

“Beacon of Faith”
ST. ANN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

“Pearl of the Prairie”
ST. BONIFACE CATHOLIC CHURCH



Parish Office 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
Weddings, Baptisms, Hospital Visits, Holy Communion to Homebound Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements for these events.		ST. FIDELIS GIFT SHOP Located in the Parish Office at 601 10th Street, Victoria
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		BULLETIN ITEMS Deadline is Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. Please contact Connie at the Parish Office (sftech@ruraltel.net or 785-735-2777)

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

July 14, 2024 – 15th 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 — 8:30 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

July 26 — Feast of Sts. Joachim and Anne
July 27 — Fidelisfest
August 9-10 — Herzogfest
August 15 — Feast of the Assumption (Holy Day of Obligation) — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
Sept. 2 — Labor Day — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
Sept. 7 — Blessing of Seed Wheat
Sept. 14 — Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Sept. 15 — Catechetical Sunday

“Whatever place does not welcome you or listen to you, leave there and shake the dust off your feet in testimony against them.”

Mark 6:7-13





Gathering Dust

Some rural churches once had shoe scrapers at the entrance which were known popularly as “soul cleaners.” A clever word play of the sole of your shoe with your immortal soul. We clean our shoes before stepping on fine carpet; we should enter a sacred place with a clear conscience.

Today’s gospel says, “If any place will not receive you, shake its dust from your feet in testimony against them.” As we today shake dust from our feet in the summer and snow from our feet in winter, the ancient Jews



would shake the dust from their sandals before entering the temple. But for them it was also a symbol of cleansing themselves of any moral wrongs before entering a sacred place. They wanted to keep the values of the pagan world from contaminating their moral standard, the temple.

We have a related custom today. When many Catholics enter church they bless themselves with holy water, genuflect, and kneel for a quiet moment. They are shaking the dust of daily life from their souls to better realize the presence of God.

Unworthy values, like dust, often accumulate unnoticed. Only when we pause for a moment of reflection, like

running a finger across furniture, do we notice the buildup of unwanted dust. For faithful Christians such dust is not blatantly immoral conduct, but simply a loss of the awareness of God in their lives. Only when we clear away the dust of a distracted life, like cleaning dirty eyeglasses, do we see again clearly the presence of God.

Yet not all the world around us is contrary to our faith. God comes to us not only in a church pew, but also at a workbench; not simply in our prayer book, but also in our checkbook; not just on religious holydays, but often on civil holidays. We do not come to church to escape the evil of the world or to find here a God who is not present elsewhere in our lives. We come to church to reflect on the many ways that God has already come to us in our daily life and to celebrate the moments that God has been present to us in our homes, our hearts and our heartaches.

Unfortunately, not all of our daily contacts are honorable. Some of the world we wonder through should not become a part of our lives. A good conscience knows what does not belong. “If any place will not receive you, shake its dust from your feet in testimony against them.”

... and mirth

Cleaning your house while your kids are growing is like shoveling the walk before it stops snowing.

Parish Staff

Pastor:

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Council Members

St. Fidelis Pastoral Council

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Bob Brungardt 735-4410
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Contributions JULY 6-7, 2024

ST. FIDELIS:

Envelopes 4920.00 Loose 1008.00
Peter's Pence 10.00
Repair Fund 221.00

ST. ANN:

Envelopes 230.00 Loose 98.00
Candles 116.00
Peter's Pence 25.00

ST. BONIFACE:

Envelopes 387.00 Loose 135.00
Candles 11.00



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 **Joseph A. "Joe" Hammersmith** of Gorham, who passed away on Monday, December 25, 2023. A Mass of Christian Burial was held at the Basilica of St. Fidelis, Victoria, on Saturday, July 6, 2024, with inurnment in St. Fidelis Cemetery, Victoria.

