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OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

POLICY STATEMENT: SOCIAL SECURITY PARTICIPATION FOR ALL PRIESTS OF THE DIOCESE OF SALINA. Enclosed is a Policy Statement effective May 19, 2015 concerning Social Security participation for all Diocesan Priests in the Diocese of Salina. Please read it carefully and if you have any questions or concerns, please contact Fr. Keith Weber in the Finance Department by phone [785-827-8746](tel:785-827-8746), Ext. [12](tel:785-827-8746) or email keith.weber@salinadiocese.org. **Please insert this in the Diocesan Handbook, under Section X Priests / Deacons, X - 122.**

DIOCESAN PRIESTS' RETREAT is set for June 15—18, 2015 at the Spiritual Life Center in Wichita.

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP is the principal patroness of the Diocese of Salina. Her feast day is celebrated on Saturday, June 27, 2015. Please consult the Ordo for the Mass proper for this patronal feast of the Diocese of Salina.

PRIEST COUNCIL MINUTES FOR MAY 12, 2015 are attached.

THE BISHOP FITZSIMONS GOLF TOURNAMENT for the benefit of Sacred Heart Jr/Sr High School will be held on Friday, July 10, 2015 with a 6 p.m. banquet the evening before. Contact the Development Office at Sacred Heart Jr. Sr. High School (825-4011) for more information.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES ANNUAL FUNDRAISER: If your schedules allow, please help support the works of Catholic Charities in our diocese by attending their annual Catholic Charities dinner and auction on July 12, 2015 (5 p.m. to 7 p.m.) at the Salina Ambassador Hotel and Conference Center. Dinner will be served at 5:30 p.m. If any questions, please contact Michelle Martin [785-825-0208](tel:785-825-0208) or e-mail mmartin@ccnks.org

PARISH REQUEST FORM FOR THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION is enclosed. **Please complete and return this form to the Office of the Bishop by Friday, July 17, 2015.** Once all the forms have been received each parish will be notified of its scheduled date for Confirmation. Please note that **all parishes are required** to complete and return the form even if you are not planning to have Confirmation in 2015-2016. Please do not finalize Confirmation plans in your parish/s until the final schedule is completed and sent to you. As mentioned previously, please consider scheduling Confirmations every second, third or fourth year (based on the size of the class) if there are fewer than ten students per year. Pastors are also encouraged to combine parishes within their pastoral assignment.

You may complete the "On Line Form" by downloading it from the Diocesan Web Site at this link <http://salinadiocese.org/bishop/confirmation-schedule/scheduling-form/file> or directly off the Web Site – Go to Bishop's header on the Home Page, from the drop down menu, go to "Confirmation Schedule", then chose the correct form. When using these fillable forms, save the form to your computer, complete the form

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and again save it under a new name and email to chancery2@salinadiocese.org or complete the hard copy form attached and mail to the Bishop's Office.

DIOCESAN MEN'S CONFERENCE – is set for Saturday, August 8, 2015 at St. Mary Queen of Angels Parish in Russell. Please refer to the Family Life Office for more details and encourage all men of your parish to attend if possible.

RESPECT LIFE OFFICE IS HOSTING ITS ANNUAL CONFERENCE on August 22nd also in Russell. Refer to the Respect Life Office for more information.

CELEBRATIONS TO HONOR MARRIED COUPLES HAVE BEEN SET: Note the change from Saturday to Sunday dates below. More information will be forthcoming in August from the Family Life Office, however, at this time you may reserve the following dates and location on your calendar as people may be asking.

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church, 3 p.m., Sunday, October 11, 2015

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, 3 p.m., Sunday, October 18, 2015

RITE OF ELECTION DATES FOR 2016 have been set for **February 14, 2016, 3 p.m. in Salina and February 21, 2016, 3 p.m. in Hays.** Please be sure to mark these dates on your calendar. The name of the parish will be provided at a later date.

OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR

All parish offices and schools will be required to attest to a "TESTIMONY OF COMPLIANCE" to verify and document that parishes and schools have implemented the Child Lures Prevention Program, Happy Bear Program or a program of equivalent subject matter as required by the U.S. Bishops' Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People.

Please complete the attached form (TESTIMONY OF COMPLIANCE) and return to the Chancery before June 30, 2015. Please address to Pamela Sullivan. Thank you.

TRIBUNAL/JUDICIAL VICAR

Commonly Asked Questions: *What are the stages of a tribunal investigation concerning marriage and marriage nullity?*

There are five steps the tribunal takes when the validity of a marriage is being challenged. The steps are: (1) Introduction of the case: This includes the completion of a petition, which is a formal request that the tribunal investigate the validity of a particular marriage. This step also includes the petitioner completing a narrative which provides detailed information about the marital relationship. (2) The collection of testimony from witnesses: Witnesses are need to corroborate the allegations the petitioner may be making as well as other facts of the case; (3) The review of the petitioner's narrative and witness testimony by Court officials; (4) The decision of the judge; (5) The automatic appeal: Cases given an affirmative are automatically reviewed by an outside appeal court to assure all the procedures were properly followed as well as looking at the merits of the case. With regards to a time frame for these steps, each case is unique. In some cases, there are witnesses ready to complete testimony and ample evidence which means these cases take less time to decide. Other cases go more slowly; in some cases it is difficult to secure good witness testimony and/or the petitioner does not provide a detailed narrative of the marriage. -- Fr. Barry Brinkman, JCL

