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## **OFFICE OF THE BISHOP**

**THANK YOU** to all who attended the priests retreat and the deacons retreat in Wichita. It was a joy to be together and see many of you there.

**RESPECT LIFE MONTH** is October. The Value Them Both Amendment effort is still a top priority in the state of Kansas. Please use the information and resources that were sent to parishes previously via email and hard copy to pastors. Please contact Rick Binder if you have any questions.

**ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI** is the secondary patron of our diocese. His feast day is on October 4<sup>th</sup>. Bishop Vincke will celebrate Masses at each of the parishes in the diocese committed to his patronage. All are welcome and encouraged to attend one of these events.

- 7:30 A.M. – St. Francis of Assisi Church, St. Francis
- 12 Noon – St. Francis of Assisi Church, Norton
- 5:30 P.M. – St. Francis of Assisi Church, Munjor

**DIOCESAN ROSARY CONGRESS** is happening across the diocese October 3-9. This involves 12-24 hours of adoration for pro-life intentions and offering a special pro-life Rosary each hour. It isn't too late for your parish to participate. See the Family Life Respect Life Office section for more information.

**OPENING MASS** for the diocesan phase of the Vatican Synod will be celebrated by Bishop Vincke at Sacred Heart Cathedral at 3 P.M. on October 17. All are welcome and encouraged to participate. The theme for the synod is "For a synodal Church: communion – participation – mission." Various events and activities will happen across the diocese between now and March of 2022. Look for more information to come soon.

**WORLD MISSION SUNDAY** is October 24. On this day, the entire Church comes together to support various mission works. Donations for World Mission Sunday are collected at Masses across the world and given in support of hospitals, schools and vocations. Please encourage your parishioners to participate in this important initiative. Please see the attached letter.

**ANNIVERSARY MASSES** will be held again this year at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Hays at 3:00 P.M. on October 24 and at St. Elizabeth Ann Seaton Church, Salina, at 3:00 P.M. on November 7. See the diocesan website and the Family Life Office section for more information on how to register.

## **OFFICE OF THE BISHOP (cont.)**

### **HUMAN TRAFFICKING ALERTS**

**OCTOBER** – Partner with others - faith based groups, law enforcement, friends - to discuss some of the issues in U.S. Catholic Sisters' website ([sistersagainstrafficking.org](http://sistersagainstrafficking.org)) U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking, 2039 N Geyer Road, St. Louis, MO 63131.

**OCTUBRE** - Asóciase con otros - grupos religiosos, fuerzas del orden público, amigos - para discutir algunos de los problemas en el sitio web de las Hermanas Católicas de los Estados Unidos ([sistersagainstrafficking.org](http://sistersagainstrafficking.org)). Hermanas Católicas de los Estados Unidos contra la Trata de Personas, 2039 N Geyer Road, St. Louis, MO 63131.

### **MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

**MASS FOR DECEASED PRIESTS** is scheduled for November 11 at 12:05 P.M. at Sacred Heart Cathedral in Salina. All are welcome to attend. Priests should arrive by 11:40 A.M. if they wish to concelebrate.

**CONSULTORS/PRIEST COUNCIL** joint meeting is scheduled for November 11 at 2:30 P.M. in Salina.

**MEMORIAL MASSES** for those who died during the COVID Pandemic lock downs will be celebrated by Bishop Vincke in each deanery during the month of November. All are welcome to attend one of these Masses.

- 10 A.M. – November 2 – St. Joseph Church, Damar – West Central Deanery
- 6 P.M. – November 2 – Sacred Heart Church, Colby – West Deanery
- 10 A.M. – November 6 – Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, Concordia – East Central Deanery
- 10 A.M. – November 13 – Ss Peter and Paul church, Clay Center – East Deanery

**ANNUAL ADOPTION MASS** is scheduled for November 5 at 6 P.M. at Sacred Heart Cathedral in Salina. The event is hosted by Catholic Charities in honor of those who have been touched through adoption in their own lives. A reception will follow.

