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OFFICE OF THE DIOCESAN ADMINISTRATOR

ANNUAL VOCATIO SPONSORED ROSARY AND POT LUCK: The annual Vocatio sponsored Rosary for Vocations and meal will be on <u>Friday</u>, <u>April 6th</u>, <u>the night before Mike Leiker's diaconate ordination</u>, <u>rather than in June</u>. Thus, as in previous years, there will be a <u>Rosary for vocations at 5:30 p.m.</u> at St. Elizabeth's Church in Salina followed by <u>Pot Luck meal in the parish hall provided by Vocatio members</u>. Please know that all are welcome.

ORDINATION OF TRANSITIONAL DEACON, 10 A.M., SATURDAY, APRIL 7, 2018 at Sacred Heart Cathedral for Michael Leiker. All are invited and encouraged to concelebrate this special Ordination Mass celebrated by The Most Reverend Carl A. Kemme, Bishop of Wichita, at the Cathedral with a reception following in the Hall of Bishops. Please keep Michael in your prayers as he continues to prepare for his Diaconate Ordination.

55th ANNIVERSARY OF WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS IS SUNDAY, APRIL 22, 2018. On this day and throughout this week the Church throughout the world prays for vocations. Please make a special effort to ask the Lord for more vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Pray for all our parish priests, both living and deceased and encourage young people to consider a vocation as a priest or religious brother or sister. Please encourage your parishioners to do this as well. If any parish is in need of additional Diocesan Vocation Prayer Cards (English and/or Spanish), please contact Clara at chancery2@salinadiocese.org and they will be shipped right out to you.

CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL is scheduled for the weekend of April 28-29. Here in the United States there is a great need for evangelization and sharing the message of Christ and the beauty of the Church. The Church at home needs to be strengthened and fortified. Soon, as a diocese, we will take up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal (CHMA), which supports the neediest dioceses in the United States. This appeal makes the most basic faith programs possible and shares the gospel message with our brothers and sisters in dioceses where Church communities are scattered and struggling. This is a very important collection for our own diocese and for other home mission dioceses throughout the country. Our diocese (one of 90 Mission Dioceses) benefits significantly from grants which are funded through the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Please encourage generous support for the Catholic Home Missions collection and continue to pray for our United States mission parishes. This appeal gives Catholics in each of our parishes an opportunity to offer desperately needed help to the mission Church here at home. Please see the April 13th issue of *The Register* for more information.

OFFICE OF THE DIOCESAN ADMINISTRATOR (cont.)

ANNUAL K of C CONVENTION is May 4-6, 2018 – Overland Park, KS.

ANNUAL CLERGY HEALTH & RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION MEMBERS LUNCHEONS for all retired priests (65 and older) set for 11:30 a.m. social w/luncheon and business meeting following. Invitations with RSVP information will be emailed on Wednesday, April 13th to all with email and hard copies mailed to those w/out email.

Tuesday, May 8, 2018 Capuchin Center for Spirituality, Victoria Wednesday, May 9, 2018 Sacred Heart Cathedral Hall of Bishops, Salina

ANGEL MOTHERS MASS will be on Thursday, May 10, 2018, 10:30 a.m. at St. Thomas More Church, Manhattan, sponsored by Catholic Charities and the Office of Family Life.

ANNUAL DIOCESAN CELEBRATION FOR RELIGIOUS SISTERS IN THE DIOCESE OF SALINIA is Wednesday, May 16th, 2018 with Mass at 11 a.m. at the Cathedral and a luncheon following at the Cathedral Hall of Bishops. All Salina area priests are encouraged to attend. A personal email invitation will be sent on Monday, April 23, 2018 with an RSVP requested by Tuesday, May 8, 2018.

ST. ISIDORE'S DAY WILL BE OBSERVED AT ST. IGNATIUS LOYOLA PARISH IN Kanopolis on MAY 15, 2018. All are invited to concelebrate Mass, the blessing of the fields and flocks. Lunch and a tour of agricultural activity in the area will follow.

ANNUAL SEMINARIAN RECOGNITION DINNER – Thursday, May 31st is set for our annual diocesan evening with our seminarians. The location has been changed to the Salina Country Club and will be an RSVP only event due to space limitations. Refer to the Development Office section for more information. All priests are invited if your schedule allows.

ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD - Deacon Andrew Hammeke will be ordained at 10 a.m. on Saturday, June 2, 2018 at the Cathedral. We are most grateful that The Most Reverend Carl A. Kemme, Bishop of Wichita will be back with us again to celebrate Deacon Andrew's Ordination Mass. All are encouraged to attend. Please keep Deacon Andrew in your prayers as he continues to prepare for this Ordination.

THE ASCENSION OF OUR LORD (40 days after Easter) is celebrated on Sunday, May 13, 2018 in the United States.

CORRECTION ON THE MARCH DIOCESAN ADMINISTRATOR'S SECTION FOR The Marriage Anniversary Mass set incorrectly for October 22, 2018, 3 p.m. at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, Salina THE CORRECT DATE IS SUNDAY OCTOBER 21, 2018. The information of October 28, 2018 is correct for Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in Hays.

OFFICE OF THE DIOCESAN ADMINISTRATOR (cont.)

BULLETIN INSERTS (ENGLISH & SPANISH) - HUMAN TRAFFICKING

- <u>April 2018</u> –Do you know your state laws to combat human trafficking? Are local law enforcement personnel knowledgeable about human trafficking so that they can be effective resources? U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking. Website: <u>sistersagainsttrafficking.org.</u>
- <u>Abril: 2018</u> ¿Conoces las leyes de tu estado para combatir la trata de personas? ¿El personal policial local conoce el tráfico de personas para que puedan ser recursos efectivos? Hermanas católicas de los Estados Unidos contra la trata de personas. Sitio web: sistersagainsttrafficking.org.

OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES – **SECTION ON WEBSITE** – **HUMAN RESOURCES:** The Salina diocese website (<u>www.salinadiocese.org</u>) has constructed a permanent CURRENT EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES section under the Human Resources Department. Any parish office or diocesan school is welcome and encouraged to advertise job openings on this site. Please contact Pamela Sullivan via email <u>pam.sullivan@salinadiocese.org</u> if you would like a job opening posted on the Salina diocese website under the Human Resource Department section.

DOL EMPLOYMENT POSTERS – CAN NOW BE DOWNLOADED FROM OUR DIOCESAN WEBSITE. As you may know by now, specific Department of Labor (DOL) employment posters (state and federal) must be displayed in a conspicuous area where employees frequent and are likely to read. Many question which posters should be posted as required by law, and which are not required. You may now go to the Salina diocese website, click on the Human Resources Department section to download the posters free of charge. If you have any questions regarding the employment related posters, please do not hesitate to contact Pamela Sullivan at pam.sullivan@salinadiocese.org or call the chancery (785) 827-8746.

OFFICE OF FINANCE

TAX VALUATIONS: It is that time of the year when the parishes are receiving various valuations of church property in your county. The Finance Office would like copies of these valuations to check the county records with the Diocesan records.

OFFICE OF CONTINUING EDUCATION OF PRIESTS

ANNUAL RETREAT: September 24-27, 2018.

JANUARY RENEWAL DAYS: January 14-17, 2019

OPPORTUNITIES: These are all at St. Meinrad's:

"Stoking the Fire: Mine Sabbatical for Priests" (July 9 - August 4) is a four week program offered with a balanced schedule to relax and recharge for the next challenge of ministry.

"Encore Priest: Pre-Retirement Workshop" (offered twice: August 13-16 and November 26-29) helps senior clergy for the transition into retirement.

"The Newly Appointed Pastor" (offered twice: September 10-14 and November 5-9) helps new pastors continue to emerge as priest, prophet and king in their communities of faith.

"Cruise Retreats for Priests" (October 1-5) is a four-night cruise to the Bahamas with the retreat them of "Lectio Divina for Preaching and Presiding."

OFFICE OF RURAL LIFE

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS for St. Isidore's Day which will be observed on May 15, 2018, at St. Ignatius Loyola Parish in Kanopolis, KS. Plan to join us for Mass, Blessing of the Fields and Flocks, lunch, and a tour of an agricultural activity in the area.

RURAL LIFE DAY will be August 12, 2018 at St Joseph's Parish in Hays. This is the event for presenting the Century Farm Awards. More information will be provided at a later date.

We are planning on setting up our table at the Men's Conference to answer any questions and provide updates from Catholic Rural Life.

