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OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

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

MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY is Monday, January 15. The Chancery will be closed.

CLERGY RENEWAL DAYS are scheduled for January 15-18 at the Spiritual Life Center in Wichita.

NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE is Friday, January 19 in Washington D.C.

THE RED MASS will be held in Topeka at 12:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 23. Services will again be held at St. Joseph's Church, 227 SW Van Buren St. in Topeka.

IGNITE RALLY AND MASS Annual Pro-Life Event is Wednesday, 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 28 – February 3. The theme is "*Catholic Schools: United in Faith & Community*". Thank you to all the pastors, teachers, parents, and students who support our Catholic schools.

HUMAN TRAFFICKING ALERTS for parish bulletins are listed below. Please note we now have the alerts in English, Spanish and Vietnamese.

Thank you to Sr. Margaret Nacke with the Sisters of St. Joseph for making these alerts available to us.

JANUARY - How much do you know about human trafficking in your state? This crime operates in every state and could show up in your local community. Education is a key factor in reducing public ignorance. **Alliance to End Human Trafficking**-Founded and Supported by **US Catholic Sisters, 7575 Grand River Ave.1-1009, Brighton, MI 48114**

OFFICE OF THE BISHOP (cont.)

ENERO – ¿Cuánto sabes sobre la trata de personas en tu estado? Este crimen opera en todos los estados y podría darse en tu comunidad. La educación es un factor clave para reducir la ignorancia pública. **La alianza para poner fin a la trata de personas: fundada y apoyada por las Hermanas Católicas de los EE. UU., 7575 Grand River Ave.1-1009, Brighton, MI 48114**

THÁNG GIÊNG – Bạn biết nhiều ít về nạn buôn người trong Tiểu bang bạn? Tội ác này hoạt động trong mọi Tiểu bang và có thể xuất hiện trong cộng đồng địa phương bạn. Giáo dục chính là yếu tố chìa khóa trong việc giảm bớt tính đại chúng không biết đến. **Liên Kết để Chấm Dứt Nạn Buôn Người – Do các Nữ Tu Công Giáo Hoa Kỳ thành lập và nâng đỡ. 7575 Grand River Ave. 1-1009, Brighton, MI 48114.**

OFFICE OF LITURGY

JANUARY 1 is the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God. Since it falls on a Monday this year, it is not obligatory.

PASTORAL MINISTRY FORMATION: An important course offering this semester is “Roots and Wings – Source and Summit.” During this time of deepening our appreciation for the Eucharist, this course will point out the connection between Christian Eucharist and Jewish Passover. The students will be encouraged to consider the bishops’ invitation to reconsecrate themselves to the source and summit of our faith, moving from the “Last Supper” to the “Supper of the Lamb,” moving from offering a sacrifice to becoming a living sacrifice.

This is a one-hour course that may be taken either for credit or for personal enrichment.

It is available on a Zoom platform. Contact Coleen Stein to register: cstein@dcdioocese.org. 620-227-1538.

A one-session course, “Why Did We Renew the Liturgy, Anyway?”, will be offered on Tuesday, March 5. This course will look at Vatican II’s *Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy* and evaluate what led up to the change, what the change actually entails, and how the liturgy has been celebrated since then. Available on Zoom. To register, contact Coleen Stein: cstein@dcdioocese.org. 620-227-1538.

OFFICE OF VOCATIONS

TRANSITIONAL DEACON ORDINATION for Kade Megaffin, Jesse Ochs and Adam Urban is scheduled for April 6, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. in Salina at Sacred Heart Cathedral.

OFFICE OF PUBLICATIONS

RESIGNATION: Katie Hamel has announced that that she will be resigning as editor of The Register effective Dec. 31, 2023, in order to be more present to her family. She will stay on as editor of *faith* for 2024.

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

January paper	Content due: January 5
February paper	Content due: February 2

ADVERTISEMENTS: All ads must be submitted to 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 FERTILITY CARE AND NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING

FERTILITYCARE EDUCATION PROGRAM: The Salina Diocese Natural Family Planning Office is excited to announce its first Diocese of Salina FertilityCare Services Practitioner Education Program. This 13-month program includes two on-site Education Phases, two Supervised Practicum with the intern teaching in her own location, an on-site visit with a faculty supervisor, and a final exam. The Education Program begins with Education Phase I in Concordia March 9-16, 2024. Scholarships for tuition and fees are available from the Diocesan NFP Office for those committed to teaching in the Salina Diocese. See the enclosed brochure or visit www.salinafertilitycare.org/education-program for more information. Those interested in learning more may also contact Lindy Meyer, Program Director at 785.614.0831 or lindy.meyer@salinadiocese.org.

