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OFFICE OF THE DIOCESAN ADMINISTRATOR

ORDINATION EVENTS: We look forward to the Ordination of Deacon Andrew Hammeke on Saturday, June 2nd, 10 a.m. at Sacred Heart Cathedral.

ATTENTION ALL PASTORS - CONFIRMATION 2018-19. Since we have had no word yet for a new Bishop Appointment to our Diocese, plans are to proceed with scheduling Confirmation in the same format as we have done in the past, thus

PARISH REQUEST FORM FOR THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

2018-2019 is enclosed. Please complete this updated form and return to the Office of the Diocesan Administrator by Friday, July 13, 2018 by mail, scan or fax. 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 this form even if you are not planning to have Confirmation in 2018-2019. 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. Since we do not have a Bishop announced at this time the link to download the Confirmation Request Form electronically will not be active at this time. Thus we ask you to complete the hard copy and mail it in or scan it and send via email to Chancery2@salinadiocese.org. Thank you.

RELIGIOUS FREEDOM WEEK – "Serving Others in God's Love," June 22-29, 2018. In the words of Pope Francis "Religious freedom remains one of America's most precious possessions. And, as the United States Bishops, have reminded us, all are called to be vigilant, precisely as good citizens, to preserve and defend that freedom from everything that would threaten or compromise it. Go to www.usccb.org/ReligiousFreedomWeek! for more information including bulletin inserts.

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP is celebrated Tuesday, June 27, 2018. Please consult the Ordo for the Mass proper for this patronal feast of the Diocese of Salina. Please see enclosed Novena, courtesy of The Register.

ANNUAL PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION IS THE WEEKEND OF June 30-July 1, 2018. Attached is a copy of my letter supporting this important collection which may be inserted in your parish bulletin.

THE BISHOP FITZSIMONS GOLF TOURNAMENT for the benefit of Sacred Heart Jr./Sr. High School will be held on Friday, July 13, 2018. Contact the Development Office at Sacred Heart Jr./Sr. High School (825-4011) for more information.

OFFICE OF THE DIOCESAN ADMINISTRATOR (cont.)

2018 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 22, from 5-7:30 p.m. at the Salina Country Club. If you are interested in attending this dinner, please contact Jeanie at 785-825-0208, ext. 215 or <iwarner@ccnks.org>. You can also RSVP and donate online www.ccnks.org.

DIOCESAN MEN'S CONFERENCE is set for **Saturday, August 11, 2018 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. Registration forms were with the May issue of the SDNB.

CELEBRATIONS TO HONOR MARRIED COUPLES HAVE BEEN SET: More information will be forthcoming from the Family Life Office. The dates are:

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, Salina, 3 p.m., Sunday, October 21, 2018 Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, Hays, Sunday, October 28, 2018

HUMAN TRAFFICKING ALERTS FOR PARISH BULLETINS IN ENGLISH AND SPANISH FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE 2018 ARE LISTED BELOW:

<u>June</u> – Predators are at work throughout the year – summer is no exception. Learn more about human trafficking/modern day slavery so that you can be more alert to trafficking situations. **U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking. sistersagainsttrafficking.org**

<u>Junio</u>: los depredadores están trabajando durante todo el año; el verano no es la excepción. Obtenga más información sobre la trata de personas y la esclavitud moderna para que pueda estar más atento a las situaciones de trata de personas. <u>Hermanas católicas de los Estados Unidos contra la trata de personas. sistersagainsttrafficking.org</u>

OFFICE OF CONTINUING EDUCATION OF PRIESTS

ANNUAL RETREAT: September 24-27, 2018.

JANUARY RENEWAL DAYS: January 14-17, 2019.

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

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

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

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

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

OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR

CHANCERY OFFICE - NEW SUMMER HOURS

The Chancery Office will be initiating our new summer hours beginning Tuesday, May 29th and ending Friday, August 31st. During this time period, on Friday's beginning at noon, the receptionist will no longer be answering the phones and the chancery building will be closed. The answering system will be turned on during this period. This protected time period will allow the receptionist, as well as other employees, time to complete essential duties. If you need to be let into the building on Friday afternoons, you may contact the person you are intending to meet with prior to your meeting, or Jeff Easter (785-820-8704 ext. #11) or Pamela Sullivan (785-820-8704 ext. #18).

If you have questions and/or concerns please do not hesitate to contact Pamela Sullivan via email pam.sullivan@salinadiocese.org or by calling her direct line at the chancery (785-820-8704 ext. #18).

