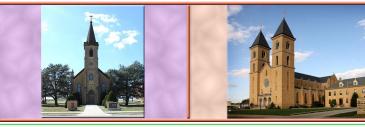
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## . Pearl of the Prairie. ST. BONIFACE CATHOLIC CHURCH

#### ST. ANN CATHOLIC CHURCH

# THE BASILICA OF ST. FIDELIS







#### PARISH OFFICE

AND CATHOLIC FAITH EDUCATION 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

ST. FIDELIS GIFT SHOP Located in the Parish Office at 601 10th Street, Victoria

#### WEDDINGS, BAPTISMS, HOSPITAL VISITS, HOLY COMMUNION TO HOMEBOUND Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements for these events.

#### **BULLETIN ITEMS**

Deadline is Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. Please contact Connie at the Parish Office (sftech@ruraltel.net or 785-735-2777)

#### ST. FIDELIS THRIFT SHOP - 503 Main Street, Victoria

Monday, Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday 10:00-2:00; Wednesday 10:00-3:30; Thursday 10:00-4:00

PLENARY INDULGENCE—The faithful may obtain a plenary indulgence—a remission before God of the temporal punishment for a previously forgiven sin—by visiting a minor basilica. 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*, Salina Diocese newspaper

#### WWW.STFIDELISCHURCH.COM

## November 24, 2024 — CHRIST THE KING

#### MASSES:

#### ST. FIDELIS, VICTORIA

Saturday - 5:00 pm Sunday — 10:00 am

Monday - 7:00 pm

Tuesd ay through Friday — 6:45 am

#### ST. ANN, WALKER

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

#### ST. BONIFACE, VINCENT

Sunday — 8:30 am — November - April Saturday - 6:30 pm - May - October

#### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:**

THURSDAYS ● 9:30 A.M. TO 11:30 A.M.

in St. Fidelis Chapel behind the main altar Bishop Vincke asks each parish to Include prayers for vocations to religious life.

#### CONFESSIONS:

St. Fidelis: Mondays 7:30 p.m. and Saturdays 4:00 p.m.

St. Ann: After Mass

St. Boniface: Sundays 7:45-8:15 a.m. (Nov.-Apr.); After Mass (May-Oct.) or by appointment (contact Parish Office)

#### TRI-PARISH PRAYER LINE

To request prayers for family or friends, call Teresa Shepherd (785-735-9576) to add the request to the Prayer Line

#### DATES TO

Dec. 1 — First Sunday of Advent

Dec. 6— Feast of St. Nicholas

Dec. 8 — FHSU Cathedral Concert

**Dec. 9** — Immaculate Conception — Holy Day of Obligation — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

Dec. 24— PARISH OFFICE CLOSED @ noon for Christmas

Dec. 25 — Christmas Day — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

Dec. 26 — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED for Christmas



Mass on Thanksgiving Day will be at 9:00 a.m. at The Basilica of St. Fidelis.

Food will be blessed.

Eucharistic Adoration will not be observed on Thanksgiving Day.

The Parish Office will be closed for Thanksgiving @ noon on Wednesday, November 27, and all day Thursday-Friday, November 28-29.



#### **Blessings in Disguise**

General George Patton, after his successful campaign in North Africa, was confident that he would be given the command for the invasion of Italy. But that command was given to

Montgomery, while Patton was assigned a phantom army to divert attention from Normandy Beach. disappointed bitterly Patton wrote in his "Thanksgiving diary: Day, 1942. I have nothing to be thankful for. So did not give thanks today." Just

a few months later General Patton was appointed commander of Operation Overlord, the invasion of Europe, where his army conquered Nazi Germany.

Such twists of fate in our lives are often referred to as blessings in disquise. We have had disappointments and setbacks that hurt us deeply at the time. But so often the fortunes of life change in such a way that these disappointments are later seen as blessings in the larger design of providence.

It is easy to be grateful for blessings which enrich our present life. How could one not appreciate good health, good friends, and fortune? But to be thankful for our hidden blessings is a humble trust in the providence of God. A special blessing of wisdom is knowing that some disappointments in life are actually blessings in disguise.

