

“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 GIFT & 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 <i>The Register</i> , Salina Diocese newspaper		

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December 1, 2024— FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

MASSSES:

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

EUCCHARISTIC 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:

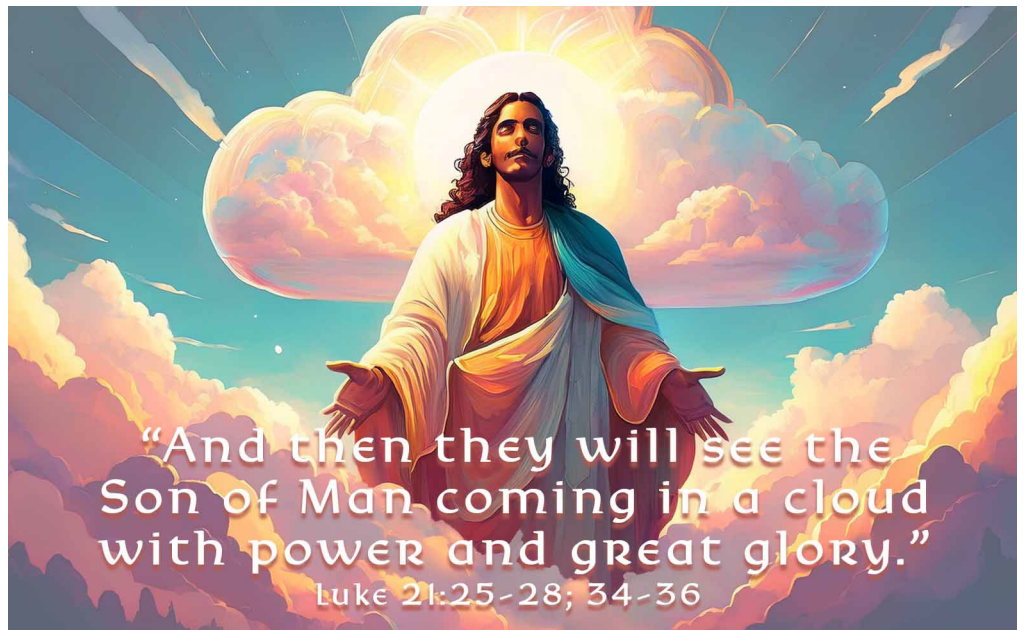
St. Fidelis: Mondays 7:30 p.m. and Saturdays 4:00 p.m.
St. Ann: After Mass
St. Boniface: Sundays 7:45-8:15 a.m. (Nov.-Apr.); After Mass (May-Oct.) or by appointment (contact Parish Office)

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 REMEMBER

Dec. 6 — Feast of St. Nicholas
Dec. 24 — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED @ noon for Christmas
Dec. 25 — Christmas Day — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
Dec. 26 — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED for Christmas
Dec. 31 — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED @ noon for New Years
Jan. 1 — Mary The Mother of God New Years Day — *Holy Day of Obligation* — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED



Since December 8, is the Second Sunday of Advent, the **Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary** is transferred to Monday, December 9. Mass will be celebrated at The Basilica of St. Fidelis **on Monday, December 9, at 6:45 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.** (This is a Holy Day of Obligation.)
The Parish Office will be closed.





Happy New Year

The above is not a misprint. Today, the first Sunday of Advent, begins a new *liturgical* year. This year (C) we read from the gospel of Luke; last year (B) was Mark and next year (A) will be Matthew.

We are all eager to celebrate the wonderful season of Christmas and are tempted to rush the season, spiritually as well as materially. But first we need to place Christmas in the proper context by reflecting on today's readings about the second coming of Christ at the end of time, the Parousia. Why?

Advent is not an extended Christmas eve, but a time to prepare for the many ways that Christ comes to us. There are three major comings of Christ in salvation history: his birth on the first Christmas, his coming into our lives each day, and his final coming at the fulfillment of time. These are best understood in the reverse order. So we begin Advent with readings about his coming at the end of time when salvation history will be completed. This enables us to understand better the meaning of his birth in Bethlehem and his daily rebirth in our hearts.

Today's gospel describes that end of the world in figurative language, "There will be signs in the sun, the moon and the stars; the powers of heaven will be shaken." At the end of the liturgical year we read a gospel description of the end of the world. But today the gospel does not stress an ending but a beginning. "When these signs appear, raise your heads

because your redemption is at hand." Something new is coming.

The Second Vatican Council spoke of the end of the world and the final coming of Christ. "We do not know the time of the end of the earth and of humanity. Nor do we know how all

things will be transformed.

