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OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

PRIESTS COUNCIL MINUTES for February 14, 2017 are attached. The next Council of Priests meeting is set for Tuesday, 10:30 a.m., May 16, 2017.

CONFIRMATION OF CATHOLIC ADULTS WHO WERE BAPTIZED AS INFANTS IN THE CATHOLIC FAITH: Priests must obtain explicit permission and approval from the Bishop for adults seeking Confirmation who were baptized as Catholics and who have received their First Communion. For Catholics baptized as infants and who have not made their First Communion, no permission is necessary for the pastor to confirm them at the Easter Vigil, as long as they have completed RCIA.

REMINDER OF IMPORTANT DATES to mark on your calendars this spring and early fall:

- o Chrism Mass, April 6, 2017, 11:30 a.m., Sacred Heart Cathedral, Salina with luncheon following in the Hall of Bishops.
- Ordination of Transitional Deacon is set for 10 a.m. Saturday, April 22, 2017 at Sacred Heart Cathedral. Please keep Andrew Hammeke in your prayers as he continues to prepare for his Diaconate Ordination.
- Clergy Health and Retirement Association Members annual luncheon and meeting for all retired priests dates are set for 11:30 a.m. social w/luncheon following. Invitations with deadlines to RSVP will be sent later.
 - Tuesday, May 2, 2017, Capuchin Center for Spirituality, Victoria
 - Wednesday, May 3, 2017, Sacred Heart Cathedral, Salina
- o The Knights of Columbus State Convention is May 5-7, 2017 in Topeka. Contact your local K of C Council for more details.
- Diocesan Bereavement Mass for mothers, May 12, 2017, 10:30 a.m., St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church sponsored by Catholic Charities (Rita Keating & Michelle Martin)

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- Annual Religious Sisters Appreciation Mass and luncheon is Wednesday, May 17, 2017 w/Mass at 11 a.m. and luncheon following. All will be invited to concelebrate Mass and enjoy the luncheon.
- o **Fr. Kevin Weber is celebrating his 25th Priesthood Anniversary**, Sunday, May 28, 2017 at 3 p.m. at St. Mary Queen of the Universe Church with 3 p.m. anniversary Mass followed by a reception with finger foods till 6 p.m. at the parish center. All priests are invited to attend.
- Ordination to the Priesthood, June 3, 2017, 10 a.m., Sacred Heart Cathedral. Please keep Deacon Leo Blasé, Deacon Ryan McCandless and Deacon Justin Palmer in your prayers as they continue to prepare for their Ordination. I trust that you will make every effort to attend.
- Permanent Deacon Ordination. June 10, 2017, 10 a.m., Sacred Heart Cathedral, Salina for Michael Brungardt, Oakley, Mike Robinson, Clay Center and Thomas Schrick, Colby
- o National Catholic Leadership Convocation, July 1-4, 2017, Orlando, Florida
- o Catholic Charities Annual Fundraiser, July 23, 2017 and August Annual Appeal, August 12-13, 2017
- Sixth Annual Diocesan Salina Men's Conference, Saturday, August 12, 2017 at Immaculate Heart of Mary in Hays. All parishes should have received detailed information from the Family Life Office recently.
- O Priests Convocation in Kansas City, September 18-22, 2017 with Cardinal Tobin, presenter.
- o Marriage Anniversary Masses are set for:
 - October 1, 2017, 3 p.m. at St. Nicholas of Myra Parish, Hays
 - October 18, 2017, 3 p.m. at Sacred Heart Cathedral in Salina.