* Sunday Rosary Schedule *

1st - Christian Mothers 2nd - Knights of Columbus
3rd - Daughters of Isabella 4th - 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, JULY 20

5:00 PM — Sheila Stone

SUNDAY, JULY 21

10:00 AM — Christie Sander

* EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS *

SATURDAY, JULY 20

5:00 PM — Jane Wagner, Keith Billinger, Teresa Shepherd,
Diane Gross

SUNDAY, JULY 21

10:00 AM — Andrea Schmidtberger, Anne Dinkel,
Jacquelyn Stoffel, Yvonne Braun

* LECTORS \ COMMENTATORS *

SATURDAY, JULY 20

5:00 PM — Randy Leiker

SUNDAY, JULY 21

10:00 AM — Allan Amrein

* HOMEBOUND MINISTERS *

WEDNESDAY, JULY 17 — Kathy Kuhn

SUNDAY, JULY 21

10:00 AM — Anne Dinkel

* MASS SERVERS *

SATURDAY, JULY 20

5:00 PM — Hadley L., Devyn H.

SUNDAY, JULY 21

10:00 AM — Wesley and Nicholas S., Graycee H.

* money counters *

JULY 15 — Jerry Schmidtberger, Andrea Ottley

JULY 22 — Patty Dreiling, Anne Schmidtberger

Committee Meeting Dates

Finance Council
4th Tuesday @ 7:00 pm

Liturgy Committee
2nd Thursday @ 5:30 pm

Pastoral Council
1st Tuesday @ 7:00 pm

St. Fidelis Parish Council Elections

We wish to congratulate Daren Lang, Diane Gross, and Curt Kuhn for being elected to the Pastoral Council.

Our thanks to Doug Kuhn and Jan Piesker for running on this year's ballot.

We also express sincere gratitude for John Braun, Patty Dreiling, and Curt Kuhn for their great contributions and leadership on the Council.

May God bless all of you for your willingness to help and generosity to the life and growth of St. Fidelis Parish.

Summer Lunch Program

St. Fidelis Church is sponsoring the Summer Lunch Program at the Parish Activity Center, 601 10th Street.

Lunch is served in the east room of the PAC from **11:00-11:30 a.m. Monday thru Friday.**

Anyone in the Victoria area (children or adults) is invited and encouraged to attend. There is no pre-registration or cost.

LUNCH PROGRAM MENU

Monday, July 15 — Chilidogs, Krinkle Cut Fries

Tuesday, July 16 — Nacho Cheese Dip,
Tortilla Chips

Wednesday, July 17 — Hamburgers/Brauts,
Krinkle Cut Fries

Thursday, July 18 — Grilled Cheese Sandwich
Tomato Soup

Friday, July 19 — Pizza

The main dishes are accompanied by a vegetable, fruit or other dessert, and a drink.

NOTE: The menu could change depending on supplies.

MONDAY	JULY 15
7:00 pm Adam and Leona Sander	
TUESDAY	JULY 16
6:45 am Mary Jane Unrein	
WEDNESDAY	JULY 17
6:45 am John C. Younger (anniv)	
THURSDAY	JULY 18
6:45 am Lindy Schmeidler	
FRIDAY	JULY 19
6:45 am Judy Dreiling	
SATURDAY	JULY 20
5:00 pm St. Fidelis For the parishes	
6:30 pm St. Boniface Anton "Tony" Schmeidler Jr.	
SUNDAY	16th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
7:30 am St. Ann Paul and Bill Schrant and Paul and Dolores Flax and Patricia Anschutz	JULY 21
10:00 am St. Fidelis Leonard and Josepha Dome	

Hearing Assists Available for Use During Mass in The Basilica

St. Fidelis has wireless hearing assists with adjustable volume that connect directly to the church's sound system. They are available at the Parish Office. Just pay a small deposit which will be refunded upon its returned.

