



# SDNB

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## OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

**THANK YOU** to all who attended the Seminarian Mass and Luncheon. It was good to see all of you there.

**NEW YEAR'S EVE** is Tuesday, December 31<sup>st</sup>. The Chancery will be closed.

**SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD** is Wednesday, January 1<sup>st</sup>. It is a Holy Day of Obligation. The Chancery will be closed.

**RIGHT TO LIFE** event in Topeka is taking place on Wednesday, January 22 at the Topeka Performing Arts Center. There will be speakers and music from 9-11, with the Roe V. Wade Mass taking place at 11 A.M. There will then be a Right to Life March to the steps of the Capitol building.

**MARCH FOR LIFE** diocesan pilgrimage is January 22-25 in Washington D.C. I am looking forward to attending.

**CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK** is January 26 – February 1. The theme is Catholic Schools: Learn. Serve. Lead. Succeed. Thank you to all the pastors, teachers, parents, and students who support our schools. For more information on CSW, please go to [https://www.ncea.org/csw/Home\\_Page/CSW/Catholic\\_Schools\\_Week.aspx?hkey=850a7489-42da-432a-8bcc-420b67eadb43](https://www.ncea.org/csw/Home_Page/CSW/Catholic_Schools_Week.aspx?hkey=850a7489-42da-432a-8bcc-420b67eadb43)

**HUMAN TRAFFICKING** inserts for the parish bulletin:

**JANUARY** - January 11 is "National Human Trafficking Awareness Day." Keep those who are trafficked in your prayers and remember that together we can empower one another as leaders in the fight against human trafficking.

U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking. ([www.sistersagainstrafficking.org](http://www.sistersagainstrafficking.org))

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**ENERO** – Enero 11 es el "Día nacional de concientización sobre la trata de personas." Mantenga a los que son traficados en sus oraciones y recuerde que juntos podemos animarnos a ser líderes en la lucha contra la trata de personas.

Hermanas católicas de los Estados Unidos contra la trata de personas. ([www.sistersagainstrafficking.org](http://www.sistersagainstrafficking.org))

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## **OFFICE OF THE BISHOP (cont.)**

### **MARK YOUR CALENDARS:**

**CLERGY RENEWAL DAYS** are February 18-21, 2020 at the Spiritual Life Center in Wichita. Please contact Fr. Rich Daise with any questions ([frrich@sacredheartcolby.com](mailto:frrich@sacredheartcolby.com)).

## **VICAR FOR CLERGY**

**CLERGY RENEWAL DAYS:** The Renewal Days are usually in January. However, this year due to the Bishop's Ad liminal visit to the Vatican, Renewal Days will be at the Spiritual Life Center in Wichita, February 18 – 21, 2020. Please plan to arrive **prior to 4 P.M.** on Tuesday, February 18th. The first session will begin at 4 P.M. Tuesday, February 18, 2020. We will adjourn after lunch on Friday, February 21st. Bring your alb and a white stole. Also a check made out to the Diocese of Salina for \$400. We are expecting all active priests in the diocese to participate in the renewal days. Retired priests are most welcome and encouraged to participate. In order to plan for room assignments and meal planning, please contact Fr. Rich Daise no later than February 1<sup>st</sup> if you have a special dietary requirements or a room request. I will try to honor it. Also please advise if you are an active diocesan priest and will NOT be attending, or if you are a retired diocesan priest and WILL BE ATTENDING. Please let me know by February 1<sup>st</sup> by calling Fr. Rich at (785) 462-2179 or [frrich@sacredheartcolby.com](mailto:frrich@sacredheartcolby.com). More details on the Renewal Days will be in the February SDNB.

## **OFFICE OF LITURGY**

**PASTORAL MINISTRY FORMATION** schedule for spring 2020 is attached.

## **PRIEST COUNCIL**

**PRIEST COUNCIL DUES:** It was decided at the last Priests' Council meeting that we would continue with dues for the coming year. The dues are still \$25.00. Make checks payable to: Priests' Council. Please send dues to: Fr. Joseph Kieffer, P. O. Box 395, Hanover, KS 66945-0395

## **PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH**

**MISSION COOPERATIVE 2020:** As we complete the contribution records for Mission Cooperative 2019, parishes are reminded that Mission Cooperative presenters are prohibited by diocesan policy from providing their own contribution envelopes to be distributed in parishes for this collection. Special Diocesan Mission Co-Op envelopes are provided each year to all the parishes. In the February SDNB parishes will be asked to indicate the number of Mission Co-op envelopes needed for 2020's appeal.

**WORLD MISSION SUNDAY-** If you haven't sent in your collection for World Mission Sunday which was October 19-20, 2019, please do so as soon as you can.

## **OFFICE OF NEW EVANGELIZATION**

**LENT 2020 SMALL FAITH-SHARING GROUPS:** Our diocese's official small faith-sharing group program for Lent, 2020 is Disciples on the Journey, produced by the Sisters of the Incarnate Word and Blessed Sacrament of Victoria, Texas. The material is based on the Cycle A Sunday Mass readings and is available in both English and Spanish. In addition to materials for adult groups, materials are also available for families and teens. For more information and to order materials, see <http://www.disciplesonthejourney.org>. (Please note: Disciples on the Journey materials are largely hard-copy booklets with some online resources. As of this date, no information is available for small-group, digital resources from FORMED.)

## **OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

**TOTUS TUUS:** We have 8 parishes signed up for TOTUS TUUS next summer. If you would like to reserve a week for this program in the summer of 2020 for your parish please call Karen Taylor as soon as possible. May 31 - June 5 is closed, and July 5-10 is closed. June 28 - July 4 is a week off for the teams.

**TOTUS TUUS TEACHERS:** We again are in need of teachers for TOTUS TUUS this coming summer. Students in college may apply for these paid summer jobs. Please go to our diocesan webpage, click Offices, Catholic Formation, Religious Education and then Documents, to locate the Application Forms.

## **OFFICE OF YOUTH MINISTRY**

**DIOCESAN CYO CONVENTION:** March 28-29, 2020 we will have our diocesan youth convention in Salina. The adult CYO Sponsors will be receiving a packet in the mail in the next few weeks. Our speaker for this convention is Robert Feduccia. Robert is the person who puts on ONE BREAD, ONE BODY each summer at Conception Seminary and St. Meinrad's Seminary.

**JUNIOR CYO CAMP** will be at Rock Springs Ranch, Junction City. The ages able to attend are 6th, 7th and 8th graders this current school year. The counselors for camp are college students and seniors in high school. You will find the application forms on our web page in January 2020.

**PRAYER AND ACTION:** We have one parish from the west who has volunteered to host Prayer and Action for a month but still need a central/east parish location for the other month. Volunteer your parish? It is a wonderful opportunity for your parish to host this program, it does something to the people in the parish as they see our youth giving of themselves to do service for people in our diocese. It changes the people in the parish as well as the local community to see young people working hard, having fun and having God in the center of their lives. If you would like to host Prayer and Action please contact Karen Taylor as soon as possible or Sister Barb after the holidays.

