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OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

SCHOOLS Thank you to all the parishes and schools I was able to visit during Catholic Schools Week in February. It was a blessing to be with you all. Thank you to all the administrators, teachers and staff of our schools. Your care and ministry to our young people is inspiring.

THANK YOU for supporting the Bishop's Annual Appeal - *A Call to Share* within your parishes. I am excited and hopeful that we will reach our goal!

REMINDER Rite of Election liturgies will not be held on a diocesan level in 2021. Parishes or clusters of parishes with RCIA programs are asked to have these liturgies at the local level. Contact the *Liturgy Office* for more information.

CATHOLIC RURAL LIFE winter seminar is scheduled for March 13th at the Sacred Heart Cathedral in Salina. Please see the *Office of Rural Life* for more information.

CHRISM MASS is on Thursday, March 25 beginning at 11:30 A.M. The Chrism Mass will look a little different this year. I would like all priests to attend, if possible, as the representative of your parishes. For those unable to attend in person, the Chrism Mass will be live streamed on the diocesan website. After the Mass, there will be a small luncheon, followed by a short priest only meeting. Please make every attempt to attend. Thank you.

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION will take place on March 14th. This collection offers funding for Catholic Relief Services to help with response to any international relief efforts. You can learn more by visiting <http://www.usccb.org/catholic-giving/opportunities-for-giving/catholic-relief-services-collection/collection/index.cfm>.

HOLY LAND COLLECTION will take place on Good Friday, April 2nd. Thank you for promoting this important collection in your parishes. A copy of my letter of support for this collection is attached.

HUMAN TRAFFICKING inserts for your bulletin can be found below:

MARCH – Modern Day Slavery demands our attention. Learn more about it by using the resources we offer. U.S. Catholic Sisters against Human Trafficking is a 501 © (3) organization (sistersagainstrafficking.org), 2039 N Geyer Road, St. Louis, MO 63131.

MARZO - La esclavitud moderna exige nuestra atención. Obtenga más información al respecto utilizando los recursos que ofrecemos. Las Hermanas Católicas de los Estados Unidos contra la Trata de Personas es una organización 501 © (3) (sistersagainstrafficking.org), 2039 N Geyer Road, St. Louis, MO 63131.

OFFICE OF FINANCE

MARYMOUNT SCHOLARSHIPS AND MSGR. CLEMENT KRUSE SCHOLARSHIPS:

There is a limited number of Marymount Scholarships available for students attending a Catholic College/University. There is a very limited number of Msgr. Clement Kruse Scholarships available for students attending any school of higher education (i.e., technical school, 4-year college/university). Please encourage any parishioners wishing to apply for either of these scholarships to go to the diocesan website to find the application. Once the application is complete (which includes a letter from their pastor stating how the student has been involved in the parish), the student will need to send the application to the Diocesan Finance Office. Please note that the application has changed from prior years and only the new application form will be accepted.

A hard copy of the new applications will be mailed to each parish so you may update your Diocesan Handbook. You may make copies of these pages to update other Diocesan Handbooks you may have.

An updated compensation for clergy page will be included in this mailing.

OFFICE OF LITURGY

THE CHRISM MASS is at 11:30 A.M., March 25. Because of the pandemic, it will be reserved to priests and chancery staff only. There will be a box lunch in the Hall of Bishops, followed by a brief meeting with the bishop and priests only.

Please bring your oil stocks/vessels with you, along with a check for \$25 for each parish/institution. Place them in the room off the sacristy so they can be distributed after Mass. You can pick them up after the meeting.

THE EASTER VIGIL should be celebrated no earlier than 8:30 P.M.

OFFICE OF FACILITIES AND IT MANAGEMENT

DRONE OPERATIONS: The chancery currently has a commercially licensed Unmanned Aerial Systems pilot on staff. If your parish requires the need of aerial video of your roofs or steeples to inspect for possible damage or if you require video footage of the exterior/interior of your churches, contact Jeff Easter at jeff.easter@salinadiocese.org or 785-827-8746 Ext. 11, to request the services.

PRIEST COUNCIL

PRIEST COUNCIL DUES: If you have not yet paid your Priest Council dues, you can send them to Fr. Joseph Kieffer, P.O. Box 395, Hanover, KS 66945-0395. Make your check payable to: Priests' Council for \$25.00. If you think you may have already paid them, but not sure. You may email me at frjoseph.kieffer@gmail.com, and I will let you know.

