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OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

CONFIRMATION dates for 2022-2023 are now being set. We have created a new online Confirmation Request form for the 2022-2023 Confirmation season available <u>HERE</u>. Please have all date requests submitted by May 31st. Every parish, even if you are not preparing a Confirmation class, should complete the form. If you have any issues, please contact Brenda at the Chancery.

CHRISM MASS will be held at Sacred Heart Cathedral on Thursday, April 7th at 11:30 A.M., followed by a luncheon in the Hall of Bishops. Please join us!

HOLY LAND COLLECTION will take place on Good Friday, April 15th. Thank you for promoting this important collection in your parishes.

HAPPY EASTER! The Chancery will be closed on Friday, April 15 and Monday, April 18.

MASS OUTSIDE A CHURCH, CHAPEL, or ORATORY - New Guidelines for Mass outside a Church, Chapel, or Oratory were approved on January 13, 2022, at the College of Consultors meeting. These guidelines take effect immediately. A PDF version is attached. Look for a printed copy to update your Diocesan Policy Manual (Blue Book) in July.

HUMAN TRAFFICKING inserts for your bulletin can be found below:

<u>April</u> – Slavery is far from over as pimps and traffickers sell people and buyers continue to buy. It is a worldwide, criminal business of which we all need to work. **U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking** is a 501 c (3) organization, 2039 N Geyer Road, St. Louis, MO 63131 (sistersagainsttrafficking.org)

<u>Abril</u> - La esclavitud no está cerca de terminar, ya que los proxenetas y los traficantes venden personas y los compradores continúan comprando. Es un negocio criminal mundial en el que todos debemos trabajar. U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking es una organización 501 c (3), 2039 N Geyer Road, St. Louis, MO 63131 (sistersagainsttrafficking.org)

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CONVENTION April 30 – May 2 in Topeka, Kansas.

OFFICE OF THE BISHOP (cont.)

MEMORIAL MASS FOR PARENTS WHO HAVE LOST A CHILD will be held in two locations this year to better accommodate those wishing to attend. On May 11th at 2:00 P.M., Mass will be held at Sacred Heart Church in Colby and on May 12th at 2:00 P.M., Mass will be held at St. Andrews Church in Abilene. A reception will follow both Masses. Please see the Office of Family Life for more information.

ST. ISIDORE'S DAY will be celebrated this year on Monday, May 16, at St. John the Baptist Church in Hanover. See the Rural Life section for more details.

WOMEN RELIGIOUS APPRECIATION MASS will be on May 17 at 11 A.M. at Sacred Heart Cathedral. Lunch will follow. All are encouraged to attend. Priests are invited to concelebrate the Mass.

CLERGY HEALTH AND RETIREMENT BOARD are scheduled for:

May 24th Spiritual Life Center, Victoria May 25th Sacred Heart Cathedral, Salina

Invitations will be forthcoming.

OFFICE OF LITURGY

The Chrism Mass is at 11:30 A.M. on Thursday, April 7. Lunch will be served. Please encourage parishioners to come. It is open to all and very meaningful. Bring your oils to the room near the sacristy, along with a check for \$25 for each parish or institution. You can pick up the oils after lunch.

OFFICE OF RURAL LIFE

ST. ISIDORE'S DAY, May 15. St. John the Baptist Parish in Hanover will host the 2022 St. Isidore's Day observance for the Diocese of Salina. Since May 15th is a Sunday, the observance will be on Monday, May 16th. St. Isidore's Day includes visits to Hired Hands of Hollenberg, KS, and Landoll Corporation of Marysville, KS. Mass will be offered by Bishop Vincke at 11:00 A.M. followed by a lunch for participants. We will have blessings of the flocks and fields on our way to the two tours.

RURAL LIFE DAY will be August 14th at St Fidelis parish in Victoria. 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. While farms in the West Central Deanery are of primary interest, any family in the diocese qualifying for the Century Farm Award is welcome to apply. Deadline for applications is August 1st. For further information, contact Fr. Rich Daise, (785) 625-7357 or frrich@sacredheartcolby.com.

MISSION COOPERATIVE APPEAL - All assignments and contact information have been sent to all parishes in the diocese. If you have not received this information for your parish(es), please contact me at brenda.streit@salinadiocese.org as soon as possible. Once you have confirmed your dates with your assigned mission group, please email me this information.

OFFICE OF SAFE ENVIRONMENT

APRIL IS CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH - Throughout the year, especially during this month of April, all are asked to increase awareness, to educate ourselves and the community, and to seek healing for those who have been so tragically impacted by child abuse. Please use the attached document (*The Shepherd*) as a resource for your parish, in your schools and to use in your own families. We must heed God's call to care for the most vulnerable among us and continue our efforts as we *promise to protect, pledge to heal*.