This is especially true of the hidden blessings of faith. Perhaps you were upset by unanswered prayers, moral teachings of the church, or changes in the liturgy. Yet with the advantage of hindsight, you came to see that many of these were occasions for you to grow in your faith. A confident faith is a great blessing. But challenges to our faith are opportunities to develop a yet deeper faith.

If vou are struggling this Thanksgiving with difficulties of faith, weary of an illness, troubled with uncertain finances, or challenged by a difficult relationship, know that gratitude in abundance is a cheap virtue. But thanksgiving in trials, rooted in hope with trust in the providence of God, is the sterling virtue of the faithful. The ultimate blessing in disguise is the Paschal Mystery, the mystery of the death and the resurrection of Christ. That central belief of our faith is celebrated in the Eucharist, a word which means Thanksgiving.

A disappointed Patton wrote in his diary: "Thanksgiving Day, 1942. I have nothing to be thankful for. So I did not give thanks today." May God grant us the grace to see beyond our daily trials so that with trust in his providence we can write in the diary of our hearts, "Thanksgiving Day, 2024. Today I gave thanks to God."

#### .... and mirth

Elections are in November, the best time for picking out a turkey.



#### **PARISH STAFF**

#### Pastor:

Fr. Jim Moster, OFM, Cap.

email: james.moster@capuchins.org

#### Secretary/Bookkeeper:

Andrea Schmidtberger email: fidelis@ruraltel.net

#### Catholic Faith Education Office:

Jeanette Brungardt, R.E. Coordinator/

Youth Minister

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Peggy Fitzpatrick, Sacramental Records

email: sfreled@ruraltel.net Housekeeping/Sacristan:

#### Darlene Dreiling

#### Cemetery Groundskeeper:

Wilmer Dinkel

Maintenance: Mark Kuhn **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

Jeff Kisner 650-1808 (Chair) Daren Lang (Vice-Chair) 735-8005 Angie Roth 735-8035 (Sec) Rose Ann Dreiling 735-4455 Bertha R. Brungardt 735-4106 Rosie Kreutzer 656-3298 Michael Younger 735-5062

Curt Kuhn 735-8820 Diane Gross 735-4804

#### St. Fidelis Finance Council

Harland Rupp 735-2206 Frank Dreiling 735-8385 Marilyn Braun 735-4968

#### St. Boniface Pastoral Council

Fred Tholen 735-4801 Curt Wellbrock 259-6564 Kathy Huser 735-4193

#### St. Ann Pastoral Council

Bob Brungardt 735-4410 Van Froelich 735-4786

Wendelin Schoendaller, Jr 735-9489

#### CONTRIBUTIONS NOVEMBER 16-17, 2024

#### ST. FIDELIS:

Loose 633.25 Envelopes 2295.00 Cemetery 1.00 Repair Fund 50.00

All Saints Day 5.00

#### ST. ANN:

Loose 100.00 Envelopes 475.00 Thanksgiving 100.00

#### ST. BONIFACE:

Loose 142.00 Envelopes 235.00 Candles 31.00



Scan the QR Code to go to our on-line Donate page.

## With Sympathy

The sympathy of the parishes is extended to the family of Ronald Joseph "Ron" Sauer Jr. of Edmond, Oklahoma, formerly of Victoria, who passed away on Sunday, November 10, 2024. A Mass of Christian Burial was held at The Basilica of St. Fidelis, Victoria, on Saturday, November 16, 2024, with a private family inurnment in St. Fidelis Catholic Cemetery, Victoria.

#### Sunday

#### Schedule Rosary

2<sup>nd</sup> - Knights of Columbus

1<sup>st</sup> - Christian Mothers 3<sup>rd</sup> - Daughters of Isabella

4<sup>th</sup> - Family Life

#### MINISTER SCHEDULE

The Eucharistic Minister, Lector, Homebound, and Cantor schedules can be found on the Mass Schedule page of the church website at StFidelisChurch.com.

Please contact Diane Gross (785-735-4804) with any questions about the schedule for the Eucharistic or Lector ministries or if you are willing to volunteer for those ministries.