**WHITE MASS** will be celebrated at St. Thomas More in Manhattan at 6 P.M. on November 8.

### **PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH**

**2021 MISSION CO-OP:** If your parish has not yet submitted to the diocese the Mission Cooperative collection from summer 2021, please do so as soon as possible. Your prompt attention to this will help avoid confusion of the (summer) 2021 Mission Co-Op collection with the (October) World Mission Sunday collection. Please also return the completed Mission Co-Op evaluation forms. Your candid comments are very helpful in deciding which mission groups to invite back to the diocese.

## **PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH (cont.)**

**WORLD MISSION SUNDAY** is October 23-24. By now you should have received your mission information packet in your parish. The theme for this year's collection is **"We cannot but speak about what we have seen and heard."** Please display the posters and use any bulletin inserts to help promote this collection.

Please consider raising mission awareness through the entire month of October by including a mission-related petition in the General Intercessions at Mass. Some examples:

For a personal relationship with Jesus, God the Father's Own Missionary sent to us, that we may step out of ourselves for love of God and neighbor especially during this time of crisis, pandemic and need, let us pray to the Lord...

For our Holy Father, Pope Francis, head missionary of the Church, and for all missionaries and martyrs who give their lives to tell the glory of the Lord among the nations during the COVID-19 pandemic, that they may be loving, wise, and holy witnesses of Christ, let us pray to the Lord...

For an increase in missionary charity, that our spiritual and financial sacrifices may help the message and love of Christ be made known to the ends of the earth, let us pray to the Lord...

Bulletin announcements:

### **The weekend before World Mission Sunday:**

NEXT WEEKEND we will celebrate World Mission Sunday. Pope Francis invites the entire Church to support mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, parts of Latin America and Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve the world's most vulnerable communities. Please keep the Pope's missions in your prayers and be generous in next week's collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

### **The weekend of World Mission Sunday:**

TODAY IS WORLD MISSION SUNDAY. We celebrate this day by remembering our baptismal call – to bring the Gospel to all! The collection today for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith supports the work and witness of the Mission Church, as it provides for priests, religious and lay leaders who offer the Lord's mercy and concrete help to the most vulnerable communities in the Pope's missions. Thank you for your generosity.

### **The week after World Mission Sunday:**

THANK YOU for your generous response to the collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith last weekend on World Mission Sunday. Our parish raised \$(insert amount). You may stay connected year-round to the Pope's missions, continuing the commitment of World Mission Sunday by visiting [www.MISSIO.org](http://www.MISSIO.org)

Contribution envelopes:

A World Mission Sunday contribution envelope should be included among the regular parish contribution envelopes your parishioners already have. Also, please do not confuse the World Mission Sunday envelopes with the (blue-bordered) Mission Co-Op envelopes. If you have any questions, please contact Brenda at the Chancery, 785.827.8746 or [brenda.streit@salinadiocese.org](mailto:brenda.streit@salinadiocese.org).

## **OFFICE OF RURAL LIFE**

**ST. ISIDORE'S DAY**, May 15, 2022, will be in the East Deanery. Since May 15th is a Sunday, we may move the observance to Monday, May 16th. St Isidore's Day is observed with visits to rural agriculture business, farms or institutions. In addition, we have blessings of the flocks and fields. Mass is offered, usually with the bishop officiating, followed by a dinner for participants. At this time, St Andrew's Parish in Abilene has expressed interest in hosting the 2022 St. Isidore's Day observance for the Diocese of Salina. More information will be available as we get closer.

**RURAL LIFE DAY** will be in August 2022 at one of the parishes in the West Central Deanery. If you have parishioners interested in the Msgr. John George Weber Century Farm Award, have them check the diocesan website under Rural Life for more information. Deadline for applications is usually August 1<sup>st</sup>. For further information, contact Fr. Rich Daise, (785) 625-7357 or [fr-rich@sacredheartcolby.com](mailto:fr-rich@sacredheartcolby.com)

## **OFFICE OF SAFE ENVIRONMENT**

**SAFETY COORDINATORS:** Certification Status sheets are due to the Safe Environment Office before October 1<sup>st</sup>. I understand that many of you may still be trying to secure catechists or possibly other staff members/employees, and that date may not be possible. If that is the situation for you, please let me know, so I can make note that those forms will be forthcoming.