The shape of this world, now deformed by sin, will pass away. And God is preparing a new dwelling where justice will abide. Meanwhile

during the time that is left, we are to nurture human dignity, freedom, peace, and all that is good in this life, for we will find them again, but free of stain, and transfigured." (GS 39)

Advent is a time to prepare our hearts for the many ways that Christ comes to us: his historic birth at Bethlehem, his coming into our hearts each Christmas, and his final coming at the end of time — which will truly be a Happy New Year.

... and mirth

In five billion years the sun will expand and vaporize the earth. Have a nice day!



1st Sunday of Advent

PARISH STAFF

Pastor:

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CONTRIBUTIONS NOVEMBER 23-24, 2024

ST. FIDELIS:

Loose 1625.00 Envelopes 2705.00
Cemetery 10.00
Repair Fund 250.00

ST. ANN:

Loose 132.00 Envelopes 415.00

ST. BONIFACE:

Loose 221.00 Envelopes 195.00



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

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



Enjoy the little things in life,
for one day you will look back and realize
they were the big things.

FAMILY LIFE

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".



Know Someone Who Needs a Food Box?

If you or someone you know would like one of these Christmas Food Boxes please contact the Parish Office at 785-735-2777

by Monday, December 16, 2024. This deadline is necessary for the team of volunteers to purchase the food, pack the boxes, and have them ready for **pickup on Friday, December 20.**



All recipients will be assigned a time to come to the Parish Office and pick up their Food Box.

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO SUPPORT THIS PROJECT!

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.

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.

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
21. Neil and Ann Gottschalk
22. John and Josie Braun
23. Paula and Brady Mattison
24. Joe Roth
25. Aggie Kuhn
26. Wayne Kieffer (\$250)
27. (\$250)

ADVENT 2024

Activity Calendar

WEDNESDAY

4

Bake Christmas cookies today and share with your neighbors.

THURSDAY

5

Volunteer today with your family to serve the poor or feed the hungry.

FRIDAY

6

The Feast of Saint Nicholas

Saint Nicholas lived a long time ago near Turkey. He would drop bags of gold coins down chimneys to help the poor. Put some coins in the poor box today!

SATURDAY

7

Have your parents take you to church today so you can visit Jesus, or find a quiet place to speak to Him in your heart. Thank Him for giving you life!

SUNDAY

1

December

First Sunday of Advent

Rise & Shine!
The Lord is coming!

MONDAY

2

The King of Glory is coming!

Read
Psalm 24:7-10

TUESDAY

3

Mary and Joseph traveled many miles from Nazareth to Bethlehem. Draw a picture of them and their donkey as they journey to Bethlehem.



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).

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.

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. A breakfast will follow in the Parish Hall.

DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA

D. of I. and V.F.W. Auxiliary Combined Christmas Party SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2024

Social starting at 11:00 a.m.
Meal provided at noon
at the V.F.W. Hall, Victoria

There will be an optional \$10 Gift Exchange.

Please RSVP to Kathy Kuhn (785-735-5040)
by Monday, December 9.



Thank you, Victoria Elementary School !!



Kim Taylor spearheaded a Food Drive at the Victoria Elementary School recently. Students competed to see which class would donate the most food benefiting the St. Fidelis Food Bank. The food was delivered to the St. Fidelis Parish Office on Friday, November 22. The above picture shows their food collection covering three large tables in the west classroom. Thanks again, students and your families, for helping sustain the Food Bank.

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.

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.

DIOCESE

Volunteer Opportunities

Catholic Charities offers a variety of volunteer opportunities where you can make a meaningful impact! Whether you're helping build food and hygiene boxes, assisting at our outreach locations, or supporting our thrift stores in Salina and Hays (coming soon), your contributions are invaluable. If you're interested in volunteering, please fill out the volunteer form on our website: <https://ccnks.org/volunteer>.

Ignite for Life

TOPEKA MARCH FOR LIFE

Join us as we gather in Topeka for our state-wide March for Life on **January 29, 2025**, in recognition of the National Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children.

Please go to <https://archkck.org/prolife/activities/ignite/> for more information.

Job Opportunities in Manhattan

Emergency Assistance Coordinator — Be a welcoming face to those in need! This role involves greeting clients, managing emergency financial assistance applications, and coordinating with community partners to provide essential services. You'll play a crucial part in creating a supportive and caring environment for our clients while contributing to the mission of Catholic Charities.

Outreach Services Coordinator — Make an impact in rural communities! This position involves delivering emergency aid—such as food, hygiene supplies, and financial support—to those in need across rural areas. You'll also manage outreach supplies, oversee volunteer engagement, and support disaster relief efforts to make a difference in the lives of those we serve.

