C. Regional Free Throw Championship



Claire Schippers, representing the local Knights of Columbus Council #1867, placed second in the Regional Free Throw Championship held Sunday, February 17, in Tipton, Kansas.

## Knights of Columbus

Council #1867 Victoria



2019

### LENTEN FISH FRY

5:00 — 7:30 p.m.

on the Fridays of

**March 8, March 22, and April 5**

Victoria V.F.W. Hall, 204 E. Main Street

**MENU:** Fish, noodles and beans, baked potato, cole slaw

\$10.00 Adults | \$5.00 Children 5 to 10 | 5 and under Free

*Proceeds are used to help local charities.*



## COMMUNITY

### First Care Clinic

Hours are:

**Monday - Thursday**

**8:30 AM - 4:30 PM**

**Friday 8:30 AM - Noon**

Phone: **785-735-3710**





## Dividing the Spoils



On the outskirts of a small town, there was a big, old pecan tree just inside the cemetery fence. One day, two boys filled up a bucketful of nuts and sat down by the tree, out of sight, and began dividing the nuts. “One for you, one for me, one for you, one for me,” said one boy. Several dropped and rolled down toward the fence.

Another boy came riding along the road on his bicycle. As he passed, he thought he heard voices from inside the cemetery. He slowed down to investigate. Sure enough, he heard, “One for you, one for me, one for you, one for me ....”

He just knew what it was. He jumped back on his bike and rode off. Just around the bend, he met an old man with a cane, hobbling along.

“Come here quick,” said the boy, “you won't believe what I heard! Satan and the Lord are down at the cemetery dividing up the souls!”

The man said, “Beat it, kid, can't you see it's hard for me to walk.” When the boy insisted though, the man hobbled slowly to the cemetery.

Standing by the fence they heard, “One for you, one for me. One for you, one for me.”

The old man whispered, “Boy, you've been tellin' me the truth. Let's see if we can see the Lord...?”

Shaking with fear, they peered through the fence, yet were still unable to see anything. The old man and the boy gripped the wrought iron bars of the fence tighter and tighter as they tried to get a glimpse of the Lord.

At last, they heard, “One for you, one for me. That's all. Now let's go get those nuts by the fence and we'll be done....”

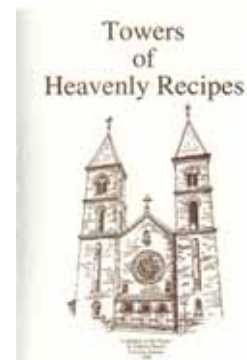
They say the old man had the lead for a good half-mile before the kid on the bike passed him.

## Available in the St. Fidelis Gift Shop



### SHARING OUR BEST COOKBOOK

Originally printed in 2001. Over 500 pages includes German recipes. 8.5" x 11" Cost: \$25.00 (Plus \$5.00 postage and handling if we need to mail it)



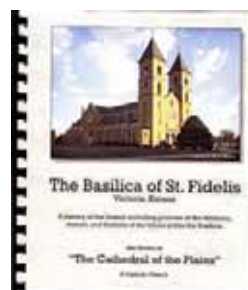
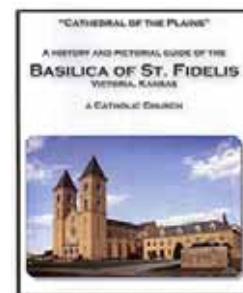
### TOWERS OF HEAVENLY RECIPES COOKBOOK

Originally printed in 1996. 278 pages includes German recipes. 8.5" x 11" Cost: \$20.00 (Plus \$5.00 postage and handling if we need to mail it)

### CATHEDRAL OF THE PLAINS HISTORY BOOKLET

A history and pictorial guide of the Basilica of St. Fidelis Church. 33 pages. 7" x 8.5"

Cost: \$5.00 (Plus \$2.00 postage and handling if we need to mail it)