OFFICE OF FINANCE

PETER'S PENCE ANNUAL COLLECTION IS THE WEEKEND OF JUNE 27-28 2015. The *Peter's Pence* collection unites us in solidarity to the Holy See and its works of charity to those in need. Pope Francis reminds us that that true power lies not in amassing possessions and resources for ourselves but in giving. *"We must never forget that true power, at any level, is service, whose bright summit is upon the Cross . . . it means entering the logic of Jesus who kneels to wash the Apostles' feet,"* he said. See Bishop Weisenburger's letter attached. Feel free to reproduce the letter in your bulletins. Please assist in promoting this important collection and encourage a generous response. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/ppc.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Annual Fundraiser-Catholic Charities will be holding its *2015 Annual Fundraiser on Sunday, July 12th* at the Ambassador Hotel in Salina. Donors have established a **\$60,000 match** to double funds raised for this Dinner and Auction. There is no charge to attend, but reservations are required because seating is limited. Make your reservations by calling [785-825-0208](tel:785-825-0208) or sending an email to jwarner@ccnks.org.

Immigration Services Outreach-Catholic Charities is now offering immigration services in Hays and Manhattan one day each month. For more information or help scheduling an appointment, please contact the Salina office at [785-825-0208](tel:785-825-0208).

OFFICE OF CONTINUING ED

ANNUAL RETREAT: June 15-18, 2015. Our days will begin on Monday with Registration beginning at 2:30 and the Opening Conference at 4:00.

Our Retreat Director is Fr. Ron Witherup. Very Rev. Ronald D. Witherup, S.S., is superior general of the Society of St. Sulpice, known as the Sulpicians, an order of diocesan priests dedicated to initial and ongoing formation of priests. Father Witherup previously served 11 years as provincial of the Sulpicians U.S. Province. A former academic dean and professor of sacred scripture at St. Patrick Seminary in Menlo Park, Calif., he holds a doctorate in biblical studies from Union Theological Seminary in Richmond, Va. He is a frequent retreat master for priests and deacons, and he often lectures on biblical and theological topics.

We are expecting all active and diocesan priests to participate in the Retreat. Retired priests and our Capuchins are most welcome and encouraged to participate but need to let me know. I presume all the international priests are participating unless I am otherwise informed.

In order to plan for room assignments and meal planning, please contact Fr. Kerry Ninemire no later than Thursday, June 4:

IF you are an active diocesan priest and will NOT be attending; or

If you are a retired diocesan priest and WILL BE ATTENDING; or

If you are a Capuchin priest (active or retired) and WILL BE ATTENDING.

The cost is \$325, payable to the Diocese of Salina. Please bring the check with you to the Center.

OCTOBER DAY OF RENEWAL: will be October 15 in Russell. The focus will be on the family. Our speaker is Most Reverend Robert J. Carlson, Archbishop of St. Louis.

JANUARY RENEWAL DAYS: will be January 25-28, 2016.

OFFICE OF FAMILY LIFE

SINGLE PARENT NETWORKER: Please distribute the enclosed Single Parent Networker to your Family Life Coordinator.

CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE: Bulletin articles are attached for your use in advertising the Salina Diocesan Men's Conference in your parish. Please encourage the men of your parish to attend. Also included in this mailing is a registration form that may be copied for individuals who do not wish to register by computer.

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES PRAYER: Pope Francis has asked families to become involved in praying for marriage and families and the success of the WMOF event which takes place in Philadelphia September 22-27, 2015. Encourage your parishioners to join together with families from around the world in prayer. Pray the WMOF (World Meeting of Families) prayer included in this mailing, each day for the success of the event and for your family's personal intentions.

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT-- SIX DATES FOR CATHOLIC COUPLES, THE BEATITUDES: Another way parishioners might become involved in the WMOF is to participate in programming in their home parish that reflect on the beauty and joy of God's plan for marriage and family life. Six Dates for Catholic Couples and The Beatitudes are two brief marriage enrichment DVD programs (see attached flyer). They can be checked out from the Diocesan Family Life office for couples to use to strengthen their marriages. (familylife@salinadioces.org 785-827-8746 ext 40)

ENGAGED ENCOUNTER DATES FOR 2015

June 5-7, 2015-Capuchin Center for Spiritual Life-Victoria

November 6-8, 2015- Capuchin Center for Spiritual Life-Victoria

GOD'S PLAN FOR A JOY FILLED MARRIAGE SEMINAR DATES FOR 2015

June 20, 2015-Our Lady of Perpetual Help-Concordia

BULLETIN INSERTS OR HANDOUTS: Beatitudes for Fathers and A Prayer for Fathers are enclosed.

OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS ED and YOUTH MINISTRY

TOTUS TUUS: Twenty five of our parishes will be hosting our TotusTuus Teams this summer. The theme for these weeks will be on the VIRTUES and the SORROWFUL MYSTERIES. The saints that they will be covering is Blessed Teresa of Calcutta and Saint Maximilian Kolbe. The young adults serving on the four teams: Emma Huskey, Stephanie Littrell, Danyel Rakowitz, Carleigh Albers, Mikaela Flax, Macy Becker, Kira Rutherford, Erica Brown, Chris Davis, Bob Schroeder, Jeffrey Albers, Nic Eilert, Thomas McAnerny, Cole Johnson, Alex Becker and Jesse Ochs. Please remember in prayer these wonderful young adults who will be sharing their faith with our young people in our parishes.

