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OFFICE OF THE BISHOP:

THANK YOU to all for your continued pastoral care during these times of uncertainty. We continue to pray for an end of COVID-19.

WELCOME to Kim Hoelting, Director of Human Resources. We are very grateful to have Kim with us at the Chancery. If you need to contact her, her information is kim.hoelting@salinadiocese.org or 785-827-8746 x28.

CONFIRMATION request forms and a list of unavailable dates were included in the March SDNB. Thank you to those you have already submitted their forms to Katie. A friendly reminder that the deadline for these forms is May 1, 2020. You can access the form at https://salinadiocese.org/bishops-office/confirmation-schedule/scheduling-form/file

CHRISM MASS is on April 2, 2020 at 11:30 A.M. at the Sacred Heart Cathedral. Due to COVID-19, the event will be private with only a few in attendance.

HOLY LAND COLLECTION is on April 10, 2020. Thank you for promoting this important collection in your parishes. A copy of my letter of support for this collection is attached.

HAPPY EASTER! The Chancery will be closed on Friday, April 10 and Monday, April 13.

DIACONATE ORDINATION of Brian McCaffrey is scheduled for 10 A.M. on April 18, 2020 at the Sacred Heart Cathedral in Salina. Due to COVID-19, the event will likely be private. Please continue to keep Brian in your prayers during this time.

6th GRADE VOCATION DAYS which were scheduled for April 28, 2020 in Abilene and April 30, 2020 in Hays are CANCELED.

HUMAN TRAFFICKING inserts for your bulletin can be found below:

APRIL – "We are all called to combat every form of slavery and build fraternity— all of us, each one according to his or her own responsibility" (Pope Francis). Human trafficking demands our attention – let's work together to end it.

OFFICE OF THE BISHOP (cont.)

U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking. (www.sistersagainsttrafficking.org). USCSAHT is a 501 Copr. 3 organization. 2039 N Geyer Road, St. Louis, MO 63131

ABRIL – "Todos estamos llamados a combatir todas las formas de esclavitud y construir fraternidad, cada uno de acuerdo con su propia responsabilidad" (Papa Francisco). La trata de personas exige nuestra atención: trabajemos juntos para acabarla.

Hermanas católicas de los Estados Unidos contra la trata de personas. (<u>www.sistersagainsttrafficking.org</u>). USCSAHT es una organización 501 Copr. 3. 2039 N Geyer Road, St. Louis, MO 63131

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CONVENTION that was scheduled for May 1-3 in Wichita has been CANCELED.

* As of now, the following events are still on the calendar. Should this change, you will be informed accordingly. *

RELIGIOUS SISTERS APPRECIATION MASS will be on May 5, 2020 at 11 A.M. at the Sacred Heart Cathedral. Lunch will follow. All are encouraged to con-celebrate.

SPECIAL MOTHERS MASS is set for May 7, 2020 at 10:30 A.M. at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish in Concordia.

ST. ISIDORE'S DAY is May 15, 2020.

CLERGY HEALTH AND RETIREMENT BOARD are scheduled for:

May 19, 2020	Spiritual Life Center, Victoria
May 20, 2020	Sacred Heart Cathedral, Salina

Invitations will be forthcoming.

JUNIOR CYO CAMP will take place May 23-26, 2020. Please see the Office of Youth Ministry for more information.

ANNUAL SEMINARIAN DINNER will be at the Hilton Garden Inn in Salina on May 28, 2020 at 5:30 P.M. Please see the Office of Stewardship and Development for more information.

OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR

BAPTISMAL RECORDS: Please check your records to see when the last time was that records of baptisms for your parish/es were sent to the Chancery. For the large parishes this should be done every year. For the small parishes maybe only every two or three years. Attached to this SDNB is the template which can be used for recording your baptisms by hard copy (and sent back to the Chancery at P.O. Box 980, Salina, KS 67402-0980). If you do not already have an Excel File with a form to fill out your baptisms on the computer, please email Abby at chancery@salinadiocese.org and she will send you the attachment for this form. Also attached is a file which lets you know the latest records we have received from your parish/es. If your records are different from these please let Abby know.

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 Fr. Keith Weber at keith.weber@salnadiocese.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.

REMINDER: The fee for the Corporate Annual Reports - \$40.00 us now due from <u>each</u> parish. If you have not already sent the \$40.00 to the Finance Office, please do so at your earliest convenience. A list of parishes that have not paid is below.

LIST OF PARISHES THAT HAVE NOT PAID THE CORPORATE ANNUAL REPORT FEES (\$40.00)

Aurora Hays-C.C.C. Logan

Brookville Hill City Manhattan-Seven Dolors

CatharineKanopolisSchoenchenGorhamLeovilleSeldenGypsumLoganSolomon

MARYMOUNT SCHOLARSHIP AND MSGR. CLEMENT KRUSE SCHOLARSHIP:

The forms for these scholarships are in the Diocesan Handbook. Copies can be made from these forms. Please make sure the applicants are given the correct forms for the Marymount scholarship. There is one for first year applicants and a separate one for those reapplying for additional funds after the completed their first year of college. (Section V, pages 23-28) Applications are due in our office by July 1st.

OFFICE OF LITURGY

- 1. The bishop sent an email about the Chrism Mass. Just a reminder that only four priests will be allowed to participate in person: Frs. Daise, Konrade, Gatchet, and Fr. Frank Coady. Please bring your empty oil stocks, along with a \$10 check, to the one nearest you. Make sure they are labeled clearly for each parish/institution. Later, you can pick them up at your convenience. Thanks for your cooperation with this unusual request.
- 2. The Chrism Mass will be live-streamed at 11:30 A.M. on April 2. Priests are encouraged to participate at that time. When the bishop asks the questions for the renewal of priestly commitment, please express your assent in your heart.
- 3. There have been questions about copyrights for recorded and/or live-stream liturgies. Here are some resources available in this time of crisis.