### BASILICA OF ST. FIDELIS HISTORY BOOKLET

An expanded history and pictorial guide of the Basilica of St. Fidelis Church. The history pages are mostly the same as the smaller Cathedral of the Plains History booklet, but this booklet includes photographs of all of the statues, stained glass windows, and Stations of the Cross. 80 pages. 7" x 8.5"

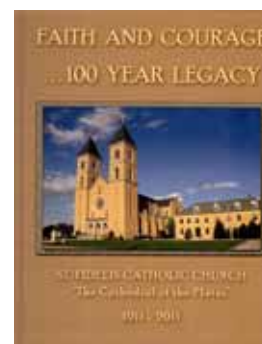
Cost: \$10.00 (Plus \$4.00 postage and handling if we need to mail it)

### "FAITH AND COURAGE. . . 100 YEAR LEGACY"

A 211-page, hardcover history book produced in commemoration of the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the building the Basilica of St. Fidelis—“*The Cathedral of the Plains*”—celebrated in 2011.

Cost: \$10.00 (Plus \$6.00 postage and handling if we need to mail it)

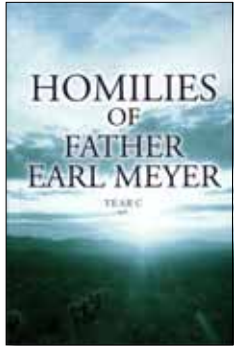
**A VERY LIMITED AMOUNT OF THESE BOOKS ARE AVAILABLE**



**A V A I L A B L E**

in the St. Fidelis Gift Shop  
soft cover \$10

**“Homilies of  
Fr. Earl Meyer-Year C”**  
(We are now in Year C of the  
Liturgical Cycle)



ALSO AVAILABLE  
**“Homilies of Father Earl  
Meyer - Year A”**  
**“Homilies of Father Earl Meyer - Year B”**

**Ellis St. Mary CYO**

**Community Fried Chicken Dinner**  
**Sunday, February 24, 2019**

Knights of Columbus Hall, 1013 Washington St., Ellis, KS

**10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. or until sold out**

**COME EARLY**

Pan-fried Chicken Dinner includes Mashed Potatoes & Gravy,  
Vegetable, Coleslaw, Dinner Roll, and Dessert  
**Ages 5-9: \$5.00; Ages 10 & over: \$10.00**

**Annual Bingo & Raffle**

at St. Nicholas of Myra Catholic Church, Hays

**Sunday, March 17 - 1:00-3:00 p.m.**

in the St. Nicholas Parish Hall

**JOIN THEM FOR A FUN FAMILY EVENT!**

**Box Tops & Pop Tabs for VES**

Victoria Elementary School is still collecting **Box Tops and Pop Tabs**. If you have any of these items be sure to give them to any elementary school student or staff member, or you can drop them off at the school.

The school is also a part of the Dillons Community Awards Program and you can sign up online to enroll. Each time you swipe your Dillons Plus Shopper's Card, USD 432 automatically starts earning a rebate.

for St. Mary's Church, Gorham,  
church improvement project

**GORHAM DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA  
PROUDLY PRESENTS**

**MARDI GRAS PARTY & FUNDRAISER**  
**ADULTS ONLY - \$10 PER TICKET**

**Saturday, March 2 - Gorham Senior Center**  
Music and Karaoke provided by Parsons Productions

Social hour 6:00 to 8:00 pm.  
**FINGER FOOD AND CASH BAR**  
Music and Karaoke 8:00 to midnight

**Advance Tickets:**  
call Michelle Brown 785-735-4676  
or Jacquelyn Stoffell 785-483-0463

**Engaged Couples Retreat**

BELOVED, one day retreat offers engaged couples a look into the long term commitment of marriage and working through challenges as a couple. It explores the spiritual and eternal reality behind "I Do." To sign up for the upcoming retreat on **Saturday, March 9, 2019**, contact Susan Kisner at [skisner@ihm-church.com](mailto:skisner@ihm-church.com) or Nancy Urban at [nurban76@gmail.com](mailto:nurban76@gmail.com).

