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## **OFFICE OF THE BISHOP**

**CONFIRMATION** dates for 2023-2024 are now being set. We will use the same online Confirmation Request form for the 2023-2024 Confirmation season as last year, available [HERE](#). Please have all date requests submitted by May 31st. Every parish, even if you are not preparing a Confirmation class, should complete the form. We realize with the Year of Mercy visits; scheduling will be tight for the first part of the year. If you already have a Year of Mercy visit scheduled and would like to have Confirmation on the same day, please call Brenda at the chancery.

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

**HAPPY EASTER!** The Chancery will be closed on Friday, April 7th and Monday, April 10th.

**HUMAN TRAFFICKING** inserts for your bulletin can be found below:

April – Slavery is not a relic of the past. It is alive today and generates billions of dollars while at the same time ruining the lives of those involved. Learn more about human trafficking. US Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking, 7575 Grand River Rd., Suite 109, Brighton, MI 48114.

Abril – La esclavitud no es una reliquia del pasado. Está viva hoy y genera miles de millones de dólares mientras que al mismo tiempo arruina la vida de los involucrados. Obtenga más información sobre la trata de personas. US Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking, 7575 Grand River Rd., Suite 109, Brighton, MI 48114.

## **MARK YOUR CALENDARS:**

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CONVENTION** April 28 – May 1 in Topeka, Kansas.

**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 10th at 2:00 P.M., Mass will be held at St. Joseph's Church in Oakley and on May 11th at 2:00 P.M., Mass will be held at St. Edward's Church in Belleville. A reception will follow both Masses.

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

**ST. ISIDORE'S DAY** will be celebrated this year on Monday, May 15, at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church in Concordia.

**WOMEN RELIGIOUS APPRECIATION MASS** will be Tuesday, May 16 at 11 A.M. at Sacred Heart Cathedral. Lunch will follow. All are encouraged to attend. Priests are invited to concelebrate the Mass.

**SENIOR PRIEST LUNCHEONS** are scheduled for:

May 17th Spiritual Life Center, Victoria  
May 18th Sacred Heart Cathedral, Salina

Invitations will be forthcoming.

## **OFFICE OF FINANCE**

**DEPOSIT AND LOAN FUND INTEREST RATES:** Recognizing the current dynamic interest rate environment, the Finance Council approved a recommendation from the Investment Committee to adjust interest rates paid to depositors in the D&L. Effective April 1, 2023, the deposit rate will increase to 2.5%. Despite the Federal Reserve continuing to raise interest rates, the Investment Committee and Finance Council recognize the challenges parishes face in funding operations and building projects and have decided that the interest rate on loans will remain *unchanged* at 3.75%.

## **OFFICE OF THE TRIBUNAL**

**ANNULMENTS:** When someone comes to you seeking to become Catholic, if they have a previous marriage, sometimes they are required to petition for a declaration of nullity – in which case the Tribunal handles those.

- If the person seeking to become Catholic is not in a current invalid marriage or an invalid living situation, then they would be eligible to become Catholic right away – but they can't enter into a future marriage unless their previous spouse dies or they acquire an affirmative decision on a nullity case. In other words, the mere presence of a previous marriage does not automatically disqualify them from becoming Catholic. If someone is divorced and never wants to remarry and is living chastely, they can become Catholic immediately – as long as no other impediments are present. They might simply need RCIA and Confession when they are ready.

- Let's say that someone is in a current invalid marriage. If one party has received an affirmative decision for a nullity case, we need to consider if the other party is free to marry or not. If the other party was not Catholic, they would still need to open a case with the Tribunal unless there's a short-cut route such as a DF case. We recognize non-Catholic marriages, and Tribunals process cases in that category all the time. If someone says that they received a civil annulment, that is usually irrelevant, so don't let that wording hinder you from what needs to happen on the Church side of things.

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

Questions I initially ask if someone is seeking Church assistance on these matters: how many previous marriages? What was the religion of you and the other party at the time of consent? Was your previous spouse married before being married to you? Is your previous spouse still alive? Are you in a current civil union, and if so: please describe his/her religion and marital status? Knowing the facts helps you to determine if this is a Formal case (narrative needed), a Prior bond case (no narrative needed), a Defect of Form case (often a quick paperwork procedure), or if there's no need for a case at all. Sometimes charting it out helps. I'd be happy to help you work through this if you run into a complex situation.

Mindful of RCIA catechumens and candidates, many of you might be considering petitioning for declarations of nullity. Please contact me (Fr. Peter) or Sr. Carolyn at the chancery if you need any information or assistance.

As always, if you need to contact me (Fr. Peter) directly about something that relates to Archives, the Tribunal, or canon law, feel free to email me at [frpeterquest@yahoo.com](mailto:frpeterquest@yahoo.com). My phone number in Abilene which forwards to my cell phone is 785.263.7094.

