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OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD is Sunday, January 1. The Chancery will be closed Monday, January 2.

MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY is Monday, January 16. The Chancery will be closed.

CLERGY RENEWAL Days are scheduled for January 16-19 at the Spiritual Life Center in Wichita.

NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE is Friday, January 20 in Washington D.C.

THE RED MASS will be held in Topeka at 12:00pm on Monday, January 23. The location has changed this year. Services will be held at St. Joseph's Church, 227 SW Van Buren St. in Topeka.

IGNITE Annual Pro-Life Event is Tuesday, January 24 in Topeka. Part of the National Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children and the Kansas Mass, March & Rally for Life. Please see the Office of Respect Life section for more information.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK is January 29 – February 4. The theme is *Catholic Schools: Faith. Excellence. Service.* Thank you to all the pastors, teachers, parents, and students who support our Catholic schools.

HUMAN TRAFFICKING ALERTS for parish bulletins are listed below:

January: Chocolate is a favorite of choice for many however we consume it, in candy or drinks. Do you know that children as young as 9 and 10 work long hours every day on chocolate farms to satisfy the demand for chocolate. US Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking, 7575 Grand River Rd., Suite 109, Brighton, MI 48114.

Enero: el chocolate es el favorito de muchos, sin importar cómo lo consumamos, en dulces o bebidas. ¿Sabe que niños de 9 y 10 años trabajan muchas horas todos los días en las granjas de chocolate para satisfacer la demanda de chocolate? US Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking, 7575 Grand River Rd., Suite 109, Brighton, MI 48114.

PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY – If you have not done so already, please send in your collection for World Mission Sunday, made back in October, to Brenda at the chancery. The 2022 annual report will be coming up soon and we need to include these funds in this report to the national office.

OFFICE OF SAFE ENVIRONMENT

THE SAFE ENVIRONMENT PROGRAM has policies, procedures, requirements and expectations that need to be followed. Please be mindful of those as our safe environment programs are in place to assist parents, children, parish members, teachers, community members and all those who work with children in securing a safe environment for our young people where they can grow to full and human Christian maturity. Thank you again for all your hard work this past year. As St. Teresa of Calcutta often said, "Not all of us can do great things. But we can do small things with great love."

THE SHEPHERD - For news, notes and reminders, please see the attached January edition of the Safe Environment Newsletter.

COMPLIANCE – Safety coordinators, as we begin a new calendar year, please ensure that your parish/school follows the requirements set forth from the Safe Environment Office. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the office at 785-827-8746.

OFFICE OF VOCATIONS

SEMINARY VISITS for individuals to discern the seminary include Kenrick School of Theology in St. Louis, Missouri on February 9, 10, 11, Conception Seminary in Conception, Missouri on March 25, 26, 27, and St. John Vianney Seminary in Denver, Colorado on March 30, 31 and April 1.

In late January, Seminarian Joseph Schones will be staying at the Cathedral and working at the Chancery for the spring semester and Seminarian Steven Matthews will be at the Colby Parish and taking classes at Colby Community College for the spring semester.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

OUTREACH SERVICES - Catholic Charities Outreach Services vans bring boxes of food and hygiene items, as well as diapers, laundry detergent and other necessities to individuals and families in Plainville, Oakley, Norton, WaKeeney, Russell, Ellsworth, Beverly, Wilson, Lincoln, Beloit, Oberlin, Hoxie, Belleville, Junction City, and Herington. The vans travel every Wednesday each month, as well as the first Tuesday. The January Outreach Services schedule is attached. You can always view the full, up-to-date schedule at <u>www.ccnks.org/outreach</u>

CATHOLIC CHARITIES (cont.)

BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN - The Salina and Manhattan Baby Bottle Campaign takes place Saturday, February 4 – Sunday, February 26. The Baby Bottle Campaign supports struggling mothers and children throughout our community, raising funds so they have access to vital services and care items. To contribute, simply pick up a bottle at your parish the weekend of February 4-5. Throughout the month, fill the bottle with change, dollars, or checks. Return the bottle to your parish by Sunday, February 26. Fill a bottle, change a life!