THE REGISTER

Thank you for all of your submissions from this spring! We are entering into a very busy time of the year. Below you will find a quick refresher on deadlines for submissions for publication. Email items to: newspaper1@salinadiocese.org.

Publication Date, News due date
June 22, Tues. June 12
July 13, Tues. July 3
July 27, Tues. July 17
August 10, Tues. July 31
August 24, Tues. Aug. 14
September 14, Tues. Sept. 4
September 28, Tues. Sept. 18
October 12, Tues. Oct. 2
October 26, Tues. Oct. 2
October 26, Tues. Oct. 30
November 9, Tues. Oct. 30
November 23, Tues. Nov. 13 (Thanksgiving issue)
December 14, Tues. Dec. 4
December 28, Tues. Dec. 18 (Christmas issue)

A FLIER FOR THE NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP, the patroness of the Salina Diocese is attached. Please feel free to include this in your bulletin. You may also post it in the church or opt to pray it as a parish. If you would like a PDF, you may access it on the diocesan website http://salinadiocese.org/home/sdnb. I also plan to share it on our social media page: Facebook.com/SalinaDiocese. If you have questions or need additional assistance, please feel free to email newspaper1@salinadiocese.org or call 785-827-8746 x 21.

OFFICE OF VOCATIONS

List of Seminarians for 2018/2019 school year

Conception Seminary College
Jesse Ochs
Gavin Sedlacek
Aaron Dlabal
*Trent Logan
*Adam Zarybnicky

St. Meinrad Thological Seminary
Brian McCaffrey
Luke Friess
Casey Zimmerman

*Paul Flesher

*Kade Megaffin

Sacred Heart Seminary and School of Theology
Deacon Michael Leiker

Also please keep former diocesan seminarian Cole Johnson in your prayers as he will now be discerning his future in the Benedictine order. We are proud of Cole and the years he spent with our diocese.

Finally, please note that this list above may not be fully complete as we are still working with one more young man and hope to add him to this list soon.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

CATHOLIC CHARITIES 2018 FUNDRAISER

Sunday, July 22 / 5:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. / Salina Country Club Anonymous donors have provided a Matching-Gift Donation Challenge of \$100,000, so every dollar donated will be doubled. If you would like to attend this complimentary dinner event, please RSVP to Jeanie Warner at 785-825-0208 ext. 215 or <a href="mailto:jwarner@ccnks.org<email">jwarner@ccnks.org<email Remember seating is limited. If you are unable to attend, you may still contribute to the match by mailing to Catholic Charities, P.O. Box 1366, Salina, KS 67402-1366 or donating online at <a href="https://www.ccnks.org www.ccnks.orghttp://www.ccnks.org.

FUNDRAISER POSTER - You will find enclosed the 2018 Catholic Charities Annual Fundraiser poster. Please place it in a high traffic area for the most exposure in your parish. We will need everyone's help this year to reach our \$100,000 match. Thank you for assisting this ministry.

^{*}indicates new seminarian

OFFICE OF YOUTH MINISTRY

PRAYER & ACTION: Sacred Heart Parish in Plainville will be hosting Prayer & Action during the month of June. Please remember our youth and adults that will be participating in this program. Two priests and three seminarians from Tucson will be with us for 2 weeks. They are planning on starting Prayer & Action in the Diocese of Tucson in July. Also Savannah Georgia and Dodge City Dioceses will be sending their Core Team to do our College Week the first week in June. Please pray for our diocese as well the other dioceses that have started this program in their dioceses. We have a wonderful team: Casey Zimmerman (Team Leader), Jesse Ochs, Kade Megaffin, Pamela Zarybnicky, Ingrid Herrenbruck and Matea Gregg.

OFFICE OF SAFETY AND SECURITY

With the start of summer activities approaching (VBS, Totus Tuus, Prayer and Action etc.), please be sure any new volunteer working with minors has completed the Safe Environment Curriculum with the integrated background check through CMGConnect.

As a reminder, the Diocese will be having an on-site audit in October, and it is important that all volunteers, employees and educators who have volunteered during this audit period (July 1, 2017- June 30, 2018) are trained and in the data base. If you have volunteers or employees who did not minister for your parish or school from July 1, 2017-June 30, 2018, please archive them. We will be going through the data base on June 30 to get final numbers, so please take care of this task as soon as possible so our numbers will be accurate for the audit.