A KIND REMINDER - If you have not turned in certification status sheets, children's data reports or parish bulletins with Safe Environment announcements, please do so as soon as possible. The end of our audit period is quickly approaching, and it is imperative that we have all the data we need from the parishes and schools in the Diocese of Salina. A special thank you to those who have already met these requirements.

OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS

REVIEW WEBSITE PAGES - Take a moment to review your parish or school page on our diocesan website. If you see any information that needs changed or updated, please submit a directory change by clicking "Directory Update" in the Quick links at the bottom of the website salinadiocese.org or clicking this link: https://salinadiocese.typeform.com/to/kTH1yRoS. We want to make sure we have accurate and updated information on our website, and we thank you for taking the time to review your pages.

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) or clicking this link: https://salinadiocese.typeform.com/to/Og6aB42a

AUDIO FAITH MAGAZINE - Have you listened to *faith* magazine - "Discovering the beauty of the Mass" audio version? We're excited about this new series on From the Heart podcast. Every article is being recorded and will be made available. The next *faith* magazine - "Discovering the beauty of the Eucharist" will be available later this month. Please be sure to tell your parishioners to tune in! Visit https://open.spotify.com/show/3JZVJbr9ocp9C7LJma7Mxj or fromtheheartsalina.com

VALUE THEM BOTH COLORING PAGES - The Communications office created four coloring pages for students and children in the diocese. It is time to be informing and educating the Catholic community of the Salina Diocese about the "VALUE THEM BOTH" legislation. The Kansas Primary Election is slated for August 2nd, 2022, and these coloring pages are a fun and interactive way for them to learn the importance of this amendment and spread awareness.

OFFICE OF EDUCATION

ACCREDITATION – Our schools have completed reviews of the five-year accreditation cycle and are waiting to hear back the results. The interviews went extremely well, and we are anxious to hear feedback. Our schools are looking to be the first diocese in the state to be accredited as a group of schools instead of individually.

STATE ASSESSMENTS – Students across the area are working on state assessments this spring. Please keep our students in your prayers so they can remain confident and strong in their abilities.

EVENTS – Auction season is upon us with multiple schools hosting events in the spring. If you cannot attend in person, please be sure to check our Facebook site to see how you can bid online to support our schools. Spring also brings concerts, musicals and plays. Check your local school calendar for exciting events to attend.

SPRING SPORTS – Our student-athletes are out swinging for the fences, sprinting for finish lines and putting their way to victories. Our prayers are that all students stay healthy and build strong relationships with teammates and coaches this season.

OFFICE OF PUBLICATIONS

ARTICLE SUBMISSIONS: Please share stories and photos from your parish or Catholic school to Katie at theregister@salinadiocese.org

April paper Content due: April 1 May paper Content due: May 6

Thank you for your help with providing content for our publications. I really rely on your assistance to make our publications enjoyable for our readers.

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

CATHOLIC FOUNDATION FOR DIOCESE OF SALINA

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL - Our 2022 appeal is off to a great start. Participation Weekend is April 2-3, 2022. This is a great way to promote the appeal and help make it successful. Please watch this <u>very brief video</u> that explains everything you need to know. Participation Weekend is a great reminder to those who have not yet given, but more importantly, it catches the potential donors we are unable to contact through mail.

We very much appreciate your patience with us as we continue to work out the kinks in our gift reporting. We want to be sure to provide you with current, accurate information.

CATHOLIC FOUNDATION FOR DIOCESE OF SALINA (cont.)

A few reminders:

- Please continue to include an intention for the success of the appeal in the prayers of the faithful.
- Please continue to include bulletin announcements about the appeal.
- Please encourage parishioners to visit <u>here</u> to view all appeal resources.
- Please share the parish champion videos found on our diocesan Facebook on your parish Facebook page.

THINGS TO BE AWARE OF - A few upcoming events to mark on your calendars. More details will be shared closer to time.

- There will be two seminarian dinners this year. One in Salina on August 10, 2022. The other in Hays on August 11, 2022.
- Seminarian collection is August 14, 2022.
- #iGiveCatholic Advanced Giving is November 14, 2022. Giving Day is November 29, 2022.

