

The Monsignor John George Weber Century Farm Award Application Form

Presented by: The Salina Diocese Catholic Rural Life Commission, The Salina Diocesan Catholic Rural Life Commission established the annual Century Farm Award in August 1992, to recognize Catholic families of the Salina Diocese who have farmed or owned the same land in the Salina Diocese for one hundred years or more. In 2002, the Salina Diocesan Rural Life Commission honored Monsignor John George Weber for his many years of service to the Salina Diocese and National Catholic Rural Life Offices by adding his name to the century farm award. Just as Monsignor Weber has worked tirelessly to promote rural life and keep abreast of farm issues, this Monsignor John George Weber Century Farm Award recognizes the farmers and ranchers of the Salina Diocese who have been entrusted with the productive land of our diocese from one generation to the next and who have exemplified the Church's value of keeping their family associated with the land. The Catholic Church of the Salina Diocese congratulates those who have been able to complete this task.

Please Print or Type the Application Information

Name of Applicant: _____
(Award plaque will bear this name)

Address: _____ **City:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Phone: _____ **Email:** _____

Parish Attending _____

Name of original family member who owned land and date acquired: (will be on plaque):

Children of the original family:

Chronological order of family members who have owned, farmed or lived on the land:

Present owner/operator:

REQUIREMENTS FOR THE MONSIGNOR JOHN GEORGE WEBER CENTURY FARM AWARD

1. Families eligible for this award must be the owner or operator of the land which has been in the same family for one hundred years or more and the family has not received this award previously.
2. Applicants must be a practicing Catholic (at least one of the family members a practicing Catholic).
3. The entry form must be completed and returned to the Rural Life Commission Office, before August 1.
4. The recipient or a delegate of **the family must be present** at the Salina Diocese Rural Life Day to receive the award.
5. The recipients will be asked to introduce their family members present at the Annual Rural Life Day and make a few comments (five minutes or less) about their century farm.
6. A written copy of the comments would be appreciated for the Rural Life Office Achieves and article for The Register. **Due 2 weeks prior to the event.**
7. All recipients will receive a plaque for meeting these requirements.
8. Questions or comments about the Monsignor John George Weber Century Farm Award or the Annual Rural Life Day may be directed to the Salina Diocese.

Entries due by August 1st to:

**Fr. Rich Daise
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Hays, KS 67601**

Questions, Please Contact:

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