**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**

**“Healing” Meetings**

THE CENTER FOR LIFE EXPERIENCE, INC.  
OFFICE: 205 E. 7th St., Suite 251, Hays (Hadley Center)  
MEETINGS IN SUITE 257

For information on these groups, contact  
Ann Leiker at 785-259-6859 or email [cfl1@eaglecom.net](mailto:cfl1@eaglecom.net)

**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 have a “Brown Bag” supper at 5:45 p.m. followed by a meeting on **Wednesday, February 27**, at the Center (**NOTICE:** new address for the meetings).

**SAVE THE DATE!**

**Saturday, March 30, 2019**  
**9:45 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**



*A Healing Kids’ Hearts Retreat*

sponsored by Center for Life Experience, Inc., 205 E. 7th St., Suite 251, Hays, is for children ages 7-12 years old that have experienced the loss of a loved one, friend, or special companion. They are invited to apply for the “Healing Kids’ Hearts” retreat to learn about, embrace, and cope with grief so that they move forward in their journey of healing. An adult trained and matched “buddy” will guide and support the children throughout the day with a variety of activities.

The brochure and application are located at <https://www.cflehope.org/healing-kids-hearts-retreat.html>.

For more information, contact Ann Leiker at 785-259-6859 or email [cfl1@eaglecom.net](mailto:cfl1@eaglecom.net)



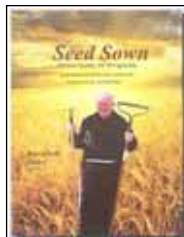
**Victoria VFW Post 1751, Victoria**  
is sponsoring the  
**Sunday, March 10, Breakfast**  
at the Hays V.F.W. Hall

Tickets sold in advance will help the Victoria V.F.W. with bathroom and other renovations at the Hall.

**Tickets can be purchased from any Victoria V.F.W. member or by calling 785-623-1368 / 785-735-2206.**

If there is no answer, please leave a message and someone will respond.

**Adults \$8.50. Children \$3.50. Under 5 free.**



**SEED SOWN**

**Year of Luke, Cycle C**

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

**ALSO AVAILABLE (IN THE ST. FIDELIS GIFT SHOP)**  
Year of Matthew Cycle A & Year of Mark Cycle B - \$12.00 per book

**Victoria Schools**  
**Calendar** 

**Monday — February 25**

Mrs. C. Braun and select students @ FCCLA  
AIM period—Students will have directed study  
Lunch Menu: Steak fingers, baked potato, mixed vegetables, dinner roll, fruit cocktail, salad, milk  
3:30 pm HS boys basketball practice  
3:30 pm HS track practice  
4:00 pm HS baseball practice at Russell  
5:00 pm HS girls basketball practice

**Tuesday — February 26**

Lunch Menu: Chicken & noodles, mashed potatoes, corn, grapes, cinnamon bread, salad, milk  
AIM period—Students will have directed study  
3:30 pm HS girls basketball practice  
3:30 pm HS track practice  
4:00 pm HS baseball practice at Russell  
5:00 pm HS boys basketball practice

**Wednesday — February 27**

Mentor/Mentee Workshop in Hays. Select teachers will attend  
Lunch Menu: Goulash, green beans, bread stick, peaches, salad, milk  
AIM period—Students will have directed study  
3:30 pm HS boys basketball practice  
3:30 pm HS track practice  
4:00 pm HS baseball practice at Russell  
5:00 pm HS girls basketball practice

**Thursday — February 28**

Lunch Menu: Sub sandwich, curly fries, cole slaw, apple wedges, salad, milk  
AIM period—Students will have directed study  
3:30 pm HS track practice  
3:30 pm HS girls basketball practice  
3:30 pm CTE meeting with Mr. Rigler in JH/HS library  
4:00 pm HS baseball practice at Russell  
TBA—KSHSAA boys basketball sub-state