2022 ANNUAL APPEAL - On behalf of the entire Catholic Charities team, thank you to everyone who has and is still contributing to the 2022 Annual Appeal, "Together, we can!". Through your faithful generosity, you are meeting the needs of those across Northern Kansas facing food insecurity, financial hardships, lack of support, and mental health challenges. All donations made will be matched up to \$150,000, doubling your impact! It is not too late to make your mark. To donate to the 2022 Annual Appeal, visit <u>www.ccnks.org/annualappeal</u>.

AMAZON SMILE CHARITY LISTS & WALMART REGISTRY FOR GOOD - Are you looking for a way to give directly to Catholic Charities' food and hygiene programs this year? We have two exciting gift registries that make supporting our community's needs easier than ever. Our AmazonSmile Charity List and Walmart Registry for Good offer you an easy way to purchase our most needed food, hygiene, and baby items and ship directly to our warehouse.

Simply visit <u>www.ccnks.org/inkind</u>, where at the top of the screen, you will find links to both our Amazon and Walmart registries. Click the links to browse your preferred vendor for our food, hygiene, and baby lists. Once your selected items have been added to your cart, check out. These items will then ship directly to our Salina warehouse, where they will be dispersed among our three locations in Salina, Hays, and Manhattan and shared with our neighbors in need across Northern Kansas. You're done - changing lives is that easy!

WALMART SPARK GOOD ROUND UP - If you do online shopping at Walmart, The Spark Good Round Up Program allows customers to round up their purchase total and donate their change at checkout on Walmart.com and in the Walmart app to a public charity of their choice. It's easy to use and customizable. Enrolling is simple:

Log into or create a Walmart account on your mobile device or computer

Under "Account" select "Giving & Impact"

Under the **Round Up**, select **Catholic Charities of Northern Kansas** as your preferred charity. If you can't find us by name - try entering the zip code "67401"

You're done! All future Walmart website purchases will be rounded to the nearest dollar to support our services. For questions, contact Olivia at 758-825-0208 x218

OFFICE OF PUBLICATIONS

MATERNITY LEAVE: Katie Hamel is on maternity leave. Please be sure to send any news, photos, announcements, etc. to theregister@salinadiocese.org. If you have specific questions, contact Kim at kim.hoelting@salinadiocese.org.

OFFICE OF PUBLICATIONS (cont.)

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

| January paper | Content due: January 6 |
|----------------|-------------------------|
| February paper | Content due: February 3 |
| March paper | Content due: March 3 |
| April paper | Content due: April 7 |

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

OFFICE OF EDUCATION

NATIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK (CSW) January 29 – February 4 - is an annual celebration of Catholic education in the United States that was started in 1974. Schools typically observe the week with Masses, assemblies and other activities for students, families, parishioners, and community members to celebrate. Through these events, schools focus on the value Catholic education provides to young people and its contributions to our church, our communities, and our nation. This year's theme is Catholic Schools: Faith. Excellence. Service.

SURVEY SAYS – As part of the school improvement process, families were surveyed about the Catholic Identity of the Catholic Schools their child(ren) attend. Below are some of the findings of the survey:

- Symbols of the Catholic faith are displayed throughout our schools.
- Our schools are communities that pray together.
- Our schools make Jesus and the teachings of the Catholic Church known to all students

The top reasons why families chose to enroll their child(ren) in our Catholic schools:

- Catholic religious identity
- Class size
- School reputation
- Academic reputation
- Teachers/Staff

#iGIVECATHOLIC – The schools of the Salina Diocese participated in Giving Tuesday on November 29 with #iGiveCatholic. Over \$400,000 was raised, including \$62,925 in matching funds from 24/7 Travel Stores. Thank you to all who supported our schools and parishes.

THREE BALD GUYS – Tune in to the latest episode of Three Bald Guys podcast to listen to Fr. Jarett Konrade, Geoff Andrews – Superintendent of Schools, and Bill Meagher – Director of Religious Education & Youth Ministry.

TAX CREDIT SCHOLARSHIP – The Scholarship Granting Fund for the Catholic Diocese of Salina is accepting donations and is able to offer a 70% tax credit. Please email Laurie Trautwein, Development Assistant for the Catholic Foundation <u>laurie.trautwein@salinadiocese.org.</u>

COMMUNICATIONS

DIRECTORY UPDATES: If you have any changes that need updated on a directory page on the website for your school or parish page, please make sure to submit those by clicking "<u>Directory</u> <u>Update</u>" in the Quick links at the bottom of the website (salinadiocese.org) or clicking this link: <u>https://salinadiocese.typeform.com/to/kTH1yRoS</u>

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

FROM THE HEART PODCAST: Tune in to our newest episodes of Three Bald Guys! This series features Geoff Andrews, Bill Meagher and Fr. Jarett Konrade, who will talk about evangelization, education and more! Be sure to check out the latest episodes! "From the Heart Catholic Podcast" can be found on our diocese website and anywhere you listen to podcasts. Happy listening!