**THANK YOU:** A special note to thank you for all the hard work you have done to ensure the safety of the children in the Diocese of Salina. Safety not only in the sense of protecting our children from harm, such as abuse, but safety in the sense of how to protect the health, safety and well-being of children in our schools, parishes and communities as we continue during these uncertain times.

**VISITS:** On-site visits are scheduled for parishes and schools. All who are involved this year have been notified through email. If you have any questions as you make final preparations, please let me know. These visits are a time for us to collaborate as we work together to provide safe environments for our children to learn, pray and grow.

**THE SHEPHERD:** Attached please find the October edition of our newsletter, *The Shepherd*.

## **OFFICE OF FAMILY LIFE**

**CATHOLIC ENGAGED ENCOUNTER** has a scheduled weekend Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> at the Spiritual Life Center in Victoria. Registration available online at the diocesan website. Please encourage engaged couples to participate and register early to allow for planning time.

## **OFFICE OF FAMILY LIFE (cont.)**

**ANNIVERSARY MASSES** celebrated by Bishop Vincke are scheduled. Please consider running the following bulletin announcement.

*Mark your calendars! Bishop Vincke and the Diocese of Salina wish to honor all couples celebrating their 1<sup>st</sup> wedding anniversary and ALL OTHER wedding anniversaries ending in 0 or 5 in 2021. Masses will be celebrated at 3:00 P.M., October 24<sup>th</sup> at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Hays; and 3:00 P.M. at St. Elizabeth Ann Seaton Church in Salina on Sunday, November 7<sup>th</sup>. Registration is available online at [salinadiocese.org](http://salinadiocese.org) or by calling the Family Life Office at 785-827-8746.*

## **OFFICE OF RESPECT LIFE**

**2022 MARCH FOR LIFE:** The annual pilgrimage will depart from Salina the morning of Wednesday, January 19<sup>th</sup> @ 10:30 A.M. and return home late afternoon Sunday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>. Registration is available online with a registration deadline of December 1<sup>st</sup>. Cost for transportation and hotel accommodations is \$350 per person. Pilgrims may also participate in the “Life is Good Rally” the night before the March and/or the “Twilight Monument Tour” the evening following the March for additional costs. Costs for each are on the registration form.

We want every parish in the diocese represented so please consider recruiting and sponsoring at least one person/couple from your parish to attend the 2022 March for Life.

**2022 TOPEKA RESPECT LIFE RALLY:** This is a great alternative to those unable to make the pilgrimage to D.C. This is a one-day event held in Topeka featuring Mass, youth rally, and peaceful march to the Capitol. More details to come.

**“VALUE THEM BOTH”:** By now many of you have heard of the “VALUE THEM BOTH” legislation. The Kansas Primary Election slated for August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022, may be the most important election of our times. A YES vote for “Value Them Both” is critical. For it to be successful, we need every registered voter of our Catholic Community to get out and vote “YES” next August. If you would like to schedule a speaker to visit your parish to inform and encourage your parishioners to vote yes, contact Chuck Weber at [Chuck@kansascatholic.org](mailto:Chuck@kansascatholic.org) at the Kansas Catholic Conference, or the Respect Life Office of the diocese (785-827-8746).

**ROSARY CONGRESS OCT. 2<sup>nd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>:** The Rosary Congress is a national prayer event praying for the dignity of life at all stages, conception to natural death. Many dioceses across the country participate in this prayer and the Salina Diocese would like to join them. Parishes are asked to commit to a 24-hour period of Exposition/Adoration with a Rosary prayed every hour. The 24 hrs. begin with Mass at 5:00 P.M., followed by Exposition and then concludes with Benediction at 5:00 P.M. the next day. Parishes may adjust their time as needed to best suit the parish community. Several parishes are already committed to joining the Rosary Congress. Contact the Respect Life office if your parish would like to participate.

## **CATHOLIC FOUNDATION FOR DIOCESE OF SALINA**



**BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL:** Thank you for your continued support and promotion of the appeal. Because of you, we made our appeal goal at a record rate! As of September 21, we have \$1,918,576.85 pledged from 3,888 donors. Gifts are still coming in and will continue to be counted until 12/31/2021

Melanie/Laurie will continue to send goal reports on Tuesday afternoons. Thank you for sharing your parish progress towards goal with your parishioners. They are responding generously!

