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OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

“VOTER GUIDES” – POLITICAL ACTIVITIES AND STATEMENTS. On Wednesday, May 11th I emailed a memo to all Priests and Parish Life Coordinators, addressing the topic of “Voter Guides” which was brought up and discussed at the May 10th Council of Priests meeting. A copy of my memo is attached. Please visit the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops website’s Political Activity guidelines found at www.usccb.org/ogc. You may also wish to publish this link in your parish bulletins. As always if you have any questions or concerns do not hesitate to contact me.

PRIEST COUNCIL MINUTES FOR MAY 10, 2016 are attached.

PRIESTHOOD ORDINATION: Deacon Luke Thielen will be ordained at Sacred Heart Cathedral in Salina, 10 a.m. on Saturday, June 4th. As Deacon Luke joins our Presbyterate all are encouraged to attend. A luncheon will follow in the Hall of Bishops.

ANNUAL PETER’S PENCE COLLECTION IS THE WEEKEND OF June 25-26, 2016. Attached is my letter that may be read from the pulpit or inserted into parish bulletins.

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP is the principal patroness of the Diocese of Salina. Her feast day is celebrated on Monday, June 27, 2016. Please consult the Ordo for the Mass proper for this patronal feast of the Diocese of Salina.

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 (785-825-4011) 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 Sunday, July 24th (5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.) at the Salina Country Club. Dinner will be served at 5:30 p.m. **All donations made now through July 24th will be matched up to \$85,000 thanks to anonymous donors who have offered this challenge match.** Registration is required by calling the Salina Office at 785-825-0208 or completing the online registration at www.ccnks.org. If any questions, please contact Michelle Martin 785-825-0208 or email mmartin@ccnks.org

PARISH REQUEST FORM FOR THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2016-2017 is enclosed. Please complete **this updated form** and return to the Office of the Bishop by **Friday, July 15, 2016**. Once all the forms from **all parishes** 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 this form even if you are not planning to have Confirmation in 2016-2017. Please do not finalize Confirmation plans in your parish/s until the final schedule is completed and sent to you. As mentioned

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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.

This form can be downloaded at this link: <http://salinadiocese.org/bishop/confirmation-schedule/scheduling-form/file> or you may go directly to the Diocesan Web site main menu, Bishop -> Confirmation Schedule -> Scheduling Form. When using this fillable form, save the form to your computer, complete the form and again save it under a new name and email to chancery2@salinadiocese.org or complete the hard copy form attached with this SDNB and mail to the Bishop's Office

DIOCESAN MEN'S CONFERENCE is set for Saturday, August 13, 2016 at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, Hays. Please refer to the Family Life Office for more details and encourage all men of your parish to attend if possible.

DIOCESAN COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN (SDCCW) is hosting their Biennial Convention on August 20, 2016 at Sacred Heart Parish, Colby.

RESPECT LIFE OFFICE IS HOSTING ITS ANNUAL CONFERENCE on August 27, 2016 at St. Mary Queen of Angels Parish, Russell. Refer to the Respect Life Office for more information.

CELEBRATIONS TO HONOR MARRIED COUPLES HAVE BEEN SET. 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. Joseph Parish, Hays, 3 p.m., Sunday, October 23, 2016. St. Mary Queen of the Universe Parish, Salina, October 30, 2016*

RITE OF ELECTION DATES FOR 2017 have been set for **March 5, 2017 - 3 p.m. and March 12, 2017 - 3 p.m.** Please be sure to mark these dates on your calendar. The name of the parish will be provided at a later date.

OFFICE OF VICAR GENERAL

Human trafficking alerts for parish bulletins in English and Spanish during the month of June, 2016 are listed below:

June –ALERT Pope Francis says: "It is not possible to remain indifferent before knowledge that human beings are bought and sold like goods. I think of the adoption of children for the extraction of their organs, or women deceived and forced to prostitute themselves, of workers exploited and denied their rights of a voice. This is human trafficking." **Access the web site sistersagainstrafficking.org – U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking**

Junio – Atención. El Papa Francisco dice: "No es posible permanecer indiferentes ante el conocimiento de que hay seres humanos que se compran y se venden como simples bienes. Pienso en la adopción de niños para la extracción de sus órganos, o las mujeres engañadas y obligadas a prostituirse, en los trabajadores explotados y privados de sus derechos a hablar. Esta es la trata de personas". **Visita la pagina web sistersagainstrafficking.org. Hermanas Catolicas de los Estados Unidos en contra del Trafico Humano.**

CONTINUING EDUCATION OF PRIESTS

ANNUAL RETREAT 2016: September 19-22, 2016. Our Retreat Director is Rev. Jerome Kodell, OSB. He is former Abbott of Subiaco Abbey in Arkansas. The Retreat will begin on Monday at 4:00 and conclude with the noon meal on Thursday.

JANUARY RENEWAL DAYS: will be January 16-19, 2017.

OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR

DIOCESAN DIRECTORY: The updates for the 2016-17 directory are in progress. Some of the changes will require new email addresses and phone numbers. Please let us know if you want your cell phone numbers in the directory. If you have any additions or corrections for the directory please mail or email them to Darlene at P.O. Box 980, Salina-67401 or chancery@salinadiocese.org.

OFFICE OF SAFETY AND SECURITY

TESTIMONY OF COMPLIANCE: 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 Wendy Backes at the Office of Safety and Security. Thank you.

OFFICE OF FINANCE

MARYMOUNT SCHOLARSHIP AND MSGR. CLEMENT KRUSE SCHOLARSHIP:

The forms for these scholarships are in the Diocesan Handbook. Copies can be made from these forms. Please make sure the applicants are given the correct forms for the Marymount Scholarship. There is one for first year applicants and a separate one for those reapplying for additional funds after they have completed their first year of college.

(Section V, pages 23-28.) Applications are due in our office by July 1.

OFFICE OF LITURGY

1. Marriage Workshop

The new Rite of Marriage will be published in August. It *may* be used after September 8, and *must* be used after December 31. The Office of Liturgy will host workshops in each vicariate to acquaint priests, deacons, and musicians with the changes from the current rite. All workshops will be in the church, so we can envision how the procession and other parts of the rite will look. All workshops will be on Saturday mornings, except for Manhattan, which will be on a Sunday afternoon.

Hays	August 20, 9-12
Manhattan	August 21, 2-5
Colby	August 27, 9-12
Salina	September 3, 9-12

OFFICE OF LITURGY (cont.)

PASTORAL MINISTRY FORMATION

1. We are beginning a new certification program in Liturgy. **Formation in Liturgy** welcomes all involved in liturgical ministry: lectors, extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, ushers, greeters, sacristans, music ministers, priests, deacons, liturgy commission members, RCIA teams, art & environment committees, and members of the assembly.