OFFICE OF YOUTH MINISTRY & RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

PRAYER AND ACTION - We have begun taking reservations for Prayer and Action 2022—The forms and information are on our website. Reservations will held for your parish once we have the registration forms and money at the Salina Diocese. As you start to get your signups together, be mindful of your sponsor to student ratio. We have to a make sure that we have the right number of adults coming with each group. We also need both male and female sponsors. The Diocesan Team cannot be used for night supervisors or job site supervision. We appreciate your help with that and your willingness to get our students to these programs!

https://salinadiocese.org/office/office-of-youth-ministry/prayer-and-action/

TOTUS TUUS - We have filled all our weeks for the Totus Tuus Teams. We appreciate all of the parishes that are bringing one of our teams to their community!

JUNIOR CYO CAMP - We have begun our signups for the Jr. CYO Camp. Please help get the word out to your parishes and junior high students. We are really excited to get all the junior high kids back out camp! https://salinadiocese.org/office/office-of-youth-ministry/junior-cyo-camp/

COMMUNICATIONS AND FORMS - Please check out these three digital avenues we currently use to get information out to everyone. These are all places where you can find information on our programs and the forms that need to be filled out to register.

OFFICE OF YOUTH MINISTRY & RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (cont.)

DIOCESAN WEBSITE - We will always have all the information for our programs and the forms that need to be filled out for those programs on our website. This is a good place to regularly be checking for updates.

https://salinadiocese.org/office/office-of-youth-ministry/https://salinadiocese.org/office/office-of-religious-education/

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER - Please sign up if you are not already getting our weekly newsletter. This newsletter is the best way for a Parish Leader, DRE or Jr CYO/ CYO leader to keep up with what is happening in our Salina Diocese Youth Ministry and Religious Education programs. You can sign up by using the link or scanning the QR Code

http://eepurl.com/hMHHnj



SOCIAL MEDIA - We will be regularly sending out information through our social media pages

Instagram - https://www.instagram.com/salina youth/

Facebook - https://www.facebook.com/Salina-Diocese-Youth-Ministry-Religious-Education-108324174954899

Twitter - https://twitter.com/SalinaDioceseYM

OFFICE OF FAMILY LIFE

CATHOLIC ENGAGED ENCOUNTER has marriage prep weekends scheduled for April 1-3 and June 8-10 at the Spiritual Life Center in Victoria. Registration available online at the diocesan website under Offices/Family Life/marriage prep. Please encourage engaged couples to participate and register early to allow for planning time. Registration fee has increased to \$300 per couple for the weekend due to increase cost of the Spiritual Life Center.

MEMORIAL MASSES: There will be two Masses for Parents of a deceased child, one in the western deaneries and one in the eastern deaneries, making it more accessible for all grieving parents to attend. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Vincke at both locations with the first Mass to be held on Wednesday, May 11th, at 2:00 P.M., in Colby and the second Mass to be held on Thursday, May 12th, at 2:00 P.M. in Abilene. There will be a luncheon immediately following Mass at both locations. This replaces the Mother's Mass that has been held the past several years because of many requests to include the fathers. Registration is now available online at the diocesan website. There is no fee to attend. Registration is not required but is greatly appreciated, as it helps us to plan this event. Walkups are welcomed on the day of the event.

THE 2022 DIOCESAN MEN'S CONFERENCE will be Saturday, August 13th. Former Swiss Guard and renowned Catholic Speaker, Mario Enzler, will be the keynote speaker.

OFFICE OF RESPECT LIFE

VALUE THEM BOTH: It is time to be informing and educating the Catholic community of the Salina Diocese about the "VALUE THEM BOTH" legislation. The Kansas Primary Election slated for August 2nd, 2022, may be the most important election of our times. A YES vote for "Value Them Both" is critical and 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@kansascatholic.org at the Kansas Catholic Conference, or the Respect Life Office of the diocese (785-827-8747).

MISCELLANEOUS

40th **ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY** - Fr. Steve Heina is celebrating his 40th anniversary of priesthood ordination on Sunday, May 22, 2022, at St. John's Church in Clyde. Mass is at 4 P.M., followed by a dinner in the parish hall. Priests are welcome to concelebrate. Concelebrants, please indicate your intention by May 16 to the parish office (Phone 785-446-3474; Email stjohn@nckcn.com).