#### \*CANTORS\*

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30** 

**5:00 PM** — Brinley Lichter

**SUNDAY. DECEMBER 1** 

10:00 AM — Marlaina Kuhn

#### \*EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS\*

**THURSDAY. NOVEMBER 28** 

**9:00 AM** — VOLUNTEERS (please check in the Sacristy before Mass if you are present)

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30** 

5:00 PM — Becky Scheck, Jody Dinkel, Diane Gross, Deb Geschwentner, Keith Billinger

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1

10:00 AM — Michelle Geist, Bertha A. Brungardt, Connie Braun, Connie Windholz, Marla Robben

#### \*LECTORS\COMMENTATORS\*

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28** 

**9:00 AM** — VOLUNTEERS (please check in the Sacristy before Mass if you are present)

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30** 

**5:00 PM** — Tammy Lichter

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1** 

**10:00 AM** — LeeAnn Schmidtberger

#### \*HOMEBOUND MINISTERS\*

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27 — Carol Pfeifer

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1

10:00 AM — Kathy Amrein

#### \*MASS SERVERS\*

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30** 

5:00 PM —

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1** 

10:00 AM -

#### \*MONEY COUNTERS\*

November 25 — Patty Dreiling, Anne Schmidtberger **December 2** — Brenda Dreiling, Sandra Dreiling

#### BULLETIN DEADLINE

Due to the Parish Office being closed for the Thanksgiving holiday, items for the

December 1 bulletin are due

by 10:00 a.m. tomorrow—Monday, November 25.

Items can be brought into the Parish Office or contact Connie at 785-735-2777.

Thank you!

#### **New Beginnings:** The Story of Salvation Fulfilled

Delve into the richness of Luke's Gospel using The Great Adventure Bible Series from Ascension Press.

- Includes individual daily reflections and weekly one hour session with video and group discussions in the north sacristy.
- Wednesdays during Religious Ed. Class from 6:30-7:30pm
- December 4 and 11
- Sponsored by Family Life Committee, contact the Parish Office for more details.

#### COMMITTEE MEETING DATES

FINANCE COUNCIL

4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday @ 7:00 pm

LITURGY COMMITTEE 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday @ 5:30 pm

**PASTORAL COUNCIL** 

1st Tuesday @ 7:00 pm

| MASS INTENTIONS  |
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| MONDAYNOVEMBER 25  |
| 7:00 pm Thomas James and Troy Dreiling                                       |
| TUESDAYNOVEMBER 26   |
| 6:45 am Donald Trump   |
| WEDNESDAYNOVEMBER 27   |
| 6:45 am Elmer, Vera, and Stan Schuckman                                      |
| THURSDAYNOVEMBER 28  |
| 9:00 am John C. Younger  |
| FRIDAYNOVEMBER 29  |
| 6:45 am Seraphin and Felicitas Windholz and family                           |
| SATURDAYNOVEMBER 30  |
| 5:00 pm St. Fidelis Mary Jane Unrein   |
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| 6:30 pm St. Ann Mary and Clara Mermis  |
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# Tri-Parish Cards & Games Party

#### **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8** ● 2:00 — 4:00 p.m.

Parish Activity Center (north entrance)

Everyone is invited.

Pick up a friend and come join the fun!

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

#### **LET'S PLAY!**

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

#### Please Remember Your Parish ...

As we are approaching the end of the tax year, donations to your church can be claimed if you need a tax deduction.

#### New Parishioners

If you would like to join one of the Tri-Parishes—
St. Fidelis, St. Ann, or St. Boniface—
Parishioner Forms are available at the
Parish Office, 601 10th Street, or on the Home Page
of our website: www.StFidelisChurch.com.

#### Homebound Services

St. Fidelis offers homebound Eucharistic ministry to all three parishes every Wednesday morning and every Sunday after the 10:00 a.m. Mass. If you would like to receive Communion in your home, contact the Parish Office at 785-735-2777. Fr. Jim will also come to your home and offer the anointing of the sick or confessions.