If any of your parishioners are interested in Catholic Rural Life or the Rural Life Commission, please ask them to call Fr. Rich Daise at (785) 462-2179

OFFICE OF THE REGISTER

Email Easter Photos - Easter is coming up, and once again we would like to share beautiful photos of churches from across our diocese, decorated for Easter. Please email a photo to newspaper1@salinadiocese.org by April 8 so we can share it on our Facebook page: Facebook.com/SalinaDiocese.

OFFICE OF VOCATIONS

5/6th GRADE VOCATION DAYS - The Vocation team will once again be holding the "Vocation Days" for 6th grade students of our Catholic Schools, or 5th graders if your school does not have a 6th grade. Please put this on your Calendar and let Fr. Gale know how many students and adults you will be bringing, ghammerschmidt@salinadiocese.org I apologize to those schools that have a scheduling conflict.

We will be in Hays on April 24th in the Old Kennedy Building, 1309 4th St. and in Abilene April 25th at St. Andrews Parish Hall.

OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

TOTUS TUUS: We will have 4 Teams for TOTUS TUUS this summer. We have the following openings for parishes to sign up for:

June 17-22	2 Openings
June 24-29	2 Openings
July 15-20	2 Openings
July 22-27	3 Openings

If you would like a team to come to your parish please call the Office as soon as possible. If you go to our Diocesan web-page and click TOTUS TUUS you will be able to view a video of TOTUS TUUS last summer. The teams do an excellent job of sharing their faith with our young people.

WE ARE STILL LOOKING FOR TEACHERS. IF YOU KNOW OF ANY COLLEGE AGE STUDENTS WHO ARE LOOKING FOR A SUMMER JOB PLEASE HAVE THEM CALL THE OFFICE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

OFFICE OF YOUTH MINISTRY

DIOCESAN CYO CONVENTION: The Convention will be April 7-8 at Sacred Heart High School and St. Mary's Grade School. Our speaker will be Doug Brummel from Colorado. Our closing liturgy will be Sunday, April 8th at 2:00 p.m. You are invited to con-celebrate at the liturgy at St. Mary's Church. Please bring your diocesan vestment.

JUNIOR CYO CAMP: Our camp for 6th, 7th and 8th Graders will be May 26-29, 2018 at Rock Springs Ranch. The registration forms have been sent to all the schools, parishes, and Youth Leaders. Juniors, Seniors and College Age students can apply to be counselors. You can also find the forms on the Diocesan web-page.

PRAYER AND ACTION: Don't forget to sign up your high school students for Prayer and Action this summer.

PLAINVILLE:	June 3-8	COLLEGE WEEK
	June 10-15	35 Openings
	June 17-22	6 Openings
	June 24-29	20 Openings
	July 8-13	19 Openings
	July 15-20	14 Openings
	July 22-27	35 Openings

IMPORTANT: To reserve your place, please send in the names and the money for your group and I will reserve your place for the week that you signed up for.

OFFICE OF SAFETY AND SECURITY

A SPECIAL THANK YOU to those who hosted us at their Safe Environment Audit meetings this month. We very much enjoyed visiting with all of you. There is great work being done in the field to ensure we are providing a safe environment in our facilities and programs, and we appreciate your hard work and dedication! In March, we visited the following location, and again want to say *Thank you* to each of them!

Saints Peter and Paul Parish, Clay Center

Cyndy Schwensen Father Randall Weber

A kind reminder; there are still some Safety Coordinators who have not yet returned their *Testimony of Compliance for the Safe Environment for STUDENTS*, please return them as soon as possible!

Thank you to those parishes and schools who have made the transition from having the Diocese bill you for the background checks, to Selection.Com billing you directly. If you have not received an invoice from Selection.com or are past due, please get that taken care of immediately.

We appreciate the cooperation received from you in getting the **CMGConnect** videos and the **Selection.Com** background checks completed for the employees, volunteers and educators of your parish or school. Please continue to monitor the database monthly to make sure all employees, educators and volunteers have completed the training for your parish or school and are designated correctly in the database. As a reminder, the Diocese will be having an on-site audit this year, so it is important that the data in CMG be up to date and accurate.