**SEMINARIAN DINNER AND COLLECTION:** We've been receiving seminarian collection checks from many parishes. Thank you! For parishes still needing to submit the Seminarian Collection check to the Chancery, please make sure you email Melanie ([melanie.melander@salinadiocese.org](mailto:melanie.melander@salinadiocese.org)) with the following information.

- First Name
- Last Name
- Parish
- Dollar Amount given by each donor

**#iGIVECATHOLIC:** Again, this year, we will be participating in #iGiveCatholic. The deadline to register is November 3, and you **MUST** register if you plan to participate.

Advanced giving: November 15, 2021  
#iGC day: November 30, 2021

Additionally, we will once again be offering two diocesan matches. Phil Howe has offered a match of \$60,000 for any gift made to a participating Manhattan location (Manhattan Catholic Schools, St. Thomas More Parish, Seven Dolores Parish or St. Isidore Catholic Student Center). Donations will be matched dollar for dollar while funds last. The maximum match per donor will be \$1000.

24/7 Travel Stores has supplied a match for Catholic schools. Participating Catholic schools can receive up to a \$5,000 match for their school. Donations will be matched dollar for dollar until \$5,000 is reached. The maximum match per donor will be \$1,000. Manhattan Catholic Schools is exempt from this match.

Additionally, take advantage of the early bird prize money!!! On October 8<sup>th</sup> all registered #iGC organizations will be entered into a drawing. There are two \$500 prizes that will go towards your organization! All you must do to enter the early bird drawing is sign up for #iGC by October 7<sup>th</sup>. Don't miss this fantastic opportunity!

**PARISHIONER LIST:** Please review the parishioner list and return with updates to Laurie or Melanie ([laurie.trautwein@salinadiocese.org](mailto:laurie.trautwein@salinadiocese.org) or [melanie.melander@salinadiocese.org](mailto:melanie.melander@salinadiocese.org).) It would be great to have these back by October 29, 2021.

## **CATHOLIC FOUNDATION FOR DIOCESE OF SALINA (cont.)**

Please compare our spreadsheet with your information and make any changes directly to the spreadsheet. Note the changes in the appropriate column and highlight the names that need to be changed or should be removed from your list of registered parishioners. Please do not delete anyone. If they should be removed from your list, please make a note of the reason (i.e., moved out of state, changed parish registration, deceased, etc.).

Please continue to add parishioner emails and updates as you receive them. We are really trying to include emails in parishioner records so that they will receive the monthly e-news from Bishop Vincke.

Thank you for your help in keeping our parish and parishioner records up to date. We really appreciate it! Please let us know if you have any questions.

## **OFFICE OF PUBLICATIONS**

**ARTICLE SUBMISSIONS:** Please share stories and photos from your parish or Catholic school to Katie at [theregister@salinadiocese.org](mailto:theregister@salinadiocese.org)

October paper	Content due: October 1
November paper	Content due: November 5

**ADVERTISEMENTS:** If you know of local business interested in advertising in our publications, please direct them to [theregister@salinadiocese.org](mailto:theregister@salinadiocese.org) or 785.827.8746

**RENAMED PUBLICATIONS DRIVE:** Every year, we hold a fundraising drive for our publications in late October/early November. This year, we're giving the drive a little bit of a facelift! We've renamed it the Catholic Conversation Drive. The funds from the drive will go to support *faith* magazine and The Register, as well as online communication/evangelization efforts.

Please put the following announcement in your bulletins! Thank you for your support.

The Communications Office seeks to evangelize the hearts of the faithful. We speak to the hearts of steadfast Catholics, the hearts of the lukewarm and the hearts of the ignorant through our print and online resources. And by our words, our hope is that we are inspiring life-changing Catholic conversations in every corner of our diocese. Currently, nearly 16,000 Catholic households receive a monthly newspaper and a quarterly *faith* magazine at no cost. Additionally, we offer online resources, such as media and podcasts, at no cost. Would you consider making a gift to the Catholic Conversations Drive (formerly called the Publication Drive)? Your gift would help offset the cost to produce, print and mail our publications, as well as support our online communication efforts. Visit [salinadiocese.org](http://salinadiocese.org) to make your gift today! Or use the envelope inserts found in the Oct. 22 issue of The Register or the Nov. issue of *faith*.