Safety Coordinators: When you log into CMG and go to your dashboard you will see "Certification Expiring within the next 60 days and Background Check Expiring within the next 60 days. Please look at this and see if the list includes any of your people. If it does, and they will be volunteering or are employed at your parish or school, please contact them so they can complete the training/background check. Once they complete this, they will be good again for another 5 years. The instructions to give those who need to renew can be found in the resources section of CMGConnect data base, or on our Safety and Security webpage. Please be sure to give them the instructions and have them SIGN IN (do not have them make a new account) with the email or username associated with their account, this username or email can be found in their "profile", (it may or may not be their current email, it is what they used 5 years ago) and their password will be... safe. If they are having difficulty signing in, please have them contact the Safety and Security Office at the Chancery. Again, we do not want them making a new account in the CMGConnect as we want to track all their trainings from their original account.

Later this summer we will be sending a "checklist" to each of the Safety Coordinators. It will have important dates and items that will need to be taken care of during the "year." This should just be a review of what we have done in the past, but a helpful tool for you to use as you prepare the students and adults of your parishes for the coming year.

Feel free to contact our office at 785-827-8746 if you have any questions. Thank you for your commitment as we continue our mission, Promise to Protect, Pledge to Heal.

OFFICE OF FAMILY LIFE/NFP

2018 DIOCESAN CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE: The seventh annual Diocesan Catholic Men's Conference is scheduled for Saturday, August 11th at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, Hays. ALL men and young men Junior High and up are encouraged to attend! 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.

FAMILY MATTERS! Attached is the 8th issue of Family Matters. Please use this resource in your parishes to promote and support Family Life.

UPCOMING MARRIAGE PREPARATION AND ENRICHMENT EVENTS:

ENGAGED ENCOUNTER DATES FOR 2018

June 8-11, 2018 - Capuchin Center for Spiritual Life-Victoria For more information, go to salinacee.com

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE -

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

NEW FERTILITY CARE WEBSITE -

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

CONFERENCE -

The Midwest Catholic Family Conference will be held August 3-5, 2018 at the Century II Convention Center in Wichita. It is a total family event with activities for every age group in the family with parents able to take babies in strollers along to their sessions. For more information go to catholic family conference.org

50th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION OF HUMANAE VITAE

Thomas W. Hilgers, M.D., is one of the world's leading proponents of implementing Humanae Vitae through FertilityCare and NaProTechnology. Dr. Hilgers will speak at the St. Gianna Dinner, Sunday, June 24, at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Wichita. The talk, and dinner will be after a 3:30 p.m. Mass celebrated by Bishop Carl A. Kemme. To register, visit bit.ly/StGiannaDinner

OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

TOTUS TUUS: We have 4 teams that will be traveling throughout our diocese in the next two months. Please remember them in your prayers as they travel through our diocese to share their love of God and their enthusiasm of their faith in our parishes. The young people that have signed up for this program are: Maggie Brennan, Micayla Panhta, Madison Pascal, Emma Girton, Elizabeth Johnson, Emily Andreazzi, Dianna Kuhlman, Paul Flesher, Aaron Dlabal, Gavin Sedlacek, Adam Zarybnicky, Trent Logan, Jacob Greenwood, Matthew Arnold and Vinh Le. They come from Wichita, Nevada, Dodge City, Alabama, Salina, and Des Moines.

OFFICE OF DEVELOPMENT

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY ANNUAL APPEAL

The development office is so pleased to report the first of this year's CCAA weekly reports were emailed on May 22. This is the report showing the total pledges and gifts to CCAA, parish by parish. If there are any questions about your parish totals let us know. We still have a few issues being worked on in the database, but getting this report to you was a major hurdle that is now past us.

Thank you so much for your patience!

And remember CCAA pledges and gifts will be accepted through December 31, 2018. There is still plenty of time to encourage your parishioners to participate. Our numbers – \$'s raised and number of donors – are about the same as last year at this time. It would be great to give more people the opportunity to "serve one another" across the diocese. Everyone is encouraged to give whatever size gift is comfortable. If you need any more ideas, camera-ready materials, etc. contact Beth at 785-827-8746, ext. 42 or Lois at 785-827-8746, ext. 45.

#iGiveCatholic

The Diocese of Salina signed up to be a part of #iGiveCatholic, where Catholics across the nation participate in Giving Tuesday, November 27, 2018. This is an online giving day celebrated annually on the Tuesday after Thanksgiving, Black Friday and Cyber Monday. It kicks off the charitable giving season and brings the Catholic community together to give thanks and give back. It was declared "the most successful Catholic crowdfunding event to date" by the National Catholic Register.