Follow us on social media! Instagram: salina_diocese Facebook: SalinaDiocese Twitter: @SalinaDiocese YouTube: Salina Diocese or www.youtube.com/salinadioceseks

CATHOLIC FOUNDATION FOR DIOCESE OF SALINA

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL: As of December 23, 2022, we have \$2,088,260 pledged from 3,460 donors. We are so grateful to have hit our goal! We couldn't have done it without your support. We are still receiving gifts and will be counting those towards the 2022 appeal up until the end of January.

Nearly all assets have been designed for the 2023 Bishop's Annual Appeal – Call to Share. In January, you will be receiving a parish resource manual, poster and audio homily. We will also have a website where you can easily view materials and resources for the 2023 appeal- more to come on this!

Be sure to mark your calendars:

February 11-12, 2023Kick-off weekendMarch 4-5, 2023 *date changed*Participation (in-pew) weekend

Social media to watch for will be the kick-off video, parish champion videos and any appeal content that is shared on the Foundation Facebook page. We really appreciate you sharing these when you can. Additionally, a special issue of *faith* will be released in early February. We've really changed up the messaging and are excited about this upcoming issue. We hope you like it!

CATHOLIC FOUNDATION FOR DIOCESE OF SALINA (cont.)

SHARING OUR THANKS: Have you seen the "thank you" message about the 2022 appeal on social media yet? If not – you can find it here - https://youtu.be/gjZ-UACKJDU Please be sure to share it. We are so grateful to you and all donors to the appeal!

#iGIVECATHOLIC: The Diocese of Salina raised over \$717,000! We are so excited about the results and hope that you are as well. We appreciate everyone's efforts in making this successful, and we're looking forward to the 2023 campaign. Some quick stats regarding our 2022 campaign-

- The Diocese of Salina ranked 10th overall out of 42 participating dioceses.
- We had 1,140 donors this year an increase over last year.
- 2 organizations finished in the top 50 of all participating organizations St. Andrew Grade School in Abilene was 26th in the country and Manhattan Catholic Schools was 39th.

SURVEY: Anyone with an email address on file with the CFDS should have recently received or will be receiving an email in the upcoming months, asking for their feedback by completing a brief survey. This information helps shape the future of the Diocese and allows us to understand how we can better plan for the future. Please encourage your parishioners to take a few moments to complete the survey so that we may better understand what their interests are and how those interests align with the mission of the Diocese and our ministries. See announcement below-

The Diocese of Salina needs your feedback! You may have received or will be receiving an email in the upcoming months from Bishop Vincke asking for your participation in a brief annual survey. The feedback and information obtained from this survey helps the Diocese understand what is important to you and for planning for the future. Please take a few moments to complete this important survey. We truly appreciate your participation and feedback!

PARISHIONER LISTS: Thank you for your help in keeping our parish and parishioner records up to date. We really appreciate it! If you haven't yet, please send your list with any updates to Torrie torrie.gregg@salinadiocese.org. Please let us know if you have questions.

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS: The Diocese of Salina is once again offering two scholarships to college students. Throw away all your old applications for these two scholarships, as the process will be online-only in the future. The Monsignor Clement A. Kruse and the Marymount Memorial Educational Trust make available a limited number of scholarships each year. Please share this link with all graduating seniors and current college students. This application is due by March 1, 2023. Apply here: https://salinadiocese.typeform.com/scholarship2023

The Catholic Foundation for Diocese of Salina is pleased to announce the Susie Deges Memorial Scholarship. This will be given out to a high school senior who has been active in their local CYO. This application is due by March 1, 2023. More information on this scholarship and a link to the application will be included in the January edition of the Register and February SDNB.

FOLLOW US! We are now live on Facebook, and you can find us at https://www.facebook.com/catholicfoundationfordioceseofsalina. If your parish has a Facebook page please make sure to follow the Foundation and we will follow you right back!