MAY 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Ellic Oam	State K of C Convention, April 30- May 2, Topeka	Lay Review Board, 4pm	Confirmation, St. Andrew, Abilene, 6:30pm			St. Mary's grade school carnival, Salina, 5:30pm
8 World Day of Prayer for Vocations Confirmation, St. Bernard- Ellsworth & St. Ignatius- Kanopolis, 2 pm, at Ellsworth	9	10	11 Mass for Parents who have Lost a Child, S.HColby, 2 pm Confirmation, St. Francis of Assisi, Norton, 6 pm	12 Mass for Parents who have Lost a Child, St. Andrew, Abilene, 2 pm Lay Review Board, 4 pm	13	14
Graduation, Tipton, 10 am Graduation, S.H., Salina 3 pm, Cathedral	16 St. Isidore's Day, St. John the Baptist, Hanover Graduation, St. John's, Hanover, 5 pm	17 Women Religious Appreciation Mass, Cathedral, Salina, 11am	Graduation, St. Augustine, Washington & Sacred Heart, Greenleaf, 7 pm at Washington	19 College of Consultors, 2:30pm	20	Graduation, St. Francis Xavier, 2 pm, Junction City
	23	24 Senior Priests Luncheon, Victoria, 11 am	25 Senior Priests Luncheon, Salina, 11 am	26 Feast of the Ascension of Jesus	27	28 Jr. CYO Camp May 28-31 st , Rock Springs, Junction City Mass at Pfeiffer, 4pm, followed by Blessing of the Cemetery
29	30 Memorial Day CHANCERY CLOSED	31				•

GUIDELINES FOR MASS OUTSIDE OF A CHURCH, CHAPEL, OR ORATORY IN THE DIOCESE OF SALINA

I. Permission for Mass in the Diocese of Salina outside of a church, chapel or oratory, must be obtained in writing from the local ordinary, i.e., the Bishop or the Vicar General, or the bishop's designate. The mailing address is:

Diocese of Salina 103 N. Ninth Street Salina, KS 67417

Canon 932: §1 The Eucharistic celebration is to be carried out in a sacred place unless in a particular case necessity requires otherwise; in such a case the celebration must be done in a decent place.

In the understanding of this canon the local ordinary determines what is, "a suitable place". In the case of Catholic Schools, and special Parish events, it is understood that circumstances may require Mass to be held in a larger space such as a school gymnasium or fieldhouse to accommodate many participants. The pastor of the place can grant this permission.

The celebration of outdoor Masses on a *regular*, even seasonal basis, such as "lake Masses" is prohibited. Permission for other outdoor Masses for special Parish/school events or occasions may be granted by the Pastor with advanced notification given to the local ordinary. Permission for other outdoor Masses may only be given by the local ordinary, or his designate.

In some circumstances, for example a large funeral, it may be necessary celebrate Mass in another non-Catholic church which is able to accommodate more people. Permission for these Masses is also necessary.

Canon 933: For a just cause with the express permission of the local ordinary, a priest is permitted to celebrate the Eucharist in the place of worship of some Church or ecclesial community which does not have full communion with the Catholic Church so long as there is no scandal.

II. When Mass is celebrated in a convention center, hotel, or any other public or semipublic venue for conventions or gatherings, the liturgies as much as possible should be coordinated with the Diocesan Liturgy Office. The Liturgy Office contact information is:

> Diocese of Salina 103 N. Ninth Street Salina, KS 67417

Phone: (785) 827-8746 Fax: (785) 827-6133

Email: liturgy@salinadiocese.org

The Liturgy Office must be contacted at least a month prior to the event to allow time for proper coordination.

Approved by the Most Rev. Gerald L. Vincke Bishop of Salina January 13, 2022

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

April- Child Abuse Prevention Month

We are called through scripture and teaching to protect the life and dignity of the human person. Throughout the year, but especially in the month of April, we all are asked to increase awareness, to educate ourselves and the community, and to seek healing for those who have been so tragically impacted. It is my hope that all will find opportunity to promote this mission and protect those who are in need.

In order to prevent child abuse, we need to understand what it is.

Child abuse is when a child is intentionally harmed by an adult or another child-it can be over a period of time, but it can also one and done action. It can be physical, sexual, or emotional and it can happen in person or "on-line". It can also be a lack of love, care and attention – this is called neglect. Types of abuse can include:

- bullying/cyberbullying
- child trafficking
- child sexual exploitation
- domestic abuse
- emotional abuse
- grooming

- neglect
- non-recent abuse
- on-line abuse
- physical abuse
- sexual abuse



Child abuse, including child sexual abuse, has occurred throughout our society for many years. Child abuse is widespread. It cuts across all cultures, religious and socioeconomic groups. If you are worried about a child, it may be hard to know what to do. For more information on types of child abuse, how to spot the signs of child abuse and what you can do to keep children safe please click here. If you need someone to talk to, or need immediate assistance, please use the contact information below



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

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 Email: reportabuse@salinadiocese.org Reports will be responded

> "Rescue me, Lord, from my foes, for I seek refuge in you." - Psalm 143:9

to promptly by the

Victim Assistance Coordinator.



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

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.