PRAYER AND ACTION: St. Thomas Parish, Stockton and St. Bernard Parish, Ellsworth will be hosting the Prayer & Action program this summer. We have around 60 college age students doing the college week in Stockton and around 350 signed up for the 6 high school weeks. The team for this summer will be: Brian McCaffrey, Andi Marsell, Gavin Sedlacek, Sarah Stratman, Chloe Mooradian and Brenna Johnson. Please pray for these young adults who will be leading this program. We are very fortunate in our diocese to have such wonderful young adults who are willing to give of their time to share their faith and making it possible for us to have these programs in our diocese.

OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS ED and YOUTH MINISTRY(cont.)

FAMILY WORKSHOP: Please mark September 12 for we will have a workshop "ENGAGING PARENTS--FORMING FAMILY FAITH" by Joan Weber. This workshop will be at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in Hays. More information will follow.

INVITATION: I will be celebrating my 50 years as a Sister of St. Joseph on August 16, 2015 at Sacred Heart Cathedral with a Mass of Celebration at 3:00 p.m. I would like to invite all the priests to this celebration. Sister Barbara Ellen

NCYC: Thank you for your support in encouraging your young people to attend NCYC in Indianapolis. The second payment and paperwork is due JUNE 16, 2015.

OFFICE OF NEW EVANGELIZATION

EVANGELIZATION IN AND THROUGH THE FAMILY: During 2015, the evangelization efforts in the Diocese of Salina are focused around evangelization in and through the family. The month of June's theme is New Life through Fatherhood. **Activity suggestions for parish Evangelization and/or Family Life commissions to consider:**

Publicizing devotion to St. Joseph, Foster Father of Jesus and/or St. Joseph the Dreamer, (a devotion of special significance to Pope Francis.) Note the explanation that when Pope Francis is facing particular problems, he sometimes writes the problem on a piece of paper and places it under a statue of Joseph on his desk, asking Joseph to dream over the problem. If a statue is unavailable, it is suggested to use the image of Joseph the Dreamer on the prayer card in a similar way.) See the attachments which include ready-to-print templates for prayer cards related to each of these devotion.

Baby Bottle campaign for the support of Respect Life organizations. (This campaign ideally began on Mother's Day with the distribution of baby formula bottles, and ideally concludes on Father's Day with the return of the bottles with financial contributions.)

FAITH SHARING AT MEETINGS: Please also find enclosed the ninth installment of "Tools to facilitate brief faith-sharing at a parish meeting in keeping with the theme of the 2014-15 catechetical year, Teaching about God's Gift of Forgiveness." This information is provided to you for possible use at meetings. Please make use of it as you see fit. (see attachment)

OFFICE OF RESPECT LIFE

Are you pro-life but don't know how to talk about the issues? Do your conversations turn into debates and hurt feelings? If so, the Respect Life Office has a conference for you! Justice for All, **jfaweb.org** is an organization that teaches people how to talk about abortion in a way to change hearts and minds in an interactive format. In addition, learn how to help someone in a crisis pregnancy, help someone who is suffering from a past abortion and how to bring pro – life activities to your parish. "Win the Heart: Debate to Dialogue" is on Aug. 22nd in Russell at the St. Mary Queen of Angels Parish. For more information and registration go to **www.salinadiocese.org/respectlife**. (tri-fold front and back brochure included)

OFFICE OF RESPECT LIFE(cont.)

Pro-Life Intercessions:

For orphaned children throughout the world, and especially those who are abused or neglected: that we might work to save them;

We pray to the Lord.

For fathers, especially those who are very young: that through the intercession of Saint Joseph, they might assume the great responsibility which God has given to them;

We pray to the Lord.

For all parents who struggle alone to raise their children: that God will give them the strength of the children of God and the support of his holy Church;

We pray to the Lord.

Baby Bottle Campaign for local pregnancy centers, Catholic Charities, and Mary Elizabeth Maternity Home will be held from Mother's Day to Father's Day. Baby bottles are distributed by the parish and parishioners will put loose change in there which will be returned to the parish Father's Day weekend. The proceeds will go to the any of the facilities above or wherever the parish deems necessary.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat-Healing the wounds of abortion one weekend at a time, July 24-26.

Contact: Donetta Robben, coordinator at 1-877-447-4383 or 785.656.0150 or email:

rvineyard@salinadiocese.org. Registration deadline is July 15. (See attached document)

MISCELLANEOUS

St. Theresa's parish in Mankato has a new e-mail address: sttheresa422@gmail.com

Oberlin and Fr. Mark Berland have a new e-mail address: catholic@ruraltel.net

New e-mail address for Deacon Chad Stramel: cmstramel82@gmail.com

July 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Diocesan Scholarship applications due	2 Via Christi Board Mtg. Hays	3 Holiday- Chancery Closed	4 Independence Day
5	6	7	8	9 Bishop Fitzsimmons Golf Tournament and Banquet	10 Bishop Fitzsimmons Golf Tournament	11
12 Catholic Charities Fundraiser 5:00PM	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24 Rachel's Vineyard Retreat	25 Rachel's Vineyard Retreat
26 Rachel's Vineyard Retreat	27	28	29	30	31 Lay Review Board 4PM	



DIOCESE OF SALINA

2015-2016

PARISH REQUEST FOR THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Name of Parish or Parishes _____