# Christmas Food Boxes

The Family Life Committee is preparing for the Tri-Parish Christmas Food Boxes for families in need.

If you wish to donate, we are asking for cash donations only. That way we can purchase the same food items for all the boxes.

You may drop your monetary donations in the collection basket at Mass or bring it to the Parish Office. Please mark it as "Christmas Food Boxes".

More information will be provided in future bulletins.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THIS PROJECT!

#### In Need of Eucharistic Ministers

St. Fidelis Parish is in need of more Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Eucharist (Eucharistic Ministers).

Eucharistic Ministers are scheduled for weekend and Holy Day Masses.

If you are willing to help with this ministry, please contact the Parish Office at 785-735-2777.

We will arrange for training before you start ministering.

#### ST. BONIFACE

#### **24-Hour Eucharistic Adoration**

A 24-Hour Eucharistic Adoration at St. Boniface Church will begin **Saturday, December 7, at 8:00 a.m.** and conclude **Sunday, December 8, at 8:00 a.m.** then Bishop Jerry Vincke will preside at the 8:30 Mass on Sunday morning.

#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

#### **30 Days of Cash Giveaway Winners**

Winners of the 2024 Knights of Columbus 30 Days of Cash Giveaway are (the first 25 winners receive \$100 a day):

- 1. Jared Windholz
- 2. Kim Taylor
- 3. Pam Lichter
- 4. Lori Hertel
- 5. Gary Reif
- 6. Henrietta Werth
- 7. Emily Gottschalk
- 8. Camron Weber
- 9. Ed Kuhn
- 10. Dan Kinderknecht

- 11. Jim Scheck
- 12. Jared Schippers
- 13. Lori Vitztum
- 14. Darla Braun
- 15. Joan Karst
- 16. Dale Pfeifer
- 17. Joshua Schulte
- 18. Heidi Rupp
- 19. Marla Robben
- 20. Bonnie Dickinson

#### **HELP NEEDED**

The parish office staff regrets that Connie Windholz has announced her retirement at the end of this year. She takes care of editing and printing the parish bulletin each week, coordinating the parish calendar, and various other tasks. It requires some computer and organizational skills. If you would like to make application for her position, please call the parish office (785-735-2777). We would love to hear from you soon. Connie will train our hire before she leaves.

#### **Requesting Information**

An individual is compiling a database of past and present Kansas high schools from 1857 to the present day. He is gathering information on each school such as school colors.

He is inquiring if anyone knows the official school colors (if any) for Hays Catholic College, St. Ann's High School in Walker, St. Fidelis High School in Victoria, and St. Francis Seminary in Victoria.

If you know this information, please contact Connie at the Parish Office (785-735-2777).

# It's not too early to think about Christmas shopping! THE ST. FIDELIS

# GIFT SHOP

has items for sale.

- \* Basilica Rosaries made in Italy (2 styles are already sold out)
  - \*Basilica Ghristmas Ornament
    - Die Herzoger
- \* Sharing Our Best Gookbook (the supply is getting low)
  - \* Towers of Heavenly Recipes

    Gookbook

    (plenty on hand)
- \* St. Boniface Gookbook plus many more items on the shelves.

And don't forget to visit the St. Fidelis Thrift Shop Did you know that the

## ST. FIDELIS THRIFT SHOP

(located at 503 Main Street in Victoria)
has provided funds for various projects
undertaken by the tri-parishes of

St. Fidelis, St. Ann, and St. Boniface including the

Food Bank, Christmas Wish List, and

Christmas Food Boxes?

You will find lots of great bargains when you patronize the St. Fidelis Thrift Shop.

#### **STORE HOURS:**

Monday, Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday — 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Wednesday — 10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Thursday — 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.



#### ST. FIDELIS FOOD BANK

The St. Fidelis Food Bank is available during Parish Office hours to those in need of food. Please call the office at 785-735-2777 in advance so you won't have to wait while we prepare a box of food for you. Boxes can be picked up at the northwest door of the Parish Office. Donations of food or money are always welcome to help supply the Food Bank.