FROM OCP:

"OCP is evolving our website (www.ocp.org) and social channels to focus on providing resources, guidance and information for parishes to stay connected to their parishioners digitally and for parishioners to find new and fulfilling ways to encounter God and His love at home. With GIA we are offering a free license to our copyrights for parishes who are live streaming Mass. Visit ocp.org for more information on streaming as well as regular updates for parishioners."

FROM GIA:

"As we adjust to virtual Masses and finding new ways to pray at home, GIA is offering their annual missal which includes the complete Order of Mass, Sunday and holy day readings and psalms, weekday reading citations, entrance and communion antiphons, and psalm responses (Regular price \$10.95, now just \$2 while supplies last (plus shipping)." https://www.giamusic.com/store/resource/liturgy-of-the-word-2192-year-a-book-003325

FROM ONE LICENSE:

As the COVID-19 Coronavirus outbreak continues to unfold, ONE LICENSE—together with hundreds of our Member Publishers—is honored to assist worshipping communities worldwide during this extraordinary time. We can provide **two different gratis license options** valid through April 15, 2020.

A ONE LICENSE license grants churches, schools, religious communities, retreat centers, and other worshiping bodies permission to reprint or project music for their congregations from any of our Member Publishers. A ONE LICENSE Podcast / Streaming License grants permission to podcast or stream religious services that contain music from our Member Publishers. For new customers or for existing customers who do not already have a Podcast / Streaming License, ONE LICENSE is able to offer a one-month gratis license, valid through April 15, 2020.

If you are brand new to the ONE LICENSE service and would like to take advantage of the one-month gratis reprint license, please sign up for an account at https://onelicense.net and use code "CRVS20" at checkout. All fees will be waived.

If you already have an Annual Reprint License and would like to add a Podcast / Streaming License in this season, you can do so by logging in and following these steps: "My Account" -> "My Profile" -> "Licenses" -> click the green arrow -> "Add Podcast / Streaming".

OFFICE OF LITURGY (cont.)

If you need assistance, you may email us at <u>info@onelicense.net</u> with your license number, business address, and the code "CRVS20" for redemption. Note that we are experiencing an exceptionally high amount of emails and we promise to return your message as soon as possible.

FROM CATHOLIC PUBLISHERS ASSOCIATION:

Looking for ways to support the families and parishes with whom you minister? Catholic publishers are sharing their online resources, some specially developed for this particular situation, for you to use.

- Resources for Lent
- Resources for Easter
- Prayer resources for families
- Resources for Prayer and Engagement during Coronavirus
- 3. I sent an email the other day about baptizing adults outside the Easter Vigil. I forgot to mention that there is a similar instruction for those coming into full communion with the Catholic Church through profession of faith and Confirmation. It is in the RCIA Ritual, nos. 473ff.
- 4. It is difficult to imagine how to celebrate the Triduum liturgies without an assembly. The notes from Rome that Bishop Vincke sent to us recently give clear guidelines, but we will all have to work out the small details on our own. If you have questions, feel free to email or text me. coady@stmmanhattan.com. 785-822-1995. I will give my best answers, but we are all making this up as we go along. A great time for learning to trust, but also for working together. Thank you for the fraternity we share.

OFFICE OF THE DEACONS

DIACONATE MINISTRY INFORMATION SESSIONS: There will be two sessions this spring where information will be presented to those men of the diocese who are interested in applying for the diaconate program for our diocese. Information will be provided regarding the ministry of the diaconate, the discernment/aspirancy year, and the formation program itself. It is anticipated that the discernment year will begin in September 2020, and the formation program will begin in September 2021, for a total of 5 years of discernment and formation. Bishop Vincke has chosen St. Meinrad Seminary and School of Theology to conduct the academic formation portion of the program at a yet-to-be-determined location in our diocese.

The dates and locations are as follows:

April 25, 2020, at 1 P.M. at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 625 Freeman Avenue, Oakley, Kansas,

May 2, 2020, at 1 P.M. at Sacred Heart High School, 234 E. Cloud Street, Salina, Kansas.

Please advertise in your bulletins and personally encourage any outstanding candidates that you are personally aware of to attend the meetings.

OFFICE OF YOUTH MINISTRY

JUNIOR CYO CAMP: Our annual camp will be May 23-26, 2020, at Rock Springs Ranch, Junction City. Youth who are 6th, 7th and 9th graders this current school year are invited to attend. Please encourage your junior high youth to attend. Our counselors are juniors, seniors and college age students.

COUNSELORS FOR JUNIOR CYO CAMP: We encourage juniors, seniors in high school and college age students to apply to serve as counselors. The counselors will come to Rock Springs on Friday, May 22nd for Orientation before the camp starts on Saturday. Please go to: salinadiocese.org website, Offices, Catholic Formation, then Youth Ministry, click on the Junior CYO Camp link to get your forms to register.

PRAYER AND ACTION: We have a great team of young adults on the core team for PRAYER AND ACTION this summer. Most of the weeks are starting to fill up so please get your parish on the list before it's too late.

Prayer and Action Oakley
May 31-June 5College Week
June 7-12High School Week
June 14-17High School Week
June 21-26High School Week
Prayer and ActionClyde
July 5-10High School Week
July 12-17High School Week
July 19-24High School Week (only 4 openings)

OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

TOTUS TUUS: All weeks are full except July 19-24 has 1 opening. We will have 3 Teams traveling throughout the diocese.