## **OFFICE OF RURAL LIFE**

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS** and let everyone know that the Salina Diocese Catholic Rural Life Commission will be holding its Winter Seminar, Saturday, March 7, 2020 in the Hall of Bishops in the Cathedral in Salina. Registration will begin at 9:30 A.M. followed by Mass celebrated by Bishop Vinke. We have three speakers presenting on Ethics in Ag and Conservation stewardship and SAVE the Farm (Service members Agricultural Vocational Education), for veterans transitioning in providing a home like training for veterans in the farming industry. The cost will be \$20.00 per person which will include a lunch. Registration will be available through the Diocese Web site. We believe this will be an excellent opportunity to enhance your understanding of agriculture and your faith. Each year CRL tries to bring information to our rural Diocese to help those involved in Agriculture find ways to grow in their faith and church teachings. We hope to see all of you there.

If any pastors have concerns or topics for the Commission to consider, please contact Fr. Rich Daise, 785-462-2179 or [frrich@sacredheartcolby.com](mailto:frrich@sacredheartcolby.com).

## **OFFICE OF SAFETY AND SECURITY**

**CMGCONNECT 2.0 UPDATE!** - Thank you for your patience and support during the recent relaunch of the CMGConnect data base. CMGConnect will be updating flyers and guides over time and will get those to us as soon as they are available.

**CMGCONNECT DATA BASE CLEANUP** – On November 15, all users with an **expired** certification status or an **incomplete** status were archived, and those users are **not** allowed to minister with children at this time. Moving forward if those users choose to update or complete their training and background check, they will need to contact Wendy or Corey at the Chancery (785-827-8746). Once unarchived, they may update or resume training and continue their ministry with children. As we move into the New Year, please continue to monitor the data base weekly, making sure everyone is certified and current. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

**PARISH & SCHOOL AUDITS** – Please note, the tentative start date for on-site visits to parishes and schools in the West Deanery plus those in Manhattan, Ogden and Junction City, has been moved to March as we are in the process of updating our Policy and we hope to be finalized before making our on-site visits to parishes and schools. In late January, more information will be emailed to those Safety Coordinators and Priests/Principals in the West Deanery plus those in Manhattan, Ogden and Junction City regarding times and locations. Thank you for your patience, cooperation, and continued support as we Promise to Protect, Pledge to Heal.

**CERTIFICATION STATUS SHEETS** – Thank you to all of the Safety Coordinators in the Diocese who are diligently getting their new volunteers and employees trained and into the CMGConnect data base. As a reminder, if you have not yet returned your Certification Status sheets, or information sheet, please do so as soon as possible so those can be verified and filed.

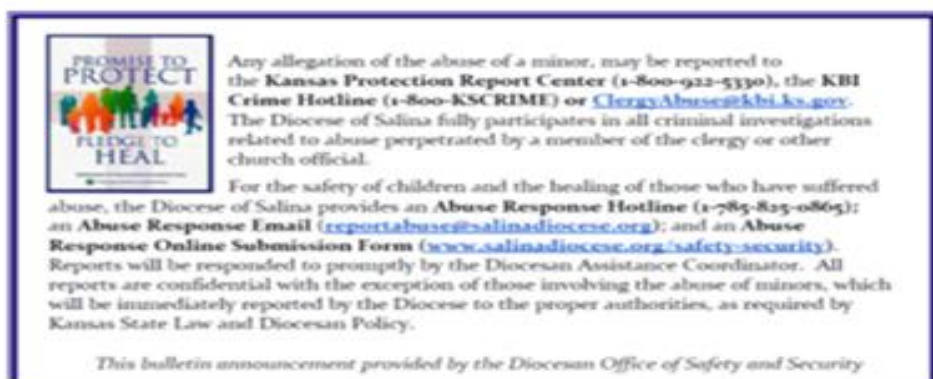
## **OFFICE OF SAFETY AND SECURITY (cont.)**

**TESTIMONY OF COMPLIANCE REPORTING PROCEDURE** – The **Children’s Training Data Report** is due to the Chancery by January 1, 2020. Please follow these steps to complete and print the report for signatures.

1. Enter all data into the CMGConnect data base.
2. Print the form.
3. Get signatures.
4. Return signed form to the Chancery.

When entering data into the data base, the numbers trained must be positive numbers (many are entering negative numbers.) If you made this error, please edit before turning in the paper copy to the Diocese. If you need further instructions regarding this new procedure, please download the instruction sheet [HERE](#).

**BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENT-** All parishes are reminded to place the bulletin insert (see below) in their parish bulletins quarterly (July, October, January, April) regarding the “Abuse of Minors Pastoral Response Hotline,” email address, and submission form. After putting the announcement in the bulletin, please mail or email copies to [wendy.backes@salinadiocese.org](mailto:wendy.backes@salinadiocese.org) as she will put them in Diocesan files to share with the auditors. Please continue to be faithful with this request.



**THE SHEPHERD** - Attached please find the January Edition of our newsletter, The Shepherd. Take time for yourself in 2020! The Safe Environment program has policies and procedures and requirements that need to be followed. Please be mindful of those as our safe environment programs are in place to assist parents and children—and those who work with children in securing a safe environment for our young people where they can grow to full and human Christian maturity.

Thank you again for all your hard work this past year, as we continue our mission, **Promise to Protect, Pledge to Heal**.

## **OFFICE OF FAMILY LIFE/NFP**

**WORLD MARRIAGE SUNDAY - February 9, 2020**, the Office of Family Life and NFP will celebrate World Marriage Sunday by sponsoring an event at St. Mary Queen of the Universe Church in Salina. The evening will begin at 4 P.M. with a Mass celebrated by Bishop Vincke, followed by dinner and entertainment provided by Fr. Kevin Weber. Guest speakers for the event are Deacon Wayne Talbot and his wife Kathryn from St. Thomas More Parish in Manhattan. The evening will conclude at 7 P.M. Tickets for the event are \$60 per couple and are available online at [salinadiocese.org/family-life](http://salinadiocese.org/family-life), mailing in the attached registration form or by calling 785-827-8746. Registration deadline for the event is February 2, 2020. Come join other married couples to celebrate the beauty of faithfulness, love, sacrifice and joy in married life. Please see attached flyer with registration form to promote this event in your parishes.

**NATIONAL MARRIAGE WEEK USA - February 7-14, 2020**. National Marriage week is a great opportunity to spread the message that marriage is truly worth it. Marriage adds years to your life. Research shows that married couples live 2-10 years longer than their single counterparts. Statistically married couples are healthier physically and mentally; are less likely to develop mental problems like depression; see more positive recovery from surgery; and even sleep better. Married couples tend to stay away from risky business, like driving too fast or drinking in excess; and feel a responsibility to stay alive and well for their spouse and children. Researchers have long known that marriage has demonstrable benefits for society and certainly for children who grow up with their mother and father in an intact home. For more information, click [HERE](#).

**CATHOLIC GRANDPARENTS CONFERENCE - March 27, 2020**. The Office of Family Life and NFP will be sponsoring a Catholic Grandparents Conference at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church in Salina. Guest speakers will be Sharon Witzell, Senior Adult Ministry Coordinator for the Diocese of Wichita, who will speak about the book, Dreams for your Grandchildren by Allen Hunt; and Marilyn Henry, International Ministry Coordinator for the Catholic Grandparents Association, who will speak about Passing on the faith and keeping prayer at the heart of family life. Please use the attached flyer to promote this event in your parish. There is no cost to register for the event, however a Free Will Donation will be collected. In addition to the speakers, the day will feature Mass and a light Lenten Lunch. Register online at [salinadiocese.org/family-life](http://salinadiocese.org/family-life), or call 785-827-8746. Registration deadline for the event is March 20, 2020.