CATHOLIC FOUNDATION FOR DIOCESE OF SALINA (cont.)

MATERNITY LEAVE: If you haven't heard, Katie Hamel and her husband are expecting their first baby in January. She will be on leave for 12 weeks. If you have any Foundation related questions for Katie, please direct them to heather.hartman@salinadiocese.org. If you have any publications related questions, please direct them to theregister@salinadiocese.org.

OFFICE OF RESPECT LIFE

THE "IGNITE RALLY AND MASS FOR LIFE" will be held at the Topeka Performing Arts Center Tuesday, January 24, 2023. The program, featuring Keynote Speaker Lila Rose, founder of "Live Action", begins at 9:00 a.m. (doors open at 8:30) and is followed by Mass with the Bishops of Kansas at 10:30 a.m. Immediately following Mass everyone will march to the Capitol for the Kansans for Life Rally on the south Capitol steps at noon. For more information or to register individually or as a group, please go to <u>ARCHKCK.ORG/IGNITE</u>. The event is free, but registration is requested to assist event organizers in preparing for the anticipated crowd. **EVERY PARISH** in the diocese is urged to send representatives to the Kansas Rally for Life. Kansas is one of the most liberal states in the Union in the extremes it allows for abortions to happen. **DO NOT** sit by and let our state become a destination point for women seeking abortion.

RESOURCES from the USCCB on all things related to Respect Life can be found by going to the "Resources" link under Family/Respect Life on the Diocesan webpage.

MISCELLANEOUS

WOMEN'S SPIRITUALITY CONFERENCE will held on Saturday, January 28, 2023 in Manhattan, KS at St. Thomas More Parish, 2900 Kimball Ave. from 8:30a.m. to 3:30p.m. This conference is jointly sponsored by the Seven Dolors and St. Thomas More Women's Groups. Our presenter will be Sarah Hart, a leading composer of contemporary Catholic music. Questions? Email Rosie Rundell - <u>formation@sevendolors.com</u>

FEBRUARY 2023

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | | 1 CSW-S.D., Manhattan 10 am CSW-St. Francis Xavier, J. C., 1:30 pm | 2 CSW-Colby/Oakley at S.H., Colby, 11 am | 3 CSW-Hays/Plainville/ Ellis at I.H.M., Hays 10 am | 4 |
| 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| Confirmation, Christ the King, WaKeeney, 10:30 am | | | Jesu Caritas, Salina | Jesu Caritas, Salina | KS Catholic Student Convention, St. Lawrence Catholic Center, Lawrence, Feb. 10-11 | St. Andrew's Parish/School Auction, Abilene, 6 pm Bishop's Annual Appeal kick-off wknd. |
| 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 |
| World Marriage Sunday Lincoln's Birthday | | St. Valentine's Day | | | Deacon Candidate Formation weekend, Victoria, Feb. 17-19 Blessed Stanley Rother Shrine Dedication, OKC | Confirmation-S.D., Manhattan, 4:30pm |
| 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 |
| Confirmation-St. Thomas More, Manhattan, 5 pm | Diocesan Teacher's Spiritual Renewal Day, Hays, TMP/Marian President's Day | | Ash Wednesday Year of Mercy, Norton | Year of Mercy, New Almelo | Pathways Retreat-St. Isidore, Manhattan, Feb. 24-26 | |
| 26 | 27 | 28 | | | | |
| Rite of Election-Hays, St. Nicholas, 3 pm | | | | | | |

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"I am the good shepherd, and I know mine and mine know me, Tust as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I will lay down my lite For the sheep"



Remember us, O God; from age to age be our comforter. You have given us the wonder of time, blessings in days and nights, seasons and years. Bless your children at the turning of the year and fill the months ahead with the bright hope that is ours in the coming of Christ. You are our God, living and reigning, forever and ever. Amen.

As I look back on 2022, I again recognize that being a Safety Coordinator at parish or school is a huge job! Many of you are not full- time employees, only part time volunteers. I thank you for your commitment as you keep our children safe. As you continue this journey in the new year, please know I am available, whatever your needs may be. Thank you again for all you do. Your dedication to our diocese is greatly appreciated. Many blessings on the new year!



CMGConnect

SAFE ENVIRONMENT DATABASE

The CMGConnect Database helps us to ensure that all clergy, educators, employees, and volunteers who work around minors have completed the safe environment requirements. Safety coordinators, please log in weekly and make any necessary updates.