## **OFFICE OF YOUTH MINISTRY**

**PLEASE JOIN US IN WELCOMING** our new Director of Youth Ministry and Religious Education, Bill Meagher. Bill has been involved with the youth of our diocese for many years and we are excited to have him join our team.

**NCYC:** Plans are ongoing for NCYC in Indianapolis, IN, on November 18-20 and the theme this year is Ablaze – Enciende el Fuego. NFCYM has mandated the wearing of masks and participants must either have been vaccinated or provide proof of a negative COVID test 72 hours prior to departure.

**MEETINGS FOR ADULT SPONSORS** are scheduled for the fall.

Hays – St. Nicolas of Myra - Parish Hall – Tuesday, October 21 - 6:00 P.M.

Manhattan – St. Thomas More – Room A – Monday, October 25 - 6:00 P.M.

Colby – Sacred Heart – Parish Hall – Tuesday, November 2 - 6:00 P.M.

Salina – Sacred Heart – Hall of Bishops – Monday, November 8 - 6:00 P.M.

**SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMS:** This fall we will be recruiting college students from across the diocese to participate in our summer youth programs - Jr. CYO Camp, Prayer and Action and Totus Tuus. More information about the application process will be released soon.

## **OFFICE OF EDUCATION**

**ACCREDITATION UPDATE:** Ours schools have done a very good job of keeping our students safe and healthy to start the school year. This is the final year of a five-year accreditation cycle. The schools are working together on accreditation with goals in the following areas:

- Promoting Viable Catholic Schools
- Integration of Technology
- Individual Plans of Study for 8-12 grade students

**RETREAT:** Juniors and Seniors who attend our high schools will be coming to Salina Wednesday, October 6 for a Respect Life Retreat to hear speakers from the Sisters of Life. Thanks to Rick Binder for organizing this event.

**TEACHERS' IN-SERVICE** will be Friday, November 12 in Salina, where teachers will learn more about the Seven Themes of Catholic Social Teaching and have an opportunity to collaborate with colleagues.

## **OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS**

**MONTH OF THE ROSARY:** The month of October is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary. We would like you invite you to pray the Rosary during this time. Through the intercession of our Blessed Mother, let us come together in prayer. Rosaries for each mystery of the rosary are available on our podcast, From the Heart, which can be found by visiting [fromtheheartssalina.com](http://fromtheheartssalina.com)



## **OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS (cont.)**

**PARISH EVENTS:** If you have any parish events you would like to have added to our diocese website calendar, please submit it by clicking "Submit Event" in the Quick links at the bottom of the website ([salinadiocese.org](http://salinadiocese.org)) or clicking this link: <https://salinadiocese.typeform.com/to/Og6aB42a>

**MASS TIMES:** If you have any Mass or confession times that have recently changed, please submit a directory change by clicking "Directory Update" in the Quick links at the bottom of the website [salinadiocese.org](http://salinadiocese.org) or clicking this link: <https://salinadiocese.typeform.com/to/kTH1yRoS>

### **Follow us on social media!**

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Facebook: [SalinaDiocese](#)

Twitter: [@SalinaDiocese](#)

YouTube: [Salina\\_Diocese](#) or [www.youtube.com/salinadioceseks](http://www.youtube.com/salinadioceseks)

## **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 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 October Mobile Outreach schedule is attached or by visiting [ccnks.org/outreach](http://ccnks.org/outreach)

**ANNUAL APPEAL:** We are excitedly preparing for our Annual Appeal, which kicks off November 13-14. Our Annual Appeal is a time for our diocese to come together, celebrating Catholic Charities mission to provide compassionate service to all those in need throughout Northern Kansas.