#### YOUTH MINISTRY/CATHOLIC FAITH ED



# 1. Contact the parish office to adopt a family in need in our community this Christmas.

Parish office number is 785-735-2777 Ask for Andrea or Jeanette

Andrea: Fidelis@ruraltel.net / 785-656-2208

Jeanette: Fidelisyouth@ruraltel.net / 785-639-5067

#### 2. How to adopt or sponsor a family

There are two ways to adopt a family.

1: You can request a Christmas Wish List, provided by the family, and you shop for the family. Then you turn the items, purchased for the family, into the parish office by/before December 11. (Gifts do not have to be wrapped.) The wish list provided to a sponsor will not be the original wish list provided by the family, so as to keep all of the

family's information completely confidential.

2: You can donate monetarily and we will shop for you. The families and donors are anonymous either way.

#### 3. Return gifts to the PAC by December 11

Gifts and any monetary donations should be returned to the parish office by Wednesday, December 11 (Office hours: Monday-Thursday: 8:30 AM-12:00 PM & 1:00—4:30 PM, Friday: 8:30 AM-12 PM) We are happy to meet you after hours as well, if needed.

# CHRISTIAN MOTHERS/ALTAR SOCIETY A STITCH AND A PRAYER

#### Let's Celebrate the Season

Funeral workers and dessert providers, anyone involved in A Stitch and a Prayer, and all St. Fidelis Christian Mothers/Altar Society members, let's celebrate the Advent/Christmas season with a potluck on Thursday, December 5, at 6:00 p.m., at the VFW Hall.

Bring your favorite dish and enjoy an evening with your fellow volunteers. Enjoy some conversation and share some laughs. Coffee, tea, and tableware will be provided. Hope to see you there.

#### DIOCESE

#### **NOVEMBER Human Trafficking Alert**

Give thanks that there are resources to educate us about the evils of modern-day slavery (human trafficking). Take advantage of the sources and raise your awareness of the plight of persons being bought and sold. Alliance to End Human Trafficking—Founded and supported by U.S. Catholic Sisters, 7575 Grand River Ave. 1-1009, Brighton, MI 48114.

#### **3rd Annual Advent Family Challenge**

The Diocese of Salina's Office of Family Life will have their third annual Advent Family Challenge.

You can find more information on the Diocese's website at https://salinadiocese.org/office/family-life/advent-family-challenge/.

- Pick one night a week during Advent for a family night. Clear your schedule, put the phones in the other room, turn off the TV, make and share a meal together, and then play a game as a family or watch something together on formed.org.
- 2) Pray the Novena for Marriage and Families with us. Each day (December 20th – December 28th), we will send out the daily prayer through social media and on the Diocese website so your family can join families all over our diocese praying together for marriages and families.
- 3) Go to Mass together as a family on the Feast of the Holy Family (Sunday, December 29)

# !! SPAM SCAM WARNING!!

This week we have received numerous calls from parishioners saying they received a text supposedly from our paster, Fr. Jim Moster. Luckily, those individuals called to make sure the text was actually from Fr. Jim. — IT WAS NOT FROM HIM. It was a scam.

The initial text says something like:

"I need a favor from you please kindly text me back as soon as possible. Fr. Jim Moster."

If you respond to that text, you may receive a text asking you to purchase "itune gift cards for some patients battling cancer in the hospital" or to send money some other way.

Fr. Jim would never text asking you to send money or gift cards. DO NOT CLICK ON ANY LINKS and DO NOT RESPOND WITH A TEXT TO THE INITIAL MESSAGE.

If you are unsure, please call the Parish Office to verify the legitimacy of any message you may have received. This is true for any text, email, or phone message you may receive from anyone. Always verify with the individual by calling them directly before clicking on a link or responding, even if it looks like it came from someone you know.

The best response to these text messages is "DO NOT RESPOND". CALL FIRST TO VERIFY.

You should be able to see the phone number the text is coming from. It will not be a legitimate number.

We have reported the most recent fake numbers to the Federal Government website: reportfraud.ftc.gov.



# A St. Boniface Thanksgiving Thank You!

As the year winds down and Thanksgiving just days away, now is the time to reflect and be thankful for the year's blessings that brought us to November! As time flies by, so do our blessings, and many times we aren't even thankful for a blessing that's right in front of us.