To obtain the Diocesan Certification in Liturgical Ministry one needs to complete the two core courses and three electives for credit. A paper or project mutually decided upon by the student and the coordinating instructor is also required.

This should not be understood as all-or-nothing. Everyone should feel free to take just one or two of the courses for their own personal enrichment, to brush up on one's understanding of the liturgy, that most sacred act that the Church performs to the glory of God and the sanctification of people.

OFFICE OF CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Catholic Charities 11th Annual Fundraiser will be here soon! Please help us to promote the event in your parish by placing the large poster in an area where it will be seen the most and use the bulletin inserts to remind your congregation to get their RSVP's in before the deadline. Thank you for sharing this information so we can meet the needs of families in crisis.

OFFICE OF DEVELOPMENT

Once again it is time to begin updating parish lists. Beginning June 1, 2016 we will be emailing each parish a parishioner list from our data base and need to have them returned to Lois Yost at loisyost@salinadioces.org by July 1, 2016. Please compare our spreadsheet with your information and make any changes directly on **our** spreadsheet. Note the changes in the appropriate column and highlight the names that have changes or should be deleted. Any new parishioners may be added at the bottom of the spreadsheet. Thanks to everyone for your help!!

OFFICE OF FAMILY LIFE/NFP

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

2016 DIOCESAN CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE: The fifth annual Diocesan Catholic Men's Conference is scheduled for Saturday, August 13 at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, Hays. High school and college men are encouraged to attend. A price break is granted to dads who bring their sons. Bulletin announcements are attached for your use in advertising the Men's Conference in your parish. Please encourage the men of your parish to attend.

ENGAGED ENCOUNTER DATES FOR 2016

June 10-12, 2016 - Capuchin Center for Spiritual Life-Victoria

Sept. 16-18, 2016 - Capuchin Center for Spiritual Life-Victoria

OFFICE OF FAMILY LIFE/NFP (cont.)

GOD’S PLAN FOR A JOY FILLED MARRIAGE SEMINAR DATES FOR 2016

June 18, 2016- Our Lady of Perpetual Help-Concordia
 Aug. 6, 2016- Our Lady of Perpetual Help-Concordia
 Oct. 8, 2016- Our Lady of Perpetual Help- Concordia
 Dec. 3, 2016- Our Lady of Perpetual Help- Concordia
 Sept.10, 2016- Immaculate Heart of Mary- Hays

CALENDAR & CONTACTS: Please find enclosed your updated copy showing Engaged Encounter, God’s Plan For A Joy-Filled Marriage, Marriage Encounter, Retrouvaille, Beginning Experience and Young Adult Beginning Experience Dates and Contacts for the Salina, Dodge City, Wichita, and Kansas City Dioceses (revised May 12, 2016 pink). Since Retrouvaille is no longer available in the Wichita Diocese, Dates and Contacts for Retrouvaille in the Omaha and Denver Arch Diocese have been included.

BULLETIN INSERTS OR HANDOUTS: Father’s Day prayers, Family ideas for summer activities and 2016 Men’s Conference bulletin announcements are enclosed.

OFFICE OF VOCATIONS

UPCOMING EVENTS:

June 2: Diocesan Seminarian Recognition Dinner
 June 3: Potluck Dinner in honor of those to be ordained – hosted by Vocatio of Salina
 June 4: 10:00 a.m. Priestly Ordination of Deacon Luke Thielen
 August 10-12 Seminarian Gathering
 August 12 Runnin Revs BBall game in Hays
 August 13: Men’s Conference (Seminarians will attend)

Priestly Ordination

It would be great to have all of you join us at the Cathedral for this wonderful event.

Intercessions for Vocations

For those parishes that have been using the intercessions for vocations, they can be found at the following website: http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/vocations/voc_intercessions.aspx

OFFICE OF RESPECT LIFE

It has been a great two years working in the Respect Life Office. However, life circumstances have changed and we have resigned from the Office of Respect Life. Our last day as the Coordinators of the office will be June 30th. It has been a pleasure to work with all the great people of the Salina Diocese.

~Jaclyn and Eric Brown

Kansans for Life has developed a church bulletin project entitled “**In the beginning**”. It follows the development of a child named “Chris” in the womb. The bulletin messages begin on March 15th to prepare for Feast of the Annunciation on March 25th and ends near Christmas on December 20th. It mirrors the fetal development of Jesus Christ. This is a great way to spread the pro-life message while honoring the child Jesus. The bulletin announcements can be found at <http://www.kfl.org>. Below are the bulletin announcements for June and the first Sunday in July:

OFFICE OF RESPECT LIFE (cont.)

For the bulletin on June 5th (week 11)

Chris is almost 2 inches long. Fingers and toes are separated. Chris could easily stand on daddy's little finger nail. Chris's feet are the size of the Precious Feet pins that have become the symbol of the pro-life movement. Finger nails and hair are starting to grow. The placenta is now providing nutrition from the mother. Chris likes pizza. *"They, no less than I, were created in the womb by the same God who shaped us all within our mothers."* Job 31:15 The Holy Spirit is "the Lord the giver of Life," to each of us, and to the Church.

For the bulletin on June 12th (week 12)

Chris now sleeps, awakens, and exercises the muscles energetically (we should take some lessons from this). Turning of the head, curling of the toes, making a fist, opening and closing the mouth while "breathing" the amniotic fluid to help develop the respiratory system, Chris is very active in the womb. Chris is still a lightweight – weighing about one ounce – about as much as a letter. If the doctor uses a Fetal Doppler, it won't be the weather that is seen but the baby's heartbeat is heard which sounds like galloping horses. *"But the angel said to him, 'Zechariah, do not be afraid, your prayer has been heard...'"* Luke 1:13

For the bulletin on June 19th (week 13) Father's Day

Chris now has teeth buds for all 20 teeth. Teething will come later. Chris is almost 3 inches long and weighs in at one ounce. Chris is still exercising and practicing inhaling and exhaling. All Chris's nourishment is now coming through the placenta. Vocal cords begin to form, and although they may not be ready for a rock band, Chris will use them immediately following birth for that first cry! Now mother usually feels better and has more energy. She's spreading the good news. *"God blessed them (Adam and Eve), saying to them, 'Be fruitful, multiply, fill the earth...'"* Gen. 1:28 Gen. 9:1 Chris' body is forming, just like The Body of Christ was formed in the womb of Mary. **Happy Father's Day!**

For the bulletin on June 26th (week 14)

Chris' taste buds are working! "I drink more amniotic fluid and it tastes sweet. My skin is transparent and is very sensitive to pain except for my back and the top of my head. I may be small, but I am growing fast!" Mother enjoys fireworks and celebrates the birth of our nation, but Chris won't hear anything, yet. *"I set before you life and death, blessing or curse. Choose life, then, so that you and your descendants may live."* Det. 30:19