**PURIFIED - with Jason Evert** will be coming to the Diocese of Salina **March 30, 2020**, 7 P.M. - 9 P.M. Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Hays. Purified brings parents and teens (13+) together to discover God's plan for love and opens up an opportunity for them to continue the discussion about this important topic at home, in a healthy and easy way with resources that work. The event includes a new version of Jason's renowned talk Love or Lust, where he mixes humor with down-to-earth practicality that removes any awkwardness, making the difficult conversations about love much easier. Your family will leave with an understanding of the good news of chastity, a healthy sense of self-worth, and the ability, if needed, to start again. The night includes Eucharistic Adoration, praise and worship, and an opportunity to receive the sacrament of Reconciliation. This format transforms a simple talk into a mini-retreat for the family, allowing them to encounter the source of purity, healing, and renewal, Jesus Christ. Tickets are on sale now at [chastity.com/purified/#tickets](http://chastity.com/purified/#tickets). Tickets are also available from the 3 parishes in Hays, Immaculate Heart of Mary, St. Nicholas of Myra, and St. Joseph. Please see the attached Flyer and Bulletin Insert to run information about this event in your parish bulletins.

**OFFICE OF FAMILY LIFE/NFP (cont.)**

**MADE FOR MORE - Visions of the Promised Land** with Christopher West and Music by Mike Mangioni will be coming to the Diocese of Salina **May 13, 2020**, 7 P.M. - 9:30 P.M., 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 [coreproject.com/events/manhattan](http://coreproject.com/events/manhattan). Tickets are also available from the 3 parishes in Manhattan, St. Thomas More, Seven Dolours of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and St. Isidore. Please see the attached Flyer and Bulletin Insert to run information about this event in your parish bulletins.

**MARRIAGE PREPARATION AND ENRICHMENT EVENTS** - A complete list of all the events has been updated and is attached, if you have questions; please contact our office at 785-827-8746.

**FAMILY MATTERS!** - Attached is the January issue of Family Matters. Please use this resource in your parishes to support and promote family life. How will you nurture your family's faith life this year?

**2020 DIOCESAN MEN'S CONFERENCE - SAVE THE DATE** - The Office of Family Life and NFP is excited to announce **August 15, 2020** as the date for the 2020 Diocesan Men's Conference. Speakers for this event will be announced at a later date. Please post or include the attached flyer in your parish bulletin, and feel free to make copies and distribute to other organizations such as the Knights of Columbus or Parish Men's Groups. We would greatly appreciate if you would consider running a small blurb in your parish bulletin in the month of January announcing the date of the Conference.

Example: **Attention MEN! Mark your calendars now! The 2020 Diocesan Men's Conference is scheduled for Saturday, August 15, 2020 at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in Hays. Speakers for this event will be announced at a later date.**

**OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS**

**MERRY CHRISTMAS!** Please send [matea.gregg@salinadiocese.org](mailto:matea.gregg@salinadiocese.org) pictures of your church decorated for Christmas. We would love to see and share them with the community.

As always, please follow us on social media!

- Instagram: [salina\\_diocese](#)
- Facebook: [SalinaDiocese](#)
- Twitter: [@SalinaDiocese](#)
- YouTube: [Salina\\_Diocese](#)

**OFFICE OF STEWARDSHIP AND DEVELOPMENT**

**May the joy of the Christmas season bring peace and happiness to you! Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!**

From – Beth Shearer, Cathy Boos, Melanie Melander and Lois Yost  
Staff of Stewardship and Development

**#iGiveCatholic – December 3** – Thank you to all who participated in #iGiveCatholic, this our second year. Congratulations to all of you!

Total Salina Diocese                   **2019** - \$387,395.43                   **2018** - \$281,042.59  
87 participating parishes, schools, and organizations

These parishes, schools, and ministries ranked in the top 100 in the nation out of 1743 participants:

5<sup>th</sup> – Manhattan Catholic Schools - \$91,855  
18<sup>th</sup> – Catholic Charities - \$52,111  
25<sup>th</sup> – St. Isidore’s Catholic Student Center – \$44,825  
35<sup>th</sup> – TMP/Marian - \$36,420  
43<sup>rd</sup> – St. John Grade School (Hanover) – \$30,075  
52<sup>nd</sup> – St. Andrew Grade School (Abilene) - \$25,817.50  
67<sup>th</sup> – St. Andrew Church (Abilene) – \$20,225  
68<sup>th</sup> – Sacred Heart Grade School (Colby) - \$20,194.93

Special prizes were awarded to:

1<sup>st</sup> Gift – St. Andrew Church – Abilene  
Most Donors - Manhattan Catholic Schools – 104 donors  
Most Improved – Manhattan Catholic School – 2018- \$5450 2019 – \$91,855  
Eager Learner – Immaculate Heart of Mary  
Eager Beaver – Manhattan Catholic Schools  
Last Gift – Catholic Charities

**Year-End Gifts** – As 2019 comes to a close, your parishioners are moved by the birth of Jesus, the season of giving and tax incentives to donate to the charities close to their heart. Tis the season of giving! Last minute gifts can be made to any of our ministries by going to [www.salinadiocese.org](http://www.salinadiocese.org). If you need further assistance, please contact Cathy Boos at [cathy.boos@salinadiocese.org](mailto:cathy.boos@salinadiocese.org) or Beth Shearer at [beth.shearer@salinadiocese.org](mailto:beth.shearer@salinadiocese.org) or by cell at 785-493-4688.

Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the Lord your God that he has given you.                   Deuteronomy 16:17

**Bishop’s Annual Appeal – Call to Share** –Thank you so much for promoting and working so hard to make your goals within your parishes. As of this date, over \$1.7 million has been given and it is thanks to all of you and your parishioners. Supporting the many ministries in the Diocese is the greatest mission for all of us. Bishop Vincke emphasizes that the “Diocese works best when serving the parishes.” Gifts received or dated 12/31/2019 will be counted to the 2019 appeal.

The 2020 appeal will start in February. The timing and parish goals will be similar to last year. Watch for more details in January.



## **OFFICE OF RESPECT LIFE**

**IGNITE YOUTH RALLY** - If you or your group wish to travel on your own to Topeka advance registration for the Ignite Youth Rally is requested. You may find more information and register your group for the conference only by visiting: [www.archkck.org/ignite](http://www.archkck.org/ignite).

**2020 MARCH FOR LIFE IN TOPEKA** - There were no registrations for the organized bus trip to the Rally for Life in Topeka on January 22, 2020, so there will NOT be an organized bus for the Diocese. You are still encouraged to travel to Topeka on your own, or with a group from your local parish community. There are many events to participate in that day. The [Ignite Rally](#) at the Topeka Performing Arts Center begins at 9 A.M. featuring Catholic speaker [DJ Hueneman](#) and music by [Wichita Adore Ministries](#). Mass with the Bishops of Kansas will be offered at approximately 11:15 A.M. followed by a 0.5 mile walk to the Topeka Capitol Building for the Rally. Those not interested in attending the Ignite Rally may attend presentations offered at the Capitol Building sponsored by [Kansas For Life](#).