Stewardship at St. Boniface parish has been blessed with an abundance of time,

talent, and treasure in 2024. The manv volunteers that make parish life flow evenly are a true blessing to our small country church. This past weekend many of the parish children spent eight hours church assembling "The Little Town of Bethlehem" nativity. Thank children. Your time and talent to your church will be felt by many this Christmas season!

Last month St. Boniface parish held our annual German meal fundraiser, which was again a huge success!

Many thanks to all who donated their time, talent, and treasure to make the fundraiser the best it could be, and thank you to all who came to Vincent to support our parish. The social aspect of the fundraiser was definitely uplifting! Being in the presence of happy faces, smiling faces, and great conversation is a great blessing we must be thankful for!

Going back to the summer months adds another sector of stewardship to the parish. Mowing and weed eating the church grounds and cemetery throughout the summer was all done by volunteers in the parish. In addition to using the two parish mowers, parishioners often brought their own mowers to help out along with their own gas. Parishioners spent many hours in the heat keeping the church



grounds and cemetery looking nice! Many thanks to the mowing crew for all you have given to the parish.

Taking a look inside the church itself, there is stewardship all over throughout the year: the choir that sings every Sunday along with the special choir practices for certain occasions; the families that take turns sacristans each as week; those that come church early unlock and get the church ready for Mass; those that change the seasonal altar flowers; those that give tours of the Christmas nativity; those that count the money after Mass each Sunday; those that put sacristan, t h e minister, Eucharistic server lector, and schedules together: those that clean the church and parish hall; those that fix something broken: those that fill in holes occasional and pull weeds on the church grounds: those that spray the grounds for spring; each weeds those that bring their equipment to remove trees: those that remove the snow; those that mark the graves for a funeral and those that work the funeral dinners; those that do the readings; the youth that serve Mass; those that attend liturgical council parish and meetings. Much thanksgiving to all the volunteers who make parish St. Boniface function throughout the year.

As a parish, we are especially thankful for our pastor Fr. Jim for his commitment to our church. Each weekend Fr. Jim makes his way



Youth of St. Boniface Parish in Vincent spent eight hours last weekend setting up the "Little Town of Bethlehem" nativity in St. Boniface Church.



The St. Boniface Parish Hall was filled with guests enjoying the parish's annual German Meal fundraiser in October.

through the sand roads to Vincent to faithfully serve his country people. Fr. Jim, we thank you for your sincere dedication to St. Boniface parish.

#### The St. Boniface Parish Family

#### COMMUNITY

Victoria Community Coalition, Inc.

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# CHRISTMAS HOME TOUR



Saturday , December 14 5:00 - 9:00 p.m. Sunday, December 15 2:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Houses for viewing this year:
Yvonne Braun — 1101 Cathedral
Jamey and Angie Roth — 1202 Hickory Street
Cody and Anna Thiede — 1212 Squires Avenue
Diane Crawford — 503 Cathedral
Joe and Brenda Dreiling — 2581 Springhill Road

Ticket information will be available soon.

# Fort Hays State University Cathedral Christmas Concert

Sunday, December 8 | 3:30 p.m. in the "Cathedral of the Plains"

The Basilica of St. Fidelis

Start the Advent/holiday season on a glorious note with the FHSU choirs: Fort Hays Singers, Concert Choir, and Smoky Hill Chorale at the annual Cathedral Christmas Concert in Victoria.

Hays High School Chamber Singers and the
St. Fidelis Church Choir are the guest choirs.
Also appearing: Tom Meagher, organ;
FHSU Horn Ensemble; FHSU Flute
Ensemble; several FHSU music faculty
will perform; plus other members of the Music &
Theatre Department.

The concert is free and open to the public.

## St. $\mathcal{J}$ OHN'S $\mathcal{P}$ LACE

**APPARTMENTS AVAILABLE IN APRIL 2025** 

The VCC would like to announce that apartments will be available to lease at St. John's Place in April 2025. All interested individuals can get additional information and applications on the VCC web site at www.VictoriaKSCommunity.com. VCC is now accepting applications.