## **PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH**

**MISSION APPEAL:** If you have not received your mission appeal information for 2023 in your parish by now, please let Brenda at the chancery know. Once you have set your dates with your assigned mission group, please send the schedule to [brenda.streit@salinadiocese.org](mailto:brenda.streit@salinadiocese.org) Thank you!

## **OFFICE OF PUBLICATIONS**

**RETURNED:** Katie Hamel returned from maternity leave on 3/13. She is the proud mother of a beautiful baby boy named Ignatius Eugene. Everyone is happy and healthy. Feel free to continue to submit news, photos, announcements, etc. to either [theregister@salinadiocese.org](mailto:theregister@salinadiocese.org) or [katherine.greenwood@salinadiocese.org](mailto:katherine.greenwood@salinadiocese.org)

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

April paper	Content due: April 7
May paper	Content due: May 5

**ADVERTISEMENTS:** All ads must be submitted to [theregister@salinadiocese.org](mailto:theregister@salinadiocese.org) in print-ready format. To view measurements and guidelines, visit <https://salinadiocese.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/FINAL-publications-ads-1-1.pdf>

## **OFFICE OF VOCATIONS**

**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.

**SEMINARIAN FAMILY GATHERING AND RUNNIN' REVS** is scheduled for December 16th. Location and times are still being worked out.

## **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.

**SHOUT – OUTS:** As part of the Safe Environment Office this year, we have been acknowledging a Safety Coordinator who is well deserving. During the month of March, we are recognizing Christina Whitehair.

Christina is currently the principal of St. Andrew's School in Abilene. She received her Bachelor's and Master's Degrees in Elementary Education from Fort Hays State University. She completed requirements for her administrator's license at Kansas Newman University. Christina has more than thirty years of teaching experience. She also has several years of experience helping other schools through the accreditation process. She is an experienced religion teacher, youth coach, certified catechist, and Safety Coordinator at St. Andrew's School. Christina and her husband Kevin enjoy traveling and spending time with their children and grandchildren. She also enjoys baking, drawing, and spending time outdoors enjoying nature. Christina is professional, organized, dependable, and hard working. Christina's strong communication skills are what stand out most, which is so important as we continue to train and educate people in our parishes, schools, and community; with our mission, *promise to protect, pledge to heal*.

We greatly appreciate Christina's work as Safety Coordinator and all she does at St. Andrews's School in Abilene.

Previous shout-outs:

*February 2023* - Susan Kisner, Safe Environment Coordinator at Immaculate Heart of Mary in Hays.

*January 2023* – Michele Goscha-Laumann, Safe Environment Coordinator at St. Mary's Parish in Smith Center.

**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 [year of mercy page](#) 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.

Posters to promote the Year of Mercy will be available for pastors to grab at the Chrism Mass, but if you aren't able to get one, please email Matea Gregg ([matea.gregg@salinadiocese.org](mailto:matea.gregg@salinadiocese.org)), and we will get you one in the mail.

**NECROLOGY UPDATE:** Thanks to the help of our seminarian Joseph Shones, we have a new and improved Necrology book! These pages will be available at the Chrism Mass for the priests to grab for their rectory and sacristy. If you are not able to get yours at the Chrism Mass, please reach out to Matea Gregg and she will get those to you!

**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](http://salinadiocese.org)) or clicking this link: <https://salinadiocese.typeform.com/to/kTH1yRoS>

**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>

**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!

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**CATHOLIC FOUNDATION FOR DIOCESE OF SALINA**

**BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL:** We are on our way to our appeal goal this year. As of 3/24/23, we have raised \$1,305,866 from 2,326 donors. What a great start!

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! And thank you to all the parishes who conducted a participation weekend at their parish. We received a few gifts from people who have never given before because of that weekend!

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

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

**CONGRATULATIONS:** We are so excited about the level of participation from some of our parishes towards the Bishop’s Annual Appeal – Call to Share. A special shout out to St. George Church in Munden with 38% participation rate! Rounding out the top five are:

St. Mary Church, Downs: 37%

St. Anthony Church, Miltonvale: 32%

St. Wenceslaus Church, Wilson: 32%

Holy Ghost Church, Sharon Springs: 30%

Keep up the good work! We wonder which parish will end the year with the highest participation rate! Wouldn’t it be great if we could get 100% participation across the board?

**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/catholicfoundationfordiocesefosalina>

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

Video: [https://youtu.be/gG\\_KW4WbP3s](https://youtu.be/gG_KW4WbP3s) The communications team did a great job with the video and this year it includes a few “little voices”. Please share the video link in your bulletin, social media, emails, etc.