If you have personal Bluetooth hearing aids that are controllable from your cell phone, you can download the WaveCAST Audio Receiver app by Williams Sound LLC. While in church—when the sound system is turned on, click the WaveCAST icon and select the church's "HearingAid" wi-fi option. The password is also "hearingaid". You can control the volume, etc. from the individual hearing aid program already on your phone.

HELP NEEDED

at the St. Fidelis Thrift Shop

Do you like to meet new people?

Are you looking for some activity to keep you busy for a few hours a week?

Does volunteering give you a feel-good feeling?

How about volunteering for a shift at the St. Fidelis Thrift Shop?

If interested, please call the Parish Office at 785-735-2777.



Mass Intentions Book for 2025 Opening October 1

The **2025 Mass Intentions Book** will be opened on **Tuesday, October 1, 2024**, for the purpose of scheduling intentions for the year 2025. We will not schedule Masses for 2025 until that date.

There are no weekend Masses in 2024 available at St. Boniface or St. Fidelis.

There are still a number of weekday Masses at St. Fidelis available for scheduling intentions in 2024.

F.Y.I.

Great Grandchildren of John Marshall, the architect for the St. Fidelis Church building back in 1909-1911, were visitors of our Basilica on July 1, 2024. They were from Lenexa and Ozawkie, Kansas. From July 1 through July 8, ninety-nine individuals or families signed the visitors register in church. That's not counting the many visitors that view the church but don't sign in.

Church, Chat, and Coffee



Come by the north sacristy **Tuesday mornings** following Mass for a cup of Joe, and if you can, stay and chat or just grab a cup to go. We look forward to sharing some Java and conversation together.

Please Pick Up Your Pictorial Directory!

Every family who had their picture taken last September/October for the directory is entitled to one free book. Please pick up your directory at the Parish Office soon.

EXTRA DIRECTORIES ARE AVAILABLE AT THE PARISH OFFICE FOR \$5.00 EACH.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

K. of C. Hosting Baseball Game

The Ellis County Councils of the Knights of Columbus is hosting the Hays Larks Baseball Game **Monday, July 22, at 7:00 p.m.** Please join them at Larks Park (4th and Oak, Hays) for a night of fun and to encourage new membership. Admission is free courtesy of the Ellis County K. of C. Councils.

ST. BONIFACE

9-Day Novena for Rain

A 9-day Novena for Rain will be held at St. Boniface Church from Sunday, July 14, through Monday, July 22, at 8:00 p.m. daily.

We will have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and 30 minutes of Adoration to start the novena on Sunday, June 14.

Adoration will also be held on Sunday, July 21.

The novena will end on Monday, July 22.

All members of the Tri Parishes are invited. Copies of the novena are available if you are unable to attend some evenings.



FIDELIS FEST

*Fundraiser for The Basilica
of St. Fidelis*

**Saturday
July 27,
2024**



**The Basilica of St. Fidelis
“The Cathedral of the
Plains”**

601 10th Street
Victoria, Kansas

Schedule of Events:

- 5:00 PM Catholic Mass - *The Basilica*
All activities will be behind the Friary following Mass
- 6:00 - 11:00 PM Hamburger/Brats & Beverage Garden
- 6:00 - 8:00 PM Keepsake Store, Bake Sale, & Kids' Games
- 8:00 PM Raffle Drawing - \$3,000 in Prizes!!

To purchase Raffle tickets scan QR code
Winners are notified, if not present at time of drawing

**FREE MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT
THROUGHOUT THE EVENING!
PROVIDED BY LOCAL MUSICIANS -
KARL MEIS, BOB DREILING, TOM PFEIFER AND OTHERS**