OFFICE OF DEVELOPMENT

GENEROSITY IN CRISIS: Even in times of stress, people will continue to give to those organizations who are meaningful to them. The Church, both at the parish and the diocesan level, is important to many in our diocese. Our annual appeal numbers, reported below, confirm this for us. Giving will shift, some will have to give less, and others will be in a position to give more. Our role is to keep our needs in front of our supporters and continue to give them the opportunity to give.

If you have specific questions about your fundraising efforts, please reach out to Beth Shearer, beth.shearer@salinadiocese.org or call the cell, 785-493-4688.

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL – CALL TO SHARE



Despite the crazy times we are in, the people in our diocese continue to respond generously to the 2020 Bishop's Annual Appeal. By the end of March, we have received over \$1.1 million to support our seminarians, clergy health and

retirement, youth and adult education and evangelization and ministries. The appeal will continue with a few modifications.

The In-Pew solicitation/Participation weekend – obviously this activity has been postponed until we can celebrate Mass together again. Once that happens, we will reschedule the in-pew solicitation for an appropriate weekend. Watch your emails for more information.

Status – At this mid-point of the effort, there are a few things to celebrate:

- As of 3/24/2020, 2604 households have made a gift, 336 more than this point in the appeal last year.
- Donors have given \$1,114,730, almost \$117,000 more than last year at this point in the appeal.
- At this time, even with the uncertainty we are experiencing, gifts continue to come in both through the mail and online.

If you have any **questions** along the way, contact Beth Shearer at <u>beth.shearer@salinadiocese.org</u>, Melanie Melander at <u>melanie.melander@salinadiocese.org</u> or Lois Yost at <u>lois.yost@salinadiocese.org</u>. Any of us can be reached by phone at 785-827-8746.

ANNUAL SEMINARIAN RECOGNITION DINNER: The Seminarian Recognition Dinner was originally scheduled for Thursday, May 28, 2020 at 5:30 P.M. A final decision on the status of this event has not been made. This has traditionally been a fun and inspiring event. We will look at ways to continue that fun and inspiration via another avenue if the event is not possible. Watch your email for details. In the meantime, contact Beth Shearer with any questions.

OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS

EUCHARIST LENTEN STUDY: All parishes across the Salina Diocese are invited to participate in a Lenten study on the Eucharist. The series, Presence, is available for free to all at **Formed.org**.

In addition to the content on **Formed.org**, supplemental videos, information and reflections will be available at the website, **salinadiocese.org**, and on social media channels.

Each session of Presence has been carefully designed to help participants discover the powerful way that God is present in the Eucharist, inviting all into an intimate union with himself. The series will examine the effects of the sacrament and its setting in the Mass, explore the scriptural foundation of the sacrament and discover the beauty of Holy Communion and the transformative power of the grace God offers us in this sacrament.

The Presence program is comprised of four sessions: God Is with Us, The Story of the Eucharist, Bread for the Journey and Biblical Foundations of the Eucharist.

- God Is with Us examines God's saving presence with his people throughout salvation history, culminating in the Incarnation and his abiding Real Presence in the Eucharist.
- The Story of the Eucharist looks at how the Eucharist was prefigured in the Old Testament and in Jesus's miracles and teaching.
- Bread for the Journey focuses on the necessity of the Eucharist for our spiritual nourishment and explores the different parts of the Liturgy of the Mass.
- Biblical Foundations of the Eucharist responds to objections to the Church's doctrine of the Eucharist with biblical apologetics. Understanding and responding to the objections of those who disagree with us (apologetics) is an important part of evangelization.

Each parish or family is encouraged to form their own discussion groups. The program is structured such that the four sessions may be completed over the course of four separate meetings or together at one longer (day-long) seminar.

Leader Guides and Study Guides are available, free of cost, and can be found on https://watch.formed.org/presence

If you have watched Presence on FORMED already and want to share a personal testimony and how it impacted you-please contact us by email at communications.office@salinadiocese.org

We are conducting a Publications survey! If you wouldn't mind taking a few moments to fill it out, we would greatly appreciate your feedback! https://salinadiocese.typeform.com/to/HCOOCS

As always, please follow us on social media!

Instagram: salina_diocese Facebook: SalinaDiocese Twitter: @SalinaDiocese

YouTube: Salina_Diocese or www.youtube.com/salinadioceseks

OFFICE OF FAMILY LIFE/NFP

PURIFIED – The Purified Event with Jason Evert scheduled for March 30th had to be canceled but is currently being rescheduled for a date in the fall. Stay tuned to our Diocesan website and social media where we will post updated information as soon as it becomes available. For those who purchased tickets for the March event, your tickets will be honored at the rescheduled event, or you may request a refund by contacting eventcoach@chastity.com including all of the pertinent information.

MASS FOR MOTHERS – Bishop Vincke will celebrate a Mass for mothers who have lost a child at any age, either before or after birth, at Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Concordia on May 7, 2020 at 10:30 A.M. A light reception will follow. Please use the attached flyer and bulletin announcement below to promote this event in your parishes.

The Office of Family Life will be hosting a Mass for mothers who have lost a child at any age, either before or after birth, on Thursday, May 7th at 10:30 A.M. at Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Concordia. Personal invitations will not be sent out. If you would like to participate in this Mass, please call the Office of Family Life at 785-827-8746. If you would like to submit 1 or 2 photos of your child, please scan and email them directly to familylife@salinadiocese.org (please include their name, birthday, and year of death.)