**Friday — March 1**

7:00 am JH music festival @ LaCrosse for select students with Mrs. Johnson  
Lunch Menu: Bierocks, potato triangle, steamed peas, banana, salad, milk  
AIM period—HS students will have SEL time. JH students will have directed study  
12:15 pm 1st and 2nd Grade to Hays  
3:30 pm HS track practice  
3:30 pm HS boys basketball practice  
4:00 pm HS baseball practice at Russell  
TBA—KSHSAA girls basketball sub-state

**Saturday — March 2**

TBA—KSHSAA boys and girls basketball sub-state championship

# ASH WEDNESDAY is MARCH 6.

Masses will be at

6:45 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

Surveys were handed out last weekend (February 16-17) regarding stewardship. If you have not yet returned your copy, please return it to Diane Gross or the Parish Office as soon as possible.

We are trying to reestablish the ministry schedules of lectors, commentators, and Eucharistic ministers at the Basilica of St. Fidelis. Once it is organized, the list of ministers will be published in the bulletin.

Please contact Diane Gross at 785-735-4804 or email [dgross@gorhamtel.com](mailto:dgross@gorhamtel.com) with any vacation requests or changes in the schedule.

## COMMUNITY

**SAVE THE DATE!**  
**Sunday, March 24**  
**GERMAN MEAL**  
 including  
 Creamed Potatoes & Dumplings,  
 Noodles & Beans, and more



This is a fundraiser to help with the cost of the "MUCH NEEDED RESTORATION" of the Victoria Junior/Senior High School Gymnasium Floor.

**WATCH THE BULLETIN FOR MORE DETAILS!**

**Cline's-Keithley Mortuary**  
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 785-735-9224  
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- † Die Herzoger .... \$30
- † Sharing Our Best Cookbook .... \$25
- † Towers of Heavenly Recipes Cookbook .... \$20
- and much more

### 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	
<b>MONDAY</b> .....	<b>FEBRUARY 25</b>
7:00 pm Chetty Peckham	
<b>TUESDAY</b> .....	<b>FEBRUARY 26</b>
6:45 am	
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> .....	<b>FEBRUARY 27</b>
6:45 am	
<b>THURSDAY</b> .....	<b>FEBRUARY 28</b>
6:45 am Joseph, Albina, and Mary Rome and Don and Bob Gross	
<b>FRIDAY</b> .....	<b>MARCH 1</b>
6:45 am	
<b>SATURDAY</b> .....	<b>MARCH 2</b>
5:00 pm St. Fidelis Albert Rohleder Sue Pfeifer and Alois and Mae Pfeifer	
6:30 pm St. Ann Leroy and Paula Windholz	
<b>SUNDAY</b> .....	<b>EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> ..... <b>MARCH 3</b>
8:45 am St. Boniface Alice Freitag	
10:00 am St. Fidelis Stella Sander Ernie and Dolores Hoffman family living and deceased Bob Dinges (anniv)	

* Sunday Rosary Schedule *	
1 <sup>st</sup> - Christian Mothers	2 <sup>nd</sup> - Knights of Columbus
3 <sup>rd</sup> - Daughters of Isabella	4 <sup>th</sup> - Family Life

## MINISTER SCHEDULE

### CANTORS

**Saturday, Mar. 2, 5:00 PM** — Meagan Wellbrock  
**Sunday, Mar. 3, 10:00 AM** — Leroy Schmidtberger  
**Ash Wed., Mar. 6, 5:30 PM** — Marilyn Braun

### ALTAR SERVERS

**Saturday, Mar. 2, 5:00 PM** — Abby B., Taylor A., Eric B.  
**Sunday, Mar. 3, 10:00 AM** — Wyatt G., Lydia & Wesley S.  
**Ash Wed., Mar. 6, 5:30 PM** — Shelby & Sienna S.  
**Saturday, Mar. 9, 5:00 PM** — Jessica S., Caidyn D.  
**Sunday, Mar. 10, 10:00 AM** — Tyler, Trenton, & Quenton E.

### 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.