Location of Confirmation _____

Signature of Pastor or Parish Life Coordinator _____

(785) _____

Phone Number _____

Email Address _____

Year that the Sacrament of Confirmation was last administered: _____

The above Parish requests the Sacrament of Confirmation for 2015-2016: YES NO

If YES, please list the approximate number of student to be Confirmed: _____

Preferred time of the year for the Sacrament of Confirmation: Fall, 2015 Winter / Spring, 2016

Preferred day and time of the week:

WEEKDAY Tuesday Wednesday Thursday TIME: _____ am _____ pm

WEEKEND Saturday Sunday TIME: _____ am _____ pm

If you have a specific date and time in mind, please indicate below. Please note that this does not guarantee the date and time you may have chosen. You may also list alternate dates and times of preference. Please be sure your requested date and time does not conflict with other school, parish and/or community events. If the dates and times you have indicated are already filled up with other commitments on Bishop's schedule, you will be called and offered other possible dates that are open.

1st Choice - Date _____ Time _____ 2nd Choice - Date _____ Time _____

3rd Choice - Date _____ Time _____ 4th Choice - Date _____ Time _____

Comments: _____

All parishes are asked to kindly return this form to the Office of the Bishop by Friday, July 17, 2015. After that time a 1st draft schedule for the Sacrament of Confirmation will be prepared and will be sent to the parishes via Aug. SDNB. All parishes are required to complete and return this form even if you are not planning to have Confirmation in 2015-2016. If any questions, please contact the Bishop's Office chancery2@salinadiocese.org or call 785-827-8746, Ext. 34.

Thank you



TESTIMONY OF COMPLIANCE

To verify and document that parishes and schools have implemented the Child Lures Prevention Program, Happy Bear Program or a program of equivalent subject matter as required by the U.S. Bishops' *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People*, Please complete this form and return it to the chancery.

Dear Bishop Weisenburger,

In keeping with the U.S. Bishops' Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, I testify that the parish/school has implemented the *Child Lures Prevention* curriculum, Happy Bear Program or a program of equivalent subject matter in the parish religious education program and/or Catholic school for the 2014-2015 school year. This is a part of our effort to make and maintain a safe environment for children and young people.

Sincerely,

Signature of Pastor or Parish Life Coordinator

Signature of Religious Education Coordinator/Director

Signature of School Administrator/Principal (if applicable)

Date:

Name of Parish and Town: _____

Please return this completed form to the Office of the Chancellor by June 30, 2015



Diocese of Salina

Office of the Bishop

103 N. Ninth
P.O. Box 980
Salina, Kansas 67402-0980

June 2015

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

Participation in the Peter's Pence Collection gives us an opportunity be a witness of charity to our brothers and sisters around the world. Gifts to this annual collection help our Holy Father, Pope Francis, to support victims of war and natural disasters and others most in need of assistance.

The Peter's Pence Collection unites us in solidarity with the Holy Father and his works of charity toward those who are suffering around the world. Pope Francis reminds us that true power lies not in amassing possessions and resources for ourselves but in giving. "We must never forget that true power, at any level, is service, whose bright summit is upon the Cross . . . it means entering the logic of Jesus who kneels to wash the Apostles' feet," he said. Your contributions to the Peter's Pence Collection join with the power of Christ to give support to those in need.

Join Pope Francis and be a **witness of charity** throughout the world. You can participate through your donations, prayers, and outreach to spread the message of the love of Christ. Please be generous the **weekend of June 27-28, 2015** in your stewardship to the Peter's Pence Collection. For more information, please visit www.usccb.org (search "Peter's Pence Collection Resources").

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Edward J. Weisenburger
Bishop of Salina

Peter's Pence Collection *Be a Witness of* Charity

*"This is how all will know that you are my disciples,
if you have love for one another." (Jn 13:35)*

Single Parent Networker



A publication of the Family Life Office of the Archdiocese of Omaha, Nebraska

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Raising Confident Kids

It takes confidence to be a kid. Whether going to a new school or stepping up to bat for the first time, kids face a lot of uncharted territory.

Naturally, parents want to instill a can-do attitude in their kids so they'll bravely take on new challenges and, over time believe in themselves. While each child is a little different, parents can follow some general guidelines to build kids' confidence.

Self-confidence rises out of a sense of competence. In other words, kids develop confidence not because parents tell them they're great, but because of their achievements, big and small. Sure, it's good to hear encouraging words from mom and dad. But words of praise mean more when they refer to a child's specific efforts or new abilities.

When kids achieve something, whether it's brushing their own teeth or riding a bike, they get a sense of themselves as able and capable, and tap into that high-octane fuel of confidence.

Parents can help by giving kids lots of opportunities to practice and master their skills, letting kids make mistakes and being

there to boost their spirits so they keep trying. Respond with interest and excitement when kids show off a new skill, and reward them with praise when they achieve a goal or make a good effort.

With plentiful opportunities, good instruction, and lots of patience from parents, kids can master basic skills - like tying their shoes and making the bed. Then, when other important challenges present themselves, kids can approach them knowing they have already been successful in other areas.

STAY ON THE SIDELINES

Of course, supervision is important to ensure kids stay safe. But to help them really learn a new skill, it's also important not to hover. Give kids the opportunity to try something new, make mistakes, and learn from them.