**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!

**SEMINARIAN DINNERS – SAVE THE DATES:** Mark your calendars for the 2023 Seminarian Dinners. This year, we will be adding a third dinner to the schedule, giving supporters in the far western part of our diocese a shorter commute to attend. Be watching for formal invitations this summer.

Tuesday August 8<sup>th</sup> – Salina

Wednesday August 9<sup>th</sup> – Colby

Thursday August 10<sup>th</sup> – Hays

**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](mailto: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.*

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**OFFICE OF EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL**

**PARISH YEAR 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. It is not too late for your parish to join into our meetings. Our next meeting for the parish leaders is on April 13th at 7 pm. (Zoom) We will meet once a month for about 40-45 minutes. Thanks so much to all the parishes who are participating in these meetings!

**EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL—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!

Two Suggestions to Watch:

What do Catholics believe about the Eucharist (3 min)

<https://watch.formed.org/eucharist/videos/formed-whybelieve-s2-ch12-pt4-mezzanine>

Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist

<https://watch.formed.org/presence>

Two Suggestions to Listen to:

Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist by Dr. Brant Pitre

<https://watch.formed.org/eucharist/videos/jesus-and-the-jewish-roots-of-the-eucharist>

The Fourth Cup by Dr. Scott Hahn

<https://watch.formed.org/eucharist/videos/the-fourth-cup-by-dr-scott-hahn>

**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. <https://salinadiocese.org/office/office-of-youth-ministry/ncyc/>

Important Upcoming Deadlines:

April 1<sup>st</sup> (Room & Bus Reservation Numbers Form) <https://salinadiocese.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/2023-NCYC-Room-Bus-Request-Fillable.pdf>

April 15<sup>th</sup> (Second Payment)

**PRAYER AND ACTION:** Registration is open!!!

Group Registration Form-- <https://salinadiocese.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/2023-P-A-Group-Registration-Form-1-1.pdf>

Location Reveal Video--[https://youtu.be/sr\\_IjBms3NY](https://youtu.be/sr_IjBms3NY)

**TOTUS TUUS:** We still have 2 openings for Totus Tuus on our 4<sup>th</sup> (New) team's schedule. They are the weeks of July 16<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> and July 23<sup>rd</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>.

\*\*We also need two more guys for our Totus Tuus Team—If you know anyone you think would be good—please send me their names!

## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND YOUTH MINISTRY (cont.)**

**JR. CYO CAMP:** Due to the unavailability of the Rock Springs Facility during our usual time we have moved JR. CYO Camp to Labor Day Weekend. See our website for signup detail and information. <https://salinadiocese.org/office/office-of-youth-ministry/junior-cyo-camp/>

Registration Form-<https://salinadiocese.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/2023-Camp-Registration-Fillable-Form.pdf>

**FRANSICANS CERTIFICATIONS:** We are starting to see several DRE's and Catholic School Principals finishing up their basic level certifications. Many more are on their way to the 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.

**END OF SUMMER GATHERING WITH HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS:** Stay tuned, we hope to have some information about an End of Summer CYO Gathering that will happen the night before the Men's Retreat this year. We are still working out the details and will get that out as soon as we can get everything solidified. We are looking to add an event that ties in the Running Revs game, CYO gathering, and the Men's Retreat.

## **OFFICE OF EDUCATION**

**ACTIVITIES:** Many of our students participate in extracurricular activities at school, and not just our athletic teams. Students across the Salina Diocese are actively involved in forensics, chess clubs, and science Olympiad, just to name a few. Through involvement in these activities, students grow in many areas.

**RELIGION ASSESSMENT:** This year, schools and parishes are going to be taking a new assessment for religious knowledge. The ARK will be given to students in grades 2-12 in late April and early May. We are excited to see the results and celebrate the areas we are performing well in and target areas for growth in the future.

**EDUCATION SAVINGS ACCOUNT:** There is discussion over a bill in the legislature that will allow families to have an education savings account that will contribute 95% of a student's state aid to the family's school of choice. This would include our accredited Catholic schools. There is a lot of debate over this bill, so we will wait and see what happens.

**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 [laurie.trautwein@salinadiocese.org](mailto:laurie.trautwein@salinadiocese.org).



## **OFFICE OF FAMILY LIFE**

**FORMED.ORG:** Two suggestions for families this Easter Season

Great answer to the question—Why doesn't God just reveal Himself (6 min)  
<https://watch.formed.org/videos/why-doesn-t-god-just-show-himself>

Great explanation of the Easter Triduum (30 min) <https://watch.formed.org/videos/triduum>

One suggestion of something to listen to while you drive.