For the bulletin on July 3rd (week 15)

"Soon I will be able to grasp with my hands. What will I grasp? My other hand! Did you know that I have my own unique fingerprints now? My fingernails and toenails are growing. I also have an adult's taste buds. My eyebrows and hair on my head are sprouting. But it will probably change color and texture after birth. I'm kicking, twisting, and flailing really hard." But, mother can't feel Chris moving in the womb, yet. *"Did you not . . . clothe me with skin and flesh, and weave me of bone and sinew?"* Job 10:13 **OR** *"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness."* Declaration of Independence

Bulletin Announcement (Please put in your parish bulletin)

The annual **Respect Life Conference "Lobby for Life"** will be held on August 27th in Russell at St. Mary Queen of Angels Parish from 8AM – 3PM. Amy McNerny, Executive Director of the National Coalition for a Human Life Amendment, will be the keynote speaker. Lunch will be provided. The cost of the conference is \$20 for an individual, \$30 for a couple and \$10 for a high school student. Register at

salinadiocese.org/respect-life. Learn to engage the public policy process to continue to build the culture⁷ of life! (See attached flyer!)

OFFICE OF RESPECT LIFE (cont.)

Pro-Life Intercessions for Mass.

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 every unwed father and mother, and for their child: that, with God's grace, their love might bind them together and truth might preserve and protect them; we pray to the Lord:

For mothers and fathers, who await the birth of their child: that God might fill their hearts with an ever-deepening love each day; we pray to the Lord:

For mothers and fathers, who for the first time hold a child in their arms: that they might be transformed by the wonder they embrace; we pray to the Lord:

OFFICE OF YOUTH MINISTRY

JUNIOR CYO CAMP: Our camp this year will be May 28-31, 2016. This camp is for all 6th, 7th and 8th graders. We have 300 attending from our parishes. A number of our college students and high school seniors are the counselors for this camp. Thank you for your support for this program.

PRAYER AND ACTION: Our Prayer and Action weeks will be held in Hays the month of June and in July we will be in Junction City. If you haven't registered to participate in one of these weeks please do so as soon as possible In order to confirm the week that you want you need to have the paperwork and the money into the Office by May 1st. We have 3 weeks that are filled and they are June 12-17, July 10-15 and July 24-29. Our team members for this summer are: Brian McCaffrey, Chris Davis, Luke Friess, Tracie Thibault, Molly Schmidt and Kenzie Hemmert. If any of the priests are driving through these towns in June and July be sure to stop and meet our young people who are giving a week to help others.

NCYC: This fall we will begin getting information out to the parishes regarding NCYC. The dates for this event will be November 16-18, 2017 and will be in Indianapolis, IN. Please let us know who the contact person will be from your parish.

OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

TOTUS TUUS: We have four great teams that are ready to come to your parish this summer to teach your students about Prayer and the Our Father and the Glorious Mysteries. The young adults that are participating in this program are: Ashley Winters, Claire Friess, Carleigh Albers, Matea Gregg, Michaela Sasse, Kaitlyn Simon, Frankie Sullivan, Amber Wellbrock, Scott Stramel, Bob Schroeder, Cole Johnson, Alex Becker, Stephen Marak, Drew Simpson, Luke Riordan and Joshua Caasi. I've heard that four larger dioceses had to cancel their TOTUS TUUS Program because they couldn't find enough teachers. We are very fortunate in our diocese to have such wonderful young adults who are eager to share their faith with others. Thank you to the parishes that have signed up for this summer to participate in the TOTUS TUUS Program.

MISCELLANEOUS

FR. BARRY BRINKMAN will be having a reception to celebrate his 25th anniversary of ordination to the priesthood on Sunday, August 14 from 2-4 p.m. in the Activity Center at Immaculate Heart of .Mary Parish in Hays. No RSVP required.

BLUE BOOK tab divider for the Human Resources section of the Diocesan Handbook is enclosed. If you need additional tabs for more books, please call Brenda at the Chancery - 785-827-8746

UPDATES FOR THE DIRECTORY:

1. Wrong cell number for Fr. Dlabal in Goodland (pg.69):
890-7205 – office number
821-4596 – cell number

Change of number for Sharon Springs parish (pg. 49 & pg. 105)
592-4984

~ July 2016 ~

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
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3	4 INDEPENDENCE DAY Chancery closed	5	6	7	8	9	
10 Prayer & Action- Junction City	11	12	13	14	15	16 50 th Anniv. Celebration- Fr. Melvin Long-Beloit, 2:30-4:00, Mass at 5 pm	
17 Prayer & Action- Junction City	18	19	20	21	22	23	
24 Annual Catholic Charities Auction 5:00-7:30 Prayer & Action – Junction City Confirmation-10 am, Hays, Immaculate Heart of Mary	25	26	27	28	29	30 10:00am Totus Tuus Evaluation – Salina 2:00 pm Prayer & Action Evaluation-Junction City	
31 K of C 134 Supreme convention, 7/31-8/4- Toronto	Notes:						



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Office of the Bishop

To: Priests and Pastoral Life Coordinators 12 May 2016

From: Bishop Edward Weisenburger + E.W.

Re: "Voter Guides" as well as political activities and statements

Dear Father or PLC:

Unless I am first given the chance to review any *Voter Guide* in question, and give specific approval for its use, I do not want any *voter guides* distributed by parishes or Catholic organizations affiliated with the Diocese of Salina. Such documents may violate I.R.S. tax codes related to political activities by churches that claim tax exemption.

Can clergy speak out? Yes, speaking out in favor of, or in opposition to, specific **issues** is permitted (e.g., a homily, bulletin insert, or newsletter article in opposition to abortion, the death penalty, euthanasia, etc.). I strongly encourage you to speak out on life issues and other matters that pertain to the living out of our faith. However, our efforts must not be linked to endorsing or condemning specific candidates or political parties.

What is the consequence of violating the political activity prohibition? Your church's 501(c)(3) tax-exemption may be revoked if it engages in any prohibited activity. For example, the Internal Revenue Service, in 1995, revoked the tax exemption of the Church at Pierce Creek in upstate New York after the church paid for newspaper advertisements in opposition to a presidential candidate in the 1992 election. Revocation would result in the organization's income for the year becoming subject to income tax.

Voter guides – are they prohibited? The term "voter guide" refers either to a compilation of candidates' positions based upon candidates' responses to questions posed or to a neutral compilation of candidates' positions on the issues. I am not forbidding all voter guides. However, voter guides must be unbiased. Several examples I have reviewed in recent years would not appear to meet the strict guidelines of the IRS. For this reason I wish to reiterate that **I do not permit voter guides to be used by any parish, church or affiliated Catholic organization without my prior review and consent.** If persons are found on your property, especially parish parking lots, disseminating voter guides or other political statements please order them to stop.