For instance, if your son wants to learn how to make a peanut butter sandwich, demonstrate, set up the ingredients, and let him give it a try. Will he make a bit of a mess? Almost certainly, but don't swoop in the second some jelly hits the

countertop. In fact, avoid any criticism that could discourage him from trying again. If you step in to finish the sandwich, your son will think, "Oh well, I guess I can't make sandwiches."

But if you have patience for the mess and the time it takes to learn, the payoff will be real. Someday soon he'll be able to say, "I'm hungry for lunch, so I'm going to make my own sandwich." You might even reply, "Great, can you make me one, too?" What a clear sign of your faith in his abilities!

OFFER ENCOURAGEMENT and PRAISE

Sometimes, kids give up when frustrations arise. Help by encouraging persistence in the midst of setbacks. By trying again, kids learn that obstacles can be overcome.

Once kids reach a goal, you'll want to praise not only the end result but also their willingness to stick with it. For instance, after your son has mastered making that peanut butter sandwich you might show your confidence by saying, "Next time, want to learn how to crack an egg?" Sandwich-fixing and egg-

cracking might not seem like huge achievements, but they're important steps in the right direction toward your child's independence.

Throughout childhood, parents have chances to prepare kids to take care of themselves. Sure, it's great to feel needed, but as kids steadily gain confidence and independence, their relationship with you can be even richer. You can be bonded, not just by dependence, but by love and shared pride in all they've achieved. Eventually, your grown-up kids just might say thanks for how prepared they feel for the road ahead a road they can take with confidence.

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TIPS FOR SINGLE DADS

Stay in Contact—Find ways to stay in touch with your child even when distance or other circumstances keep you from

seeing your child regularly. Send cards, jokes, silly stories or riddles. E-mail and phone calls will all help you keep in touch too.

Keep your Commitments - Be predictable. Kids need to be able to count on your promises.

Spend Quiet Time Together - You will learn a lot while taking a nature hike, bicycling, fishing or reading to your child. Listen carefully.

Special Occasions - You are creating memories, so try to make birthdays, summer holidays and family gatherings memorable.

Watch your Words - Never let the kids overhear you saying anything negative about their mother, her friends or family.

What Makes a Dad?

God took the strength of a mountain

The majesty of a tree,
The warmth of a summer sun,
The calm of a quiet sea,
The generous soul of nature,
The comforting arm of night,
The wisdom of the ages,
The power of the eagle's flight,
The joy of a morning in spring,
The faith of a mustard seed,
The patience of eternity,
The depth of a family need,
Then God combined these qualities,
When there was nothing more to add,
He knew His masterpiece was complete,
And so,
He called it ... Dad

- Author Unknown

PARENTING POINTERS

627. June 5: Don't think that you have to rush in with a solution to every problem your child has. Sometimes all that a child needs is your listening presence to figure out his or her own solution.

628. June 12: "There are only two lasting bequests we can hope to give our children. One of these is roots, the other is wings." (Hodding Carter) If YOUR life is rooted in faith, let your child see it. If your child takes a different path, believe that the Spirit will take care of him or her. As a parent of adult children your job is to let go but not give up.

629. June 19: Father's Day is coming up. What qualities do you think make an ideal father? Did you learn any of these from your own father? Tell him in person or prayer. Identify one quality that you especially want to pass on to your own child. Take a step to do it today.

630. June 26: Parents are rightly concerned about their children's health and safety but we cannot protect our children from all danger. What worries you about the future of your child? Take normal precautions of course, but sometimes a child has to fail, get hurt, or make a mistake to grow. Be available. Pray.

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5 WAYS TO BULLY PROOF YOUR KID

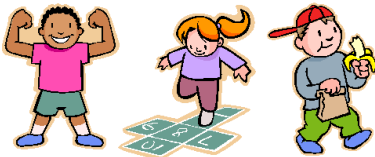
Did you know 25% of public schools report that bullying among kids happens on a daily or weekly basis? And 1 in 5 high school students report being bullied in the past year?

The good news is because bullying has made national headlines, schools and communities (and even celebrities) are taking a strong stand against bullying.

You can do your part at home, too. Here are 5 smart strategies to keep kids from becoming targets — and stop bullying that has already started:

1. **Talk about it.** Talk about bullying with your kids and have other family members share their experiences. If one of your kids opens up about being bullied, praise him or her for being brave enough to discuss it and offer unconditional support. Consult with the school to learn its policies and find out how staff and teachers can address the situation.
2. **Remove the bait.** If it's lunch money or gadgets that the school bully is after, you can help neutralize the situation by encouraging your child to pack a lunch or go to school gadget-free.
3. **Buddy up for safety.** Two or more friends standing at their lockers are less likely to be picked on than a child who is all alone. Remind your child to use the buddy system when on the school bus, in the bathroom, or wherever bullies may lurk.
4. **Keep calm and carry on.** If a bully strikes, a kid's best defense may be to remain calm, ignore hurtful remarks, tell the bully to stop, and simply walk away. Bullies thrive on hurting others. A child who isn't easily ruffled has a better chance of staying off a bully's radar.
5. **Don't try to fight the battle yourself.** Sometimes talking to a bully's parents can be constructive, but it's generally best to do so in a setting where a school official, such as a counselor, can mediate.