MADE FOR MORE - Visions of the Promised Land with <u>Christopher West</u> and Music by *Mike Mangioni* is currently still planning to come to the Diocese of Salina May 13, 2020, 7 P.M. - 9:30 P.M., at St. Thomas More Catholic Church Utopia Room, Manhattan. An evening of visual beauty, live music, and reflection that will open your senses to the secret of God revealed in all of creation and orient your whole life toward the satisfaction of your deepest longings... Tickets are on sale now at <u>coreproject.com/events/manhattan</u>. Tickets are also available from the 3 parishes in Manhattan, St. Thomas More, Seven Dolors of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and St. Isidore. If for some reason the event is cancelled or postponed due to the coronavirus pandemic, purchased tickets will be honored for a rescheduled event or refunded.

Please publish the following bulletin announcement in your parish bulletins.

MADE FOR MORE with Christopher West & Mike Mangione is coming to St. Thomas More Church in Manhattan on May 13, 2020. Tickets are now on sale and will sell out! Grab your tickets today in a parish office in Manhattan or online at www.corproject.com/events/manhattan. Tickets are \$25. MADE FOR MORE is an inspired blend of teaching, live music, and art that taps the deepest desires of the human heart revealing their ultimate purpose and goal. Join Christopher West and Mike Mangione as they offer a vision of the Gospel like you've never heard through the lens of Saint John Paul II's Theology of the Body. This event is appropriate for ages 16 and up. Please contact Deacon Wayne Talbot at St. Thomas More Parish (785-776-5151) if you would like more information or if you are interested in helping with the event.

2020 DIOCESAN MEN'S CONFERENCE - *SAVE THE DATE* - The 2020 Catholic Men's Conference currently remains scheduled for Saturday, August 15, 2020, at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Hays, Kansas. The featured speakers will be Patrick Coffin and Fr. Andy Hammeke. Please use any of the following information to formulate an announcement for your parish bulletins.

Attention MEN! Mark your calendars for the 2020 Diocesan Men's Conference scheduled for Saturday, August 15, 2020, at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in Hays. Featured speakers will be Patrick Coffin former host of Catholic Answers Live, and current host of The Patrick Coffin Show (http://www.patrickcoffin.media/); and our very own Fr. Andy Hammeke. It promises to be another great conference! Registration for the event will open online May 1, 2020.

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

MARRIAGE PREPARATION AND ENRICHMENT EVENTS - Many of the retreats and conferences have been cancelled or rescheduled in the Diocese of Salina. There are many other resources available online. Those preparing couples for marriage should work together to determine what the marriage preparation process looks like on a case by case basis. We will do our best to keep an updated list of all the events on the Family Life page of the Diocesan website.

CORONAVIRUS RESPONSE - During these everchanging times it is more important than ever for families to look to each other for comfort and support. There are an abundant number of resources available online to help you keep the faith at home. This is a great opportunity to signin to or register for your Formed.org account currently being offered for free to every parishioner at every Parish in the Diocese. Many parishes are also live streaming Masses on their webpages or Facebook accounts as well as offering additional resources. If you have not already joined in the Diocesan Study on the Eucharist, perhaps its impact will be even more significant during this time when we are unable to receive.

OFFICE OF RESPECT LIFE

SISTERS OF LIFE – Unfortunately the Sisters of Life from New York were forced to cancel their trip to the Diocese of Salina scheduled for April 20-23! The Sisters will reschedule their visit for the fall of 2020 and look forward to visiting.

ABBY JOHNSON LEADING THE WAY TO A CULTURE OF LIFE – The Kansas Knights of Columbus are currently working with Abby Johnson to reschedule her speaking event which was previously scheduled for May 2nd at the Century 2 Convention Center in Wichita. They will send out information as soon as it is available.

KANSAS ROSARY CRUSADE - Join Bishop Vincke in the state-wide Rosary Crusade. Please place the following announcement in your parish bulletins.

An invitation from Bishop Vinke: "Our Blessed Mother gave life to the One who is our Life. She is our loving Mother who desires to help us in our needs. As the bishop of the Catholic Diocese of Salina, I would like to extend an invitation to all of our parishioners to join me in a special statewide rosary crusade every Thursday to help us pass a human life amendment to the Kansas Constitution. This amendment will reverse the Kansas Supreme Court's decision to grant a constitutional right to abortion. I believe that our prayers have the power to change the hearts of our legislators and with the help of the Blessed Mother, we will be able to overturn this ruling. I thank you for your willingness to participate and I encourage you to join me in praying for an end to abortion and respect for all life from conception to natural death." To join the Rosary Crusade visit kansasrosarycrusade.org/.

25th ANNIVERSARY OF *EVANGELIUM VITAE* – *In addition to the celebration of the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord, March 25th also marked the 25th anniversary of Pope St. John Paul II's prophetic encyclical, <i>The Gospel of Life (Evangelium vitae)*. To commemorate this event, Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann of Kansas City in Kansas and chairman of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' Committee on Pro-Life Activities issued a special statement announcing a year-long parish initiative entitled Walking with Moms in Need: A Year of Service. To learn more about how your parish can get involved click the link above. There is also a 2 page summary of *The Gospel of Life* available HERE from the USCCB that would be an excellent bulletin insert.