Please alert your staff to this issue. If you need information about acceptable educational and political activities please visit the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops website's ***Political Activity Guidelines*** found at www.usccb.org/ogc. You also may wish to publish that link in your parish bulletins.



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“This is my commandment: love one another as I love you.” (Jn 15:12)

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

In this Jubilee Year of Mercy, the Peter’s Pence Collection is an opportunity to become a **witness of charity** to those who suffer most. Pope Francis has encouraged us to “open our eyes and see the misery of the world, the wounds of our brothers and sisters who are denied their dignity, and let us recognize that we are compelled to heed their cry for help!” (*Misericordiae Vultus*, [MV] no. 15).

Through the Peter’s Pence Collection, we stand in solidarity with Catholics all over the world to support the charitable works of our Holy Father. Contributions to this collection support Pope Francis as he reaches out to those suffering the effects of war and violence, natural disasters, and religious persecution. **This special collection will be taken up the weekend of June 25-26, 2016.**

Pope Francis has told us that “mercy is the force that reawakens us to new life and instills in us the courage to look to the future with hope” (MV, no. 10). Please prayerfully consider participating in this collection and becoming a **witness of charity**, a force of mercy that reaches out to those around the world. For more information, please visit www.usccb.org/peters-pence.

Sincerely Yours in Christ Jesus,

Most Reverend Edward J. Weisenburger
Bishop of Salina

Peter’s Pence Collection
Be a Witness of
Charity



Diocese of Salina

2016-2017 Parish Request for the Sacrament of Confirmation

Pastor/PLC:	Email:
Parish/Parishes:	Phone:
Parish Address:	Number to be Confirmed:
City & Zip Code:	Year last administered: If not 16-17, next year anticipated:
Parishes, if combined:	Location, if combined:

The above Parish requests the Sacrament of Confirmation for 2016-2017: Yes No

Preferred time of the year for the Sacrament of Confirmation: Fall 2016 Winter/Spring 2017

Preferred Day/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 not guarantee the date/time you may have requested. You may also list alternate dates/times of your preference. Please be sure your requested date/time does not conflict with other school, parish and/or community events. If the date/times you have indicated are already filled by other commitments on the Bishop's schedule, you will be called and offered other possible open dates.

1 st Choice: Date/Time	2 nd Choice: Date/Time
3 rd Choice: Date/Time	4 th Choice: Date/Time

Comments:

All parishes are asked to kindly return this form to the Office of the Bishop by Friday, July 15, 2016. After that time, a 1st draft schedule for the Sacrament of Confirmation will be prepared and will be sent to the parishes via the August SDNB.

All parishes are required to complete and return this form, even if you are not planning to have Confirmation in 2016-2017. If you have any questions, contact the Bishop's Office at 785-827-8746 Ext. 34 or chancery2@salinadiocese.org.



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 2015-2016 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 Wendy Backes at the Office of Safety and Security in the Chancery by June 30, 2016.



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Sincerely,

Signature of Moderator/Chaplain

Signature of School Administrator/Principal (if applicable)

Date:

Name of School and Town: _____

Please return this completed form to Wendy Backes at the Office of Safety and Security in the Chancery by June 30, 2016.

Formation for Liturgical Ministry is an area of focus within the Pastoral Ministry Formation Program of the Dioceses of Dodge City and Salina offered as part of the Church in Partnership with Newman University, Wichita, Kansas.



Fr. Frank Coady, STD , is coordinating instructor for the Pastoral Ministry Formation Program's *Formation for Liturgical Ministry* focus area. Fr. Frank is pastor of St. Thomas More Parish, Manhattan, KS, and Director of the Offices of Liturgy, Deacons, and Lay Ministry Formation of the

Diocese of Salina. He received his bachelor's degree in philosophy from St. Thomas Seminary College, Denver, and an S.T.L. degree in fundamental theology and a Doctorate in dogmatic theology, from Pontifical Gregorian University, Rome.

Pastoral Ministry Formation Dioceses of Dodge City & Salina



Formation for Liturgical Ministry

To obtain the Diocesan Certification in Liturgical Ministry one needs to complete the two core courses and three electives for credit. A paper or project mutually decided upon by the student and the coordinating instructor is also required.

The Diocese of Salina
in affiliation with
Newman University of Wichita, Kansas
certifies that

has completed nine college credits of theology
in fulfillment of the prescribed Course of Study for this

Certificate in Liturgy

_____ Date of Award _____ Bishop of Salina
Director of Pastoral Ministry Formation

For more information and/or to register:
Coleen Stein, Director of Adult Formation,
Diocese of Dodge City, cstein@dcdiocese.org
620-227-1538, PO Box 137, Dodge City, KS 67801

Liturgy exists for mission



In the Catholic Church, the Holy Eucharist is called the Mass – it is from the Latin word for dismissal. This word serves as a reminder that, as much as worship is about gathering as community, it is just as much about, going into the world to love and serve the Lord. Thanks be to God.

So whenever we pray, whenever we worship, we should view ourselves as participating in the life, work, mission and love of God. Our liturgies call us into a work for justice, freedom, peace and righteousness. Our liturgies remind us of that profound call to love God and neighbor with our whole, mind, heart and strength.

**Fall 2019 --- Celebrating Crossing Cultural Boundaries
(Elective – 1hr credit)**

Offered via I-TV at sites across the Dioceses of Dodge City and Salina.



This course seeks to explore ways of finding an appropriate response to varied expressions of spirituality in our churches and communities. How can our liturgies and worship express and celebrate the richness and creativity of our new multicultural reality as well as deepen our own spirituality? The aim of the course is to share our experience of working cross-culturally, look at changing liturgical and spiritual needs and explore possibilities of finding a way forward.

**Liturgy is symbolic and
uses ritual as language**

Formation in Liturgy welcomes all involved in liturgical ministry: Lectors, Ministers of Holy Communion, Ushers, Greeters, Sacristans, Music Ministers, Priests, Deacons, Liturgy Commission Members, RCIA teams, Art & Environment Committees, Members of the Assembly.

An actor rehearsing his or her part in a play might ask the director: “What’s my motivation here?” The script may call for the actor to say certain words, to perform a particular action, or to relate to another character in a specific way. But to properly play her or his part, the actor must know what is motivating the character he or she is playing.

The same is true for those who exercise liturgical ministry. Just as an actor needs more than a script and stage directions to bring the role to life, so, too, do liturgical ministers.