St. Fidelis Financial Summary

<u>INCOME</u>	<u>6/30/2024</u>	<u>EXPENSES</u>	<u>6/30/2024</u>
Bequests & Donations		Clergy	
General Funds	\$300.00	Automobile Expense	\$1,076.00
Religious Education	\$250.00	Living Allowance	\$450.00
Repair Fund	\$677.00	Salary	\$1,076.00
Royalty/Oil	\$95.40	Diocesan Collection	\$1,135.00
Tourist Donations	\$363.00	Employees	
Candles	\$939.87	Background Checks	\$19.00
Collections		Benefits	\$953.07
Diocesan - Mission Co-Op	\$1,135.00	Mass/Wedding Pay	\$320.00
Envelopes	\$11,681.00	Payroll	\$13,626.76
Loose	\$3,174.90	Facilities & Equipment	
Gift Shop	\$226.00	Church Repair & Maintenance	\$137.77
Rosarys/Rosary Cases	\$120.00	Janitorial Supplies	\$218.34
Religious Ed Fees		Liturgical Furniture	\$95.25
Vacation Bible School	\$200.00	Pest Control	\$192.00
Use of Buildings	\$700.00	Insurance	\$3,938.83
TOTAL INCOME:	\$19,862.17	Music Ministry	\$91.19
		Office	
		Subscriptions	\$64.79
		Supplies	\$142.49
		Postage, Mailing Service	\$71.26
		Sacramental Records	\$250.00
		Religious Education	
		Background Checks	\$58.50
		Subscriptions	\$15.11
		Sanctuary Supplies	\$140.91
		Utilities	
		Church	\$605.80
		PAC	\$448.94
		Worship Materials	\$1,395.00
		TOTAL EXPENSES:	\$26,522.01
Gross Income:	\$19,862.17	Extraordinary Expenses	
Total Expenses:	\$26,522.01	Sound System payment	\$22,361.00
Net Income:	-\$6,659.84		

St. Fidelis Cemetery Financial Summary			
<u>INCOME</u>	<u>6/30/2024</u>	<u>EXPENSES</u>	<u>6/30/2024</u>
Bequests & Donations		Grave Staking	\$160.00
Envelopes	\$86.00	Maintenance	\$38.96
Tourist	\$30.00	Fuel	\$105.17
Grave Staking	\$160.00	Payroll	\$1,074.78
TOTAL INCOME:	\$276.00	TOTAL EXPENSES:	\$1,378.91
Gross Income:	\$276.00		
Total Expenses:	\$1,378.91		
Net Income:	-\$1,102.91		

YOUTH MINISTRY / CATHOLIC FAITH EDUCATION



**COLLECTING
DONATIONS
FIDELISFEST
KIDS GAMES**

In need of kids prizes for the kids games at Fidelisfest:

- Gently used (cleaned) stuffed animals
- Small \$ amount gift cards
- Snowball coupons
- Monetary donation for office to purchase children's toys
 - Stickers
 - Glow sticks
 - Temporary tattoo stickers
 - Small gently used toys

This is not an extensive list. All donations are so appreciated! Please contact Jeanette at 785-639-5067 with questions. As always, thank you!

Please drop items off at the Parish Office during business hours:

Mon-Thurs 8:30-12 & 1-4:30
Fri: 8:30-12



Totus Tuus for youth in grades 1—12

Totus Tuus is an opportunity for youth in grades 1-12, during the upcoming school year of 2024-2025, to partake in fellowship and faith activities! (Totus Tuus' day program for grades 1-6 will be held in lieu of the annual Vacation Bible School.)



Totus Tuus calls upon college students and seminarians from across the United States to inspire young people to the call of holiness! These young men and women are hired for their energy, enthusiasm, love of the Faith, commitment to spiritual growth, ability to work with a team, and a desire to work with youth. **Totus Tuus, a Latin phrase meaning "Totally Yours," was the motto of Saint John Paul II.** Through the Totus Tuus teams examples of joy and service, the youth see that these men and women are on fire with the Catholic Faith and long for the same thing in their lives!