Join us in serving others with dignity and compassion. **To learn more or apply, visit www.ccnks.org/careers or contact Megan Robl at mrobl@ccnks.org.**

SAVE THE DATE:

New Hays Catholic Charities Office and Thrift Store

Mark your calendars for the Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting of Catholic Charities new Hays office and Thrift Store on **February 14, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.** Stay tuned for more details!

2024 Igniting Hope Annual Campaign Thank You!

On behalf of the entire Catholic Charities team, thank you to everyone who has and is still contributing to the 2024 Igniting Hope Annual Campaign. Through your faithful generosity, you are meeting the needs of those across northern Kansas facing food insecurity, financial hardships, lack of support, and mental health challenges.

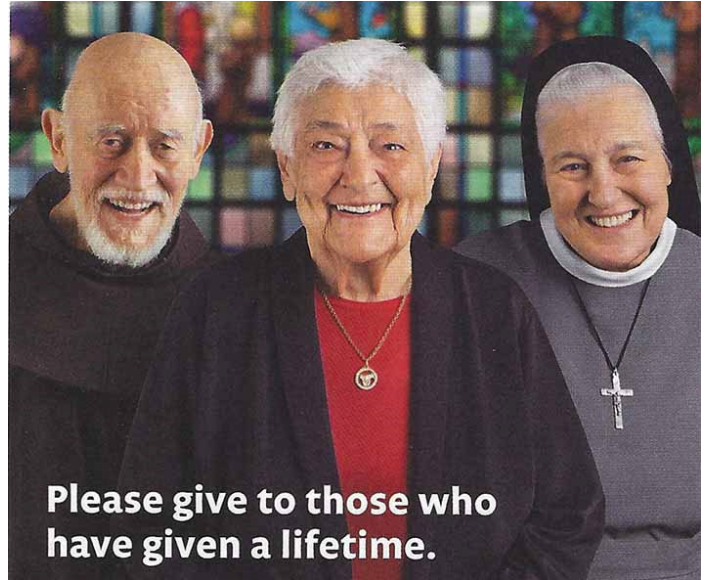
All donations made will be matched up to \$150,000, doubling your impact! It is not too late to make your mark.

To donate to the 2024 Annual Campaign, visit <https://ccnks.org/ignitinghope>.

Boxes of Joy

Thank you to everyone participating in this year's Box of Joy program. The Catholic Diocese of Salina shipped 950 boxes to Cross Catholic Outreach to be distributed to children worldwide that would otherwise not receive a gift for Christmas. Your generosity and love are inspiring.

Our tri-parishes—St. Fidelis, St. Ann, and St. Boniface—packaged 83 boxes.



Please give to those who have given a lifetime.

Retirement Fund for Religious

Aging Religious Need Your Help.

"Your support acknowledges that we continue the mission of Christ even in our retirement," says Mission Helpers of the Sacred Heart Sister Celeste Burgos, 80. Donations provide for the care, medicine, and daily needs of over 24,000 senior sisters, brothers, and religious order priests who have dedicated their lives to service. Please give to the Retirement Fund for Religious.

Envelopes are in your tithing boxes dated December 8 or you can use a different envelope marked as "Retirement Fund for Religious".

YOUTH MINISTRY/CATHOLIC FAITH



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.

SALINA, KS Catholic Finance Leadership Opportunity

Salina Interparochial Credit Union seeks a positive, customer-orientated Catholic executive. Lead opportunities for growth, expand marketing and visibility; oversee daily operations; supervise small staff; generate deposits and loans etc. Degree in business, accounting, finance, or a related field with 3-5 years of progressive experience. Send resume to brendaogorman5788@gmail.com, Brenda O'Gorman, Board Chair at Salina Interparochial CU, or call Kim Hoelting, HR, for the job desc and information about this organization's mission and values.785-342-0819.

How to frighten the new generation:
Put them in a room with a rotary phone,
an analog watch, and a TV with no remote.
Then leave directions on how to use them
in cursive.

College Scholarships

Great news for students in the Diocese of Salina!

There are three scholarship opportunities available for the 2025-2026 school year. The application process is online and opened on Friday, November 1, 2024. Students are encouraged to apply by Saturday, March 1, 2025, at givecfds.org/scholarships.

- **Monsignor Clement A. Kruse Scholarship** — Applicant must be an active registered member of a Catholic parish in the Diocese of Salina. These scholarships are approximately \$500.
- **Marymount Memorial Educational Trust Scholarship** — Applicant must be attending an accredited Catholic College as a full-time student and an active registered member of a Catholic parish in the Diocese of Salina. These scholarships vary but ranged from \$1,000-\$3,000.
- **Susie Deges Scholarship** — This scholarship is specifically for high school seniors in the diocese who are active in their local CYO (Catholic Youth Organization). This scholarship is \$1,000.