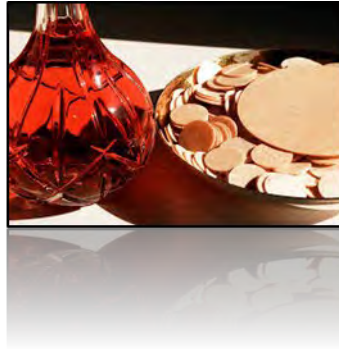
Those serving the liturgy of the Church need to have an understanding of the liturgy, an appreciation of particular ministries and their relationship to other ministries, and a willingness to give of their time and talent for the glory of God and for the sake of the assembly.

Liturgical ministers need to have an understanding of and an appreciation for the proper motivation of the liturgy and the various liturgical ministries. Without this understanding and appreciation, liturgical ministers may simply go through the motions like actors who do not appreciate or understand the roles they are playing.

Bishop Weisenburger and Bishop Brungardt encourage every parish to have one or more parishioners prepared with a Liturgy Certificate so they serve the parish as a resource for the source and summit of the life of the parish, the Liturgy.

**Fall 2016 --- Sacramental Theology
(Core Course – 3hrs credit)**

Offered via I-TV at sites across the Dioceses of Dodge City and Salina.



This course will examine Christian worship and sacramental life in light of both its historical and theological development and the liturgical action that shapes this communal faith. It will focus on why a Christian community of faith gathers and the claims this sacramental expression makes concerning God's gracious self-communication in Jesus through the power of the Holy Spirit. The course explores the community's identity as the Body of Christ and the proclamation of the Good News in the contemporary world. Special attention will be given to Catholic Parish life and its corporate celebrations, particularly of Eucharist, where the community's act of praise and thanksgiving is most concretely expressed.

**Spring 2019 --- Celebrating the Rites of the Catechumenate
(Elective – 1hr credit)**

Offered via I-TV at sites across the Dioceses of Dodge City and Salina.



The rites of the process of Christian initiation of adults are studied from historical, theological, liturgical, and pastoral perspectives. Beginning with the text of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, students reflect on the order and integrity of each of the rites. Working from this foundation, they explore appropriate ritual adaptation and receive guidance for the adapting and enrichment of the rites.

Liturgy is communal

Fall 2018 --- Art and Environment (Elective – 1hr credit)

Offered via I-TV at sites across the Dioceses of Dodge City and Salina.



A liturgical environment that celebrates the awe of God's presence and saving deeds cannot be satisfied with anything less than the beautiful. The beautiful is related to the holy. This course gives Ministers of Environment and Art and Sacristans a knowledge of the sacraments, the Catholic rites, the Liturgical Year, and the faithful's devotional life in order to equip them to create a sacred environment in which the divine-human encounter can most readily occur. Their goal is to care for all the elements of worship, insuring that the total environment is clean, appropriate, authentic, beautiful and accessible. The course will present the Liturgical Documents as they pertain to sacraments and other rites, environment, liturgical space, church appointments and the sacristy.

**Spring 2017 --- Music and Liturgy
(Elective – 1hr credit)**

Offered via I-TV at sites across the Dioceses of Dodge City and Salina.



This course gives those interested or involved in divine worship guidelines regarding a theology of liturgy, the role of the pastoral musician, and even what is important when choosing music for the liturgy. The course will emphasize appropriate music for the liturgy. First priority will be given to singing the liturgy itself: chant as well as metric settings for the Mass. As suggested in liturgical documents, the Three Judgments, musical, liturgical, and pastoral, can help guide our musical choices.

Liturgy presumes faith

Fall 2017 --- Worship and Faith (Core Course – 3hrs credit)

Offered via I-TV at sites across the Dioceses of Dodge City and Salina.



The Church's Creeds evolved out of a doctrinal concern, but they were always more than doctrine; they were prayed by the Christian community. The way the Church prayed her faith, primarily in the Eucharistic gathering, even contributed to the formation of the New Testament. For every generation, the principle gateway into the faith is the way it worships. Thus worship must be regarded as one of the most vigorous and central elements of the Pastoral Ministry Formation curriculum. This course will consider the relationship between liturgical prayer and religious imagination, focusing particularly on the meaning liturgy can have for contemporary Catholics, as well as present day challenges.

Spring 2018 --- "INSTITUTE" (Elective – 1hr credit) Friday evening – Sunday Afternoon, Spiritual Life Center, Wichita Date to be determined.

Liturgy is the work of the people, of the whole Christian community in all times and places. Christian worship isn't just whatever Christians feel like making it at any given point. Worship unites the local congregation and the larger body of Christ. As such, liturgical ministers need to have a

clear commitment to core principles and practices that represent the best of our liturgical traditions and a sensitivity to the local setting at the same time. "Get Equipped" is an in-person experience of liturgical ministries. We will especially focus on these ministries in *theory and practice*:

Lectors who are chosen by the Christian community and entrusted by God to proclaim God's transforming word during the Church's worship. To do this, they are expected to read and reflect upon the scriptures in prayer so as to be effective instruments for God.

Eucharistic Ministers who assist the presider in offering the Body and Blood of the Lord to the congregation share an intimate role as the Lord encounters his disciples. This intimate role deserves the preparation, attention, and care one can give to what is often referred to as *giving out communion*. What does it mean to be a minister of Holy Communion within and outside of Liturgy?

Music Ministers not only *enhance* our worship experience; they are literally *crucial*. By sharing their gift, perhaps even their charism, of music they lead us to sing in one accord to our God.

Ushers/Greeters/Ministers of Hospitality are among the first to greet visitors as they enter our doors. Hospitality is a pillar of stewardship that should especially be experienced as we gather to become one in Christ through sharing his sacred sacrificial meal.

The role of presider, deacon, and sacristan (environment committee) will also be highlighted.

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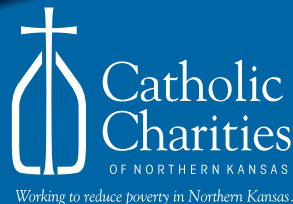
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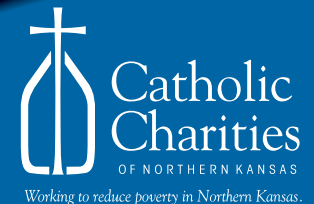
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Security Check: Vacation Baggage

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Is the thought of a vacation too much for you to consider right now as you are grieving the loss of a loved one? Does it seem too much trouble to even think about choosing a vacation spot, deciding what to pack and doing all the things necessary to leave home for a week or two?

For me, after my two oldest children, 21 year old Denis and 19 year old Peggy, were killed in a car accident, I didn't have the energy to even think of a vacation, much less go on one. I was content to stay in "my nest" as I called my home, relishing the nearness of everything that reminded me of my children. But others feel the change of scenery, getting away from the routine of daily life, leaving behind the things that scream vivid memories to them, trying a different pace, and having some time "away from it all" is what they need.