Feel free to contact our office if you have any questions. Thank you for your commitment as we continue our mission, Promise to Protect, Pledge to Heal.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

EMPOWERED TO CONNECT FREE SIMULCAST (FLYER ENCLOSED)

April 13 -14, 2018

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Hays, Salina and Manhattan locations

Practical teaching to help adoptive and foster parents, churches and professionals to better serve children impacted by adoption and foster care.

For more information and to register, go to www.ccnks.org.

OFFICE OF FAMILY LIFE

DIOCESAN MENS CONFERENCE AUGUST 11- The Diocese of Salina is sponsoring the Seventh Annual Diocesan Men's Conference, "**Men of God**" on Saturday, August 11th at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Hays. Please attend and bring your sons who are of junior high or high school age. Two nationally known speakers, Archbishop Charles Chaput, O.F.M. Cap., and John Martignoni. +Chaput was born in Concordia, KS and currently shepherds the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. John Martignoni currently hosts the EWTN OpenLine radio program of Bible apologetics. A registration form is attached for your convenience. To register online or for more information go to www.salinadiocese.org/family-life or call 785-827-8746, Ext.17. Early registration is being prompted as men from both the Wichita and Dodge City Diocese are expected to participate.

FAMILY MATTERS! Attached is the 6th issue of Family Matters. Please use this resource in your parishes to promote and support Family Life.

PARISH FAMILY LIFE COORDINATORS – Are you, were you, or do you want to be the Family Life Coordinator of your parish? We have recently contacted through email the "Family Life Coordinator" of each parish. The list used to send these emails was out dated. If you didn't get an email from the Office of Family Life regarding "Family Life Coordinators," and you are one, were one, or want to be one, please contact the Office of Family Life so we can get your contact information and get you on our email list. A special thank you to those who have already responded to my email, please look for more details about this ministry in the coming months.

<u>UPCOMING MARRIAGE PREPARATION AND ENRICHMENT EVENTS</u> CATHOLIC ENGAGED ENCOUNTER DATES FOR 2018

April 13-15, 2018 - Capuchin Center for Spiritual Life - Victoria June 8-10, 2018 - Capuchin Center for Spiritual Life - Victoria For more information, go to www.salinacee.com

MARRIAGE PREPARATION RETREAT

April 6-7, 2018 - St. Isidore Catholic Student Center - Manhattan For more information, contact Maria Leiker at mleiker@stisidores.com

GOD'S PLAN FOR A JOYFILLED MARRIAGE SEMINAR DATES FOR 2018

April 28, 2018 - Our Lady of Perpetual Help - Concordia For more information, contact Tony and Lindy Meyer at familylife@olphconcordia.org

OTHER FAMILY LIFE/NFP NEWS AND EVENTS:

ANGEL MOTHERS MASS- On Thursday, May 10th at 10:30 a.m. there will be a Memorial Mass for mothers who have lost a child - at any age, either before or after birth. This year the Mass will be at St. Thomas More Church in Manhattan, KS. There will be a light reception following the Mass. If you need more information about this special Mass, or would like to attend, or know someone who would like to attend, please contact wendy.backes@salinadiocese.org

OFFICE OF FAMILY LIFE (cont.)

NEW FERTILITY CARE WEBSITE - Women, take control of your reproductive health by affiliating yourself with people who care about you. The Diocese of Salina Fertility Care Center has a new website. Check it out at **SalinaFertilityCare.org**. Find Natural Family Planning Practitioners, NaProTECHNOLOGY doctors to help with reproductive issues, hear testimonies and much more. Taking care of your body, as God designed it, will lead to a healthier you. Visit salinafertilitycare.org today!

PLEASE JOIN SALINANS FOR LIFE FOR THESE EVENTS:

<u>Sunday, April 8, 2-4 PM</u>, Speaker Terry Beatley, author of "What if We've Been Wrong." continues her promise to Dr. Bernard Nathanson, America's abortion king turned pro-lifer, to continue his pro-lifer crusade after his death. Dr. Nathanson's classic pro-life short film "Silent Scream" will also be shown. The event will be held at Pioneer Presidents Place Auditorium, 220 S. 7th, Lincoln Building. Entrance on the East side of the building with parking available on 7th Street. *Free Admission - Donations Accepted*

Monday, May 28, 8:30-9 PM, Candlelight Service for the Unborn - Mount Calvary Cemetery, 1930 E. Iron, at the Monument for the Unborn ~ 100 feet inside the Iron Street entrance. A service of song and prayer to remember the aborted and to pray for an end to abortion.