Each parish, school, and Catholic ministry in our diocese will be invited to participate. Watch your emails this summer for more information and an invitation to join us.

Finally, in case you are wondering "why should we be involved?"

- Giving days are attractive to a broad range of donors, from individuals in their 20s through 70s and beyond.
- Giving days are a great way to promote online giving and attract new and younger supporters, ensuring long-term sustainability.
- Staff time required to launch online campaigns is decreased 50 to 80 percent compared to traditional campaigns.

MISCELLANEOUS

Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers, otherwise known as "The Dynamite Deacon," will be the speaker for an upcoming parish mission at St. Thomas More Parish in Manhattan. The mission will be September 29-October 3. Dcn Harold will speak at all Masses September 29-30 and at 7:00 p.m. each evening (Sept 30-Oct 3). Topics include "Preparing Souls for Heaven," "Living the Beatitudes," "Living a Eucharistic Faith," and "Living Your Strengths". Everyone is invited. Plan on attending, even if you can't attend all the sessions!

Directory Corrections:

Notice of Address Change: St. Andrew Parish in Abilene

New address: 311 South Buckeye Avenue

Please <u>discontinue mail</u> to the following Abilene addresses:

PO Box 429 313 South Buckeye Avenue 201 SW 4th Street

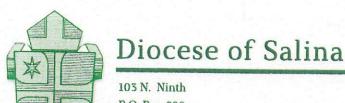
JULY 2018

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| Peter's Pence Collection | | | Independence Day | | | |
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| 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 Bishop Fitzsimons | 14 |
| Prayer & Action (Concordia) | | | | | Annual Golf Tournament | |
| 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 |
| Prayer & Action (Concordia) | Catholic Community Foundation board mtg., 3 pm | | | | | Confirmation, 5 pm, IHM, Hays |
| 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 |
| Catholic Charities Annual Fundraiser, 5 pm, Salina Country Club Prayer & Action (Concordia) | | Development Advisory Board mtg., 4-5 pm | | | | |
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DIOCESE OF SALINA 2018-2019 PARISH REQUEST FOR THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

| Pastor/PLC: | | Email: | | | |
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| Parish or Parishes | | Phone: <u>(785)</u> | | | |
| Parish Address: | | Number to be Confirmed: _ | | <u>.</u> | |
| | | Year that Confirmation was last administered: If not in 18-19, next anticipated year will be: | | | |
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| The above Parish requests | the Sacrament of Con | firmation for 2018-19 🗆 Y | ES 🗆 NO | 1 | |
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Confirmation in 2018-2019. If any questions, please contact the Clara or Katherine in the Diocesan Admin/Bishop's Office 785-827-8746, Ext. 34 or chancery2@salinadiocese.org Thank you.



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Peter's Pence Collection Be a Witness of Charity

"A little mercy makes the world less cold and more just."—Pope Francis, Angelus, March 17, 2013

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Soon our diocese will take the Peter's Pence Collection (PPC). This global collection supports the Holy Father as he reaches out in mercy and charity to people who are suffering. Your generosity will help Pope Francis ease the suffering of some of the most marginalized throughout the world and show them the tender love of God.

Pope Francis challenges us to look at those around us with the eyes of mercy. He says, "We encounter so many weary and oppressed people today . . . And how is our heart? Is it merciful? And our way of thinking and acting, is it *inclusive*?" I invite you to reflect on how you feel moved to answer the call to mercy.

Please prayerfully consider supporting this collection as an act of mercy and charity. Join with our brothers and sisters in faith from around the globe to help Pope Francis reach the most marginalized in our world. For more information about the collection, please visit www.usccb.org/peters-pence. Thank you, and may God bless you abundantly.

Very Reverend Frank E. Coady

Diocesan Administrator

DIOCESAN NOVENA

JUNE 19-27
PRAYER TO OUR LADY
OF PERPETUAL HELP

Oh Mother of Perpetual Help, grant that I may ever invoke your powerful name, the protection of the living and the salvation of the dying. Purest Mary, let your name henceforth be ever on my lips. Delay not, Blessed Lady, to rescue me whenever I call on you. In my temptations, in my needs, I will never cease to call on you, ever repeating your sacred name, Mary, Mary. What a consolation, what sweetness, what confidence fills my soul when I utter your sacred name or even only think of you! I thank the Lord for having given you so sweet, so powerful, so lovely a name. But I will not be content with merely uttering your name. Let my love for you prompt me ever to hail you Mother of Perpetual Help. Mother of Perpetual Help, pray for me and grant me the favor I confidently ask of you.