Registration is extended and open until the week of:

Day program — Grades 1-6 ('24-'25): Monday, July 22 — Friday, July 26 | 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. daily

Evening program— Grades 7-12 ('24-'25): Sunday, July 21 — Thursday, July 25 | 7:30-9:45 P.M. daily

**The structure of the evening program will include food, fellowship, games, & faith sharing by the team.*

Contact: Jeanette Brungardt Cell: 785-639-5067 E-mail: Fidelisyouth@ruraltel.net



Pup Cups for sale!

Support Dax and his attendance at Jr. CYO Camp

One of our youth is fundraising for his attendance at Jr CYO camp. Dax Leikam is making Pup Cups, a treat for your four legged friend(s). Grab one for your "Furever Friend"! All ingredients are safe and healthy for dogs. He is selling them for \$1/small cup, \$2/large cup. Please reach out to his mom Katie Leikam at 785-735-4133 with questions or to place an order. Dax will start preparing orders after the Fourth of July. Your order will be prepared then delivered to you

frozen. Thank you for supporting Dax and his efforts to attend Jr. CYO camp!

Advertise your child's fundraiser for youth trips

If your child is fundraising for a youth ministry trip and you would like it advertised in the bulletin, please contact Jeanette Brungardt at 785-639-5067 or by e-mail at Fidelisyouth@ruraltel.net. The details of their fundraiser will be shared in the bulletin as well as on our Facebook page at "Basilica of St. Fidelis Religious Education". We would love to help in any way possible to support their efforts and show our appreciation! Our youth do so much to support our parish through voluntary service work and ministries: Vacation Bible School, Altar Servers ministry, Jubilee Choir, serving during children's Masses, assisting with the annual Christmas Pageant, helping prepare for and lead the annual community Easter Egg Hunt, collecting items at our annual Trick or Treat so Others Can Eat, donating and preparing the boxes for past service projects: "Operation Christmas Child", and, currently, "Box Joy" at Christmas time, assisting with the children's games at Fidelisfest and more!



CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF SALINA
EUCHARISTIC CONFERENCE
AUGUST 9 -10, 2024
FORT HAYS STATE UNIVERSITY
PRESENTED BY THE CONEAU CATHOLIC CAMPUS CENTER

AUGUST 9TH
REGISTRATION - 5:00PM
OPENING SESSION - 7:00PM

AUGUST 10TH
KEYNOTES & SESSIONS - TBA
CLOSING MASS - 5:15PM



REGISTER AT [SALINADIOCESE.ORG/EUCHARISTIC-CONFERENCE/](https://salinadiocese.org/eucharistic-conference/)

**Cost is \$30 per adult (12 years+),
\$20 per child (2-11 years), or
\$100 max per family**

There is a printable form for those wanting to register by mail. You can go to <https://salinadiocese.org/office/eucharistic-conference/> to print a form or come to the Parish Office to have us print one for you.

JULY Human Trafficking Alert

Human trafficking is a market-driven industry that is based on the rules of supply and demand. It is important to address the forces of demand which fuel them. **Alliance to End Human Trafficking**—Founded and supported by **U.S. Catholic Sisters, 7575 Grand River Ave. 1-1009, Brighton, MI 48114.**

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.

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. Fidel is 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.

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.

History Articles of The Basilica of St. Fidelis

If you are cleaning out closets, attics, garages, or whatever, and you find articles of interest to the history of our church, we would appreciate you donating them to the parish. We want to preserve information or items concerning our beautiful, magnificent church. Volunteers are currently working on preparing and pasting newspaper and magazine articles into a large scrapbook.



Ellis County Library Vote

The Ellis County Commission voted to put a question on the August 6 primary ballot asking if the residents of Ellis County wish to create The Ellis County Library. The ballot question will be voted on by Ellis County residents living outside the cities of Hays and Ellis.

More information about this question can be found at www.yes2eclibrary.com.

Voter registration deadline is this Tuesday, July 16.

Please indicate your opinion on this subject by voting in the August 6 primary. Early voting is available at the Ellis County Administrative Building from July 22 to August 5.