Then come the decisions. What do I bring, what will I need on this trip, and what will I definitely leave at home? Check the following list and choose what you think will make your vacation comfortable and a source of healing.

Guilt. This goes in the bottom of the suitcase – it's heavy. Stuff this inside a shoe and wear it out with time. You may need to walk with this a little longer but you may decide along the way that you did the best you could do with what you had. Only you can decide when to

discard it and feel the delight of a new outfit. It's like packing the wrong clothes and buying some new ones on your journey.

Anger. As much as you would like to leave this at home, squeeze it into your bag. It's like a mirror – it confirms you are alive. It comes in many sizes and shapes and is used on many different occasions. You might decide parts are not worth carrying any longer. Use it sparingly as you venture to express your feelings. It's like perfume, use too much and no one will want to come near you.

The "Why" Question. Don't bother to pack it. There are no answers. You would be wasting valuable space. Instead, bring "What's next, Lord?" and feel the comfort as new experiences lead you to some peaceful moments.

Sadness. This, being so familiar to you, might be the first thing you put into your suitcase, but let it be like your umbrella, used only on stormy days. Share it with another and you will find that your grief has been halved. Put it away for the next rainy day and let the sunshine do its magic.

Tears. These are essentials, like soap, that keep you feeling refreshed and renewed daily. Keep them readily available in your toiletry case or knapsack. They cleanse the spirit and release pain. They can be used in private or in public for many

occasions. If handy, a spouse, friend or strong shoulder could be your "blotter."

Helplessness. These are outfits you thought would need, but rarely use. They just don't fit the climate of your destination. Just place them in the bottom of your suitcase and forget about them. They are good for protecting something fragile in your bag, like a framed photo you might like to bring along.

Patience. Bring several packs of this. Learn to take your time and go at your own pace, using your timetable, not one designed by others. Take a day at a time so your traveling can be savored. It's like chewing gum – refreshing, comforting and relaxing. Stick with it and you can savor it's nourishing ingredients.

Forgiveness. This travels well, like a band-aid, much lighter than grudges. Pack as much as you can, some for yourself and some for others. Use it to layer the garments in your bag. It can prevent wrinkles, soothe spirits and make your burden lighter.

Vulnerability. This is very fragile. Slip it into your bag wrapped in a favorite memory, song, picture, poem or prayer, protecting it like bubble-wrap. Wear it until it's out of fashion and replace it with a stronger material like hope.

Hugs. Keep them handy in your purse or jacket pocket. Remember,

it takes four hugs a day for survival, eight hugs a day for maintenance and twelve hugs a day for growth. They take up little space and are good for cushioning other things in your life. They are nonfattening, theft-proof, nontaxable and fully returnable.

“If Onlys.” These might be too big to fit into your carry-on bag and they might set the alarm off at the airport checkpoint. Security might confiscate them since they only allow the 3 oz. size. You will find that they are disposable and will enjoy the resulting freedom as you shed them and choose the way to grieve that is best for you. They're like those awful shoes that give you painful blisters – get rid of them and seek something more comfortable.

Hope. This does not take up much room. It is a healthy habit, like a vitamin, recommended to be used on a daily basis. It diminishes that tremendous void in your life and energizes you. It is elastic, expanding to make room for other good things you encounter on your journey.

Positive Attitude. This is better than a cell phone. Store it in a side pocket and use it when there are glitches in your travel plans or when black clouds hang over you. Lightweight, it is easy to carry and it tends to make all your outfits sparkle. Using it, you can reach out and touch someone.

Memories. These resemble a light flowing garment that packs easily, allowing you to fill lots of empty spaces with happy moments that bring joy to your heart. Carry as many with you as you can fit into your bag and add some new ones as you travel. They are like comfy bunny slippers. You wouldn't go anywhere without them, especially after a day of sightseeing, hiking or shopping.

Courage. Make sure you pack a good supply. Use it plentifully and get refills along the way. Keep it in a handy compartment, ready to use when needed and to share with others. It's like a refreshing bottle of water, reviving you when you feel exhausted or down. It might even feel like a glass of champagne as you toast yourself for doing new things.

Pampering. This is mandatory for your vacation. Now is the time to take good care of yourself, not out of selfishness, but out of wisdom. It's like a camera – focused on you, bringing smiles and building memories. Keep it on top, easy to reach and use, featuring the “new” you.

Rose-Colored Glasses. These are a must when you are lost or feeling down, helping you to sort out hidden opportunities or find silver linings. They give you a change in perspective and add a rosy hue to even the toughest days. They enable you to see things differently and perhaps allow others to look at you differently. They don't take up much room and can add a whole new dimension to your view.

Prayers. Make room for some special words that open your heart to healing. Pack them in the outside zipper compartment, easy to get to when you need a lift. Prayers are simply talking, talking to God who is always there to listen and cry with you no matter where you are. Collect them like postcards ready to share their message with others or simply to “relive” the wonders of your vacation.

Calendar. Keep this handy to check daily. It doesn't have

to be full but should have enough to keep you in a happy routine. Having something to look forward to gives your heart a boost. You will find that a date on your calendar gives meaning to your day. It's like a cup of tea, always invigorating and a real “pick-me-up.”

Sense of Humor. Don't leave home without it. Stuff it in your bag and use it as much as possible. Don't be stingy. It lightens the load and makes the day brighter. It's like comfy underwear – makes you feel good all over.

Journaling. Tuck a tiny notebook in your side pocket. Write about your grief journey, recording your ups and downs. It allows you to “pour out” your frustration, anger and sorrow and to “fill up” by counting your blessings. It's like wheels on your luggage – helping you to scoot along at an easy pace.

Meditation. This fits into those vacant spaces of your suitcase. Using it regularly on plane, bus, train, car or chaise lounge allows you to sort out your feelings, renew your strength and get in touch with your inner self. It permits you to dump useless items in your luggage and to acquire more comfortable ones. It is soothing to frayed spirits and gives direction to lost souls. It's like a top-notch Tourist Guide Book, pointing you to interesting places.

May you pack all the right things for your grieving heart and may you learn the secrets of “lightweight” luggage.

“ I urge you not to spend time thinking about the past. If your time was well used, then let us give God glory.”

— St. Padre Pio

Parenting Pointers

679. June 3: How many shoes does your child have? How many do you? How many can you wear at one time? The first week in June is National Barefoot Week. Have fun going barefoot for a day or an hour this week, but remember that some kids don't have any shoes. Check out [Soles4Souls](http://Soles4Souls.com) to see how you can help. <http://barefootweek.com/>.