OFFICE OF VICAR GENERAL

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES (CRS) COLLECTION is scheduled for the weekend of March 25-26, 2017. This collection is the principal means through which the Church in the United States is able to respond to international relief efforts. They work with organizations around the world to help poor and vulnerable people overcome emergencies, earn a living through agriculture and access affordable health care See *The Register* or visit their web site: www.usccb.org/nationalcollections for more information about this important collection

PONTIFICAL HOLY LAND (GOOD FRIDAY) COLLECTION is Friday, April 14, 2017. On Good Friday, all Christians are united in a special way to the Holy Land. Donations on Good Friday make a direct impact on the Christians living in the Holy Land and helps maintain the Christian shrines. Pope Francis has asked all Catholics to support the Christians in the Holy Land by *PRESERVING THE PAST – SHAPING THE FUTURE* of the Holy Land. The Collection for the Holy Land, in the words of Paul VI is "not only for the Holy Places but above all for those pastoral, charitable, educational, and social works which the Church supports in the Holy Land for the welfare of their Christian brethren and of the local communities. Please encourage a generous response and see *The Register* for more information. All parishes will be receiving a packet of information regarding this important Pontifical Collection.

BULLETIN INSERT, HUMAN TRAFFICKING

<u>MARCH</u> – Trafficking today is a continuation of the Transatlantic Slave Trade with the sophistication of technology making the buying and selling of persons convenient and globally efficient. <u>SUPPORT</u> U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking (sistersagainsttrrafficking.org)

OFFICE OF CONTINUING EDUCATION OF PRIESTS

CONVOCATION: September 18-22, 2017. This will be held at the Pastoral Center in Kansas City, KS.

JANUARY RENEWAL DAYS 2018: January 22-25, 2018

OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR

LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT & BIO DATA FORM, ETC.: According to Diocesan policies, priests are required to have their Last Will and Testament on file at the Chancery within three (3) months of ordination. Furthermore, the following forms should also be on file at the chancery: biographical data sheet, funeral & burial information form, Catholic healthcare directives form, and the Durable Power of Attorney for Health Care Decision form. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions concerning your file (Pamela Sullivan @ 785.820.8704 ext. #18 or pam.sullivan@salinadiocese.org).

OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR (cont.)

BAPTISMAL RECORDS: Please check your records to see when the last time was that records of baptisms for your parish/es were sent in to the Chancery. For the large parishes this should be done every year. For the small parishes maybe only every two or three years. Enclosed is the template which can be used for recording your baptisms either electronically or by hard copy. You can fill it out and return it by email or post mail. If you need additional copies, please refer to the diocesan website under the Home tab and go to Diocesan News Bulletin-March 2017.

ON SITE AUDIT: In the near future I will be scheduling on-site audits to parishes and schools to review job descriptions, classification of employees and other employment issues. I will contact each pastor before I schedule a visit with their office managers and/or principals.

OFFICE OF FINANCE

SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR THE NATIONAL SHRINE IN WASHINGTON D.C.

The United States bishops are trying to complete the National Shrine before the celebration for the 100 year anniversary of the laying of the foundation stone. They have approved a one time collection to install a mosaic in the trinity dome of the shrine. Please take up this collection on May 14 and then send one check to the diocese. We will then send all the proceeds to the USCCB. Thank you!

A possible bulletin announcement is as follows:

Special Collection for National Shrine

The bishops of the United States have approved a special one time collection to take place in parishes across the nation on May 14, 2017. This collection will support the mosaic ornamentation of the Trinity Dome, the crowning jewel of the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. If you wish to contribute to this collection, please place your donation in a special envelope and mark the envelope "Trinity Dome" then place the donation in the collection basket on Sunday, May 14. Thank you for your generosity.

CORPORATE ANNUAL REPORTS: The annual report for each parish corporation required by the Kansas Secretary of State has been filed by the Finance Office. The fee for the report for each parish is \$40.00. Please remit this fee to the Finance Office for each parish at your earliest convenience.

PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH

AS A REMINDER, if you would like to change your order for the 2017 Mission Co-op appeal envelopes you need to call or email Brenda at the chancery as soon as possible. You can reach her at 785-827-8746 or by email at brenda.streit@salinadiocese.org. The envelopes are provided to you free of charge by the Diocesan Propagation of the Faith office. We ask that you DO NOT have an envelope for Mission Co-op included in your parish packets.