**2020 MARCH FOR LIFE IN WASHINGTON, D.C.** - Please pray for the nearly 200 pilgrims traveling to Washington DC for the worlds larges pro-life event! Four charter busses will leave from Salina on Wednesday, January 22, 2020 to begin the 5-day pilgrimage to our nation's capital. You can follow the events of the March for Life via live stream on EWTN ([ewtn.com/prolife/](http://ewtn.com/prolife/)).

**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 Vincke: “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 state-wide 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/](http://kansasrosarycrusade.org/).

**SAVE THE DATES** - The Sisters of Life from New York will be visiting the Diocese of Salina April 20-23! Stay tuned for more information about the Respect Life Events that will be scheduled across the Diocese during that time!

**ABBY JOHNSON LEADING THE WAY TO A CULTURE OF LIFE** - Former Planned Parenthood director and accomplished author Abby Johnson who inspired the movie Unplanned, will be at the Century 2 Convention Center in Wichita, Kansas on May 2, 2020. Tickets are \$10 per person, children 12 and under free. Tickets go on sale beginning January 1, 2020 at [www.century2.org](http://www.century2.org). All proceeds benefit pro-life causes. Please post the attached flyer in your churches and include the information in your parish bulletins.

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

**Cursillo Leadership:** "Cursillo is a movement of the Catholic church that makes possible the living and sharing of what is fundamental for being a Christian. Cursillo helps one discover and fulfill one's personal vocation." (Whom Shall I Send, Fr. Frank Salmani) Salina Diocese Cursillo weekends are being planned now. Men's weekend, March 5-8, 2020; women's weekend March 12-15, 2020. Please contact Patricia Dusin at 785-302-1220 for more information."

1. St. Isidore's in Manhattan has 43 Will & Baumer altar candles. They are plain end, 51% beeswax, size 1 ¼" x 12". If you can use them, contact Fr. Drew Hoffman at the Student Center. 539-7496.

### **Director y Updates:**

1. Pg. 21 Catharine Parish; Pg. 75 Glenda Schuetz: Phone number: 785-650-1746
2. Pg. 75 Glenda Schuetz: Remove fax number
3. Pg. 20 Atwood: Fr. Kyle Berens email address: frkyleb@gmail.com
4. Pg. 28 Herndon: Fr. Kyle Berens email address: frkyleb@gmail.com
5. Pg. 49 Fr. Kyle Berens email address: frkyleb@gmail.com

# February 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Catholic School Week
2  Girl Scout Sunday	3	4	5	6	7	8  Bishop's Annual Appeal
9 Confirmation, 9 am Victoria Bishop's Annual Appeal World Marriage Sunday	10	11  Curia, Group B 1 pm	12	13	14  St. Valentine's Day	15
16  Confirmation, St. Thomas More, Manhattan, 5 pm	17  President's Day	18  Clergy Renewal Days	19  Clergy Renewal Days	20  Clergy Renewal Days	21  Clergy Renewal Days	22
23 Confirmation, 10 am Grainfield  Confirmation, 3 pm Park	24	25	26  Ash Wednesday	27  Finance Council, 4 pm	28	29

**Register online:**

[www.dcdiocese.org/pastoral-ministry-formation](http://www.dcdiocese.org/pastoral-ministry-formation)

**Mail to**

**Pastoral Ministry Formation**

**P.O. Box 137**

**Dodge City KS 67801**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Please send enrollment information for:

- THEO 4003 Christology (3)
- THEO 4881 Get Equipped Ananias Training 1 of 3 (1)

I wish to

- Earn a degree
- Complete a diocesan diploma
- Audit for personal enrichment

Check the site you will attend

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Dodge City  | <input type="checkbox"/> Sharon    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Garden City | <input type="checkbox"/> Ulysses   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Great Bend  | <input type="checkbox"/> Salina    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Kinsley     | <input type="checkbox"/> Goodland  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Liberal     | <input type="checkbox"/> Hays      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ness City   | <input type="checkbox"/> Manhattan |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pratt       | <input type="checkbox"/> Wakeeney  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Scott City  |                                    |



Church in Partnership



THEO 4881 Get Equipped Ananias Training  
1 of 3

April 24 & 25

Friday evening - 4:00 p.m. through  
Saturday to 1:00 p.m.

Make reservations and pay for your  
room and meals  
at the Heartland Center by going to:

<https://heartlandspirituality.org/pastoralministry-formation/>

\$22.00 Commuter

\$57.00 Single

\$47.00 Double

1 hr. course for college credit - \$50.00  
(Pay by contacting Coleen at  
[cstein@dcdiocese.org](mailto:cstein@dcdiocese.org) or 620-227-1538)

1 hr. course for personal enrichment is covered  
with registration fee to Heartland



**Church in Partnership  
Diocese of Dodge City  
Diocese of Salina  
Newman University**

# Pastoral Ministry Formation

## Spring 2020



*Pastoral Ministry Formation  
Grow Deeper to Serve*

Coleen Stein, Coordinator  
620-227-1538  
P.O. Box 137  
Dodge City KS 67801  
[cstein@dcdiocese.org](mailto:cstein@dcdiocese.org)

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**Paul &  
Ananias**

### **Diocesan Ananias Certificate**

*-Partnering with Catherine of Siena Institute-  
-Evangelizing with Joy-*

The goal of Ananias Training is to form a people equipped to be Ananias to one another within the Church as well as in the world.

Ananias Training is designed to form parishioners with no previous training in "the art of spiritual accompaniment".

In Acts 9:10, we read of the Lord appearing to Ananias asking him to accompany Saul, a known persecutor of Christians. Ananias says yes, despite his fears.

One might say – Ananias welcomes one from the peripheries.

What does it mean to know you are called to journey alongside your brothers and sisters as another Ananias?

What does it mean you are not alone in that call?

What gifts has God given you to be an Ananias for others?

What tools do you still need?

Obtain a Diocesan Certificate in Ananias Training by completing three live-and-in-person Pastoral Ministry Formation offerings dedicated to Ananias Training:

**Get Equipped** - Ananias Training 1 of 3 [THEO 4881]  
*April 24 & 25, 2020*

**RCIA Kansas** - Ananias Training 2 of 3 [THEO 4881]  
*September 11 & 12, 2020*

**Get Equipped** - Ananias Training 3 of 3 [THEO 4881]  
*April 16 & 17, 2021*

**Heartland Center for Spirituality, Great Bend, KS**

*Certification includes completing required assignments. Each offering builds on the one before it. One not interested in certification will find each offering valuable as a stand-alone offering.*

### **THEO 4881 Get Equipped Ananias Training 1 of 3 (1 hour course)**

Ananias Training offers practical ways to help ordinary Catholics live out the call to spiritually journey alongside others.

This live-and-in-person gathering will enter Ananias' story to discover our own call to accompany.

The gathering will explore what it means for us that no two journeys of life are the same and what it means to have a threshold conversation.