680. June 10: Friendship is important to both kids and adults. Do you know who your child's best friends are? Childhood friends often move away. Call, e-mail or Skype a childhood friend of yours. Is there someone your child would like to reconnect with too?

681. June 17: June 19 is Father's Day and June 20 is the Summer Solstice. You have an extra long "day" to celebrate these. Did you also know that June 19 is [Juneteenth](http://www.juneteenth.com/) which celebrates the emancipation of slaves throughout the Confederate South. [Teach](http://www.juneteenth.com/) your children. <http://www.juneteenth.com/>

682. June 24: Summer is vacation time and often that means travel. In addition to relatives, national parks, and monuments, consider visiting a holy place. Of course any place can be holy when looked at with eyes of faith, but also consider visiting a religious shrine or a different church.

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"My father gave me the greatest gift anyone could give another person, he believed in me."

— Jim Valcano

One night a father overheard his son pray: Dear God, Make me the kind of man my Daddy is. Later that night, the Father prayed, Dear God, make me the kind of man my son wants me to be.

- Author Unknown



Father's and Daughters



Fathers have a significant role in the personal growth of their daughters. A father is one of the most influential people in her life. The father daughter relationship will effect future relationships including her romantic ones.

It has been proven that girls who are close to their fathers are far less likely to become sexually active and are also more likely to stay in school.

Daughters need their fathers to set curfews, chores and boundaries for them. They also need to have fun times with their dads, this is especially true in the teen years. Take her to a movie, to the mall or just out for ice-cream so you can get caught up with what is going on in her life. Don't let every time you are together be about rules or you reminding her about something she has not done to your expectations. If you want her to open up and talk, you have to make her feel that you value her and what she has to share.

Daughters are also going to be watching to see what kind of life their father lives. Be a good role model. Does she see a life of honesty, does he have integrity. She also needs to see her father accept that he isn't perfect and that he can accept that and when necessary apologize for his own shortcomings.

Most importantly don't pull away when times are challenging. Continue to be supportive and work on having a trusting relationship.

Heavenly Father, today we offer thanks for fathers everywhere. To our young fathers please give them the courage to balance all they have to do work, family, other needs. Help them to remember what is truly important and that they may praise you in everything they do.

We also remember those fathers and grandfathers that are no longer with us. We will forever remember them and the impact they had on our lives. We thank you for their love and know that we will see them again one day.

Lord, strengthen all fathers that they become the loving men they were put here to be.

Amen



CALENDAR & CONTACTS

SALINA DIOCESE

ENGAGED ENCOUNTER

WHERE: Capuchin Center for Spiritual Life
Victoria, KS 67671

WHEN: June 10-12, 2016 Sept 16-18, 2016
Feb 10-12, 2017 April 28-30, 2017
June 9-11, 2017

CONTACT: Chad & Angela Zimmerman
785-460-1818
coordinator@salinacee.com

REGISTER ONLINE--<http://www.salinacee.com/>

GOD'S PLAN FOR A JOY-FILLED MARRIAGE

WHERE: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Salina

WHEN: None scheduled at this time

CONTACT: Family Life Office 785-827-8746
familylife@salinadiocese.org

WHERE: Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Concordia

WHEN: June 18, 2016 Aug. 6, 2016
Oct. 8, 2016 Dec. 3, 2016
Feb. 11, 2017 Apr. 1, 2017
June 17, 2017

COST: \$50.00

CONTACT: Tony & Lindy Meyer 785-243-1099
familylife@olphconcordia.org

WHERE: St. Thomas More Parish, Manhattan

WHEN: None scheduled at this time

CONTACT: Deacon Wayne Talbot 785-776-5151
pastassoc@stmmanhattan.com

WHERE: Immaculate Heart of Mary, Hays

WHEN: Sept. 10, 2016

WHERE: St. Nicholas Parish, Hays

WHEN: Sept. 10, 2016

CONTACT: Deacon David & Susan Kisner 785-625-7339
deacondave@ihm-church.com
skisner@ihm-church.com

REGISTER: Deacon Steve & Nancy Urban 785-628-1446
urbs57@gmail.com

WICHITA DIOCESE

ENGAGED ENCOUNTER

WHERE: Spiritual Life Center 7100 E. 45th St.
316-744-0167 N Wichita, K67226

WHEN: June 10-12, 2016 July 8-10, 2016
July 29-31, 2016 Aug. 19-21, 2016
Sept. 9-11, 2016 Oct. 14-16, 2016
Nov. 18-20, 2016 Dec. 2-4, 2016

CONTACT: Randy & Denise Walker ceewichita@cox.net

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

ENGLISH:

WHERE: Spiritual Life Center
7100 E. 45th St.
N. Wichita, KS 67226
316-744-0167

WHEN: Nov. 11-13, 2016

CONTACT: Leon & Loretta Brittan
719-387-9842

SPANISH:

WHERE: Spiritual Life Center
7100 E. 45th St.
N. Wichita, KS 67226
316-744-0167

WHEN: Sept. 2-4, 2016

CONTACT: 316-925-2796 or 316-573-2940

RETRouvaille

NONE SCHEDULED AT THIS TIME

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE—(Divorce & Grief)

COST: \$50.00 nonrefundable registration fee

WHEN: None scheduled at this time

CONTACT: The Beginning Experience
P.O. Box 3152 866-610-8877
Wichita, KS 67201
Beverly Pieplow 316-264-4876
Judy Demuth 620-430-0339

YOUNG ADULT BEGINNING EXPERIENCE (Ages 14-25)

WHERE: Magnificat Center for Unity & Reconciliation
Congregation of St. Joseph Wichita