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/>.

- 1) 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](https://www.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)

A child is going to remember who was there, not what you spent on them. Kids outgrow a toy and outfits, but they never outgrow time and love.

2024 Bishop’s Annual Appeal

PLEDGED/RECEIVED as of November 25, 2024

PARISH	GOAL	PLEDGED	RECEIVED	#of Donors
Walker	18,500.00	.00	13,475.00	12
Vincent	1,300.00	.00	1,395.00	8
Victoria	21,600.00	600.00	23,885.92	55

Scholarship Fund Tax Credit

Support Catholic Education in the Salina Diocese and receive a 75% State Tax Credit! The Scholarship Granting Fund for the Catholic Diocese of Salina is accepting donations and is able to offer a 75% tax credit.

Please email Heather Hartman, Director of Development for the Catholic Foundation, at heather.hartman@salinadiocese.org.

For the 2024-2025 school year, over \$137,000 will be awarded to schools for 102 students in the Salina Diocese. These funds go directly to help with the cost of education for the qualifying student.

***Example** - Bob has an upcoming 2024 Kansas State Income tax obligation of \$750. To fulfill this obligation, he can EITHER:*

1. Write a check to the KS Dept of Revenue in the amount of \$750 or
2. Write a check to the Scholarship Granting Fund for the Diocese of Salina for \$1,000, receive a “KS Tax Credit Certificate” to fulfill 100% of Bob’s 2024 Kansas Income Tax obligation.

ANY individual income taxpayer, corporate income taxpayer, privilege taxpayer, or insurance premium taxpayer is eligible for the tax credit Please consult your tax advisor to see if this is right for you.

NOVEMBER Human Trafficking Alert

Give a gift and join us to help strengthen initiatives which seek to educate the public about human trafficking and to identify and support victims of trafficking. **Alliance to End Human Trafficking**—Founded and supported by **U.S. Catholic Sisters, 7575 Grand River Ave. 1-1009, Brighton, MI 48114.**

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.

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.

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 controlled 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.

COMMUNITY

Stars and Stripes Breakfast

VFW Hall, 22nd and Vine St., Hays

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8 | 7:30 - noon

Advance tickets benefit St. Nicholas Ladies Guild.

Members will be selling tickets in the gathering space of St. Nick's before and after Masses this weekend (5:00 p.m. Saturday and 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Sunday) or contact Clare Gustin (785-635-3511). Advance tickets are \$11.50 for Adults, \$6.50 for Children. Under 5 free.

Victoria Community Coalition, Inc.

3RD ANNUAL



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

Christmas treats and updates on St. John's Place will be available at Joe and Brenda Dreiling's home throughout the tour.

HOME TOUR TICKETS

\$20 Advanced | \$25 At the Door

50/50 SPLIT THE POT TICKETS

\$5 each or 5 for \$20

(The winner will be drawn January 1.)

FOR ADVANCED TOUR TICKETS & SPLIT THE POT TICKETS CONTACT

Brenda Dreiling 785-735-4141

Andrea Schmidtberger 785-656-2208

Holiday Home Tour Advanced Tickets also available at Impressions Salon, 215 W. 10th St., Hays

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.

NATIONAL NIGHT OF PRAYER FOR LIFE

Join in Unity of Prayer Across America to restore the protection of LIFE, the FAMILY, and the CHURCH, establish PEACE, and inspire COURAGE 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
- 8:00 - 9:00 p.m.: Ladies Guild and Knights of Columbus will lead
- 9:00 - 10:00 p.m.: Catholic Tigers will lead
- 10:00 p.m.: Benediction

If my people ... humble themselves and pray and seek my presence and turn from their evil ways, I will hear them from heaven and pardon their sins and revive their land.
~2 Chronicles 7:14)

COME PRAY WITH US!!



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 dvmercy.com. For trivia and pledges call 785-621-4110. Listen on radio, computer, phone app, or Alexa. Live on Rumble, Facebook, and YouTube.

I hate it when I can't figure out how to operate something on the iPhone and the resident tech expert is asleep — because he's five, and it's past his bedtime.

**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.



Please join the First Presbyterian Church of Hays for

**HUGS FOR KIDS
Hardly Used Goods
CHRISTMAS
HUGS**

A Christmas sale of children's clothing, furniture, toys, and more!

**December 7th
2024**

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM



**First
Presbyterian
Church**

Free childcare provided
Gift bags, music, coffee
and hot chocolate

**2900 Hall
Street
Hays, KS**



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 Monthly Ads = \$100.⁰⁰, Weekly Ads = \$300.⁰⁰
 To place an ad, contact Connie @ 785-735-2777

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