OFFICE OF PUBLICATIONS

ARTICLE SUBMISSIONS: In future issues of The Register, our intention is to dedicate more space to Catholic schools and parish events. If you have news or photos you would like featured, please submit to Katie at theregister@salinadiocese.org.

March paper	Content due: March 5
April paper	Content due: April 2

ADVERTISEMENTS: We are looking to increase the number of advertisements in The Register. If you know of local businesses who would like to support our publications, please direct them to Colleen Augustine (colleen.augustine@salinadiocese.org or 827.8746 x 19).

OFFICE OF YOUTH MINISTRY

JUNIOR CYO CAMP will be May 29-June 1 at Rock Springs Ranch, Junction City. This camp is for 6th, 7th and 8th grade this current school year. The counselors for camp are college age students and seniors in high school. I am in contact with the Rock Springs Ranch as they are having meetings regarding the use of the camp facilities for the summer camps. As soon as I receive information from them, I will be in contact with you. When I get their information, I will send out the registration forms for this camp. Please say a prayer that we will be able to have this camp for our junior high students.

PRAYER AND ACTION: In June, we will be gathering in Oakley for our college week and 3 high school weeks. In July, we will have 3 high school weeks in Beloit. We are very appreciative of these 2 parishes for hosting our mission experience for our high school youth. It is a wonderful opportunity for the people in the parish to see our youth giving of themselves to do service for people in our diocese. A comment from one of our students that attended Prayer and Action in high school: "Prayer and Action was the most impactful faith experience I had while growing up. At Prayer and Action, I was able to partake in a week immersed in the Sacraments and prayer, work for a neighbor and spend time with other young Catholics. Before attending, I had heard great things about Prayer and Action, but was skeptical about how much fun I would have not having my phone for a week and working without being paid. Those thoughts were immediately taken back after the first day of attending. I can honestly say the three weeks I attended were some of the best weeks of my life. I grew in my love for the sacraments, loved working for and getting to know the homeowners and met some amazing friends who I still have great relationships with today!"

We will be sending out forms to the parish adult leaders so they can register their youth for this program. If you have any questions, please call Sr. Barb at 785-827-8746.

NCYC: November 18-20 will be the gathering for our youth in Indianapolis, Indiana. We have around 820 youth and adults that are interested in attending this conference. If you are interested in attending, please let me know as soon as possible. I need to reserve buses and hotel rooms. I need to know how many hotel rooms (double & single) are needed. As soon as I get the registration fee, the hotel and bus fee, I will have the amount that we will need from each participant. Thanks again for encouraging our youth to participate in this wonderful faith experience. Thank you for your support in our youth programs in our diocese. If you have any questions, please call Sr. Barb.

OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

TOTUS TUUS: If you would like a team of 4 college age students to come to your parish this summer to teach your young people and high school students, please contact the office as soon as possible.

June 6-11, 2021-----FULL
 June 13-18, 2021-----FULL
 June 20-25, 2021-----FULL
 June 27-July 2, 2021-----FULL
 July 11-16, 2021-----FULL
 July 18-23, 2021-----2 Openings

We would like to fill this last week of July 18-23 with 2 parishes to sign up.

OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS

WEBSITE: If you have any parish events you would like to have to our website [calendar](#), please send the details to communications.office@salinadiocese.org.

FROM THE HEART PODCAST: Pray the rosary with Bishop this Lent by tuning into our podcast. Rosaries for each mystery are available. Please spread the word. Secondly, Bishop is starting a new series on our podcast about the year of St. Joseph. We are excited to share these stories with you!

To listen to our diocesan podcast, click any of the links below.

- Anchor - <https://anchor.fm/fromtheheartcatholic>
- Spotify - <https://open.spotify.com/show/3JZVJbr9ocp9C7LJma7Mxi>
- Google Podcasts
 - <https://www.google.com/podcasts?feed=aHR0cHM6Ly9hbmNob3luZm0vcy8zNWNhZjIxYy9wb2RjYXN0L3Jzcw=>
- Apple Podcasts - <https://podcasts.apple.com/.../from-the.../id1531522453>

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PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH

MISSION COOPERATIVE 2021: The diocese has confirmed agreements with the 2021 Mission Cooperative groups. In the next few days, parishes will be receiving contact information for their mission cooperative presenters. If you have not received your 2021 Mission Cooperative contact information by March 15, please contact Brenda Streit at the Chancery.

OFFICE OF STEWARDSHIP AND DEVELOPMENT

Blessings on your Lenten season.



BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL: Thank you for your leadership and support of the important work of our appeal. Please continue to frequently communicate with your parishioners about the appeal. One way to inform the faithful is by encouraging them to visit <https://salinadiocese.org/office/development/bishops-annual-appeal/>. This site continues our video, the Bishop's homily, *faith* magazine and many other resources.

Soon, you will be receiving the below materials for **Participation Weekend (March 20-21)**. Due to COVID and fewer people in the pews, we have reduced our in-pew materials by 50%. If you have a specific number you need, let us know.

- Envelopes – all-in-one envelope
- Buck slip – an informative “bookmark” that briefly summarizes the mission of witnessing by faith, hope and love.

APPEAL TRAINING: On March 4 at 1:30 P.M. there will be an appeal training workshop for priests, plc's and parish staff. On 2/17, an email was sent out with the ZOOM invite. If you did not receive the invite, please contact Katie G. We intend to record the training and email it out to those unable to attend.

Katie G. will continue to send out frequent communications with instructions and helpful tips. Your support and assistance are vital to the success of our appeal. Thank you in advance for your help!

MASS ATTENDANCE WEBINAR – Practical Advice and Creative Ideas for Your Parish.

If it is not yet February 25 and you are reading this, there is still time to sign up for a helpful webinar on bringing families back to Mass. Nic Prenger of Prenger Solutions Group (PSG) is hosting this webinar to discuss best ideas and practices to engage families and bring them back to Mass after the pandemic. The webinar will be February 25 at 10:30 A.M.

If you are struggling with Mass engagement and interested in hearing more, sign up here <https://webinars.prengersolutions.com/>. The webinar will include a month-by-month action plan that parishes can follow.

We hope you consider joining in this webinar. Over the past few months, the diocesan development staff has been blessed to collaborate with Nic and members of PSG. They offer succinct, practical advice that we find easy to implement.

OFFICE OF SAFE ENVIRONMENT

COMPLIANCE-Safety Coordinators, along with checking the CMGConnect data base, please review your files and make sure you have sent ALL required documentation to the Safe Environment Office. This includes *contact information form*, *certification status form*, *children's data report form* and *bulletin announcements*. It is imperative that this information be on file and up to date as we prepare for the upcoming audit. Please review the Safe Environment Program Handbook or contact the Safe Environment Office if you have questions.

APRIL IS CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH - a time to act collectively to raise awareness and empower people across our diocese to play a role in making great childhoods happen. Last year, to raise awareness here at the chancery, we held a prayer service for healing. The chancery staff participated through Zoom as it was the start of the pandemic and our office was closed, but this event turned out to be a profound experience for all. If you would like more details of our virtual event or a copy of the prayer service, please contact me here in the Safe Environment Office. What can you do in your own parish/school to raise awareness? Mark the month of April by hosting a pinwheel event. Click [HERE](#) for details. The pinwheel, a national symbol of child abuse prevention efforts, represents the innocence, joy and fun which should be the experience of all children. During Child Abuse Prevention Month, we are reminded of the call to be instruments of justice, working for the common good of all, which includes the protection of children. As Jesus entrusts to Peter the care of the flock, we too must remember this responsibility belongs to everyone.

You may find the attached handout useful in educating your own community about child abuse prevention as you participate and coordinate events during the month of April.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

MOBILE OUTREACH: Catholic Charities Mobile Outreach vans will be bringing boxes of food and hygiene items, as well as diapers, laundry detergent and other basic necessities to families in Plainville, Oakley, Norton, WaKeeney, Russell, Ellsworth, Beverly, Wilson, Lincoln, Beloit, Osborne, Washington, Mankato, Concordia, Clay Center, Minneapolis, Abilene, Chapman, Junction City and Herington. The Mobile Outreach Vans travel on Wednesdays each month. The March 2021 Mobile Outreach schedule is attached.

THANK YOU: This sweet note comes from a woman in Beloit: “Thank you so much for helping me. I really appreciate your generosity and kindness. Thank you for going the extra mile for me. I try not to give up on my hope.” She received transportation assistance to help her get to her weekly therapy appointments and comes to Catholic Charities outreach in Beloit. Your support of Catholic Charities truly helps provide hope in the lives of people in need throughout our diocese! Thank you!

SAVE THE DATE: The Catholic Charities Green Tie Celebration (annual fundraiser and auction) will be held Saturday, July 17. Details forthcoming. We are looking forward to a fun evening!

CATHOLIC CHARITIES (cont.)