This will lead participants to listen to real questions and opinions about God so as to be able to guide a person to discover how God is present and active in their life. By accompanying one another we will share our relationship with God and how we may share Jesus Christ's own story in response to the spiritual hunger of another.

\*This course is one of the 1 hour courses that may be used to obtain the Diocesan Certification in Youth Ministry or the Diocesan Ananias Certificate.

**Class Dates:** Apr. 24 & 25

**Location** - Heartland Center for Spirituality

**Cost:** 1 hr. course for college credit - \$50.00\*  
Personal enrichment included in fee to Heartland. \*Does not include books.



**Fr. Robert Schremmer** is Vicar General of the Dodge City Diocese, Pastor of St. Andrew, Wright, and Sacramental Minister for St. Joseph, Greensburg. He holds a MA Degree and MTh Degree from St. Thomas Seminary, Denver, CO.

### **THEO 4003 Christology (3 hour course)**

More than creed or culture, Christianity is a relationship with a person. Christology ponders who Jesus Christ is for us. The course aims to investigate the answers given in scripture and church tradition to Jesus' question, "Who do you say that I am?"

\*This course is one of the 3 hour courses that may be used to obtain the Diocesan Certification in Liturgical Ministry or Youth Ministry.

**Saturday mornings** - 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon

**Class Times** - Jan. 18, 25, Feb. 1, 8, 15, 29, Mar. 7, 14, 21

**Location** - Interactive Television Sites throughout Dodge City and Salina Dioceses

**Cost:**

3 hr. course for college credit - \$150.00\*

3 hr. course for enrichment - \$75.00\*

\*Does not include books

**Fr. Terrance Klein** is the pastor of Immaculate Conception, Claflin, St. Joseph, Ellinwood, and Holy Family, Odin. He has a doctorate in Fundamental Theology from the Pontifical Gregorian University and a Masters in Liturgy from the University of Notre Dame. He is the author of several books.



### **Pastoral Ministry Formation Tri-focus**

Study Theology, Develop Skills, Grow Spiritually

# 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

January 2020

## HAPPY NEW YEAR! 2020

Good News!



As the season of Christmas comes to an end and we begin a new calendar year, we want to take this opportunity to thank you for all the work you do in the Diocese of Salina, and share with you a letter Bishop Vincke received from Stone Bridge Partners this fall.

Dear Bishop Vincke:

We are writing to inform you that the Diocese of Salina is in compliance with the data collection requirements for the 2018/2019 Charter audit period. We have reviewed this information and will be forwarding the documents to the Secretariat of Youth and Child Protection for use in the 2019 Audit Report.

Thank you for your cooperation and for participating in the data collection process.

Sincerely,  
Stone Bridge Partners  
Rochester, New York

This letter represents true commitment and dedication to the Charter, promise to protect and pledge to heal. We sincerely thank you for your ministry, as you faithfully implement the Safe Environment Program in your parishes and schools.

## As a Community of Faith

During this past year, along with many other Diocese around the world, our Diocese has had its ups and downs. The effects of the sexual abuse within the church has certainly caused a myriad of emotions, and many people wonder...when will end? In passing I heard a priest say, "I am not sure anyone can answer that question, but it is with great hope that not only the abuse will end, but also the need to report is never again necessary." It is warming to know that our Priests, Bishops and our Holy Father are addressing the issue for the protection and healing not only in the Catholic Church, but maybe for the whole world. May God continue to bless you with the grace, strength and perseverance to protect and to heal.

Any allegation of the abuse of a minor, may be reported to the Kansas Protection Report Center (1-800-922-5330), the KBI Crime Hotline (1-800-KSCRIME) or [ClergyAbuse@kbi.ks.gov](mailto:ClergyAbuse@kbi.ks.gov). The Diocese of Salina fully participates in all criminal investigations related to abuse perpetrated by a member of the clergy or other church official. For the safety of children and the healing of those who have suffered abuse,

## THE DIOCESE OF SALINA

provides an

**Abuse Response Hotline**

**1-785-825-0865**

an

**Abuse Response Email**

**([reportabuse@salinadiocese.org](mailto:reportabuse@salinadiocese.org))**

and an

**Abuse Response Online**

**Submission Form**

**[www.salinadiocese.org/safety-security](http://www.salinadiocese.org/safety-security)**

Reports will be responded to promptly by the Diocesan Assistance Coordinator. All reports are confidential with the exception of those involving the abuse of minors, which will be immediately reported by the Diocese to the proper authorities, as required by Kansas State Law and Diocesan Policy.



**DIOCESE OF SALINA**

**PO BOX 2984**

**SALINA, KS 67402-2984**

*The protection and care of our children  
and those who are vulnerable  
deserve our very best.*

As we begin a new calendar year and in our fight to protect and heal, it is important that we practice self-care. This type of work can be stressful, depressing and sometimes even painful.

### HERE ARE SOME WAYS YOU CAN PRACTICE SELF-CARE

- ✦ Pray more... sign up for a Holy Hour at your Parish
- ✦ Read Scripture...the word of God is an excellent source of hope and comfort, it helps us to discover wisdom and gives us strength
- ✦ Exercise.... Have you tried Pietra Fitness? [Learn more here](#)
- ✦ Relax...do less, let go, breathe, journal, listen to music
- ✦ Live life... go out with friends, take a walk ride your bike take a vacation, get a pet
- ✦ Hug someone...research shows human touch can bring down heart rate and blood pressure
- ✦ Read...fiction, magazines
- ✦ Go to the Movies...or binge watch Netflix
- ✦ Utilize the tools that have already been given to you...the Mass, Sacraments, Holy Eucharist the Rosary

Know that Jesus continues to accompany you and that God's love for you is unconditional. Ask for Mary's assistance, she is listening to what we say and will bring it to Jesus. She will ask him for all the graces we need As we enter into this new year, keep the faith, carry on, continue the fight, and most of all, take care of *yourself*.



#### Morning Consecration to Mary

My Queen, My Mother, I offer myself entirely to thee. And to show my devotion to thee, I offer thee this day, my eyes, my ears, my mouth, my heart, my whole being without reserve. Wherefore, good Mother, as I am thine own, keep me, guard me as thy property and possession. Amen

Look for the  
next edition of  
The Shepherd  
in  
April 2020

Remember: The CMGConnect data base will have a new look, as the 2.0 relaunch was a success. Thank you for your patience and understanding during the time the site was down. As Diocesan Administrators we aren't yet familiar with all the updates and features, but they have reminded us it is similar to a smart phone update. As updated administrator guides and flyers become available, we will email them out to all parish and school Safety Coordinators in the Diocese. Please continue to monitor the data base *weekly* as in the past.