Saint Story—St. Patrick (3 hrs. listen)—Story of courage, evangelization, and trust in God  
<https://watch.formed.org/videos/the-trials-of-saint-patrick-1>

Two great new programs for Parish Small Groups / Adult Education

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:** These are also on our website for anyone to download and use. Please put them up in your parish, on your website, and at your Adoration Chapels. Our families and future families need lots of prayers!

Prayer For Marriages

<https://salinadiocese.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/Prayer-for-Marriages.pdf>

Parent Prayer asking for St. Joseph to intercede for our children.

<https://salinadiocese.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/St.-Joseph-Prayer-for-our-kids.pdf>

Prayer for your future spouse

<https://salinadiocese.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/Prayer-for-Your-Future-Spouse.pdf>

Prayer For Mothers

<https://salinadiocese.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/Prayer-for-Mothers.pdf>

Prayer for Fathers

<https://salinadiocese.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/Prayer-for-Fathers.pdf>

Prayer for Married Couples

<https://salinadiocese.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/Prayer-for-Married-Couples.pdf>

**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>

**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 [https://youtu.be/\\_5ePe16pcqg](https://youtu.be/_5ePe16pcqg)--See the PDF at the end of the SDNB for more information.

## 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 Osborne, Junction City, Smith Center, Phillipsburg, Norton, Herington, Washington, WaKeeney, Ellsworth, Mankato, Oakley, Lincoln, Abilene, Beloit, Hoxie, Oberlin, Clay Center, Concordia, Chapman Russell, Minneapolis, Belleville, Plainville, Beverly. The Outreach Services vans travel every Wednesday each month, as well as the first Tuesday. The April Outreach Services schedule is attached. You can always view the full, up-to-date schedule at [www.ccnks.org/outreach](http://www.ccnks.org/outreach)

**DIAPER NEEDS:** Did you know? Since July 1, Catholic Charities has distributed 1,112 boxes of diapers to low-income families across our 31-county service area. That's over 100,000 individual diapers! *Our warehouse is currently running low on Size 6 diapers.* If you want to help babies in need, you can drop off boxes of diapers at any of our three locations or have them shipped to 1500 S 9th St in Salina and we'll send them where they're needed most. Thank you!!

**HAYS BUILDING PROJECT:** An incredibly generous local family recently donated a 9,000 sq. ft. building on Centennial Blvd. to Catholic Charities! We are redeveloping this incredible gift into our new western Kansas headquarters. Our Hays office serves 16 western counties in our diocese. This donated building will serve as an anchor of hope for families in need across this area for years to come! Our team is currently working on an application for Community Service Tax Credits to help fund this project and is looking for anyone who may be interested in utilizing these. If you are interested, we will need pledge letters by April 21. Visit [www.ccnks.org/haysproject](http://www.ccnks.org/haysproject) or contact Eric Frank at [efrank@ccnks.org](mailto:efrank@ccnks.org).

## VENMO GIVING:



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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](https://www.venmo.com/catholiccharitiesofnk). Thank you and God bless!

## **CATHOLIC CHARITIES (cont.)**

### **SAVE THE DATE -**

**GMCF GROW GREEN DAY:** Friday, April 21, will be a great day for the Manhattan, Kansas, community when the 11th Annual Grow Green Match Day will take place! On this day, donations made through the Greater Manhattan Community Foundation to participating nonprofit endowed funds will receive a 50% match. Be sure to support Catholic Charities on April 21 to provide compassionate care to all those in need across northern Kansas! Donate online at [www.growgreenmanhattan.com](http://www.growgreenmanhattan.com).

**GREEN TIE CELEBRATION:** Catholic Charities' 18th Annual Fundraiser, Green Tie Celebration takes place Saturday July 29, 2023, 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 throughout the 31 counties of Northern Kansas we serve. *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. Green Tie is a fun, exciting evening and we hope to see you there! 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/Licensed Therapist - Hays  
Catholic Charities is hiring a Pregnancy & Adoption Specialist/ Licensed Therapist at our Hays office. This exciting role encompasses both therapy duties and pregnancy + 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 [www.ccnks.org/careers](http://www.ccnks.org/careers).

**THANK YOU MATCH MADNESS SALINA:** On behalf of Catholic Charities, thank you to all who donated to and supported us at Match Madness on March 23! Because of your generosity, \$25,506.49 was raised to support those throughout our community facing financial, emotional, and personal struggles! Because of these funds, our neighbors in need will have access to critical resources to better their lives. God bless you!

## **OFFICE OF RURAL LIFE**

**ST. ISIDORE'S DAY**, May 15<sup>th</sup>, will be at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish in Concordia. We will begin with Mass at 11:00 A.M. with Bishop Vincke, followed by lunch. After lunch will be a presentation on Soils and Water. Blessing of Fields and Flocks  
And concluding with a tour of the Sister's of St Joseph Mother House.