PARENT RETREAT- Sharon Witzell will present a weekend retreat April 6-8, 2018 at the Spiritual Life Center. The title of the retreat is Cultivate Joy in Your Family. Sharon uses Catholic teaching, scripture and basic psychology of family systems theory to reveal various paths you can take to lead your family to joy and out of trials of suffering. She believes joy is possible for all families no matter what your upbringing was. See attached brochure for more information or email slc@slcwichita.org

SAVE THE DATE WOMEN'S CONFERENCE - Salina Diocesan Council of Catholic Women Annual Conference will be Saturday, August 18, 2018 at the Courtyard Marriot in Junction City, Kansas. Hallie Lord will be the guest speaker. For more information email flaxsista3@gmail.com

OFFICE OF DEVELOPMENT

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY ANNUAL APPEAL

The generosity of our diocese is obvious again. Pledges to the CCAA continue to arrive daily, with many of these from first time donors. This year's themes, — "We though many are one body in Christ" and "As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another," continue to inspire support for the ministries of the diocese. These ministries support what you are doing in the parishes. Please continue to encourage those who have not pledged or given to do so. Remember, the manual has tips for encouraging gifts, prayers of the faithful and bulletin announcements. Gifts to the appeal will be accepted through the end of the year, December 31, 2018.

OFFICE OF DEVELOPMENT (cont.)

The development office has converted to a new software system to manage donations. This new system will make us much more efficient. However, in the meantime, we are dealing with issues of conversion. Because of this, the CCAA weekly report is not available yet. They will be emailed as soon as possible. I apologize for the delay. In the meantime, if you have any questions, contact me (Beth) at 785-827-8746, ext. 42 or Lois at 785-827-8746, ext. 45.

SEMINARIAN RECOGNITION DINNER

On Thursday, May 31, 2018, we will hold our annual Seminarian Recognition Event – An Evening with our Seminarians at the Salina Country Club. The evening will begin with Vespers followed by a wonderful dinner. As in year's past, the evening recognizes those men in our diocese who are currently discerning God's call to Priestly vocations. This is a fun and inspiring event. Consider inviting your parishioners or perhaps host a table of men who have shown interest in seminary. More information will be available soon. In the meantime, contact Beth Shearer with any questions – beth.shearer@salinadiocese.org or 785-827-8746, ext. 42. This has become a popular event, and RSVP's are required to be sure we do not overflow the room.

May 2018

Mayunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	Confirmation, St. Francis Xavier, Junction City 7:00 pm	3	K of C State Convention, Overland Park, KS	5 Confirmation, 5:30 pm, St. Ignatius Loyola, Kanopolis K of C State Conv., Overland Park, KS
6 Confirmation-10 am, St. Bernard, Ellsworth K of C State Convention, Overland Park, KS	7	8 Clergy Health & Retirement Luncheon, Victoria, 11:30 am	9 Clergy Health & Retirement Luncheon, Salina, Social 11:30, lunch at 12:00 noon Confirmation, 7 pm, St. Mary's, Ellis	Ascension of Jesus Angel Mothers Mass, 10:30 am, w/ lunch, St. Thomas More, Manhattan	11	Confirmation , 6:00 pm, OLPH-Concordia
13 Mother's Day 10 am, Tipton Graduation Solemnity of the Ascension	14	St. Isidore's Day, Kanopolis	Annual Religious Sisters Mass, 11 am, w/luncheon, S.H. Cathedral	17	18	Confirmation, 5:30 pm, Sts. Peter & Paul, Clay Center with St. Anthony, Miltonvale, at Clay Center
20 TMP Hays Graduation, 11 am, IHMP, Hays SHHS Graduation, 3:30 pm, SH Cathedral, Salina	21	22	23	24	Counselor's Mtg. (Rock Springs)	Junior CYO Camp (Rock Springs)
27 Trinity Sunday Junior CYO Camp (Rock Springs)	28 Chancery Closed Memorial Day Junior CYO Camp (Rock Springs)	Junior CYO Camp (Rock Springs)	30	31 Diocesan Annual Seminarian Evening, Salina Country Club Corpus Christi		

THE SHEPHERD

"Then I will give you shepherds after my own heart, who will lead you with knowledge and understanding."