OFFICE OF SAFETY AND SECURITY

NEW STAFF CHANGES – In March we were pleased to welcome Kim Hoelting to our Chancery Staff as the new Director of Human Resources. Beginning April 1, 2020, the Office of Safety and Security will be under the direction of the Human Resources Department. Wendy Backes will also begin working exclusively for the Office of Safety and Security at that time. Kim can be reached at the Chancery number (785) 827-8746 ext. 28 and by email at kim.hoelting@salinadiocese.org. Corey Lyon will continue as the Vice Chancellor of the Diocese along with his other duties. We are very blessed to have Kim on staff and working to help us further our mission, *Promise to Protect*, *Pledge to Heal*.

FROM THE SECRETARIAT OF CHILD AND YOUTH PROTECTION - We pray you are staying safe and healthy as the COVID-19 situation changes daily within our country. During times like this we may be tempted to give in to fear, anxiety, stress, or worry. But that is not what we are called to do. Instead of giving into fears, we are called to focus on hope. Jesus gives us hope, comfort, joy, and peace. All of which may seem like they are lacking, but they remain in abundance. All we have to do is focus on the teachings of Jesus Christ and remain grounded in prayer. Even when everything else is out of our control, we always have control over our relationship with Jesus and with His Mother. During these uncertain times, we want to ensure that you are taking care of those around you but also yourselves.

This time of worldwide trauma can be a very stressful time. Please be cognizant that all families, the vulnerable, the young, and the old may have additional needs during his time.

Click <u>HERE</u> for resources to encourage spiritual, mental, and physical well-being, along with other resources to help those in your parish communities throughout this health emergency. Know of our prayers for you and your loved ones.

PARISH AND SCHOOL AUDITS - Thank you to St. Nicholas of Myra in Hays for hosting the second set of the mandatory Safety Coordinator meetings at the beginning of March, and thanks to all the Safety Coordinators (new and old) for taking time out of their busy schedules to attend. On March 19th we held our third mandatory Safety Coordinator meeting via Zoom. Thank you to those parish and school coordinators who were able to join us for that meeting. We appreciate your flexibility and willingness to adapt to the circumstances at hand.

Our final set of meetings originally scheduled to be in Colby on April 3rd and 4th, were rescheduled for Zoom meetings on March 25th and 26th. Again, we thank those who were able to adjust their schedules to join us.

If you have not been able to attend one of the mandatory meetings, please contact the office and we will get you scheduled for a different date and time.

OFFICE OF SAFETY AND SECURITY (cont.)

The feedback we have received thus far has been positive, we are grateful this type of meeting has been successful. Thank you again for your willingness to be flexible as we continue our mission, promise to protect, pledge to heal. If you have any questions or need anything during this time, please feel free to contact our office.

A KIND REMINDER- If you have not turned in certification status sheets, children's data reports or parish bulletins with Safety and Security blurbs, please do so as soon as possible. As the end of our audit period is quickly approaching it is imperative that we have all the data we need from the parishes and schools in the Diocese of Salina.

APRIL IS CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH- If you are not able to raise awareness in your parish or school, what can you do in your own family during this month of April? Attached is the April issue of the Shepherd, you will find ideas and suggestions to help you get you started. For more information please click HERE.

POLICY FOR RESPONSE TO ALLEGATIONS OF ABUSE OR MISCONDUCT BY BISHOPS – On March 16th, the USCCB soft launched a new 3rd party reporting system, the website (www.reportbishopabuse.org) and hotline (800-276-1562) are now fully operational. In conjunction with this new reporting system specifically for Bishops and their equivalents the Bishops of Kansas have adopted a new *Policy for Response to Allegations of Abuse or Misconduct by Bishops*. The new policy is officially promulgated in this issue of the SDNB and is attached. It is also available on the Diocesan Website and will be added to the Diocesan Policy Manual when other updates are completed later this year.

MISCELLANEOUS

Fr. Rich Daise is part of a group trying to establish a home for unwed, pregnant women in the Goodland area. If you would like to help with this effort, please contact Fr. Rich at 785-462-2179.

Directory Updates:

- 1. Pg. 20: Email for Beardsley: sfsec625@gmail.com
- 2. Pg. 21: Email for Bird City: sfsec625@gmail.com
- 3. Pg. 35: Email for St. Francis: sfsec625@gmail.com
- 4. Mailing address for all 3 above parishes: St. Francis Assisi Catholic Church, 625 S. River, PO Box 1170, St. Francis, KS 67756-1170
- 5. Pg. 25: Email for Goodland: olph@nwkansascatholics.com

May 2020

Sur	nday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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1 pm Colby, Con	firmation		11 am Religious Sisters Appreciation Mass, S.H. Cathedral Salina	5:30 pm Confirmation, Junction City	10:30 am Special Mother's Mass, OLPH, Concordia	KCC - Topeka	6 pm Confirmation Seven Dolors, Manhattan
10 Mother's Day		11	12	13	14	15	16
8 am Tipton, Gra 3 pm Sacred Hea Graduation						St. Isidore's Day	Armed Forces Day
17		18	19	20	21	22	23
10 am St. John's Graduation 10:30 am St. Fran Graduation 11:30 am TMP-Ma Graduation	ncis Xavier, J.C.	Totus Tuus training	Totus Tuus training 11:30 am Clergy Health & Retirement Board, Victoria	Totus Tuus training 11:30 am Clergy Health & Retirement Board, S.H. Cathedral Salina	Totus Tuus training Ascension of Our Lord		Archdiocese for Military Services, USA Collection Junior CYO Camp
24	31	25	26	27	28	29	30
Archdiocese for Military Services, USA collection Jr. CYO Camp	Pentecost Sunday Prayer & Action, College week	MEMORIAL DAY Jr. CYO Camp CHANCERY CLOSED	Jr. CYO Camp Prayer & Action Training	Prayer & Action Training	5:30 pm Seminarian dinner Prayer & Action Training	Prayer & Action Training	

^{****} All scheduled events are tentative at the time of publication. Please check for updates with your parish/chancery.