Hays Public Library Bookmobile

Saturday, July 20 | 11:30-1:00 p.m.
at the Victoria City Park.

Older Kansans Employment Program

Older Kansans Employment Program (OKEP) is offered by the Kansas Department of Commerce to unemployed Kansans who are 55+ years of age. Finding new direction after retirement can be a challenge. This free program provides opportunities for finding employment in a familiar industry. The Department of Commerce partners with other non-profits and community agencies to ensure that you have access to the best resources. Program specialists will assess your training needs and assist with identifying barriers and challenges to gaining employment. Their specialists are readily available to assist you with a variety of services for your plans to reenter the workforce.

OKEP services include job referrals, job readiness skills, resume preparation, employment exploration, basic computer training, assistance with job applications, and employment opportunity meetings.

For more information, contact NorthWest Kansas Area Agency on Aging, 510 W. 29th Street, Hays (785-628-8204) www.nwkaaa.com.

A LITTLE CHUCKLE

A Little Ingenuity?

A store owner wondered how his clerk was living in a penthouse and driving an expensive car on a salary of \$90 a week.

He asked the clerk, who said, "I sell a thousand raffle tickets a week at a dollar apiece."

The owner asked, "What are you raffling off?"

The clerk replied, "My paycheck."

ANOTHER LITTLE CHUCKLE

The Memory Is Kaput!

Realized I had to use the rest room.

Got up and walked to the pantry...forgot why I was going to the pantry.

Remembered I had to use the rest room so I went to the bathroom.

Sitting on the toilet, I remembered why I was going to the pantry...to get toilet paper.



Victoria CHILDCARE

A community meeting to discuss childcare needs for Victoria will be held **Tuesday, July 16 from 6:30 to 7:30 pm** at the VFW located at 204 E. Main Street.

Childcare will be provided during the meeting at Hooney Braun Park or VFW Hall, depending on the heat index.

Victoria Childcare Meeting

Over the past two and a half years the topic of childcare has come up during public meetings. VCC is forming a task force to assess these needs and determine an informed path forward. The general public is invited to this meeting, but we particularly want to hear from current (or expecting) parents, employers and our existing childcare providers.

Topics for Discussion

- Current state of childcare in Victoria.
- What is the need for childcare in Victoria?
- How have other NWKS communities addressed their childcare needs?
- How do we better support our current childcare providers?
- What is the best path forward for Victoria?



This meeting is sponsored by the Victoria Community Coalition.
For more information contact Jeff Pfeifer at (913) 904-8618.

CHILDCARE MEETING
TUESDAY, JULY 16, 2024

Cathedral of the Plains Charitable Fund Meeting

The Cathedral of the Plains Charitable Fund, Inc. will have its annual meeting at 1:00 p.m., July 28, 2024, at the Parish Activity Center in Victoria. Board of directors will be elected, the annual treasurer's report will be presented and regular board business will be conducted. All members are invited to attend.

Volunteer Crossing Guard Needed

Victoria Elementary School is looking for a Volunteer Crossing Guard for their Friday morning shift from 7:20-8:00, for the 24-25 school year. Or if you want to volunteer but can't commit to every day and would like to be placed on their crossing guard sub-list to be called when one of their regular guards can't make it, please get in touch with Carla Schmeidler at VES 785-735-2870; carlaschmeidler@usd432.org.

Commodities to Be Distributed

Commodities will be available for pickup on **Monday, July 22, 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.

Hi Everyone,
 I'm one of the founding members of A Different Mindset Association. We are in the final weeks of a fundraising raffle. **See the flyer above for details.** At this time, A Different Mindset Association hosts a monthly zoom meeting as well as in-person meetings for caregivers. Our goal is to implement a program similar to one used in Leavenworth, Kansas. I ask you to be generous and thank you in advance.
 ~ Jerry Schmidtberger ~

Thank you for advertising in our bulletin!

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