WONDER OF EVE™ TEEN PRESENTATION: The *Wonder of Eve™* is a powerful presentation showcasing the wonderful and truly marvelous design and function of the female body. It helps young women understand how naturally amazing their bodies are and the impact their choices can have on their future health and fertility. Diocesan FertilityCare Practitioners are available to present this program to high school girls (and their mothers) through the school or parish setting. See the enclosed flyer for more information. Contact Lindy Meyer at 785.614.0831 or lindy.meyer@salinadiocese.org to schedule a presentation with one of our practitioners and help the young women of your community understand the power and strength created within the female body!

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. And as St. Teresa of Calcutta often said, "Not all of us can do great things. But we can do small things with great love."

OFFICE OF SAFE ENVIRONMENT (cont.)

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

FRIENDLY REMINDER – Required forms are now past due, please contact the Safe Environment office to discuss status, as noncompliance forms will be emailed to Safety Coordinators and their cooperating priests and/or principals. Please note, StoneBridge Partners will be conducting a full audit this year so your cooperation will be essential in this process. Thank you for dedication and commitment, as we *promise to protect, pledge to heal*.

SHOUT – OUTS: During the month of December, we recognized Nancy Sherffius. Nancy has been a great addition to the Safety Coordinator Team in the diocese as her attention to detail, self-awareness and accountability are what stand out the most! We appreciate ALL Nancy’s work especially as she continues to create a safe environment for the students at St. Mary’s Parish in Salina.

Previous shout-outs: November 2023 - Donna Benoit- St. Joseph – Damar/ October 2023 - Stacey Halbgewachs - St. Bernard’s – Ellsworth/ September 2023 - Cody Marintzer - St. Nicholas of Myra- Hays/ May 2023 - Michelle Coonrod - Manhattan Catholic School – Manhattan/ April 2023 - Tracy Perrett - Holy Family Elementary School – Hays /March 2023 – Christina Whitehair - St. Andrews Elementary School - Abilene /February 2023 - Susan Kisner - Immaculate Heart of Mary – Hays/ January 2023 – Michele Goscha-Laumann - St. Mary’s Parish - Smith Center

EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL

WEBSITE: Check out the updated website for tools to help your parish with the parish year of the Eucharistic Revival. <https://salinadiocese.org/eucharistic-revival/>

Download Parish Playbook.

All the materials needed for the Small Group Study.

Free Digital Downloads for Parish Signage & Prayer Cards.

Link for purchasing professional Signage & Prayer Cards.

Link for purchasing Eucharistic Shirts.

SMALL STUDY GROUP: This year we are asking every parish to facilitate the small group study. Please check out our website for all the information you need to facilitate these studies.

Training Materials

Program Outlines

Worksheet to Assist Parish Point Person in Inviting Core Team Members

Template Core Team Member Invitation

Template for Existing Small Group Invitation

Worksheet to Assist Core Teams with Recruiting Table Facilitators

Template Table Facilitator Invitation

Table Facilitator Invitation

Parish Implementation training

Sessions 1-7 Video Guide

Sessions 1-7 Discussion Guide

OFFICE OF RESPECT LIFE

RALLY AND MARCH FOR LIFE IN TOPEKA - The Annual Rally and March for Life in Topeka, KS will be held Wednesday, January 24th. Please consider getting a group together at your school, parish, etc. to walk in front of the Capital building and peacefully protest abortion. Please visit the Archdiocese of Kansas City's Website for more information: <https://archkck.org/prolife/activities/ksmass-marchforlife/> [Here](#) is the link to register for the Ignite Rally and Mass for Life. This link also includes a printable poster and flyer for your parish!

MARCH FOR LIFE: The annual pilgrimage to Washington D.C. for the March for Life is January 17th-21st, 2024. The pilgrimage begins with a prayer and departure from the Chancery parking lot at 10:00 a.m. on January 17th. Expected return time to the Chancery is January 21st is 6:00 p.m. The 2024 March for Life is more important than ever! The overturning of Roe v. Wade has caused an increased attack on the value and dignity of life. Please pray for the pilgrims that will be traveling across the country to be a voice for the voiceless.

OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS: Please send any photos of your parish decorated for Christmas to communications.office@salinadiocese.org

YEAR OF MERCY: If you have any photos from Bishop Vincke's YOM visit to your parish, please send them to communications.office@salinadiocese.org

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

OFFICE OF FAMILY LIFE

ADVENT FAMILY CHALLENGE: Thanks so much for all your help in promoting the Advent Family Challenge. I loved seeing all those pictures of our families. We will have information coming out in next month's SDNB on a Lent Challenge.

FORMED.ORG: We are excited to announce that *all* parishes in the Diocese of Salina will once again receive a one-year subscription to FORMED at no cost to the parish. Please help promote this to your parish and encourage people to go check out all the great content that they have available.

OFFICE OF EDUCATION

KAIRS EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR FOR THE SALINA DIOCESE: Christina Whitehair, Principal – St. Andrew’s in Abilene, was named the recipient of the KAIRS Educator of the Year for the Salina Diocese. She will be recognized at the annual KAIRS Banquet on Monday, February 12 in Topeka.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS & CATHOLIC CHARITIES PARTNERSHIP: Students and staff from our Catholic schools donated over \$13,000 worth of diapers to Catholic Charities of Northern Kansas. Schools brought their collected diapers to the annual Teachers’ Institute on Friday, November 10, where they were greeted by students from St. Mary’s Grade School and Sacred Heart Jr/Sr High School, as well as staff from Catholic Charities. The individuals worked together to deliver the diapers to Catholic Charities. This is the second year our schools have participated in this service project.

TAX CREDIT SCHOLARSHIP: The Scholarship Granting Fund for the Catholic Diocese of Salina is accepting donations and is able to offer a 75% tax credit. Please email Laurie Trautwein, Data Specialist for the Catholic Foundation laurie.trautwein@salinadiocese.org. This school year, over \$119,000 was awarded to schools for 96 students in the Salina Diocese.

NATIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK (CSW) January 28 – February 3 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

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.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND YOUTH MINISTRY

NCYC 2023: Thanks so much to everyone who helped with the 2023 NCYC trip. Our young people would not be able to attend the conference without all the support they get from our parishes!

FRANSICANS CERTIFICATIONS: It's great to see so many of our Teachers and Youth Ministers getting started on their Franciscan Classes. Don't hesitate to ask our office any questions as you get started. Video of how to get started <https://youtu.be/p-dmWvbFbBw>

NEWSLETTER: If you have not signed up for our weekly newsletter, please do so. It comes out every Monday at 6 a.m. <http://eepurl.com/hMHHnj>

CATHOLIC FOUNDATION FOR DIOCESE OF SALINA

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL 2023: As we approach the final stretch of the 2023 Bishop's Annual Appeal, we kindly ask for your continued support in spreading the word. Your parish plays a crucial role. Through announcements during Mass, parish newsletters or social media, your efforts make a significant difference. Thank you once again for your unwavering dedication to the Bishop's Annual Appeal. We will continue to count any gifts received until Jan. 31, 2024, towards the current appeal.

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL 2024: The 2024 appeal assets are near completion. In January, Foundation staff will be attending the Clergy Renewal Days to provide a briefing on what you will need to know. At this time, the appeal poster, resource manual and homily CDs will be distributed. In addition, there will be a ZOOM meeting for parish office staff to go over important things to know the week of January 22nd – be watching for information.

Kick-off weekend	Feb. 10-11
Participation weekend	Feb. 24-25

SEMINARIAN MATCH: WOW! There is so much love and support for our seminarians. We had 3 successful seminarian events and then had a surprise anonymous donor send in an additional \$100,000 for a new match! We sent out the message and donations continue to be made. We are so thankful to you for helping us spread the word. At this time there is **\$2,911** left to be matched. Please continue to spread the word. Gifts can be made at bit.ly/salinasems. Each gift will have double the impact!

#iGIVECATHOLIC 2023: 37 organizations in our diocese had a hugely successful #iGiveCatholic Giving Day on Tuesday November 28th. Participating organizations in our diocese were able to raise \$870,051 which was over \$153,000 more than 2022! WOW!! Thank you to everyone for their dedication, hard work, and efforts – which were clearly rewarded through another successful #iGiveCatholic campaign.

CATHOLIC FOUNDATION FOR DIOCESE OF SALINA (cont.)

Some quick stats regarding the 2023 campaign-

- The Diocese of Salina ranked 8th overall out of 50 participating dioceses.
- We had 1,198 donors this year – an increase over last year.
- Three organizations ranked in the top 50 in the nation – St. John’s Catholic Schools in Beloit (7th), Comeau Catholic Campus Center (40th), and St. Andrew Grade School in Abilene (42nd).
- Four more organizations finished in the top 100 in the nation – St. Andrew Church in Abilene, Manhattan Catholic Schools, St. John the Baptist Church in Beloit and St. Francis Xavier Church in Junction City.