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Tips for Keeping Your Kids Fit

1. Severely limit the number of hours they watch TV, play video games or have tablets on. The Academy of Pediatrics says the limit should only be 1-2 hours per day.
2. Check out local football, basketball or soccer camps.
3. Kids love it when parents participate, so get those bikes out or take a family hike. You will be surprised at the conversations you will have while spending time together.
4. Allow them to bring a friend along, kids love to do things with their friends so take them to the park to play, or to the swimming pool for some fun.
5. Try to establish a regular routine for family fitness, then your kids know what to expect. You're more likely to stick to it if you have an established time each week.



Dear Lord, help me to take a moment each day to appreciate the gifts I have been given and to reflect on how special it is to be a father.

May I take the time to listen to my child— really listen—to guide, to praise, to thank my child and to remember to smile with love when I see them coming to me.

May I reserve some time in my day for myself—without duties or demands, so that when I am with my child I can give them 100% of my attention.

May I rise to the challenges I meet each day, lower my standards when they are impossibly high, and accept there are some things I will not get accomplished by day's end and know that it is okay.

And may I have the wisdom to forgive myself when things don't go as planned and to know when to ask for forgiveness when I've hurt the one's I love.

Dear Lord, thank you for letting me be a father and for having the opportunity to role model your unconditional love to those I dearly love.

Prayer of a Single Father

4th Annual
Salina Diocese Men's Conference



Saturday

August 8, 2015

8:30 am to 4:00 pm

*St. Mary
Queen of Angels
415 S. Windsor
Russell, Kansas*

Peter Herbeck

*Vice Pres. & Director of Missions
Renewal Ministries
Co-hosts weekly
Ewtn's Crossing the Goal &
Choices We Face*

Tom Peterson

*Pres. & Founder
Catholics Come Home &
Virtue Media*

Register

*Online <http://salinadiocese.org/family-life>
Or mail Registration form on back*

Registration Form:

Salina Diocese Men's Conference 2015

"The Way, The Truth and The Life"

Saturday, August 8, 2015

St. Mary Queen of Angels Catholic Church

415 S. Windsor, Russell, Kansas 67665

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Parish: _____ Parish City: _____

Home Phone: () _____ Cell Phone: () _____

E-mail Address: _____

Registration (donuts, coffee & lunch included)

Please check one:

Adult—\$35 _____

Student—\$15 (College) _____

Student—\$15 (HS-Jr/Sr's) _____

Priests, deacons and seminarians are free, but need to register for planning purposes

July 28 is the final registration date. Registrations after that date will require an additional \$5.00

Send completed registration form and payment to:

Diocesan Family Life Office

Attention: Sheila Marcotte

P.O. Box 980

Salina, KS 67402-0980

World Meeting of Families Prayer

Join together with families from around the world in prayer. Pray the World Meeting of Families prayer each day with your family for the success of the event and for your family's personal intentions.

God and Father of us all,
in Jesus, your Son and our Savior,
you have made us
your sons and daughters
in the family of the Church.

May your grace and love
help our families
in every part of the world
be united to one another
in fidelity to the Gospel.

May the example of the Holy Family,
with the aid of your Holy Spirit,
guide all families, especially those most troubled,
to be homes of communion and prayer
and to always seek your truth and live in your love.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, pray for us!

World Meeting of Families — Philadelphia 2015



Happy Together

Strengthen Marriages

Summer & Fall Programs for Your Parish



Help couples grow in love guided by our Christian faith!

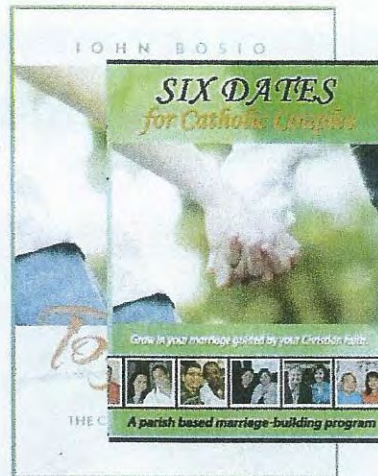
Introducing an easy-to-use marriage enrichment program that does not require a trained leader, or a group discussion facilitator:

SIX DATES FOR CATHOLIC COUPLES

www.happy-together.net

See Back for DVD samples

Both of these programs are available for check out from the
Salina Diocesan Family Life Office
familylife@salinadiocese.org 785-827-8746



This program offers what husbands and wives are hungry for today: the opportunity to make time for each other and to go on a date. The programs invite couples to go on six private dates, each based on a different theme. Participants bring their children to the parish, watch a short video and then depart for their date guided in their private conversations by simple questions found on a handout.

Find out what people are saying: http://youtu.be/vheGC_WIUDg

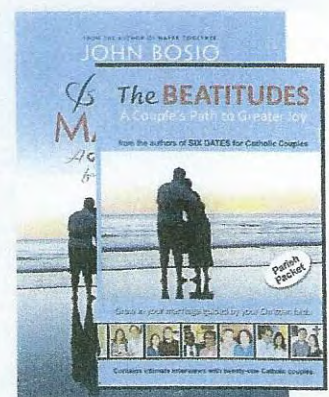
You can preview the first video on our website: <http://www.happy-together.net/six-dates-for-catholic-couples/>

The Beatitudes: A Couple's Path to Greater Joy

This marriage-building program presents the Beatitudes as the path to holiness in Christian marriage. Holiness is the source of joy in marriage.

The companion book and the videos guide married couples to live the Beatitudes in their daily life.