Diocese of Salina

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Lent 2020

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Every year on Good Friday, a collection is taken up in Catholic Churches to support the work of the Franciscans serving in the Holy Land, this special place where Jesus was born, lived, was crucified and rose from the dead. It is an opportunity for all of us to bring God's love and peace in a troubled land through this collection.

The Franciscans of the Custody of the Holy Land have the unique responsibility of caring for the Holy Places, as well as caring for the Christians living in the Holy Land. We know that Christians there are often rejected and persecuted. It is vital that we care for our brothers and sisters in order to maintain a Christian presence in a land that is filled with a majority Islamic and Jewish population.

The collection helps the Holy Land Franciscans staff maintain the holy places and shrines and provide pastoral care in 29 parishes. It assists Christians in order that they can remain in the Holy Land. This includes providing for the poor and young couples by building thousands of residential units, senior care facilities and providing medical assistance to the needy. Additionally, the Franciscans operate and support schools that are open to all, regardless of religion or nationality.

It is our financial support that keeps the door open to Christians living in the Holy Land. Thank you for your consideration and your generosity.

In Christ's service.

Most Rev. Gerald L. Vincke

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Bishop of Salina

Diocese of Salina

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Concordia

will celebrate a Memorial Mass for mothers who are grieving the loss of a child at any age, before or after birth.



Celebrant Bishop Gerald Vincke

Mothers join in this celebration to rejoice in the gift of motherhood, even in the face of sadness and loss. Let us continue to celebrate those lives who have gone before us, and recognize that you are not alone in your grief.

Mother's who would like to attend please call The Office of Family Life at 785-827-8746 #24 RSVP before April 27th

Following Mass a light reception will be held in the parish hall

Office of Family Life salinadiocese.org/family-life 785-827-8746



May the Lord bless you and keep you! May the Lord let his face shine upon you, and be gracious to you!

May the Lord look upon you kindly and give you peace!

—Numbers 6:24-26

As I am writing this April edition of Family Matters, we are in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Our regular schedules have been disrupted, fear of the unknown has set in, we have spent extended time in confined areas, our school buildings are closed, and until further notice, all public celebrations of the Holy Mass, cancelled. This is certainly a stressful time for families.

As adults, we are doing our best to try to navigate through this pandemic. We ask ourselves, who will take care of the kids since there is no school, do we

have enough groceries, what if I get laid off, a myriad of questions are going through our heads. Our children have questions too, how will we answer them? As we continue to endure this situation as parents, it is important to provide our children with a sense of security and as much normalcy as possible. The coronavirus outbreak is stirring up anxiety, confusion, and major inconveniences. It is a situation in which we can overreact or under-react. This is not the first time that people of faith have faced a crisis, and it certainly will not be the last.

How can our faith tradition guide and comfort your family through this troubling time?

A FAITH FOUNDATION

Out shildren are looking to us not only for information but for guidance in how to respond and how worried they should be. Our actions speak louder than words. Our fair can can keep us on track. We trust in a God who car stabout everyone and urges us to do the same. Our fair guides us to not only look at our own needs, but prioritize the needs of others, epecially those most in need.

STOPPING THE SPREAD

It is our responsibility as parents to make sure our children know how to avoid spreading the virus.

These steps are to keep your children safe, but also to protect those family members, friends and those most at risk in the community.

BREATHING ROOM

We already tend to jam-pack our schedules with work, parenting, and other responsibilities. This crisis just increases the pressure.

Our faith tradition has a check against this called the Sabbath. It's about taking a break, taking time for ourselves, and taking time for God so that we can be spiritually refreshed, physically rested, and emotionally renewed to do the work we need to do. We need breathing room to stay healthy and centered. Even our children get over-scheduled in our culture. So this little break may be a good opportunity to help them embrace and appreciate the unstructured free time. Consider how that can continue, after the crisis passes.

SERVING OTHERS

It is natural to ask, "Where is God in all of this?" As Matthew 25 reminds us, Christ is present in those who are in need (the hungry, thirsty, stranger, imprisoned, etc.). It is our job to do God's will in the world to make things better. We must always look beyond ourselves to serve our neighbor. As a family, how can you reach out to those who are most in need? You could...shop for neighbors who are staying home because they are most at-risk...call elderly family members, parishioners, or other friends who are isolated and lonely... support a small business that may be struggling.

WHAT CHILDREN NEED TO KNOW

It is important to reassure children, address their fears, and communicate what we believe from a faith perspective. Here are a few things to keep in mind when having that conversation.

Keep it truthful,

keep it age appropriate, and keep it simple.

PRAYER

If prayer is not a regular part of your routine or that of your family, this is a great time to start! If possible, set aside some quiet time to be with God, and don't forget to spend some of that time listening. Pray the Rosary, invoke the intercession and protection of our Blessed Mother, and pray a novena to her.

HOME/ CHURCH Masses and religious education classes have been

canceled at many parishes, giving us an additional challenge as people of faith. However, it's just as important (in fact, more important) for families to worship on Sundays. Our tradition calls each family a "domestic church"sort of like a tiny parish—where we pray, teach the faith, and live it out. Perhaps this time is a blessing in disguise to help us embrace this reality. If you can't go to Mass in-person, here are some alternatives: Scripts and instructions for leading a service at home: http://bit.ly/sunday-liturgy-hours. Multiple suggestions by Fr. James Martin, S.J. at http://bit.ly/sunday-without-mass. Daily mass at: https://www.facebook.com/ SacredHeartCathedralSalinaKansas/videos /530789684239364/

As we continue this journey together, remember the importance of self- care. Be present to your own needs as you minister to others. And as always, we are called to keep our eyes fixed on Christ.



