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March 2023

OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

SCHOOLS: Thank you to all the parishes and schools I was able to visit during Catholic Schools Week, January 29 – February 4. It was a blessing to be with you all. Thank you to all the administrators, teachers and staff of our schools. Your care of and ministry to our young people is inspiring.

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

FRIDAY'S DURING LENT Bishop Vincke will offer the 12:05 P.M. Mass at the Cathedral, followed by a light lunch and short presentation in the Hall of Bishops.

RITES OF ELECTION:

Hays, St. Nicholas of Myra, February 26, 3:00 P.M. Salina, Sacred Heart Cathedral, March 5, 3:00 P.M.

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION will take place on March 19th. 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.

SOLEMNITY OF ST. JOSEPH in on March 20.

SOLEMNITY OF THE ANNUNCIATION is on Saturday, March 25. Please take the opportunity to celebrate this special solemnity of Mary's Fiat!

CHRISM MASS is on Thursday, March 30 beginning at 11:30 A.M. at the Cathedral. Reception to follow. Please tell your parishioners why the Chrism Mass is special and encourage anyone who wants to attend. It is open to everyone. I look forward to seeing you there.

HOLY LAND COLLECTION will take place on Good Friday, April 7th. Thank you for promoting this important collection in your parishes.

OFFICE OF THE BISHOP (cont.)

HUMAN TRAFFICKING ALERTS for parish bulletins are listed below:

MARCH: All of us are consumers. Do you know the slave footprint that exists in the chain of work that it takes to create many of the products and food that we consume? US Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking, 7575 Grand River Rd., Suite 109, Brighton, MI 48114.

MARZO: Todos somos consumidores. ¿Conoces la huella esclava que existe en la cadena de trabajo que lleva crear muchos de los productos y alimentos que consumimos? US Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking, 7575 Grand River Rd., Suite 109, Brighton, MI 48114.

OFFICE OF LITURGY

CHRISM MASS is Thursday, March 30. Please bring your oil stocks and leave them in the room off the sacristy before Mass. You can pick up your oils about a half hour after Mass ends. You will no longer be required to pay for these oils. Thank you!

PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH

MISSION COOPERATIVE APPEAL 2023: The diocese has confirmed agreements with the 2023 Mission Cooperative groups. In the next couple of weeks, parishes will be receiving contact information for their mission cooperative presenters. If you have not received your 2023 Mission Cooperative contact information by March 21, please contact Brenda Streit at the Chancery.

OFFICE OF PUBLICATIONS

Please be sure to send any news, photos, announcements, etc. to theregister@salinadiocese.org. If you have specific questions, contact Kim at <u>kim.hoelting@salinadiocese.org</u>.

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

March paper Content due: March 3 April paper Content due: April 7 May paper Content due: May 5 June paper Content due: June 2

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 VOCATIONS

SEMINARY VISITS for individuals to discern the seminary include 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.

VOCATIONS BBQ is scheduled for August 6th at 4:00 P.M. at St Nicholas Parish Hall in Hays. Priests are encouraged to begin thinking of young men to invite and bring to the event.

RUNNIN' REVS' is scheduled for August 11th at the TMP-Marian gym in Hays.

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 Outreach Services vans travel every Wednesday each month, as well as the first Tuesday. The March Outreach Services schedule is attached. You can always view the full, up-to-date schedule at www.cenks.org/outreach

VENMO GIVING: Supporting Catholic Charities of Northern Kansas is now easier than ever before with the launch of our new Venmo account! With the click of a button, you can provide compassionate care to those facing financial and emotional hardship throughout our communities. To donate and change a life simply scan the QR code below or visit our Venmo account @catholiccharitiesofnk. Thank you and God bless!

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AMAZONSMILE 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 www.ccnks.org/inkind, 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!

CATHOLIC CHARITIES (cont.)

MATCH MADNESS: The Greater Salina Community Foundation's Match Giving Day of giving takes place on Thursday, March 23 at the Salina Fieldhouse! Catholic Charities of Northern Kansas is proud to be participating in this special day, which, since 2012, has generated over \$2 million to support over 80 local charities. Whether you support Catholic Charities online or in person on March 23, you are ensuring our mission to support those in need across northern Kansas lives forever! To learn more visit matchmadnessgscf.org

GREEN TIE CELEBRATION: The Catholic Charities Green Tie Celebration will take place Saturday, July 29, at the Salina Country Club. The Green Tie Celebration is our annual fundraiser honoring Catholic Charities' mission to provide compassionate service to those in need across the 31 counties we serve throughout Northern Kansas. *The color green represents hope, signifying renewal and everlasting faith.* We strive to provide God's hope to all those we are so privileged to serve. To learn how you can support this year's Green Tie Celebration, contact Eric Frank at 785-825-0208.