> Note: All expired users in the data base were archived on December 30, 2022, please contact the Safe Environment office for further information.

~John 10: 14-15

All parishes and schools are reminded to place this announcement in their parish bulletins or school newsletters/websites quarterly, then provide the Safe Environment Office a copy for diocesan files.

Report allegations of the abuse of a minor to the Department of Children and Families 800.922.5330 KBI Crime Hotline 800.572.7463

If you suspect abuse of a minor by church or school personnel, in addition to contacting civil authorities, the diocese provides a confidential Hotline: 866.752.8855 ext.1067 Website: reportandprotect.com Email: reportabuse@salinadiocese.org Reports will be responded 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 a confidential Hotline: 800.276.1562 Website: reportbishopabuse.org

The Diocese of Salina complies with Kansas laws regarding reporting suspected abuse to civil authorities and cooperates with civil authorities investigating reports of suspected abuse by all persons, including but not limited to Church Personnel.

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Questions regarding reporting should be directed to the Safe Environment Office Diocese of Salina -785.827. 8746

God is light; and in him there is no darkness. If we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another." I John 1:5-7



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NEWS AND NOTES from the Safe Environment Office

One person's stance against child abuse and child sexual abuse has a ripple effect. Other lives are influenced and changed as a result. Each of us can contribute to creating safe environments for all children in our communities. If one person can accomplish so much, imagine what is possible when members of a community work together to protect children. The potential is tremendous!

What Can Parents Do?

Teach children about healthy and safe relationships.

Teach Children internet safety in a technology-based world. What social media platforms are YOUR children using? Does your child use TikTok?

Know the warning signs of potential abuse.

Know about your children's lives. Who do they spend time with? Where do they spend their time?

Ensure that personnel at your child's school or other adults in their lives are trained in sexual abuse prevention.

Ensure your child knows what to do in the event of an assault.



What is TikTok?

TikTok is an app that allows users to create and share short videos. TikTok's users enjoy using the app's tools to combine video, music, and graphics into funny sketches and creative shorts. Why do so many teens like TikTok?

TikTok allows teens to combine music and video to make funny, silly, and clever video shorts. The app and its user community are known to value creativity and authenticity over follower counts and likes. As a result, users find it a refreshing atmosphere where they can be themselves. Also, TikTok videos can be fun to watch and -- because they are so short -- be enjoyed during brief breaks. If a half hour TV show were a meal, TikTok would be a snack.

To learn more about TikTok go to <u>https://www.catholienh.org/assets/Documents/Child-Safety/Articles-</u> <u>Parents/ParentsGuideToTikTok.pdf</u>



Wendy Backes Safe Environment Program Coordinator 785.827.8746 wendy.backes@salinadiocese.org PROMISE ^{To} Protect
Pledge
To HEAL

> Believe in the possibility of help and healing. There is hope reportabuse@salinadiocese.org 866.752.8855 ext. 1067

> > reportandprotect.com



Kim Hoelting Human Resources Director 785. 342.0819 kim.hoelting@salinadiocese.org

Catholic Charities Outreach Services

January 2023 Schedule

Families who qualify can receive a large box of food, hygiene items, diapers and wipes, and other supplies and services as needed. All are welcome!

Wednesday



Junction City - JC Naz Church Smith Center - St Mary's Catholic Church Phillipsburg - St. Philip & James Norton - St Francis Catholic Church Herington - St John Catholic Church Osborne - St. Aloysius Catholic Church 9:00am - 10:00am 10:30am - 11:30am 11:00am-12:00pm 1:00pm - 2:00pm 1:00pm - 2:00pm 1:00pm - 2:00pm

Wednesday



Washington - St. Augustine Parish Wakeeney - Christ the King Church Ellsworth - St. Bernard Catholic Church Mankato - St. Theresa Catholic Church Oakley - Gateway Fellowship Lincoln - LC County Health Department 9:30am - 10:30am 10:00am - 11:00am 11:30am-12:30pm 12:00pm - 1:00pm 12:30pm - 1:30pm 1:30pm - 2:30pm