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March 24, 2020

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Committed to our obligation and duty to ensure the safety of young and vulnerable persons the Catholic Bishops of the United States at their June 13, 2019 meeting adopted the "Directives for the Implementation of the provisions of Vos estis lux mundi (You are the light of the world) Concerning Bishops and Their Equivalents." In accord with these directives and the provisions of Vos estis the Bishops of the Kansas Catholic Conference have developed the "Policy for Response to Allegations of Abuse or Misconduct by Bishops." This document outlines how reports made using the new Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting System will be processed in the Kansas Catholic Conference. This new system provides a 3rd party reporting system specifically for reporting Bishops and their equivalents independently from standard diocesan reporting systems.

We each play a vital role in the protection of young and vulnerable persons entrusted to our care, and we have a sacred obligation to avoid complacency even at the highest levels.

Therefore, I, the Most Reverend Gerald L. Vincke, Bishop of Salina, hereby promulgate the Policy for Response to Allegations of Abuse or Misconduct by Bishops, to become effective immediately. The document is to be published to the faithful in the April 2020 Salina Diocesan News Bulletin, as well as on the Diocesan Website and in the Diocesan Policy Manual. Given this twenty-fourth day of March in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Gerald L. Vincke Bishop of Salina

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Chancellor/Ecclesiastical Notary

Policy for Response to Allegations of Abuse or Misconduct by Bishops

Metropolitan Model

This initiative of the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas and the Kansas Province creates a vehicle to assure proper reporting of allegations that a bishop of the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas, Dioceses of Dodge City, Salina, or Wichita has:

- 1. engaged in child sexual abuse or other inappropriate sexual behavior with a minor or a vulnerable person;
- 2. forced someone, by violence or threat or through abuse of authority, to perform or submit to sexual acts; or engaged in a sexual harassment or sexual misconduct toward an adult, or
- 3. through actions or omissions intended to interfere with or avoid civil investigations or canonical investigations, whether administrative or penal, against a cleric or a religious regarding the conduct described in sections 1. and 2. above.

For the purposes of this Policy,

- a) Sexual abuse includes any delict against the sixth commandment of the Decalogue, including the production, exhibition, possession or distribution, including by electronic means, of child pornography, as well as by the recruitment of or inducement of a minor or a vulnerable person to participate in pornographic exhibition
- b) "minor" means: any person under the age of eighteen, or who is considered by law to be the equivalent of a minor;
- c) "Vulnerable person" means any person in a state of infirmity, physical or mental deficiency, or deprivation of personal liberty which, in fact, even occasionally, limits their ability to understand or to want or otherwise resist the offense.

Senior Suffragan Process

In the event there is an allegation accusing the Archbishop or any present or previous bishop of the Archdiocese, the Senior Suffragan Bishop will be notified. In general, the same process followed by a Metropolitan, as outlined in this Policy, will be followed by the Senior Suffragan Bishop in accord with *Vos estis lux mundi* and the USCCB "Directives for the Implementation of the provisions of *Vos estis lux mundi* Concerning Bishops and Their Equivalents."

Competencies, Communications and Notifications

The Metropolitan, in consultation with the suffragan bishops, will appoint a qualified lay person to receive reports of conduct about bishops referred to above. The responsibilities of the appointed lay person are the following:

- a. Engaging and interacting with the third-party entity arranged nationally by the USCCB to receive reports;
- b. Receiving reports on behalf of the Metropolitan either through the third-party entity or those made directly to the Metropolitan;
- c. Informing the public about how to report cases involving bishops;

- d. Advising the Metropolitan on whether a report is manifestly unfounded pursuant to Article 10 sec. 1, and on his compliance with applicable civil and canonical laws requiring reports to civil authorities in accord with Article 19;
- e. Gathering any needed additional information from the one making the report in the event there is a need for clarification about details that are time, place, and person specific.

The Metropolitan is to establish, maintain and supervise competent persons to coordinate assistance for the immediate pastoral care of those persons who claim to have been harmed by a Bishop. Those coordinating such assistance should provide a copy of the motu proprio *Vos estis lux mundi*, as well as this policy and Directives, to those persons who claim to have been harmed.

Communications on Reports regarding Bishops: Effective immediately, staff for the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas are instructed that all allegations received in the three categories identified above against a bishop must be immediately forwarded to the Archdiocesan Director of the Office of Child and Youth Protection. The report will also be forwarded to the Chair of the Independent Review Board ("IRB") for the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas. The Director of the Archdiocesan Office of Child and Youth Protection will be responsible for ensuring the IRB Chair has been notified of the report. If the allegation involves the Archbishop/metropolitan or any present or previous bishop of the Archdiocese, the report shall be forwarded to the senior suffragan bishop in the province.

All online reporting portals will be configured to the extent possible so that allegations about bishops are automatically routed directly to the Archdiocesan Director of the Office of Child and Youth Protection and IRB Chair.

Communications materials about the portals/hotlines will be updated to emphasize that these allegations concerning bishops are being directed to the Archdiocesan Director of the Office of Child and Youth Protection and IRB Chair.

Reporting and Notification Procedures:

If the allegation involves conduct described in any of the sections above, the Archdiocesan Director of the Office of Child and Youth Protection shall ensure that the matter is reported immediately to appropriate criminal and civil authorities.