~Jeremiah 3:15

Diocese of Salina Safe Environment Newsletter



April, 2018

April is Child Abuse Prevention Month

In 1982, President Reagan proclaimed April to be the first National Child Abuse Prevention Month, and that tradition continues today. Children being the most vulnerable need to be protected.



"Let the little children come to me, and do not prevent them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these." ~Mark 10:14

Children and young people are gifts from God and deserve to be safe from all harm, including abuse.

As a Community of Faith

During Child Abuse Prevention Month, we are reminded of the call to be instruments of justice, working for the common good of all, which includes the protection of children. As Jesus entrusts to Peter the care of the flock, we are reminded that this responsibility belongs to everyone as a matter of charity and justice



Child Abuse Prevention Month should lead to heightened awareness of the need to be vigilant about providing a safe environment for all within the Church and for our communities.

In Matthew 18:5, Jesus says "whoever receives one child such as this in my name receives me."

It takes the responsibility of all adults to keep children and youth safe from abuse. Every adult is an ethical reporter of suspected child abuse, but some are mandatory reporters. Are you familiar with the mandatory reporting law for suspected child abuse in Kansas?

Join other churches across the nation in praying for children who have been abused, and for the prevention of future abuse. National Blue Sunday "a day of prayer for abused children and those who rescue them" is April 29, 2018.

Abuse of Minors Pastoral Response Hotline:

785.825.0865

For the safety and the healing of children, the Diocese of Salina provides an Abuse of Minors Pastoral Response Hotline. Calls to this number will be answered by the Diocesan Assistance Coordinator.

Calls are confidential with the following exceptions:

 Any allegation of child abuse concerning those who currently are minors must be report to the Kansas Protection Report Center

800.922.5330

as required by Kansas State Law and Diocesan Policy.

 Any allegation of child abuse including sexual misconduct must be shared with the proper Diocesan authorities.



Diocese of Salina PO Box 980 Salina, KS 67402-0980

reportabuse@salinadiocese.org

THE LANGUAGE OF ON-LINE GROOMING ~Sharon Doty J.D, M.H.R.



The dangers of a predator grooming children both online and offline are very worrisome. "Grooming Conversation" by definition is the criminal activity of becoming friends with a child, especially over the internet, in order to persuade the child to have a sexual relationship.

Online predators often tell a child that they are only interested in them. The reality is they are communicating with 15 – 20 victims at once. It is important to understand their grooming techniques.

The primary tool for online grooming is language, and the way they gain access to our children.

- Online groomers are likely to be more direct in their solicitation of sexual behavior than offline groomers; greater use of
 explicit sexual language earlier in the online conversation versus an in-person conversation. This is, in part, to
 desensitize the potential victim, but also serves as sexual gratification for the predator during the grooming process in a
 way that offline predators do not experience.
- Online groomers use a variety of strategies to develop trust in their relationships with potential victims; complimenting potential victims and reinforcing their self-image as a way of strengthening the sociability of the interactions. Compliments are used to build trust, desensitize the children, and mentally or emotionally isolate them from others.
- Online groomers use different methods of assessing the willingness of potential victims to take risks than offline groomers' use; groomers are saying things to learn about the level of trust they are achieving—rather than waiting, as offline groomers do, to establish a level of trust before stepping over the line. One particular way that is often employed is language that seemed to leave decision making to the child. A predator might say, for example, "just an idea, it's up to you" or let's "meet somewhere public where it's safe." All these techniques are designed to ensure that victims do not tell anyone about the relationship with the groomer/predator. In the offline situation, the potential predator is working in a more linear fashion—waiting to make sure there is trust and secrecy before moving forward and relying on visual cues as well as language. Online the strategies are more complex and difficult to distinguish one from another, but taken together they move the process forward with greater velocity and all the while the predator is experiencing sexual gratification as the grooming continues.

There is a great deal more for us to learn from this research. It is important to remember that monitoring the online communication of children via chats, apps, gaming websites, etc., is very important.

Research has demonstrated that although young people know what to do and not to do online, they pay little attention to the risks. Learning all we can about how predators groom children through online contact is key to keeping them safe at all times.