**A SPECIAL THANK YOU:** This sweet message comes from Josh Humphrey, a client whose family received life-changing emotional support through Catholic Charities counseling program. "I would tell anyone who is considering going to therapy to do it. It will absolutely change your life," Josh said. "I know it has changed my entire life. Thanks, Catholic Charities. My life has done a total 180." If you or someone you know is struggling with their mental health, please contact our offices at 785-323-0644. There is always hope

# NOVEMBER - 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 Pandemic Memorial Mass, S. H. Colby, 6 pm Pandemic Memorial Mass, St. Joseph, Damar, 10 am	3	4 White Mass, St. Thomas More, Manhattan	5 Catholic Charities Annual Adoption Mass, Salina, 6 pm  Engaged Encounter, Victoria, 5-7th	6 Pandemic Memorial Mass, Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Concordia, 10 am
7 Vocations Awareness Week, 7-13th Anniversary Mass, St. Elizabeth's, Salina Daylight Savings Ends	8 White Mass, St. Thomas More, Manhattan, 6 pm	9	10	11 Mass for deceased Priests, 12:05, S.H. Cathedral Consultors mtg. w/priest council, Salina, 2:30 pm Catholic Charities Board mtg., 6 pm Veterans Day	12 Teachers Inservice	13 Pandemic Memorial Mass, SS. Peter & Paul, Clay Center, 10 am  Catholic Charities Annual Appeal Kick-off Weekend
14 Catholic Charities Annual Appeal Kick-off Weekend  100 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary, S.H., Park	15 iGiveCatholic-Advanced Giving  USCCB, Baltimore	16  USCCB, Baltimore	17  USCCB, Baltimore	18  NCYC, Indianapolis  USCCB, Baltimore	19  NCYC, Indianapolis	20  NCYC, Indianapolis
21  NCYC, Indianapolis	22	23	24	25  Thanksgiving  CHANCERY CLOSED	26  CHANCERY CLOSED	27
28	29	30  iGiveCatholic-Giving Tuesday				



## Diocese of Salina

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Office of the Bishop

October 1, 2021

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

**World Mission Sunday** – the annual, worldwide Eucharistic celebration for the Missions of the Church – will be on **October 24** this year. This important day in the life of the Church fortifies our understanding of our shared call to mission, bestowed upon us at Baptism.

Pope Francis' message for World Mission Sunday reflects on the theme: **"We cannot but speak about what we have seen and heard"** (Acts 4:20). The Holy Father reminds us that, "as Christians, we cannot keep the Lord to ourselves," as we "recall with gratitude all those men and women who by their testimony of life help us to renew our baptismal commitment to be generous and joyful apostles of the Gospel." He invites us to speak of our faith!

World Mission Sunday provides that opportunity. We can speak about our faith and respond to our missionary call – *through prayer, participation in the Eucharist, and giving generously* to the collection for the **Society for the Propagation of the Faith** on that day. Your gifts support and sustain priests, religious and lay pastoral leaders in more than 1,100 mission dioceses in Asia, Africa, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe as they proclaim the Gospel, build the Church, serve the poor – and speak of our shared faith in all corners of the world.

I never cease to be overwhelmed by the kindness and generosity of the people of God in the Diocese of Salina. I offer my sincere personal gratitude for your kind missionary heart, reaching out in love throughout Mission Month.

In Christ's service,

+ *Gerald L. Vincke*

Most Rev. Gerald L. Vincke  
Bishop of Salina

*For more about World Mission Sunday, please visit [missio.org/resources](https://missio.org/resources) for additional materials.*

# THE SHEPHERD

*"I am the good shepherd, and I know mine and mine know me. Just as the Father knows me and I know the Father: and I will lay down my life for the sheep"*  
~John 10: 14-15

*hello*

## Safety Coordinators:

Fall is upon us, the diocesan audit has been completed here at the chancery, and schools and parishes are buzzing with activities.

I want to take another opportunity to thank you for saying yes to this important ministry. The role of the Safety Coordinator, is not always fun nor glamorous, but is an essential part of the Safe Environment Program. If we as the Catholic Church continue to work diligently to train and background check clergy, school, and parish employees and volunteers ministering with minors, and stopping child abuse before it happens, our impact can be profound. We will be viewed as the leader in preventing child sexual abuse. Parents and other community members will turn to the Catholic Church because we are equipped with the knowledge and tools needed to protect children. Your deep commitment to creating and maintaining safe environments in our parishes and schools will help our children learn, pray, and grow.