WHEN: None scheduled at this time

CONTACT: Karen Oller 620-896-7664

KANSAS CITY DIOCESE

ENGAGED ENCOUNTER

WHEN: June 10-12, 2016 July 8-10, 2016
Sept. 16-18, 2016 Oct. 14-16, 2016

CONTACT: Frank & Cristal Moley ceekansascity@gmail.com
913-815-3183

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

WHEN: Sept. 30-Oct. 2, 2016
Nov. 18-20, 2016

CONTACT: Deacon Tony & Barb Zimmerman
816-741-4066

RETRouvaille

WHEN: Aug. 12-14, 2016

CONTACT: Jerry & Kim Bronder
816-505-0510 or 800-470-2230

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE

WHEN: June 24-26, 2016 Oct. 14-16, 2016

CONTACT: Jerry
785-766-6497

DODGE CITY DIOCESE

ENGAGED ENCOUNTER

WHERE: Heartland Retreat Center Great Bend, KS

WHEN: June 24-26, 2016
Nov. 4-6, 2016

CONTACT: Michael & Lindsay Mazouch
620-792-6290

ARCH DIOCESE OF OMAHA

RETRouvaille

WHERE: Schuyler, NE

WHEN: Aug. 26-28, 2016

CONTACT: Birger & Connie Benson 888-317-5654

ARCH DIOCESE OF DENVER

RETRouvaille

WHERE: Denver, CO

WHEN: Sept. 9-11, 2016

CONTACT: Chris & Lori Zuccolin 1-800-470-2230
Retrouvaille.CO@gmail.com

Salina Diocesan Men's Conference - Bulletin Announcements

Please rotate these Weekly until August 13th

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

The Diocese of Salina is sponsoring a Fifth Annual Diocesan Men's Conference, "Come Follow Me" on Saturday, August 13 at Immaculate Heart of Mary in Hays. Please attend and bring your sons who are high school or college age. Nationally known speaker, Curtis Martin, founder and CEO of Focus, Fellowship of Catholic University Students is our speaker this year. Come and hear what our young people are being told to keep them strong in their catholic faith. Men of the Dodge City Diocese are also being invited, so register **early** to reserve a seat. To register online or for more information go to 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 Fifth Annual Salina Diocese Men's Conference, "Come Follow Me," August 13th at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Hays. If you have sons who are high school or older, please bring them. Nationally acclaimed speaker, Curtis Martin, founder and CEO of Focus, Fellowship of Catholic University Students is our speaker this year. The basic theme woven throughout the conference is: what am I called to as 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 salinadiocese.org or call 785-827-8746, Ext. 40.

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

With the wonderful success of last year's Diocesan Men's Conference, a Fifth Annual Men's Conference: "Come Follow Me" will be held again this year on Saturday, August 13th at Immaculate Heart of Mary, Hays, KS. All men are invited. Bring your sons who are in high school, and college. 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 salinadiocese.org or call 785-827-8746, Ext. 40.

If you want these bulletin announcements via email, contact:
familylife@salinadiocese.org.

Child's Prayer on Father's Day



Father,
we celebrate our dad today.
We celebrate
the special person he is.

We celebrate his love for us
and our love for him.

He is our friend,
our teller of good stories,
a listener to our problems,
and a helper in times of trouble.

Help us to show him today and every day
how special he is
and how much we love him.

Help us to be
as loving as he is.

Help him to continue to be
the best dad he can be.

We ask this in the name of Jesus.

Amen.

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A BLESSING PRAYER FOR FATHERS

Blessed are you, Lord and Father of all life,
who has given us the gift
of the father of our family.

Today we honor him.

His love for us has been a sign of your divine
affection and a sharing in your holy love.

Bless him this day with your strength and grace
that he may continue to be a sign of your
presence and a priestly parent to our family.

May we who are a part of this family
assist him by our respect,
obedience and care.

Bless him, Lord,
with happiness and health, peace and prosperity,
so that he may live in harmony
with all your people.

Receive into your eternal kingdom all our fathers
who have gone to their rest.

Grant them life forever,
as they gave us life here on this earth.

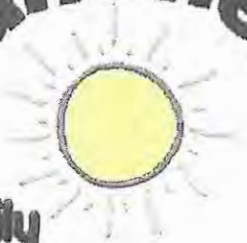
We ask this prayer in the name of the Father,
the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

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"School's out, summer's here . . .
NOW WHAT?"



Summer



Family

Fun Ideas



PEEK INSIDE for new activities your family can enjoy
together this summer and develop summer family
traditions of your own!

SUMMER (*sum er*), n. the part of the year between spring and autumn; the hottest months, as from mid-June to the middle of September.

That may be Webster's definition of summer, but most students simply define summer as "No School." To a family, the definition further includes orchestrating schedules, swimming, playing ball, visiting relatives, going to summer school, vacationing and spending time together as a family. If you are looking for some good ideas of fun family summer activities, read on!

Christmas, birthdays and other holidays are rich with tradition. Most families have summer traditions of which they may not even be aware: the family reunion, the family camp-out, etc. In addition to the old ones, why not create some new traditions which will be special to your family? Try to include as many family members of all ages as possible: Mom, Dad, children of all ages, aunts, uncles, cousins, grandparents.

1. **Celebrate** on June 30. It's Half-Year's-Eve, so get together with friends and have a party!
2. **Spend** an afternoon or evening looking at old photo or wedding albums, baby books, scrapbooks, or family videos to review your family history together.
3. **Research** and design a family tree for as far back in your ancestry as possible. Rediscover your family's origins. Use your senior family members as sources of information and anecdotes.
4. **Interview** your grandparents or parents. Learn about their daily lives growing up: first date, favorite color, childhood pet, best friend, etc. and keep a journal or videotape.

5. **Eat** a family dinner by candlelight. Use the good dishes, make place cards and/or placemats, share meal planning and preparation, and say a special family prayer.
6. **Fix** your bikes and head out for a family bike ride. Bring along a picnic lunch.
7. **Don** a swimsuit and get wet! Run through the sprinkler, slide on the waterslide, hop in the pool!
8. **Plan** a family slumber party complete with sleeping bags, movies and popcorn. Expand even further to a backyard camp-out in the tent. Roast marshmallows on the grill and tell spooky stories.
9. **Arrange** a special dinner date involving a parent/grandparent or aunt/uncle and one child.
10. **Organize** an ongoing tournament in your own family using your favorite card or board games.
11. **Play** your own family trivia game. How did Mom and Dad meet? Who are Jimmy's godparents? Who was Annie's pretend playmate?
12. **Create**, direct and videotape a family play, talent show or news update. Make several copies to keep and to send to distant family members.
13. **Volunteer** as a family to help an elderly friend or relative.
14. **Visit** the library. Look up the front page of the newspaper for the day each family member was born.
15. **Allow** each child to stay up a half-hour later than the other children one night a week for some special time with Mom

- and/or Dad!
16. **Begin** each family car ride with a family prayer.
17. **Collect** several big boxes (refrigerator, stove, etc.) and all work together to build a family clubhouse.
18. **Surprise** each child with a "Just Because You're Special" day. Spend the entire day doing whatever the child chooses to do (within limits) one-on-one with Mom/Dad giving their undivided attention.
19. **Plan** a special "Back to School" shopping trip with each child to purchase school supplies and clothes for the new school year.
20. **Invite** some of your children's friends to spend the day/night. This is a great time to prepare for activities, plus it gives the other parent(s) some free time. (Maybe they'll even reciprocate.)
21. **Organize** a family field trip to a local forest or wildlife refuge. Be prepared with binoculars, plant and bird books, and a backpack with treats! Give everyone a chance to help get ready to go.
22. **Keep** a vacation diary in a scrapbook of either the whole summer as a family or of a specific trip. Get everyone involved! Supplement with individual comments, photos and drawings of special events.

Family traditions are created and evolve over time. Enjoy developing your own special summer activities as a family!

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