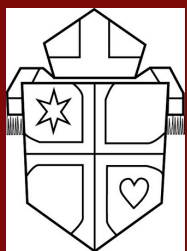
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WE PROMISE TO PROTECT  
AND PLEDGE TO HEAL



**CATHOLIC  
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SALINA**

*It's not love that keeps your marriage alive.  
It's marriage that keeps your love alive."  
-Dietrich Bonhoeffer*

# *World Marriage Sunday*

**FEBRUARY 9, 2020**

**4:00 MASS**

*Celebrant*

*Bishop Gerald Vincke*

**5:00 DINNER AND  
ENTERTAINMENT**

*Music by Father Kevin Weber*

**6:30-7:00 GUEST SPEAKERS**

*Deacon Wayne Talbot and wife, Kathryn*

*St. Thomas More-Manhattan, KS*

**A DAY TO CELEBRATE THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE**

**Register at [salinadiocese.org/family-life](http://salinadiocese.org/family-life) or  
return this form to the Diocese of Salina or call 785-827-8746 #24  
before February 2, 2020  
\$60 per couple**

**ST. MARY QUEEN OF THE UNIVERSE - 230 E. CLOUD, SALINA**



World Marriage Day 2020  
Sunday, February 09, 2020  
St. Mary Queen of the Universe, 230 E. Cloud, Salina, KS

Registration: \$60 per couple

Couples Names \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Parish \_\_\_\_\_ Parish City \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Send completed registration form and payment to:

Family Life Office

Attn: Wendy Backes

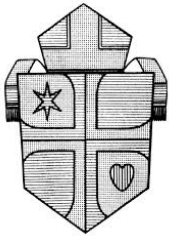
PO Box 980

Salina, KS 67402-0980

*Seating is limited so  
get your reservations  
in early!*

Registration deadline: February 2, 2020





**CATHOLIC  
DIOCESE OF  
SALINA**



# **CATHOLIC GRANDPARENTS CONFERENCE**

**FRIDAY, MARCH 27, 2020  
10am-2pm**

***ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON PARISH  
SALINA, KS***

## **Guest Speakers:**

*Marilyn Henry- International Ministry Coordinator-Catholic Grandparents Association*

*Sharon Witzell-Senior Adult Ministry Coordinator-Diocese of Wichita*

Saint Joachim and Anne, grandparents of  
Our Lord, pray for us!

# PURIFIED



## A LIFE-CHANGING EVENT FOR FAMILIES (AGES 13+)

The innocence of the family is under attack like never before. Come and discover how to protect and heal yours.



## JASON EVERT

is a bestselling author of more than ten books, and has brought the message of chastity to more than one million people on six continents. He and his wife Crystalina run [chastity.com](http://chastity.com)

## EVENING INCLUDES:

Chastity presentation for teens & parents

Sacrament of Reconciliation | Eucharistic Adoration | Free materials for every family!

Immaculate Heart of Mary

1805 Vine Street, Hays, KS

3/30/2020

7 pm - 9 pm

\$20

[chastity.com/purified](http://chastity.com/purified)

785.827.8746



**CHASTITY  
PROJECT**

# We Are Made for More!

## A Q&A with Christopher West and Mike Mangione

MANHATTAN, KS. As parishes and families try to keep up with a fast-moving world where the definition and purpose of our humanity seem to constantly change, an eye-opening and breathtakingly beautiful national touring event called **Made for More: Visions of the Promised Land** is coming to **St. Thomas More Catholic Church, 2900 Kimball Ave., in Manhattan at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, May 13, 2020.**

“Where do we come from and where are we going? If we don’t have compelling answers to these questions, we have no orientation in our lives,” says Christopher West, world-renowned teacher of St. John Paul II’s liberating vision of human life and love called “Theology of the Body.”

The event, led by West and internationally touring folk/Americana musician Mike Mangione, will dive deeply into life’s deepest questions and provide both grounding and great hope.

“This is not just a lecture or a talk,” insists West. “It’s an evening of beauty and reflection that weaves music, video, images and the spoken word into a message of hope that there really is a banquet of love that corresponds to the deepest hunger of our hearts.”

West and Mangione recently spoke to the media about some of these clues and much more, including the transformation they hope takes place in those who attend **Made for More. The evening is hosted by St. Thomas More Parish and co-hosted by the Diocese of Salina and St. Isidore Catholic Student Center and Seven Dolors of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish in Manhattan.**

### What is Made for More? Why is this your focus?

**Christopher West:** We call it Made for More because we yearn for so much more than what the world is telling us. The world understands that we are creatures of hunger and passion, but they lead us to what I call “the fast food gospel,” which is the promise of immediate gratification for that hunger. Many people think Christianity, on the other hand, is an invitation to a “starvation diet.” No! That’s not the Gospel. Christianity is an invitation to an infinite feast of life-giving love, and that’s what this event is all about.

**Mike Mangione:** It’s a presentation meant to meet you where you are and bring you to a place of communion. It is the culmination of Christopher’s 25 years in this work, my 15 in music and our friendship. It is a conversation through sight and sound about how God reveals himself through creation and how our desires are meant to draw us closer to Him. It is a special and unique opportunity coming to your area.

It is my focus because it addresses the question of what it means to be human, Christian, Catholic right at a crucial moment in our history. We really need to look at these questions before we lose ourselves and slip into a stale state of indifference as a culture.

### How is it different from other Catholic presentations?

**MM:** It is broad and relevant to all types of people.



Christopher West (l) and Mike Mangione. Photo from The Cor Project.

“Catholic talks” tend to be more on a specific element of the Catholic tradition/faith. This talk will be focused on the human heart no matter where it has been before. This presentation uses sight, sound, video, music, and images to reveal, teach and enable us to experience something communally as a group.

**CW:** Catholicism is a sensual religion – meaning, we experience the divine in and through our bodies, through our senses. And this event is designed to engage your senses, to wake them up and enable a new way of seeing, of hearing, of experiencing the world.

### Mike, what is your role in the event? What are you trying to convey through your music?

**MM:** I am a co-creator as well as the musician for the event. My goal is to facilitate an experience that is communal between presenters, recipients and the Holy Spirit. I call it the Holy Campfire experience ... where we can all gather around and discuss the deepest mysteries of what it means to be human and be part of the human mystery. It is sometimes easier to achieve this with music because, like most art forms, it is often felt first and understood later. My aim is to create an event that brings the audience into the experience rather than just simply watching a talk.

### Christopher, what are you trying to convey through your presentation?

**CW:** We’re taking people on a journey through some particular words of Christ. We start with: “They look but do not see.” So we’ve been trained to look at the world, but not see it; to look at the human body, for instance, but not see it. All of creation has a message, and Jesus says, “Come and become one who sees.” He’s in the business of giving sight to the blind.

The great battle between lightness and darkness is particularly intense in the world today. The meaning of our humanity is being eclipsed. The goal of this event is really to help turn the lights on for people, so they can see the mystery of God revealed through all of creation, and especially through our own humanity, our own bodies as male and female. Through that “coming to see,” our eyes are opened in stunning new ways to God’s plan for creation and for our own lives.

### Mike, what is the “dance” between your music and Christopher’s presentation?

**MM:** There are places music can go that the spoken word cannot. There is so much happening at once: lyrics, melody, instrumentation etc. All of these things can combine into a potent force that can pierce the heart. Sometimes the spoken word can tease out very clear ideas in a way that music never can. Combined, if done correctly, you can create a full head and heart experience. We try to create an experience where Christopher sets up a thought or a vision and then the music helps to prayerfully reflect upon it.

### Is Made for More just for adults and parents? Or can youth attend?

**MM:** Made For More is for everyone who is ready to ponder the questions “Who am I, what am I, and where am I going?” This event is for married, single, celibate, Catholic, non-Catholic, devout, skeptic, youth and ... experienced.