HOUSING PROGRAM: Catholic Charities was blessed to receive \$10,000 from CCUSA for the Francis Cares Eviction Prevention program. These funds will support families who have received an eviction notice by providing rent assistance to help them remain in their homes. Additionally, Catholic Charities has received significant COVID-relief funding to house people who are homeless or at-risk of homelessness. This program is open to the entire diocese and will be available until December 2021. Qualifying participants receive 3-6 months of housing assistance, financial coaching and case management. If you know of any families in the diocese who could benefit from this assistance, please direct them to call our office at 785-825-0208.

OFFICE OF RURAL LIFE

THE RURAL LIFE COMMISSION MID-WINTER CONFERENCE will be held in the Hall of Bishops at Sacred Heart Cathedral, Salina. We will begin at 10 A.M., March 13. Due to the uncertainty of the pandemic, we are preparing for the conference to be both online, live-streamed and in-person. We have 4 speakers scheduled for the conference: Pastor Brad Roth, speaking on God's Country: Faith, Hope, and the Future of the Rural Church; Dr. Janice Swanson will speak on, The Responsible Stewardship of Farmed Animals & Animal Welfare, Dr. Dan Thomson topic will be, Wealth and Poverty: Feeding the world with animal agriculture and Stephanie Eckroat will speak on her experiences of presenting Ag Production to school children. For those attending in-person, a lunch will be provided. All registration for in-person and live stream online attendance will be done through diocese website. Additionally, distribution of hard copy and digital form conference flyers should be at the parishes. The Conference will be a free-will offering. We are planning on one speaker in the morning, Mass with Bishop Vincke, lunch and then three speakers in the afternoon. If you have questions, contact Art Befort at (785) 282-4732, crl@befort.org or Tom Murphy at (913) 658- 3352.

ST. ISIDORE'S DAY WILL BE MAY 14TH. Please note change. St. Isidore's Day is on May 15th. However, this year, May 15th is on a Saturday. In order to participate in the Ag events scheduled, we had to move our observance to Friday, May 14th. This also assists the priests who have Mass commitments on Saturday evenings. Now, they are able to attend all the St. Isidore's activities. We will begin at 10:00 A.M. (CST) at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church in Goodland. Following coffee & donuts and an opening prayer, we will proceed to the Northwest Kansas Vocational College for a presentation on Precision Agriculture. Following the presentation at the NWKVC, we will drive to the AgSun operation in Brewster. Blessings of the Fields and Flocks will occur on the drive to Colby. We will conclude with 4:00 P.M. Mass with Bishop Vincke and dinner at Sacred Heart Church in Colby. For additional information, please contact Fr. Rich Daise at (785) 462-2179 or email at frich@sacredheartcolby.com

RURAL LIFE DAY will be August 15, in the East Central Deanery at the St. Boniface Parish in Tipton, KS. The main feature of Rural Life Day is awarding of the Msgr. John George Weber Century Farm Awards. Families who have owned, farmed or lived on a farm in the diocese for 100 years or more are eligible to apply for the Century Farm Award. Applications for the award may be found on the diocesan website under Rural Life. While families living in the East Central Deanery are encouraged to apply for the award, any family living in the Diocese of Salina may apply for the Century Farm Award. The deadline for applications is August 1. For additional information, please contact Fr. Rich Daise at (785) 462-2179 or email at frich@sacredheartcolby.com .

RURAL LIFE (cont.)

SLOGAN COMPETITION: The Rural Life Commission is conducting a slogan competition. We would like the slogan to be 4 or 5 words in length and to capture the mission and goals of the Rural Life Commission. Please ask you parishioners to send their entries to Art Befort at crl@befort.org. More information will be available in the future.

OFFICE OF FAMILY LIFE

2021 DIOCESAN MEN’S CONFERENCE is set for Saturday, August 14th at Immaculate Heart of Mary parish in Hays. The theme is “Men of Hope” and falls on the feast day of St. Maximilian Kolbe, a great witness of hope in the darkest of times. Keynote speakers for the event are Archbishop Chaput (pending pandemic restrictions) and Chris Padgett, a leading expert on the life of St. Maximilian Kolbe. Please begin running announcements in your parish bulletins and a flyer will be available soon to add as an insert in the bulletin and to be copied and distributed to men’s groups such as K of C, etc.

MARRIAGE PREP AND ENRICHMENT CALENDAR OF EVENTS can be found on the diocesan website. Events are limited for now because of the pandemic. Please contact the Family Life office if you have questions regarding an event. Office number 785-827-8746, ext. 27.