OFFICE OF THE REGISTER

EASTER PHOTOS - After Christmas, we collected photos of churches of the diocese decorated for Christmas and posted them to Facebook. It was such a big hit that we plan to do the same for Easter. Once your vigil is complete and the church is decked out in its Easter splendor, please grab a photo (or two) and send them to newspaper1@salinadiocese.org ... please be sure to indicate the parish name & city.

"Celebrating 125 years - A History of the Diocese of Salina." There are extra copies of this book still available. If any pastor would like them to distribute in the parish, they are available (for free) on a first come, first served basis. Pastors may request any number of books they like. Boxes are available, with 16 books per box. The books are available for pickup during regular hours at the Chancery, or you may make special arrangements by emailing newspaper1@salinadiocese.org or calling Karen at (785) 827-8746 x 21.

OFFICE OF VOCATIONS

UPCOMING EVENTS:

April 1, 2, and 3 - Encounter with God's Call Weekend at Conception Seminary College. April 22 10:00 a.m. - Ordination of Mr. Andy Hammeke to the diaconate. April 25, 26 - 5th/6th grade vocation days in Hays and Abilene.

DIACONATE ORDINATION

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

NOW IS THE TIME!

As we are now beginning the month of March, this is the time to get serious about putting in applications for the seminary. If you know of a young man who is considering the idea of going to the seminary I would love to be in conversation with him. I encourage all of you to speak with those young men who would be good candidates about the potential option of beginning the seminary next August. Invite him to consider it. There is no greater person to invite a young man to consider the priesthood than his own pastor or priest.

ENCOUNTER WITH GOD'S CALL

If you know of a young man that might be considering the seminary and would like to visit Conception Seminary College, please let me know – Fr. Gale

5/6th GRADE VOCATION DAYS

The Vocation team will once again be holding the "Vocation Days" for 6th grade students of our Catholic Schools, or 5th graders if you school does not have a 6th grade. Please put this in your calendar and let Fr. Gale know how many students and adults you will be bringing. ghammerschmidt@salinadiocese.org I apologize to those schools that have a scheduling conflict. We will be in Hays on April 25th and in Abilene April 26th.

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 RURAL LIFE

On February 25th, the Rural Life Commission hosted the Vocation of the Agricultural Leader Workshop. This was one of the first presentations of the publication from Catholic Rural Life *Vocation of the Agricultural Leader*. Mr. Jim Ennis, Executive Director of the National Catholic Rural Life and President of the International Catholic Rural Association (ICRA) directed the workshop.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR ST. ISIDORE'S DAY, May 15th in Washington, KS. Bishop Weisenburger will be the principal celebrant at the 10 a.m. Mass followed by blessing of the Fields and Flocks, lunch, and an agricultural tour. Save the date. More details will follow.

RURAL LIFE DAY will be August 13th at a parish in the East Central Vicariate. The Monsignor John George Weber Century Farm Award will be presented to families who have farmed or owned the farm for more than 100 years. Refreshments will be served. Save the date, August 13th.

OFFICE OF CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Please join Catholic Charities for the opening of our <u>new</u> Salina location. We look forward to welcoming you there.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES OPEN HOUSE Saturday, March 25 2:30 – 4:00 1500 S. 9th • Salina, KS

OFFICE OF RESPECT LIFE

WORD OF LIFE RESPECT LIFE PETITIONS, bulletin briefs, and bulletin art for the month @ www.usccb.org/about/pro-life-activities/word-of-life Simply click on the appropriate month and download. Also available in Spanish. These resources are from the USCCB and are free.

For updates, information, inspiration, and action items related to respect of all human life from conception to natural death, like the Salina Diocese Respect Life Office Face book page @www.facebook.com/officeofrespectlife

OFFICE OF SAFETY AND SECURITY

A SPECIAL THANK YOU to those who hosted us at their Safe Environment Audit meetings this month. We very much enjoyed visiting with all of you. There is great work being done in the field to ensure we are providing a safe environment in our facilities and programs, and we appreciate your hard work and dedication! In February, we visited the following locations, and again want to say *Thank you* to each of them!