### Why is art and beauty essential to the event?

**CW:** Art is the language of the heart and the heart is wired for beauty, but, sadly, a lot of us are anesthetized in the modern world. “Anesthetized” actually means “numb to beauty.” We want to wake people up to beauty, and through that, help people get in touch with their deepest yearnings. That’s where we discover the great mystery we are all part of.

### How can Made for More transform a parish? How can it help the priest and parish leadership?

**MM:** Made for More can tenderize the hearts and dig the furrows for the Holy Spirit to drop seeds and cultivate. We provide post-event resources that help those seeds take root and potentially grow into something beautiful and life-giving. Any seeds dropped in the right conditions can provide an abundant harvest.

### What would you like attendees to come away feeling?

**MM:** Empathy, affirmation and hope.

**CW:** That they’re not crazy to yearn for more than what this world offers. They’re not crazy to want to be loved and affirmed as they are, behind the masks, warts and all. They’re not crazy to imagine a world where every tear is wiped from the eye and every cry of the heart is answered. It’s called “the promised land,” and we want to give people a vision of it.

**MADE FOR MORE**  
**VISIONS OF THE PROMISED LAND**

**Wednesday, May 13, 2020 7 p.m.**  
**St. Thomas More Catholic Church**  
2900 Kimball Ave. Manhattan, KS

**Tickets: \$25 available at:**  
**CORPROJECT.COM/MANHATTAN**

# OFFICE OF FAMILY LIFE

MARRIAGE PREPARATION AND ENRICHMENT EVENTS

## Diocese of Salina

[salinadiocese.org/family-life](http://salinadiocese.org/family-life)

### ENGAGED ENCOUNTER

When: Feb. 21-23, 2020  
March 20-22, 2020  
April 24-26, 2020  
June 5-7, 2020  
Where: Capuchin Center for Spiritual Life  
Victoria, Kansas  
Contact: Diocese of Salina  
785.827-8746  
[familylife@salinadiocese.org](mailto:familylife@salinadiocese.org)

### MARRIAGE PREPARATION RETREAT

When: February 7-9, 2020  
March 27-29, 2020  
Where: St. Isidore Catholic Student Center  
Manhattan, KS  
Contact: Rachel Francis  
785.539.7496  
[rfrancis@stisidores.com](mailto:rfrancis@stisidores.com)

**"The surface of love has its  
current- swift, flickering,  
changeable. A kaleidoscope of  
waves and situations full of  
attraction"**

**- Saint John Paul II**

### GOD'S PLAN FOR A JOY-FILLED MARRIAGE

When: Jan. 11, 2020 (9am-3pm)  
April 25, 2020 (9am-3pm)  
Where: Concordia, Kansas  
Contact: Tony and Lindy Meyer  
785.614.0831  
[sienacatholicervices@gmail.com](mailto:sienacatholicervices@gmail.com)  
Register online: <https://sienacatholicervices.com/events>

### GOD'S PLAN FOR A JOY-FILLED MARRIAGE (SPANISH)

When: TBD  
Where: TBD  
Contact: Father Carlos Ruiz  
785.565.5031  
[carlos.ruiz-santos@salinadiocese.org](mailto:carlos.ruiz-santos@salinadiocese.org)

### BELOVED SERIES-Finding Happiness in Marriage

When: February 15, 2020  
Where: Hays, KS  
Contact: Susan Kisner  
Immaculate Heart of Mary, Hays  
785.625.7339  
[skisner@ihm-church.com](mailto:skisner@ihm-church.com)  
Nancy Urban  
St. Nicholas of Myra, Hays  
785.628.1446  
[nurban76@gmail.com](mailto:nurban76@gmail.com)

### BELOVED SERIES-Finding Happiness in Marriage

When: February 8 & 15, 2020  
Where: St. Thomas More  
Manhattan, KS  
Contact: Deacon Wayne Talbot  
785.776.5151  
[pastassoc@stmmanhattan.com](mailto:pastassoc@stmmanhattan.com)

# OFFICE OF FAMILY LIFE

MARRIAGE PREPARATION AND ENRICHMENT EVENTS

## Diocese of Wichita

[catholicdioceseofwichita.org/mfl](http://catholicdioceseofwichita.org/mfl)

### ENGAGED ENCOUNTER

When: January 10-12, 2020  
February 7-9, 2020  
March 6-8, 2020  
March 27-29, 2020

Where: Spiritual Life Center  
Wichita, KS

Contact: Megan Augustine  
316.744.0167  
[maugustine@slcwichita.org](mailto:maugustine@slcwichita.org)

### MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

When: February 21, 2020  
October 23, 2020

Where: Spiritual Life Center  
Wichita, KS

Contact: Leon & Loretta Brittian  
719.387.9842  
[brittleloretta@msn.com](mailto:brittleloretta@msn.com)  
[www.kansas-wwme.org](http://www.kansas-wwme.org)

### MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER (SPANISH)

When: TBD

Where: Spiritual Life Center  
Wichita, KS

Contact: Jose Alma Garcia  
[emmwichitaseccion21@gmail.com](mailto:emmwichitaseccion21@gmail.com)

### RETROVAILLE (ENGLISH & SPANISH)

When: TBD

Where: Wichita

Visit: [www.helpourmarriage.org](http://www.helpourmarriage.org)

Contact: Jake Samour  
316.685.5240  
[samourj@catholicdiocesewichita.org](mailto:samourj@catholicdiocesewichita.org)

## Diocese of Dodge City

[dcdiocese.org/marriage-family-life](http://dcdiocese.org/marriage-family-life)

### ENGAGED ENCOUNTER

When: January 3-5, 2020  
February 21-23, 2020  
June 5-7, 2020  
August 14-16, 2020

Where: Heartland Retreat Center  
Great Bend, KS

Contact: Michael & Lindsay Mazouch  
620.792.6290  
[lmazouch@gmail.com](mailto:lmazouch@gmail.com)

## Archdiocese of Kansas City

[archkck.org/mfl2015](http://archkck.org/mfl2015)

### ENGAGED ENCOUNTER (2020)

When: Jan 31-Feb 2, March 13-15, April 17-19  
June 12-14, July 24-26, October 9-11

Where: Savior Pastoral Center  
Kansas City, KS

Contact: Tom & Chris Carroll  
816.966.0947  
[cee.kansascity@gmail.com](mailto:cee.kansascity@gmail.com)

### MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

When: February 28, 2020  
April 24, 2020  
July 31, 2020

Where: Savior Pastoral Center  
Kansas City, KS

Contact: Deacon Tony and Barb Zimmerman  
816.741.4066  
[tonybarbz@prodigy.net](mailto:tonybarbz@prodigy.net)  
[wwme4youandme.org](http://wwme4youandme.org)

### RETROVAILLE

When: January 24-26, 2020  
May 29-31, 2020  
October 16-18, 2020

Where: Kansas City, KS

Contact: 816.505.0510  
[2017@retrovaille.org](mailto:2017@retrovaille.org)

HAPPY  
NEW YEAR  
2020

# family MATTERS

THE MONTH OF *January*

*"May the Lord allow us to  
be artisans of peace every  
day of the new year."  
~Pope Francis*

The new year has begun. We are already immersed in the January feasts and celebrations in the church. But, let's take a minute to reflect on Advent and Christmas. How was your Advent season? How did you celebrate Christmas with your family?