Language is an online groomer's valuable tool for grooming online.

The more we know the more we can put a stop to them.



- If you or someone you know has been abused, the Maria Goretti Network reaches out to victims of abuse, their families and to those who support recovery, with God's love as witnessed in the life of Maria Goretti: mgoretti.org
- Get free resources for talking with your children and teens about cyberbullying, internet safety and social media at NetSmartz: netsmartz.org
- Get free resources for teaching children about personal safety, healthy boundaries and more from KidSmartz: kidsmartz.org

Remember...

Safety Coordinators:

Please make sure your CMGConnect database is current for your parish/school, and please be sure all invoices are paid and current with Selection.Com



Look for the next edition of

The Shepherd

in July, 2018

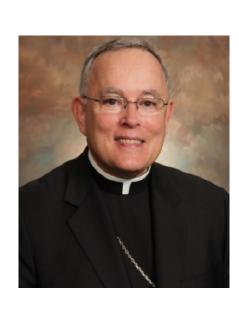
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WE PROMISE TO PROTECT
AND PLEDGE TO HEAL



ARCHBISHOP CHARLES CHAPUT, O.F.M. CAP.

Charles Joseph Chaput, OFM Cap. was born in Concordia, KS, September 26, 1944. He went to grade school at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic School in Concordia, Kansas. Deciding to become a priest at the age of 13, he attended St. Francis Seminary High School in Victoria, Kansas. At age 21 Chaput entered the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin, a branch of the Franciscans, and On July 14, 1968, he made his solemn profession as a Capuchin friar.

Chaput is an American prelate of the Catholic Church. He is the ninth and current bishop of Philadelphia, installed on September 8, 2011, and previously served as Archbishop of Denver and Bishop of Rapid City.

Among his many endeavors and accomplishments Chaput is also an renowned author and writes an excellent column on CatholicPhilly.com.

"The world needs faithful Catholic men, men with a

hunger to be saints. The role of a Catholic husband and father—a man who sacrifices his own desires, out of love, to serve the needs of his wife and children—is the living cornerstone of a Christian home. The Church in this country may face a very hard road in the next 20 years, and her sons need to step up and lead by the witness of their daily lives." ~ Archbishop Chaput



JOHN MARTIGNONI

John Martignoni is the Founder and President of the Bible Christian Society; an apologetics and evangelization apostolate located in Pleasant Grove, Alabama.

He was born Catholic, but never learned the Faith growing up. He left the Church when he went off to college. He was a cafeteria Catholic for a couple of years until getting hold of Scott Hahn's "Conversion Story" talk and delving deeply into apologetics.

He currently is the host of "EWTN Open Line" a live, nationally-telecast, call-in radio program of Bible apologetics every Monday from 2:00-3:00 pm (Central) on the EWTN Global Catholic Radio Network.

John's other talks have been featured many times on EWTN Radio and on various Catholic radio stations across the country.

John has been married to Janel for 20 years and they have three sons; Brennan, Ethan and Noah and one daughter McKenna.

Salina Diocese Men's Conference 2018 "MEN OF GOD"

Saturday, August 11, 2018 Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church- 1805 Vine Hays, Kansas 67601

egistration (refreshments & lunch included)				
Adult - \$35 NOTE: <u>If paper form submitted each adult must fill a separate form</u>				
Student - \$15 (MS, HS & College)				
Father and one son under 21 -\$40				
Father and two sons under 21 - \$50				
Father and three sons under 21 - \$60				
Priests, deacons and seminarians are FREE, but need to register for planning purposes.				
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**** NEW FOR 2018****				
I would like to preregister for an Assistive Hearing Device at no additional charge				
I would like to sponsor an additional adult entry fee.				

(Donated entry fees will be given to the Priests of the Diocese to disperse to those in their communities who may otherwise be unable to attend.)

August 1st is the final registration date. Registrations after that date will require an additional \$10.00/person

Send completed registration form and payment to:
Diocesan Family Life Office
P. O. Box 980
Salina, KS 67402-0980





The month of April is dedicated both to devotion to the Eucharist and devotion to the Holy Spirit. This tradition has developed because Easter Sunday often falls in April, and when it does fall in March, the Easter season continues on through all of April. In essence, April is a month of Easter, and during the Easter celebration we remember the Eucharistic sacrifice Christ gave us and the baptism in the Holy Spirit, which would come after Jesus's resurrection.