Learn More at www.happy-together.net



FATHER'S DAY

BEATITUDES FOR FATHERS



- Blessed are fathers.** . . who mixed discipline with love,
they shall know mercy.
- Blessed are fathers.** . . who gave us values with which to live the Christian life,
they shall share God's kingdom.
- Blessed are fathers.** . . who left us an appreciation of the value and dignity of work,
they shall find rest.
- Blessed are fathers.** . . who pointed out our responsibilities and duties,
they will be blessed.
- Blessed are fathers.** . . who taught us how to live on earth for heaven,
they will know God.
- Blessed are fathers.** . . who showed us the meaning of service by example,
they shall be served.
- Blessed are fathers.** . . who gave us a clear picture of what a father should be,
they will live forever.
- Blessed are fathers.** . . whose love for our mothers taught us the importance of loving
God and each other,
they shall see God.

A PRAYER FOR FATHERS

(Pray this together at a meal or at bedtime on Father's Day.)

- Oldest Child:** God, our Father, today we are celebrating a day set aside to honor our fathers. As our loving Father, you have given us an earthly father to love and care for us. Help us always to follow the example of Jesus and to love, obey and respect both You and the earthly father You have given us.
- Leader:** For all fathers both living and dead, let us pray to the Lord...
- All:** Lord, hear our prayer!
- Leader:** That all fathers may be like St. Joseph was in his love, concern and care of Jesus, let us pray to the Lord...
- All:** Lord, hear our prayer:
- Leader:** That all fathers may recognize their important role in the family, let us pray to the Lord,
- All:** Lord hear our prayer!
- Leader:** That we may always show love and respect for our parents, let us pray to the Lord...
- All:** Lord, hear our prayer!
- Leader:** For all those men in our lives who provide fatherly love and care for us...
- All:** Lord, hear our prayer!

Salina Diocesan Men's Conference - Bulletin Announcements

Advertise as often as possible until August 8th

Announcement #1 - Salina Diocese Men's Conference, Register Today

The Diocese of Salina is sponsoring the Fourth Annual Diocesan Men's Conference, "**The Way, the Truth and The Life**" on Saturday, August 8 at St. Mary Queen of Angels Parish in Russell. Please attend and bring your sons who are high school Juniors/Seniors or older. Two nationally known speakers, Tom Peterson, Producer of "Catholics Come Home" and Virtue Media, and Peter Herbeck the Vice President of Renewal Ministries and co-host of EWTN's Crossing the Goal, are this year's speakers. Men of the Dodge City Diocese are invited, so register **early** to reserve a seat. To register online or for more information go to www.salinadiocese.org or call 785-827-8746, Ext. 40.

Announcement #2 - Salina Diocese Men's Conference, Register Today

Catholic Men of the Salina Diocese, join us for our Fourth Annual Salina Diocese Men's Conference, "**The Way, The Truth and The Life,**" August 8th at St. Mary Queen of Angels Parish, Russell. If you have sons who are high school Juniors/Seniors, or older, please bring them. Two nationally acclaimed speakers head up the conference. The basic themes woven throughout the conference are: integrity, fatherhood and discipleship, and what it means to be a Catholic man in today's world. Men of the Dodge City Diocese are also invited, so register **early**. To register online or for more information go to www.salinadiocese.org or call 785-827-8746, Ext. 40.

Announcement #3 - Salina Diocese Men's Conference, Register Today

The Fourth Annual Men's Conference: "**The Way, The Truth and The Life**" will be held on Saturday, August 8th at St. Mary Queen of Angels Parish, Russell. All men are invited. Bring your sons who are high school, Juniors/Seniors and older. Invite your friends. Our goal is to strengthen Catholic men in their faith and thereby strengthen our Catholic families and parishes. Men of the Dodge City Diocese are also invited, so register **early**. To register online or for more information go to www.salinadiocese.org or call 785-827-8746, Ext. 40.

If you want these bulletin announcements via email, contact:

familylife@salinadiocese.org.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Catholic Men's Conference

August 8, 2015-8:30 am to 4:00 pm

St. Mary Queen of Angels, Russell KS

Register: salinadiocese.org/family-life



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Prayer to St. Joseph, the Dreamer

Dear Saint Joseph, you accepted the will of God revealed to you in a dream by the visit of an angel. I ask that you dream over this offering I make to you. You know my aspirations, my hardships, my hopes. You know, too, my trials, labors, and weariness. From your place in heaven, most powerful deliverer, graciously come to my aid in this conflict with the powers of darkness. Obtain for me a heart like yours, courageous and trusting; a heart that believes it can successfully carry out the tasks entrusted to it. Let me face the difficulties that confront me with confidence and courage like you did. Amen.

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Prayer to St. Joseph foster father of Jesus

You served the Child Jesus with great unselfishness, without any regard to self-interest, but not without sacrifices. You did not toil for yourself, but were an instrument intended for the benefit of others, to be put aside as soon as it had done its word, for you disappeared from the scene once the childhood of Jesus had passed.

Pray for me. May I continue to serve my Lord, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

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(This is the ninth of nine tools to facilitate brief faith-sharing at a parish meeting in keeping with the theme of the 2014-15 catechetical year, *Teaching about God's Gift of Forgiveness*. These articles are provided by the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston, via the New Evangelization Office of the Diocese of Salina. **Suggested use:** this handout could be provided to meeting participants in advance, to give them the opportunity to reflect on the Teaching Tool content and the Reflection Question. As a meeting opening, the Teaching Tool content could be read aloud, followed by a few minutes' discussion of the Reflection Question.)