Wednesday

Abilene - St. Andrew Parish9:30am - 10:30amBeloit - St. John the Baptist Church9:30am - 11:15amHoxie- St. Frances Catholic Church10:30am-11:30amOberlin - Sacred Heart Parish12:30pm - 1:30pmClay Center - St. Peter & Paul Parish1:00pm - 2:00pmConcordia - Our Lady of Perpetual Help1:30pm - 3:00pm

Wednesday

Chapman - St. Michael Catholic Church9:00am - 10:00amRussell - St. Mary Queen of Angels Church9:00am - 10:00amMinneapolis - 200 Block of North Parker St.9:00am - 10:00amBelleville - St. Edward Parish1:030am-11:30amPlainville - Sacred Heart Catholic Church1:00pm - 2:00pmBeverly - City Office of Beverly12:30pm - 1:30pm



Any cancellations due to inclement weather will be announced by 4 p.m. the day before the scheduled outreach.





IGNITE RALLY MASS FOR

Come Holy Spirit, set our hearts aflame to defend life!

TOPEKA PERFORMING ARTS CENTERJ A N U A R Y2 4 ,2 0 2 3

- 8:30AM DOORS OPEN
- 9:00AM SPEAKER PROGRAM
- 10:30AM MASS WITH THE BISHOPS OF KANSAS
- 12:00 PM MARCH TO CAPITOL FOR KANSANS FOR LIFE BALLY



KEYNOTE: LILA ROSE Founder of Live Action



MASS WITH THE BISHOPS OF KANSAS



MUSIC BY All Things I Am



FOR INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER VISIT: ARCHKCK.ORG/IGNITE



REGISTRATION DEADLINE: JAN. 20, 2023

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| Early Registration Fee \$45 (ad | | | | |
| After Dec. 31, \$50 \$30 (students HS/C Late fee after Jan. 20 is \$5 | • | | | |
| Make checks payable to St. Thomas More Memo: | | | | |
| Women's Conference. | | | | |
| Mail registration forms and payment to: Women's Conference | | | | |
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(Parish Center behind the church)

JANUARY 28, 2023 Annual Women's Conference St. Thomas More/Seven Dolors

Prayer & Song Retreat with Sarah Hart

Be merciful, be God's instrument through prayer and song. Come for a day of fun, worship, inspiring workshops and a concert featuring Sarah Hart.

Sarah Hart is one of the leading figures in contemporary Catholic music today. Her songs of faith have touched the lives of millions. Originally from Lancaster, OH, she has a degree in music from Ohio State University. Now based in Nashville, she's on the road a good part of the year juggling songwriting, recording, concerts, and a full events schedule. Sarah's songs are part of the common worship experience of Catholics in the US: "Go in Peace," "You Alone," "Sweet Redeemer" and others. Her signature blend of folk, pop, and rock delights listeners of every age. She often cowrites with artists like Curtis Stephan, Steve Angrisano, and Jesse Manibusan. Her songs have been covered by Amy Grant, Celtic Women, Matt Maher, Jason Crabb and The Newsboys. Grant's recording of Sarah's "Better than a Hallelujah" earned a Best Gospel Song Grammy nomination. Sarah's dynamic energy, sense of humor and deep faith make her retreats unforgettable experiences. She especially enjoys exploring topics around women's ministry and spirituality. In October of 2013, Sarah was invited to perform for Pope Francis and a crowd of 150,000 in St. Peter's Square. Sarah lives in Nashville with her husband and two daughters.

Women's Spirituality Conference is jointly sponsored by the Seven Dolors and St. Thomas More Women's Groups.

> This event is held annually at St. Thomas More Parish Center located at 2900 Kimball Ave., Manhattan 785-776-5151

Continental Breakfast /Gather 8:30a.m. – 9:00a.m. Introduction and Presentation 9:00a.m. to Noon Lunch Break Noon to 1:00p.m. Presentation resumes 1:00p.m. to 3:30p.m.

Early Registration Fee (before Dec. 31) \$45 (adults), After Dec. 31, registration fee is \$50 by Jan. 20 Late fee after Jan. 20 is \$55. \$30 (students HS/College) (all fees are non-refundable)

Make checks payable to St. Thomas More



Memo: Women's Conference. Or Register Online at our site: <u>https://bit.ly/WomConf23</u>

Questions? Email: Rosie Rundell at <u>formation@sevendolors.com</u> or

Alysia Bauman at <u>reledsec@stmmanhattan.com</u>. Childcare provided.