As we move through this beautiful Easter Season, we celebrate

Divine Mercy Sunday

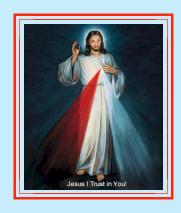
The Divine Mercy devotion originated with a Polish nun, St. Faustina Kowalski, who had visits from Christ in the 1930's. She wrote down her conversations with Jesus in a diary, which included a number of suggestions for devotion to Divine Mercy. These revelations had a particular impact on Pope St. John Paul II, who brought the devotions into worldwide adoption on April 30, 2000 . Those devotions include, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, the Divine Mercy Image, The Divine Mercy Novena and Divine Mercy Sunday-the first Sunday after Easter.

Give your family a great spiritual gift this Easter Season.
Introduce them to the Divine Mercy Image.
Reflect on these questions.

Why do you trust in Jesus?

The Lord told St. Faustina that those who venerate this image would not perish. How can you pray with this image in your life?

If Jesus were standing there before you just like this, what would you say to him?



Teach your family the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, which is recited using ordinary rosary beads. The Chaplet is preceded by two opening prayers from the Diary of Saint Faustina and followed by a closing prayer.

go to thedivinemercy.org for additional information

Is your Parish celebrating Divine Mercy Sunday?

Visit divinemercysunday.com for more info about this special day.

As we continue through the month of April, there are numerous feast days to celebrate.

St. Stanislaus (April 11)

St. Martin I (April 13)

St. Bernadette (April 16)

St. Anselm (April 21)

St. George and St. Adalbert (April 23)

St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen (April 24)

St. Mark (April 25)

Our Lady of Good Counsel (April 26)

St. Louis Mary de Montfort and St. Peter

Chanel (April 28)

St. Pius V (April 30)

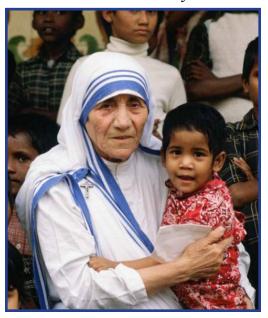
nd St. Peter

As a family choose a favorite saint to celebrate or discover a saint that is new to you. Go to Mass, read a story about them, do a craft or make a special meal. How else can you prepare to live out the liturgical year with your family?

For more ideas, visit *catholicinspired.com*

"THE WAY YOU Heal THE WORLD IS TO START WITH YOUR OWN Family."

- Saint Teresa of Calcutta



The retreat begins on Friday April 6 at **7:00 pm** and ends on Sunday April 8 after lunch at **1:00 p.m.**

To register call the Spiritual Life Center at 744-3520 or email slc@slcwichita.org

Cost:

Early Bird Registration Fees

(Good through Monday, March 12, 2018)

\$100.00 Commuter

\$145.00 Single

\$120.00 Double

Regular Registration Fees

\$100.00 Commuter \$165.00 Single \$138.00 Double





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Weekend Retreat presented by Sharon Witzell

April 6 – 8, 2018 Spiritual Life Center

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The Church invites us to make our families a priority, because our children are the only possessions we will take with us into eternity. The family unit faces unprecedented challenges and threats today. On this retreat Sharon offers help and healing for families who are struggling or have suffered.

SOME OF THE TOPICS THAT WILL BE COVERED INCLUDE:

- · Healing Your Family of Origin
- · Family Bonding
- Setting Boundaries in your Family
- Forgiveness In Families
- Becoming you True Self in your Family
- How to Find Happiness and Joy in Family Life

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ABOUT THE PRESENTER:

Sharon has a master's degree in Music Education from the University of Kansas has done graduate studies in Family Life Ministry. She has been ministering to Catholic families for over 30 years instructing engaged couples, presenting marriage enrichment and marriage healing retreats, teaching parenting classes, and leading both grief and divorce support groups and Bible studies.

She is currently the program coordinator for Senior Adult Ministry in the Office of Marriage and Family Life for the Diocese of Wichita. She is married to her husband Ken and is the mother of six children and has 14 grandchildren. In her spare time she enjoys playing with her grandkids, quilting, reading, cooking and traveling.



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