Tool 9: Being stewards of God's gift of forgiveness.

Teaching tool

Central to the unique human and Christian vocations each individual received from God, is the call to be good stewards of those gifts. Stewardship is an expression of the discipleship called for by Baptism. Disciples who practice stewardship recognize God as the origin of life, the giver of freedom, the source of all they have, are, and will be. They know themselves to be recipients and caretakers of God's many gifts. They are grateful for what they have received and eager to cultivate their gifts out of love for God and one another. Among the many responses of the grateful steward is prayer. The prayer of blessing and adoration is a dialogue in which one's prayer ascends in acknowledgement and acceptance of the gifts God has already given that descend to humanity. The gifts are recognized as such and the one who prays acknowledges in humility that he or she is a creature before the Creator.

If we have received God's gift of forgiveness then we have a responsibility to be stewards of that gift just as much as we are of any other gift. As Christian disciples we, too, must be people of forgiveness and people who carry out a ministry of reconciliation. In the fifth Beatitude, Jesus Christ teaches that God's mercy can penetrate the hearts of all people, allowing them to forgive their enemies through the example and help of Christ. As St. Paul wrote in his second letter to the Christian community in Corinth, "And all this is from God, who has reconciled us to himself through Christ and given us the ministry of reconciliation, namely, God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting their trespasses against them and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. So we are ambassadors for Christ, as if God were appealing through us" (2 Corinthians 5:17-20a).

So God's gift of forgiveness is not to be hoarded, but to be shared by generous Christian stewards.

Reflection Question

In what way do you feel yourself being called, as a disciple of Jesus Christ who has already been given God's gift of forgiveness, to be joyful a steward of that gift and to be a forgiving and reconciling person?

Additional References

Catechism of the Catholic Church nos. 1847, 2626, 2840, 2862; *United States Catholic Catechism for Adults* pp. 242-243, 450-454, 488

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Respect Life
Conference

WIN THE HEART

LOVE

DEBATE to DIALOGUE

August 22, 2015
Russell, KS
St. Mary, Queen of Angels
8am-3:30pm

Priests and Deacons

Please bring your vestments to
con-celebrate Mass with Bishop
Weisenburger.

High School students
and Respect Life Parish
Coordinators are highly
encouraged to attend.

For more information, visit
www.salinadiocese.org/respect-life
jfaweb.org

Questions?
Eric and Jaclyn Brown
respectlife@salinadiocese.org
785.650.2474

Registration Form

High School Student-\$10 Name: _____

Individual-\$20 Address: _____

Couple-\$30 City: _____

State: _____

Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Priest/Religious/Deacon-Free Email: _____

Parish: _____

Are you a Respect Life Parish Coordinator? Yes No

Register online, salinadiocese.org/respect-life, or mail form and payment to: Diocese of Salina-Office of Respect Life, 103 North Ninth Street, Salina, KS 67401. **Registration due August 14.**

***If you could learn to
change hearts and
save lives...***

...would you?

~ Justice For All, (JFA)

Justice For All

Are you pro-life but don't know how to talk about the issues? Does your conversation turn into a debate and hurt feelings? Do you feel intimidated talking to others about abortion, because you are not sure how to respond to their reasoning? How do I respond to someone who has been raped? Justice For All will teach how to engage others about the topic of abortion and turn it into a productive dialogue rather than an angry debate. Through this **interactive** workshop, mentors will simplify the issue as well as teach and model skills that will help the participant learn how to talk to others about abortion in a way that changes hearts and minds.

**Can you
move
abortion
from a
debate
to a**

~ JFA

Archbishop Chaput, former Archbishop of Denver, says "I have met with Justice For All and give my support for their mission in changing minds and hearts of the young on the most critical issue facing our society today. The medical and emotional consequences of abortion are shown in a loving and non-condemning manner."

Post Abortion Healing



Rachel's Vineyard of the Salina Diocese Coordinator, Donetta Robben, will speak on why women choose abortion and the three major ways they deal with it. She will also touch on how abor-

tion affects men and others in the family. There will be some role plays on how to talk to someone who brings up their abortion.

Robben holds a Master's Degree in History. Her undergraduate work was in Communications with a journalism emphasis. She has minor degrees in History and Political Science. She is the author of *Where is my Rainbow? A unique glimpse into the soul of a woman's abortion choice*. Robben is also the founder and Executive Director of Divine Mercy Radio in Hays and Great Bend.

Respect Life in Parishes

How can we increase the awareness of the Sanctity of Life in our parishes and communities? Eric and Jaclyn Brown, Respect Life Coordinators for the Diocese of Salina, will share ideas and encourage parishes to contribute their successes.

Diaper/Clothing Drive

We will host a diaper/clothing drive for local pregnancy centers in our diocese. We encourage everyone to donate a package of diapers and/or gently used maternity clothes for pregnant women.



Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid."

Rachel's Vineyard Retreats is for anyone who has suffered loss due to abortion.

Serving mothers, fathers, siblings, grandparents, former abortion workers – anyone who agonizes over their role in an abortion decision. It doesn't matter if your abortion was yesterday or 40 years ago.

We can help.



Rachel's Vineyard Retreats
healing the pain of abortion one weekend at a time

Next retreat is July 24-26

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