JOB POSTINGS - PREGNANCY AND ADOPTION SPECIALIST/LISCENSED THERAPIST: Catholic Charities is hiring a Pregnancy & Adoption Specialist/Licensed Therapist at our Hays office. This exciting role encompasses both therapy duties and pregnancy and adoption case management. We are looking for a compassionate, driven, and organized individual to support those in need across northern Kansas. To learn more and apply, visit ccnks.org/careers

BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN: On behalf of Catholic Charities of Northern Kansas, thank you to everyone who supported the 2023 Baby Bottle Campaign at parishes across the Salina diocese! Your generosity will provide crucial care to mothers and babies throughout northern Kansas. It is not too late to donate! To show your support, simply scan the QR code below to give via Venmo or visit ccnks.org/babybottle. If you give via Venmo, be sure to include "2023 Baby Bottle Campaign" in the description of your transaction.

OFFICE OF SAFE ENVIRONMENT

COMPLIANCE: Safety Coordinators, along with checking the CMGConnect database, please review your files and make sure you have sent ALL required documentation to the Safe Environment Office. This includes certification status forms, children's data report form and bulletin announcements. It is imperative that this information be on file and up to date to maintain compliance in your parishes and schools in the diocese. The diocese will not have an on-site audit this year but will be collecting our data. Please contact the Safe Environment Office if you have questions. Thank you for all you do as we continue our mission, *Promise to protect, pledge to heal*.

REMINDER: 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. To find ideas in educating your own community about child abuse prevention and begin to coordinate events during the month of April, click here . There are samples of prayer cards, bulletin blurbs, podcasts and more. 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. *Your participation is vital in this month-long campaign. Every child is worth the effort.*

COMMUNICATIONS

YEAR OF MERCY: Bishop Vincke will be visiting every parish throughout this Year of Mercy. As your parish finalizes your schedule of events, please submit that information on the <u>year of mercy page</u> on the diocese website. This will allow us to promote your event and share the schedule with others who may wish to attend. I know that some of our parishes will not have a visit from Bishop until later this year or not until 2024, so please promote the year of mercy in other ways you see fit for your parish community until your event. I will be recording several podcast episodes with Bishop on the topic of mercy, and we will be sharing photos from all his stops on his Facebook page.

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 "Directory Update" 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: <u>https://salinadiocese.typeform.com/to/Og6aB42a</u>

FROM THE HEART PODCAST: Tune in to our newest episodes of Season 2 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 <u>www.youtube.com/salinadioceseks</u>

CATHOLIC FOUNDATION FOR DIOCESE OF SALINA

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL: We have kicked off the 2023 Bishop's Annual Appeal! To easily view materials and resources for the 2023 appeal please visit: https://salinadiocese.org/office/catholic-foundation-for-diocese-of-salina/parish-resources/ Let us know if there are other materials that would be helpful during the Appeal. Thank You for all you do to help with the Bishop's Annual Appeal!

Feel free to reach out to Heather Hartman, heather.hartman@salinadiocese.org (785.738.7336) if you have any questions.

Be sure to mark your calendars for **Participation (In Pew) Weekend - March 4-5, 2023.** This weekend is the only way to reach unregistered parishioners. Thank you for your help in placing the materials for parishioners.

SOCIAL MEDIA: to promote the appeal includes the kick-off video, parish champion videos and a variety of other appeal content that is posted on the Catholic Foundation for Diocese of Salina's Facebook page. https://www.facebook.com/catholicfoundationfordioceseofsalina

CATHOLIC FOUNDATION FOR DIOCESE OF SALINA (cont.)

KICK-OFF VIDEO: Here is a quick link to the Kick-Off

Video: https://youtu.be/gG_KW4WbP3s The communications team did a great job with the video and this year it includes a few "little voices". If you have a place to share the video link (bulletin, social media, emails) please do.

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. It really helps drive home the impact all gifts to the Bishop's Annual Appeal can make. We are so grateful to you and all donors to the appeal!

CATHOLIC PROFESSIONAL RESOURCES: Did you know that less than 40% of American have a will? The Foundation would like to help members of our diocese create their Catholic legacy with a gift in their will to their parish, Catholic school or other diocesan ministry, AND provide resources to help them with charitable giving decisions. We are developing a list of trusted professionals in the diocese that can help members of your parish with their current and legacy giving. Below is a bulletin announcement that you can include in your parish bulletin to help us gather these resources.