After consultation with the appropriate authorities, the Archdiocesan Director of the Office of Child and Youth Protection shall discuss the allegation with the Archbishop of Kansas City in Kansas. However, if the allegation involves the Archbishop/metropolitan or any present or previous bishop of the Archdiocese, the senior suffragan bishop in the province shall be notified.

The Archbishop/suffragan Bishop shall notify the Apostolic Nuncio in accord with *Vos Estis Lux Mundi*. The Bishop shall immediately request permission to commence an investigation, unless he considers the report manifestly unfounded. In consultation with the Archdiocesan Director of the Office of Child and Youth Protection and IRB Chair, if he considers the report manifestly unfounded, he shall so inform the Apostolic Nuncio.

Carrying out the investigation

If the Metropolitan/suffragan Bishop receives a request from civil authorities to suspend his investigation in deference to an investigation being conducted by civil authorities, the Metropolitan/suffragan Bishop will immediately notify the Apostolic Nuncio.

In accord with Article 12 sec. 1, once the Metropolitan/suffragan Bishop has received authorization from the competent Dicastery of the Apostolic See to investigate, and with due regard for his charge to oversee the process, the Metropolitan/suffragan Bishop should appoint an investigator. The investigator assisting the Metropolitan/suffragan Bishop shall take an oath to fulfil their charge properly. The investigator will: a) collect relevant information regarding the facts;

- b) access the information and documents necessary for the purpose of the investigation kept in the archives of ecclesiastical offices;
- c) obtain the cooperation of other Ordinaries or Hierarchs whenever necessary;
- d) request information from individuals and institutions, including civil institutions, that are able to provide useful elements for the investigation.

The Metropolitan/suffragan Bishop remains responsible for the direction and conduct of the investigation.

If it is necessary to hear from a minor or a vulnerable person, the Metropolitan/suffragan Bishop shall adopt appropriate procedures, which take into account their status.

In the event that there are well-founded motives to conclude that information or documents concerning the investigation are at risk of being removed or destroyed, the Metropolitan/suffragan Bishop shall take the necessary measures for their preservation.

The Metropolitan/suffragan Bishop is required to act impartially and free of conflicts of interest. If he considers himself to be in a conflict of interest or is unable to maintain the necessary impartiality to guarantee the integrity of the investigation, he is obliged to recuse himself and report the circumstance to the Apostolic Nuncio. The Metropolitan/suffragan Bishop shall inform all persons involved of the investigation: (a) the process by which they may notify the Metropolitan/suffragan Bishop of a claim that he, or any person who is assisting him in the investigation, may have a conflict of interest; and (b) that an unsuccessful claim of conflict of interest will not result in prejudice, retaliation, or discrimination against the claimant.

Any person assisting the Metropolitan/suffragan Bishop in the investigation is required to act impartially and must be free of conflicts of interest. If s/he considers him/herself to be in a conflict of interest or be unable to maintain the necessary impartiality required to guarantee the integrity of the investigation, s/he is obliged to recuse from the investigation and report the circumstances to the Metropolitan/suffragan Bishop.

The person under investigation enjoys the presumption of innocence.

The Metropolitan/suffragan Bishop, if requested by the competent Dicastery, informs the accused person of the investigation concerning him, hears his account of the facts and invites him to present a brief in defense. In such cases, the investigated person may be assisted by legal counsel.

Every thirty days, the Metropolitan/suffragan Bishop sends a status report on the state of the investigation to the competent dicastery.

The investigation is to be completed within the term of ninety days or within a term otherwise provided for by the instructions referred to in article 10 §2 of *Vos Estis Lux Mundi*. Where there are just reasons, the Metropolitan/suffragan Bishop may request that the competent dicastery extend the term.

Should the facts or circumstances require it, the Metropolitan/suffragan Bishop shall propose to the competent dicastery the adoption of provisions or appropriate precautionary measures with regard to the person under investigation. This may include a request the accused refrain from ministry pending the outcome of the investigation.

The Metropolitan/suffragan Bishop shall determine, in consultation with the IRB Chair, the appropriate communications to be made. In determining these communications, the Metropolitan and IRB Chair shall consider the safety and privacy of the individuals involved as well as the safety interests of the community at large. The Metropolitan/suffragan Bishop will seek approval and guidance from the appropriate dicastery or Apostolic Nuncio in implementing appropriate communications.

Evaluation of the Investigation

The Metropolitan/suffragan Bishop, once empowered by the Holy See to begin an investigation shall engage their respective IRB to review the investigation upon completion. The Bishops of the province understand that the Archdiocesan/suffragan Bishop Review Board consists of person's expert in relevant fields, such as law enforcement, criminal investigations, civil law, canon law, psychology and/or social work. The Metropolitan/suffragan Bishop may invite additional expert(s) from the review board of another Diocese in the province. However, the IRB evaluation will not include a representative from the Diocese in which the accused Bishop has resided or served. The IRB shall provide a recommendation as to whether there is sufficient evidence that abuse or negligence by a Bishop has occurred.

In accord with Article 17 sec. 1, at the conclusion of the investigation, the Metropolitan is to transmit to the competent Dicastery of the Apostolic See, through the Apostolic Nuncio, his *votum* and the acts of the investigation, including the names and titles of the individuals from the expert list who were chosen to assist in the process, as well as any other documents he deems pertinent.

With due regard for Article 17 sec. 3, the Metropolitan should inquire of the competent Dicastery whether and how the person who made the report and the public can be informed of the outcome of the investigation. The Metropolitan should also inform the person making the report of the protections provided in Article 4. Sec. 2.