Sacred Heart Parish and School, Colby

Laura Schwarz Alice Ziegler Father Richard Daise

St. Francis Xavier Parish and School Junction City

Kurt Leistner Sandra Leistner Shawn Augustine

A kind reminder to those who have not yet returned their *Testimony of Compliance for the Safe Environment for STUDENTS*, please return them as soon as possible.



We appreciate the cooperation received from you in getting the VIRTUS video and the ESR background checks completed. Please *review* your **spreadsheet** and if there are any remaining employees, educators or volunteers whose last background check was in 2011, we ask that you request them to get those updated **immediately** as they are overdue.

Feel free to contact our office if you have any questions.

OFFICE OF YOUTH MINISTRY

DIOCESAN CYO CONVENTION: Our annual Convention for our high school students is April 8-9, 2017. Our speaker this year will be Father Chester Smith, SVD from Indianapolis, Indiana. Please make sure you send in your registration forms etc. The deadline is March 10, 2017. If you have any students that would like to run for the Diocesan Youth Council please have them send a picture of themselves and why they want to run for the Diocesan Youth Council.

JUNIOR CYO CAMP: The Adult Youth Leaders have received the packet for the 6th, 7th and 8th graders to register for this camp that will be at Rock Springs Ranch the weekend of May 27-30, 2017. Deadline for the registration is May 5, 2017.

COUNSELORS: We will need seniors and college age students to sign up to be counselors for this camp. The counselors will come to Rock Springs on May 26th for an Orientation so they are ready for the campers to come on Saturday, May 27th. The application forms for the counselors can be found online under Catholic Formation Office and then click to Youth Ministry Office. Application and \$50.00 fee is due in the Office by April 15th.

PRAYER AND ACTION; The registration for the 6 high school weeks are starting to come into the Office. Please encourage your high school students to participate in this opportunity of giving of ourselves in service for others. You will find the forms on the web-page under Office of Catholic Formation and then click to Youth Ministry Office.

NCYC: We have around 1,000 youth and adults going to NCYC this November. Your first installment of your parish group is due by the end of this month. A number of parishes have already paid. We feel that by doing 3 installments that we can stay on top of the money part of NCYC. If you have any questions please give Karen Taylor or myself a phone call.

OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

TOTUS TUUS: I would like to thank all the parishes that have signed up to have a TOTUS TUUS Team come to your parish this summer. We have 1 opening the week of July 16-21 and 4 openings for July 23-28. If you would like to have a team one of these openings please contact our Office as soon as possible.

TOTUS TUUS TEACHERS: We are still in need of 2 male college age students to teach this summer in our TOTUS TUUS program. We do pay a stipend. They will start June 4th and go to July 28th with the first week off of July 2-7. We will have training for the four teams before they begin teaching for the summer. The forms to apply are on the web page for Catholic Formation. If you have any questions please give me a call at the Office.

OFFICE OF FAMILY LIFE

2017 MEN'S CONFERENCE REGISTRATION BEGINS APRIL 1 The Family Life Office will begin taking *registrations online for the 2017 Men's Conference on Saturday April 1*. This year's Men's Conference speakers will be Dr. Ray Guarendi and Fr. John Lager.

Dr. Ray is a father of ten, clinical psychologist, author, professional speaker, and national radio and television host. His radio show, "The Dr. Is In" can be heard on over 440 stations and Sirius XM channel 130. His TV show, "Living Right With Dr. Ray" is aired in 140 countries.

Fr. John, is a well-known Capuchin Friar and native of Angelus, Kansas. He has served as the national chaplain of FOCUS since 2013. In addition, he has functioned in a wide variety of ministries within the Capuchin Order; was the executive director of the Samaritan House of Denver; and is cofounder of the international men's ministry Marked Men for Christ. It will be held on Saturday, August 12, 2017. An updated 2017 Men's Conference Flyer is enclosed, please display these in your Parishes and Halls.