We will have an **Open House** for the public and interested parties this **Sunday, November 24, from 11:15 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.** to view the layout of the rooms and progress of apartments.

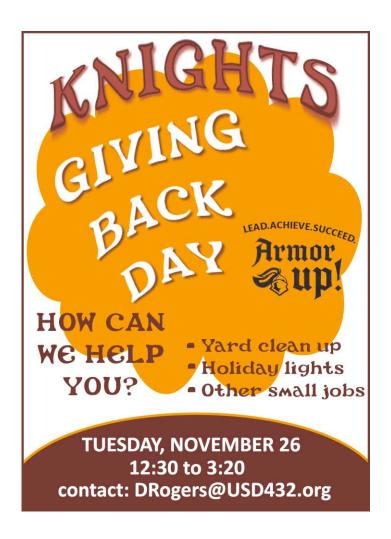
Contacts: Brenda Dreiling 785-735-4141 or Marilyn Braun 785-735-4968.

#### A LITTLE CHUCKLE

#### I'm So Hurt

Me: (sobbing my heart out, eyes swollen, nose red) I can't see you anymore. I am not going to let you hurt me like this again!

Trainer: It was a sit up. You did one sit up.



#### COMMUNITY

# State Tax Credits Available When You Support St. John's Place

Victoria Community Coalition (VCC) is pleased to announce they have received \$166,600 in Community Service Program (CSP) Tax Credits through the Kansas Department of Commerce. The available tax credits will be used to enhance fundraising efforts for Phase I Apartments.

Businesses and individuals subject to Kansas income tax are eligible to receive a tax credit through this program. Donors giving at least \$250 to **St**, **John's Place** redevelopment may qualify for a **70%** tax credit. For example, a donor making a \$1,000 gift receives a **\$700** tax credit when they file their state taxes, making the net cost to the donor only **\$300**.

For more information contact Jeff Pfeifer at 913- 904--8618, Marilyn Braun at 785- 735-4968 or visit VictoriaKSCommunity.com.



Tune into Divine Mercy Radio's Spring Care-a-thon **December 3-6** where we will discover joy in the gospel.

Of particular interest to our tri-parishes:

Wednesday, December 4
9:00 a.m. — Fr. Curtis Carlson
2:00 p.m. — Jeanne Riedel and Cindy Schulte
A full schedule can be found at dymercy.com.
For trivia and pledges call 785-621-4110.
Listen on radio, computer, phone app, or Alexa.
Live on Rumble, Facebook, and YouTube.

#### **ANOTHER LITTLE CHUCKLE**

My kids laugh because they think I'm crazy. I laugh because they don't know it's hereditary.

#### **Commodities to Be Distributed**

Commodities will be available for pickup on **Monday, November 25, at 2:30 p.m.** at the Parish Office, 601 10th Street. Please use the north entrance.

REMINDER: Commodities are on a first-come, first-served basis. According to Government commodity regulations we are not allowed to hold boxes back for specific individuals.

However, we do have a Food Bank and can provide food boxes through that. We just ask that you call ahead for Food Bank boxes so you do not have to wait while we prepare a box for you. Contact us at 785-735-2777 for a Food Bank box.

#### NATIONAL NIGHT OF PRAYER FOR LIFE

Join in Unity of Prayer Across America to restore the protection of <u>LIFE</u>, the <u>FAMILY</u>, and the <u>CHURCH</u>, establish <u>PEACE</u>, and inspire <u>COURAGE</u> in the soul of our nation!

#### **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2024**

St. Nicholas of Myra Catholic Church, Hays

#### HOURLY SCHEDULE FOR PRAYER, ADORATION, AND SONG:

7:00 p.m.: Eucharistic Exposition
7:00 - 8:00 p.m.: Daughters of Isabella will lead

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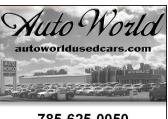
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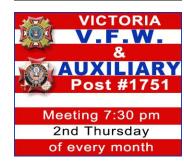
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