I AM THE VINE, YOU ARE THE BRANCHES. HE WHO ABIDES IN ME, AND I IN HIM, BEARS MUCH FRUIT; FOR APART FROM ME YOU CAN DO NOTHING.

JOHN 15:5

**GUIDE AND PROTECT**– Today's predators can be more threatening than ever before. Fathers must safeguard their children from modern dangers with loving discipline and spiritual leadership. Who can be their guide? Thankfully, Catholic Dads have a model, St. Joseph. The Litany of St. Joseph acclaims him as "Joseph most prudent," "Zealous defender of Christ" and "Terror of demons", titles that remind us, as modern fathers, of the need to lead wisely and protect our children. As we continue in this Year of St. Joseph, may he be our intercessor, as we as fathers, carrying out the ultimate mission as fathers, guiding our children to heaven. [CLICK](#) here to read more.



Any allegation of the abuse of a minor, may be reported to the  
Kansas Protection Report Center  
800.922.5330  
KBI Crime Hotline  
800.572.7463  
or  
ClergyAbuse@kbi.ks.gov  
The Diocese of Salina fully participates in all criminal investigations related to abuse perpetrated by a member of the clergy or other church official.

For the safety of children and healing of those who have suffered abuse, the Diocese of Salina provides

Hotline: 866.752.8855 #1067

Website: [www.reportandprotect.com](http://www.reportandprotect.com)

Email: [reportabuse@salinadiocese.org](mailto:reportabuse@salinadiocese.org)

Reports will be responded to promptly by the Victim Assistance Coordinator.

"Rescue me, Lord, from my foes,  
for I seek refuge in you."

- Psalm 143:9



Safe Environment Office  
Diocese of Salina

To report an incident of sexual abuse and related misconduct by a Bishop or Religious Superior currently or in the past, the Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Services provides  
Hotline: 800.276.1562  
Website: [reportbishopabuse.org](http://reportbishopabuse.org)

All reports are confidential with the exception of those involving the abuse of minors which will be immediately reported by the Diocese to the proper authorities, as required by Kansas State Law and Diocesan Policy.

## NEWS AND NOTES

*from the Safe Environment Office*

**Fall ZOOM Meetings** were a success . I personally enjoyed them as they were a great way to see everyone, discuss forms, and answer questions, rather than just sending a packet of information in the mail. I did record one of the ZOOM sessions, so if you need to review it as you prepare for your upcoming on site school/parish visits in the coming months you can find the [link here](#).

**Clergy, employees, volunteers and educators** must review the Safe Environment Policy and Code of Conduct every year. There are many different ways to proceed with this requirement. If your method "isn't broke, don't fix it". If you are wanting a new method, you can simply email this [link click here](#) to those employees, volunteers, and educators that need to fulfill this requirement. I will receive confirmation of completion here at the diocese, then I will email those records to you to keep on file at your parish/school. Whichever method you decide to use, please make sure there is record of completion on file at your parish/school.

**Please** be sure you are using [this link](#) for the Safe Environment Office webpage on your parish and school websites. This link will direct users to the Diocesan Safe Environment Office webpage where they can find the CMGConnect button and begin their training and background check.

**Keep current your CMGConnect Data Base.** The CMGConnect data base was designed to track ACTIVE users. Please remove anyone who is not ministering at your parish or school this year. If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact the Safe Environment Office.

**CMGConnect:** Please remember the time frame for background checks to be returned to the diocese for review can take up to 10 days. Thankfully, it usually does not take that long. If you don't see that your user has a "green star", and it has been a couple of days, please check their *profile* in CMG as to the status of the situation. Thank you for your cooperation with this matter.

**Parish/School visits:** These visits have been scheduled. You should have received through email the necessary documentation to make final preparations. As of now these visits will be "on-site". If this changes because of the pandemic, the visit will be done as scheduled, through zoom.

*Oh God, guide of those who listen and helper of those who hear your voice, speak to me, as you did to St. Joseph, and help me accomplish the things you give me to do .*

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# Catholic Charities Mobile Outreach

## FOOD & HYGIENE DISTRIBUTION

### Wednesday, October 6

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, October 13

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, October 20

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, October 27

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