Sample bulletin announcement-

Are you an estate planning attorney, accountant, financial planner, wealth manager, insurance advisor, etc.? The Catholic Foundation for Diocese of Salina is currently developing a list of resources for members of our diocese to help in creating their Catholic legacy. If you are one of these trusted professionals, please send us an email -development@salinadiocese.org - with your contact information so we can include you on this list of professionals that are aligned with Catholic values and beliefs.

MATERNITY LEAVE: Katie Hamel is currently on maternity leave. 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 EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL

POINT PERSON: Some parishes still need a point person. The next phase of the Eucharistic Revival is the parish phase. Parish Point Persons have begun meeting together to plan and discuss what each parish can do to in their parish.

Please click the link to submit the person's name for your parish. https://forms.gle/VWPpt8fRmx4KdXvP7 Our next meeting for the parish leaders for March 9th at 7 pm. (Zoom) We will meet once a month for about 40-45 minutes. Thanks so much to all the parishes who have already appointed a point person for their parish!

EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL SAINT RELICS: As of the SDNB deadline we do not have the finalized details yet for the Saint Relics Tour. We will put those details up on our website as soon as we get them finalized. The week will be March 19th-25th.

FORMED.ORG: There is a lot of new great material on formed.org for the Eucharistic Revival. Please check it out and see if you can use that for your parish!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND YOUTH MINISTRY

NCYC 2023: The journey to NCYC has begun. We are excited to have so many sign up to attend NCYC 2023 next November. Please continue to check out our website for all the latest information. <u>https://salinadiocese.org/office/office-of-youth-ministry/ncyc/</u>

PRAYER AND ACTION: We have our team picked for the summer and are ready to start with registrations. We will open registrations on March 15th. You will need your participation numbers and fee to reserve a spot. It is going to be an awesome summer!

TOTUS TUUS: We still have 3 openings for Totus Tuus on our 4th (New) team's schedule. They are the weeks of June 25th-30, July 16th-21st, July 23rd-28th.

ARK TESTING: Thank you to all the parishes who have already appointed an Ark Test Coordinator. We still have several parishes that need to do so by the end of this month so we can get all the information to them and coordinate the test with them. To submit the name for your parish, please click the following link. <u>https://signup.com/go/wuRBRyZ</u>

FRANSICANS CERTIFICATIONS: We are starting to see several DRE's and Catholic School Principals finishing up their basic level certifications. Many more are in the process of earning their certification. We will look to begin offering these classes and certifications to all the teachers in our Catholic Schools and Parish Religious Education programs starting in September.

GENDER AND THEOLOGY OF THE BODY: Jason Evert is coming to our diocese in April. The topic of discussion is "Gender & Theology of Your Body". Here is a short explanation of the program <u>https://youtu.be/_5ePe16pcqg</u> Please see the PDF at the end of the SDNB for more information.

OFFICE OF EDUCATION

FORMED.ORG: All parishioners in the diocese are able to utilize FORMED.org for free. Some of our schools use the videos in the classroom as a resource to help students grow in their faith. I would encourage all of you to check out FORMED.org during Lent as a family to see how you can grow and learn more about the Catholic faith. My favorite series is The Search hosted by Chris Stefanick. He is hosting a new series during Lent call Fearless that I plan on watching.

KANSAS STATE ASSESSMENTS: Students will be taking the State Assessments in the spring. Students are scored on a scale from 1-4, with 4 being the highest score. Our goal is to increase the number of students scoring in level 3 and 4. Below is a breakdown of the Salina Diocese compared to the rest of the State of Kansas. We are doing well when compared to the rest, however, we know there is always room for improvement for achievement.

Percentage of Students Scoring Level 3-4					
	Salina Diocese	State of Kansas			
Math	46.41%	29.35%			
English Language Arts	51.48%	32.09%			
Science	47.49%	31.15%			

OFFICE OF EDUCATION (cont.)

ACTIVITIES: The Catholic high schools of the Salina Diocese fared well at the State Scholar's Bowl. Sacred Heart won their second championship in a row, while TMP-M placed third. St. John's and St. Xavier's also both qualified for State in their respective classification.

SURVEY SAYS: As part of the school improvement process, families will be taking a survey in March. This is the second survey families are asked to complete this year. In the fall, parents completed a Catholic Identity survey. Results will be shared in the spring.

THREE BALD GUYS: Tune into 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 at laurie.trautwein@salinadiocese.org.

OFFICE OF FAMILY LIFE

FORMED.ORG: This is an incredible resource for families in our diocese!

We had a webinar for any parish wanting to see how they can use formed.org for evangelization as well as see the new things on Formed.org. Here is the link to the webinar in case your parish didn't have someone represented.