FOCCUS training is available online for priests, deacons, and laity. Go to foccus@foccusinc.com to register or for more information on FOCCUS. There will also be in-person training available late Spring or early Summer in Salina.

MADE FOR MORE originally scheduled for May 13th, 2020 has been rescheduled for **Thursday, Oct. 14th, 2021 in Manhattan**. Details of the event will be forthcoming later this Spring.

APRIL 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 HOLY THURSDAY	2 Holy Land Collection GOOD FRIDAY CHANCERY CLOSED	3 HOLY SATURDAY
4 EASTER SUNDAY	5 CHANCERY CLOSED	6	7	8	9	10 Confirmation, Russell, 5:30 pm
11 Confirmation, Atwood, 10:30 am	12	13	14 Confirmation, Clyde, 7:00 pm	15	16	17 Confirmation, Ellis, 7:00 pm Spring Encounter wknd, Conception, MO
18 Confirmation, Colby, 8:00 am Infertility Awareness Week, April 18-24 Spring Encounter wknd, Conception, MO	19 Spring Encounter wknd, Conception, MO Conception, MO	20	21 Confirmation, Cawker City, 7:00 pm	22	23 Catholic Engaged Encounter, SLC, Victoria	24 Confirmation, Salina, St. Elizabeth's, 10 am Catholic Home Missions Collection Catholic Engaged Encounter, SLC, Victoria
25 Confirmation, Salina, St. Mary's, 2:00 pm Catholic Home Missions Collection Catholic Engaged Encounter, SLC, Victoria	26	27	28	29	30 K of C Convention, Topeka, 4/30-5/2	

***** All scheduled events are tentative at the time of publication. Please check for updates with your parish/chancery



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Lent 2021

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Every year on Good Friday, a collection is taken up in all Catholic Churches to support the mission of the Franciscans of the Custody of the Holy Land. The Franciscans play a vital role in preserving the Holy places and shrines, as well as maintaining a Christian identity in a land that is largely filled with Islamic and Jewish populations. I am sincerely grateful to the Franciscans who continue to aid the Christian population while preserving the history of our Christian faith.

Thank you for considering giving to this collection and supporting the Franciscans in their endeavor.

In Christ's service,

Most Reverend Gerald L. Vincke
Bishop of Salina

Watch for These Warning Signs of Abuse in Minors

No longer wants to see a **particular person** they had been close to

Declining **academic** performance

Tries to hide use of **technology**

No longer interested in **activities** they used to enjoy

Changes in **personality**

Demonstrates **aggressive behavior** or constantly angry

Tries to get minors **alone**



Commits physical and emotional **boundary violations**

Withdraws from family or friends

Keeps **secrets** with minors

Gives lavish **gifts** to minors

Allows or encourages minors to **break laws** or rules

Is overly interested in **spending time** with minors

Has **inappropriate** or suggestive conversations with minors

Does not believe the **rules** apply to them (or, does not follow rules or protocols)

Takes **photos** without approval, or asks minors to send them photos

... and These Warning Signs of Perpetrators

Catholic Charities Mobile Outreach

FOOD & HYGIENE DISTRIBUTION

Wednesday, March 3

Junction City - JNaz Church	9:00am - 10:00am
Ellsworth - St Bernard Church	10:00am - 11:30am
Norton - St Francis Church	1:00pm - 2:00pm
Herington - St John Church	1:00pm - 2:00pm
Lincoln - Health Dept. (on street)	1:30pm - 2:30pm

Wednesday, March 10

Washington - St Augustine Church	9:30am - 10:30am
WaKeeney - Christ the King Church	10:00am - 11:00am
Wilson - St Wenceslaus Church	10:00am - 11:15am
Mankato - St Theresa Church	12:00pm - 1:00pm
Oakley - St Joseph Church	12:30pm - 1:30pm
Beverly - City Office (on street)	1:00pm - 2:00pm

Wednesday, March 17

Junction City - JCNaz Church	9:00am - 10:00am
Minneapolis - 200 block of N Sheridan	10:00am - 11:15am
Clay Center - St. Peter & Paul Church	1:00pm - 2:00pm
Concordia - OLPH Catholic Church	1:30pm - 3:00pm

Wednesday, March 24

Russell - St. Mary Church	9:00am - 10:00am
Chapman - St. Michael Church	9:30am - 10:30am
Osborne - St. Aloysius Church	10:30am - 11:30am
Abilene - St Andrew Church	11:00am - 12:00pm
Plainville - Sacred Heart Church	1:00pm - 2:00pm
Beloit - St. John Church	1:30pm - 3:00pm