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NEWS AND NOTES

from the Safe Environment Office

Parenting can be tough, and caring for a child is one of the most important jobs a parent has, this includes keeping a child safe from harm. Unfortunately though our children don't come with instruction manuals. So as parents we need training. The more training we have the more prepared we will feel as we raise our children and the more able we are to handle upsets and surprises. Connecting on several levels with your children will go a long way in preventing abuse. See the list below for ways to connect with your child so when a situation does arise you are prepared to handle it. For more information and resources visit www.faceitabuse.org

- CALL FOR HELP: We can all use a helping hand sometimes. Reach out for help when you or your family needs it. No matter what is going on in your life or the lives of your family members, it is helpful to be prepared with local hotline information in case of a crisis or emergency.
- OFFER ONE ON ONE OPPORTUNITIES: Schedule one on one time with each of your children even if only for 5-10 minutes each day. Normalize that it is okay to not be happy all the time. Help your child take note of the times that you and your family are happy. It is normal to have good days and bad days.
- NAVIGATE YOUR NETWORKS: Use community resources like schools, libraries, neighbors and more to connect to people and places that can provide support to your family. Many are available through online platforms.
- NOTICE TRIGGERS AND TAKE BREAKS: Learn which behaviors and words that might help you identify your child's impending meltdown or tantrum. Remember, children and teens react (in part) based on what they see from the adults around them. When you are calm, you provide the best support.
- EAT TOGETHER: Family meals create opportunities for sharing about the day, catching up, and discussing highlights and struggles.

 Get your kids involved in preparing meals, not just eating the meals you prepare. Cooking together can bring a family together.
- CARE FOR YOURSELF: Caregivers cannot pour from an empty cup, so it is important to take care of yourself too. Practice self-care. Listen to your favorite song, read, meditate, or enjoy your favorite activity. When we can take time to care for ourselves, we are in the best form to care for those we love.
- TAKE TIME TO TALK: Find time to talk with your child about their friendships, what they enjoy doing, and what they want to do when they grow up. Instead of asking questions like, "how was your day", try asking questions like, "what was your favorite part of today?" or "if you could do today over, what would you change?"

The church is the Body of Christ. All members of the Church are linked to one another. We ALL have a responsibility to ensure the safety of children in our parishes, schools, families and local communities. The Diocese of Salina has taken great strides in fulfilling our promise to protect children, educate our communities, and bring healing to those who have suffered abuse.

Are there people who sit next to you at mass each week who do not currently minister to minors, but could benefit from being educated on how to protect children? Please encourage them to contact the Safe Environment Office - 785-827-8746.

The more people who are educated on child sexual abuse, the safer our children will be!

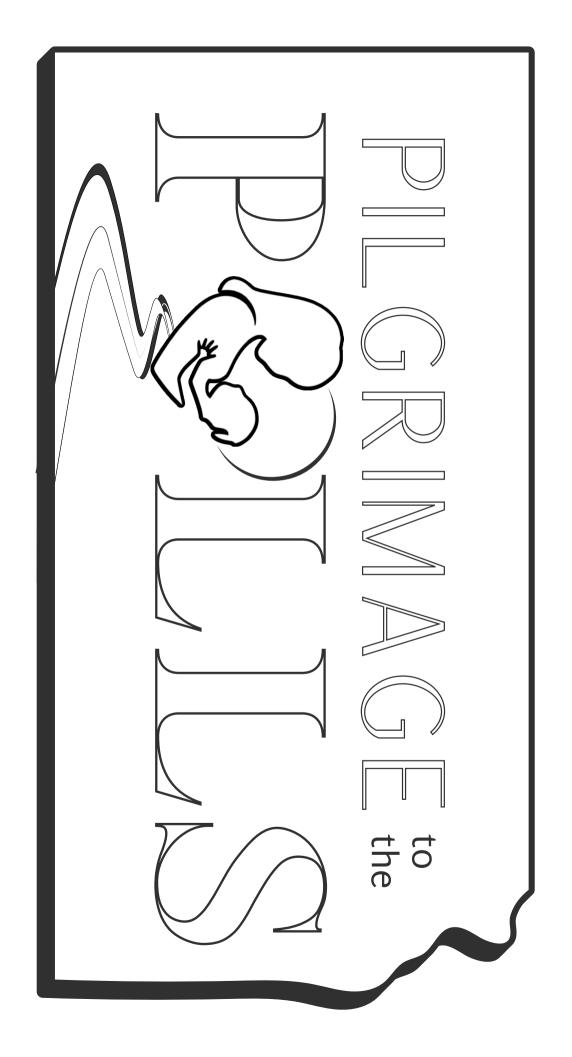


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PILGRIMAGE TO THE POLLS