Sample Bulletin Announcement:

Salina Diocese Men's Conference, Register Online Beginning April 1, 2017!

The Diocese of Salina is sponsoring the Sixth Annual Diocesan Men's Conference, "Men on a Mission" on Saturday, August 12 at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Hays. Please attend and bring your sons who are high school age and up. Two nationally known speakers, Dr. Ray Guarendi, host of "The Dr. Is In" and "Living Right With Dr. Ray", and Fr. John Lager national chaplain of FOCUS and cofounder of Marked Men for Christ, are this year's speakers. To register online or for more information go to www.salinadiocese.org/family-life or call 785-827-8746, Ext. 17.

ENGAGED ENCOUNTER DATES FOR 2017

Apr. 28-30, 2017- Capuchin Center for Spiritual Life-Victoria June 9-11, 2017 - Capuchin Center for Spiritual Life-Victoria

GOD'S PLAN FOR A JOY FILLED MARRIAGE SEMINAR DATES FOR 2017

March 4, 2017- Sacred Heart Cathedral (In Spanish)-Salina March 11, 2017- Immaculate Heart of Mary- Hays March 25, 2017- Our Lady of Perpetual Help-Concordia April 2, 2017 - St. Thomas More Parish- Manhattan June 17, 2017 - Our Lady of Perpetual Help-Concordia

MISCELLANEOUS

Abilene (p.28) New Parish Secretary: LeAnn Kuntz

Mass Time: Wakeeney, Christ the King is Saturday at 5:30 p.m. (p.64)

Personnel Board (p.11) Rev. Michael Elanjimattathil

CORRECTION: January SDNB stated Fr. Gale's email was <u>vocations@saintxparish.org</u> it is vocations@salinadiocese.org

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May 2017 May 2017							
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
						1 Russell-Confirmation, 5:30 pm, St. Mary Queen of Angels	
2 Hoxie-Confirmation, 10:00am, St. Francis Cabrini w/St. Martin	3	4	5	6 Chrism Mass, S.H. Cathedral 11:30 am	7 Lay Review Board Mtg. 4:00 pm	8 CYO Convention	
9 CYO Ending Mass, St. Mary's, Salina, 1:30 pm Palm Sunday	10	11	12	13 Holy Thursday	14 Good Friday Holy Land Collection CHANCERY CLOSED	15 Holy Saturday	
16 Easter Sunday	17	18	19 Abilene-Confirmation, St. Andrew, 6:30 pm	20 Catholic Charities Board Meeting	21 SHHS Auction preview Night-Salina	22 SHHS Auction Transitional Diaconate Ordination-S.H. Cathedral 10:00 am	
23 Concordia-Confirmation, 9 am, Our Lady of Perpetual Help Salina-Confirmation, 3 pm Sacred Heart Cathedral	24 Jesus Caritas	25 Jesus Caritas	26 Jesus Caritas Downs-Confirmation, 7 pm St. Mary, w/Sts. Peter & Paul, Cawker City at Downs	27	28 Engaged Encounter Weekend Victoria	29 Engaged Enc. Wknd-Victoria Catholic Home Missions Annual Collection Salina-Confirmation, 10 am St. Elizabeth Ann Seton	
30 Engaged Enc. Wknd-Victoria Catholic Home Missions Annual Collection Atwood-Confirmation, S.H. Parish,10:30 am w/Beardsley & Herndon Hill City-Confirmation, I.H. M., 4 pm w/Damar at Hill City	Notes:						

Diocese of Salina

Copy of Baptismal Register (Parish name & dates)

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Baptism)



Our Mission as Christians is to conform ourselves evermore to Jesus.

~Pope Francis

2017 Diocese of Salina Catholic Men's Conference

Saturday August 12

8 AM TO 4 PM

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church Hays, Kansas



DR. RAY GUARENDI

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