(Follow this prayer with three Hail Mary's).



This image of Our Lady of Perpetual Help is the original icon from when the first Our Lady of Perpetual Help Cathedral was built in Concordia. Our Lady of Perpetual Help is the Principal Patroness of the Salina Diocese.

Catholic Charities 13th Annual Fundraiser

Sunday, July 22, 2018 5:00 pm to 7:30 pm

Salina Country Club

2101 E. Country Club Rd.

Social, Cash Bar, Dinner, Live Auction

Dinner is complimentary - RSVP ONLY

Seating is limited, so make your reservation TODAY!*



Salina Diocesan Men's Conference - Bulletin Announcements

Please rotate these Weekly until August 11th

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

The Diocese of Salina is sponsoring a Seventh Annual Diocesan Men's Conference, "Men of God" on Saturday, August 11th at Immaculate Heart of Mary in Hays. Please attend and bring your sons who are in Junior High, High School or College. We have two nationally known speakers, Archbishop Charles Chaput and John Martignoni. To register online or for more information go to salinadiocese.org or call 785-827-8746, Ext. 17.

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

Catholic Men of the Salina Diocese, join us for our Seventh Annual Salina Diocese Men's Conference, "Men of God," August 11th at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Hays. If you have sons who are in Junior High, High School or older, please bring them. Archbishop Charles Chaput, renowned author and John Martignoni are this year's speakers. Featured talks will include: "Marriage and the Eucharist: The Two Shall Become One." & "Living the Word of God." To register online or for more information go to salinadiocese.org or call 785-827-8746, Ext. 17.

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

With the wonderful success of last year's Diocesan Men's Conference, a Seventh Annual Men's Conference: "Men of God" will be held again this year on Saturday, August 11th at Immaculate Heart of Mary, Hays, KS. All men are invited. Bring your sons who are in Junior High, High School, or College. Our goal is to strengthen Catholic men in their faith and thereby strengthen our Catholic families and parishes. To register online or for more information go to salinadiocese.org or call 785-827-8746, Ext. 17.

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



FUMILY MATTERS THE MONTH OF June

MAY THESE SUNNY DAYS IN JUNE BRING YOUR FAMILY MANY FUN AND FAITH FILLED DAYSI

For many families the month of June is the start of "Summer Vacation". What does "Summer Vacation" mean to your Family?

A trip to Florida to see the Ocean?





A week at Grandma's house?

Cookouts and Camping?





How will your families faith life stay alive during this

While at the ocean, go swimming as a family. Make the connection to Christ as the "living water" who saves us. God refreshes our souls. How lucky we are to have God's creation of water!

On the way to Grandma's house take a detour and stop at a chapel, shrine, grotto, outdoor stations of the cross or religious art museum. Take pictures, make a scrap book with those pictures, title the page Family Faith and Fun.

Turn off all electronic devices and have a cookout at your campsite. Begin with a family prayer, maybe one you have written together. Remember God is also a member of your family. During supper talk about your faith, your family and friends.

Before heading to the baseball field, make a list of blessings you have received, say a short prayer for the success of the game you are about to play. And then afterward, recite a prayer of thanksgiving.

(Prayers taken from Play Like a Champion Today Coaches Manual, University of Notre Dame)

Pre-Game Prayer

Please bless today's game, our opponent, our team, and all watching our play.

Thank you for the opportunity to compete and bring out the best in each other. May we play hard and fair.

Please keep everyone safe from injury and harm. We pray in the name of the

Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit-Amen

Post-Game Prayer

Thank you, Lord, for the chance to compete and use our talents through sports.

Remind us that we are called to give our best and to finish the race while caring for others along the way. We pray in the name of the

Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit – Amen

We love LIGHT especially in the summertime. Light encourages us and can make us feel light-hearted. Jesus is the light of the world. He told us about living in the light of God's love. He tells us to open our hearts, love others and do what is right. Read the bible while it is still light out, can you find any other bible verses about light, talk about them.

> Fesus spoke to them again, saying, "Fam the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."



Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers

at St. Thomas More, Manhattan

Sept. 29 - Preparing Souls for Heaven:

Role & Responsibility of Catholic Parents

Oct. 1 - Living the Beatitudes:

Basic Principles of Catholic Social Justice

Oct. 2 - Living a Eucharistic Faith:

The Big Deal about Mass & Why It Matters

Oct. 3 - Living your Strengths:

Taking Your Life to the Next Level