Advent...the beginning of the liturgical year, a time of great anticipation and preparation. Were your homes filled with age-old Advent practices to help your families live closer to Christ? Were you able to take time and make room in your heart during the Advent season for the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ on Christmas Day? Did you make new memories, or hold on to old traditions? Or... did your families Advent fall apart? We all have good intentions, but life is busy; parties, concerts, programs, shopping, baking, the list goes on. Will the season of Advent be "better" next year? The answer is... it will probably fall apart again. Expect that going into the season. It is nice to begin with good intentions, but be realistic and have a backup plan. If nothing else, embrace *one* thing - that's enough. The season of Advent doesn't have to be perfect. You don't have to achieve holiness or perfection in four weeks. You just have to walk together. God will meet you on the road.

**The Solemnity Feast Day of the Holy Family** is celebrated on the first Sunday after Christmas. Because Advent and Christmas are also in the month of December, the feast day sometimes gets overlooked.

This feast day is a reminder of the example Mary and Joseph set in welcoming Jesus into their lives.

The Holy Family serves as a model for us all.

In *Amoris Laetitia*, Pope Francis calls dialogue "essential" for family life and offers ten challenging tips to try in your own families.

1. Recognize the real "importance" and dignity of the other person.
2. Try to understand where the other person is coming from.
3. Put yourself in the other's "shoes".
4. Be ready to "listen patiently and attentively to everything the other person wants to say".
5. "Keep an open mind."
6. Our goal is to advance the common good.
7. Try not to offend, and don't vent.
8. Love everyone.
9. Base positions on beliefs and values.
10. PRAY!

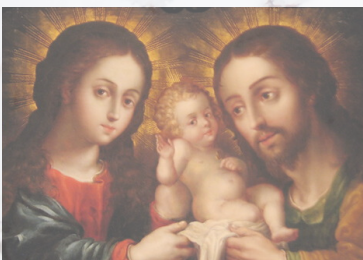
**Click here for a more detailed explanation of each of the ten tips.**

**HOW MIGHT OUR FAMILIES BE DIFFERENT THIS YEAR, IF WE TRULY TOOK POPE FRANCIS' WORDS TO HEART?**

## Feast of the Holy Family

POPE FRANCIS' VISION IS A  
VISION OF JOY-FILLED LOVE.

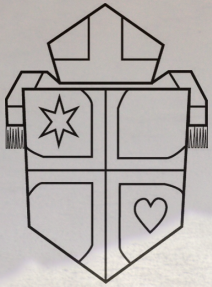
LET'S SHARE IT!



## Prayer for Family Commitment

Dear God our Father, you have called all Christian families to be a sign of your love to the world. Help us to be generous with the gifts of life and love that you have showered on our family. May we share them so that our homes become true signs of unitive and fruitful love.

Let us never forget to thank you each day for all that sustains us and to look to Christ, who comes to us in the events of family life, in the sacraments of the Church, and in service to the poor. In all of this, our family becomes a living expression of your Church, a hallowed home of life and love. By the power of the Holy Spirit, may all of us—spouses, parents, and children—share, as members of his Body, in Jesus' mission to build a civilization of love. Father, we ask this in Jesus' name in union with the Holy Spirit. Amen



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*ATTENTION CATHOLIC MEN, FATHERS, SONS,  
MARRIED, SINGLE, YOUNG AND OLD...*

**9TH ANNUAL  
CATHOLIC MEN'S  
CONFERENCE**

*Saturday,  
August 15, 2020*

**Speakers for this event will be announced in the  
coming weeks.**



**IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY PARISH  
HAYS, KS**





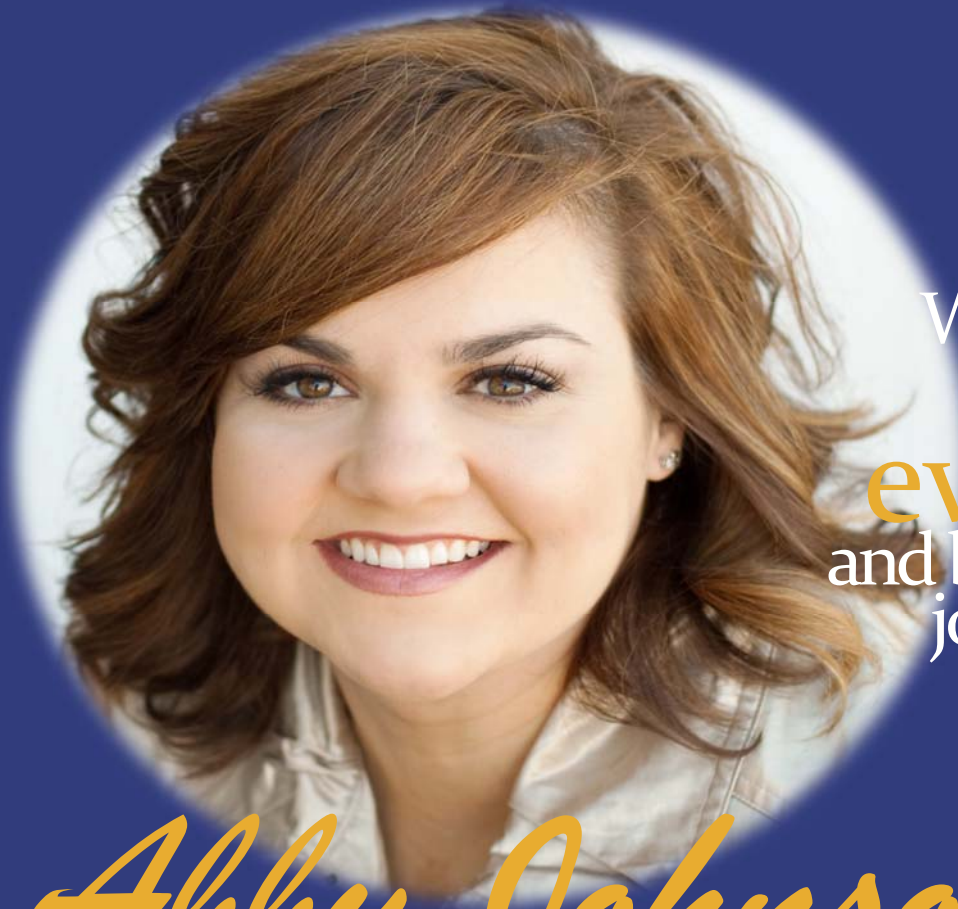
# faith

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## COMING SOON

Stories of faith that inspire, educate, inform,  
and celebrate the Gospel of Jesus Christ!



What she saw  
**changed everything**  
and began an eye-opening  
journey across  
the life line.

*Abbey Johnson*

Former Planned Parenthood  
director and accomplished author  
who inspired the movie *Unplanned*.

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Saturday  
**5.2.20**  
1:00 pm

**Location**

Expo Hall  
Century 2 Convention Center  
225 W. Douglas Ave.  
Wichita, KS 67202

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Children 12 and under free  
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