The link to view the webinar is here: https://augustineinstituteorg.zoom.us/rec/play/f4RAPoaMixnLN67zrC5T4_pkLaK5ivaHiBROxgZsl3AvLwMB6ixbm41 dIUVmwaNAkrfOU42-7LZvdRa.2FgedEiH1a4PW7wl

Two great new programs on formed.org (These are must watch trailers) Eternal Rest https://watch.formed.org/eternal-rest/videos/eternal-rest-promo Forgiven https://watch.formed.org/forgiven/videos/forgiven-trailer

PRAYERS FOR THE FAMILY: There are some prayers attached to the end of the SDNB that you can use in your programs or at your parishes. They are also on our website for anyone to download and use.

Prayer For Families Parent Prayer for their kids Prayer for your future spouse

FAMILY NIGHT ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITY-FAMILIES ON FIRE BOOK: If you are looking for something for Family Enrichment you need to look into this book. It is packed full of great family games and family night activities. The book is an 80-page book featuring 28 family night activities that you will love. Books can be purchased at the Salina Diocese Family Life office or by clicking on this link https://konrade-

kreations.myshopify.com/collections/books/products/families-on-fire-book

April 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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						Confirmation, St. Edward, Belleville, 6pm
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Year of Mercy, Solomon & Gypsum	Year of Mercy, Antonino	Year of Mercy, Schoenchen	Year of Mercy, Atwood	Year of Mercy, Herndon	CHANCERY CLOSED	
Palm Sunday	Antonino	Schoenchen	Passover	Holy Thursday	Good Friday	
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Easter Sunday	CHANCERY CLOSED					Comeau Center Fundraiser, Hays,
	Easter Monday					5:30pm St. Andrew's Auction, Abilene, 6pm
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Divine Mercy Sunday			Confirmation, S.H. Cathedral, Salina, 7pm		Deacon Candidate Formation Weekend, Victoria, 21-23	Confirmation, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Salina, 10am
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
Confirmation, St. Mary Queen of		Divine Mercy Radio Spring Care-A-Thon, 25-28	Confirmation, St. Andrew's, Abilene,	Catholic Charites Board Mtg., 6pm	K of C State Convention, Topeka,	TMP, Hays – ACE Auction, 4pm
Angels, Russell, 10am 30		Catholic Foundation Board Mtg. 4pm	6:30pm		April 28 – May 1	St. Xavier Auction, Junction City, 5pm

Catholic Charities Outreach Services

March 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!





Any cancellations due to inclement weather will be announced by 4 p.m. the day before the scheduled outreach. Scan this QR Code with your smartphone camera to view the full outreach schedule!



AND THE THEOLOGY OF YOUR BODY

Basilica of St. Fidelis Catholic Church

April 24, 2023 7:45 - 9:15 P.M.

900 Cathedral Ave., Victoria, KS 67671

Questions? Call 785-639-5067 or e-mail Fidelisyouth@ruraltel.net

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The truth of masculinity and femininity are being questioned like never before. Discover how your body as a man or woman reveals your identity and calling.



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is a bestselling author of more than fifteen books, and has brought the message of chastity to more than two million people on six continents. He and his wife Crystalina run the ministry Chastity Project and its website, chastity.com



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Prayer For

Marriages

Heavenly Father, through the intercession of the Holy Family,

Help us treasure the gift of marriage that reflects the love of Christ for the Church, where the self-giving love of husband and wife unites them more perfectly and cooperates in your plan for new life created in your image.

Help us support men and women in their vocation of marriage, especially in difficult times when they join their sufferings to the Cross.

Help us uphold the institution of marriage in our society as the place where love is nurtured and family life begins.

Help us acknowledge that our future depends on this love and on your providential care for us. Amen.





O glorious St. Joseph, to you God committed the care of His only begotten Son amid the many dangers of this world. We come to you and ask you to take under your special protection the children God has given us. Through holy baptism they became children of God and members of His holy Church. We consecrate them to you today, that through this consecration they may become your foster children. Guard them, guide their steps in life, form their hearts after the hearts of Jesus and Mary.St. Joseph, who felt the tribulation and worry of a parent when the child Jesus was lost, protect our dear children for time and eternity. May you be their father and counsellor. Let them, like Jesus, grow in age as well as in wisdom and grace before God and men. Preserve them from the corruption of his world, and give us the grace one day to be united with them in Heaven forever.

Amen.

t. \ Joseph

Prayer For Our Kids





PRAYER FOR YOUR Future Spouse

Holy God, watch over my future spouse if it is your will that I be married. Protect my spouse from harm. Keep my spouse chaste and pure as I promise the same. Lead us to each other and instruct us in the ways of friendship. As our love grows, let it be in your name. I commend this prayer through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, our Mother, and through Christ our Lord. Amen.