FREE ESTATE PLANNING SEMINARS: The Foundation staff is excited to offer members of our diocese an opportunity to learn more about the importance of getting your affairs in order as well as provide information on the variety of ways to create a legacy of faith. If your parish would like more information on hosting a seminar, please contact Corrina Hudsonpillar at 785-639-2100.

Did you know that less than 40% of Americans have a will? Having a will is arguably one of the most important things you can do for yourself and your family. Religious issues are too-often overlooked in the estate planning process. Each aspect of a plan can be tailored with the Catholic values that are important to you. Below is a bulletin announcement to help encourage parishioners to remember their faith when making these important decisions – it can be a simple and easy way to support the mission of our faith for generations to come.

Sample bulletin announcement-

Want to create a lasting legacy for your parish, Catholic school, ministry or the diocese? It's simple! You can do this in your will, a life insurance policy or other beneficiary designations. Gifts of any size make a big difference and helps pass on your Catholic values for future generations. Contact the Catholic Foundation for Diocese of Salina for more information – development@salinadiocese.org.

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS: Great news for students in the Diocese of Salina! Here's a summary of the three scholarships available for the 2024-2025 school year. The application process for these scholarships has transitioned to an online format. Students are encouraged to apply online at these links by March 1st, 2024.

Diocese of Salina Scholarships: <https://salinadiocese.typeform.com/scholarship2024>

Monsignor Clement A. Kruse Scholarship: Applicant must be an active registered member of a Catholic parish in the Diocese of Salina. These scholarships are approximately \$500.

Marymount Memorial Educational Trust Scholarship: Applicant must be attending an accredited Catholic College as a full-time student and an active registered member of a Catholic parish in the Diocese of Salina. These scholarships vary but ranged from \$1,000-\$3,000.

Catholic Foundation for Diocese of Salina Scholarship:

<https://salinadiocese.typeform.com/CFscholarship24>

Susie Deges Scholarship - This scholarship is specifically for high school seniors in the diocese who are active in their local CYO (Catholic Youth Organization). This scholarship is \$1,000.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

SAVE THE DATE: Join Catholic Charities for a special event, "Before the Build: Breakfast and Preview" on January 26th, along with Bishop Vincke and the Hays Chamber staff. You will have an opportunity to explore the new space and view the renderings that showcase our vision for the future of the Hays area! Be part of the journey with our fundraising updates and learn about the impact your support has on the surrounding Hays community. Get an exclusive sneak peek at the plans for this space as we unveil our vision for a brighter, more connected community. This event goes beyond bricks and mortar; it's about supporting ALL of Western Kansas. Together, we're making a difference in the lives of families throughout 31 counties in Northern Kansas. Your presence and support make it possible for us to partner with other parishes and communities, extending our reach to even more people in need.

BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN: The Baby Bottle Campaign is happening in the Manhattan and Salina area parishes from February 4th to February 25th, rallying support for Catholic Charities Pregnancy Support & Adoption Programs. If your parish is participating, you can snag a bottle on the weekend of February 4th and load it up with change, cash, or checks. Then, bring the filled bottle back to your parish on the weekend of February 25th. Can't wait? You can also make a quick and easy online donation at www.ccnks.org/babybottle. Let's make this campaign a success together!

OUTREACH SERVICES: Catholic Charities Outreach Services vans will be bringing boxes of food and hygiene items, as well as diapers, laundry detergent and other necessities to individuals and families in Belleville, Beloit, Beverly, Chapman, Clay Center, Concordia, Ellsworth, Herington, Hoxie, Junction City, Lincoln, Mankato, Minneapolis, Norton, Oakley, Oberlin, Osborn, Plainville, Russell, Smith Center, WaKeeney, Washington, and Wilson. The Mobile Outreach Vans travel on every Wednesday each month. The January Outreach Services schedule is attached. You can also view the full, up-to-date Outreach Services schedule anytime at www.ccnks.org/outreach.

DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR – SALINA: The Development Coordinator will support the creation and execution of comprehensive fundraising initiatives, including events, donor solicitation and stewardship, recurring giving program(s) and sponsor recruitment, all of which will help support Catholic Charities during its next chapter of growth. This role will be cross trained to manage the donor database and assist with various correspondence related to development. This position requires a highly organized, creative, detail-oriented, and self-motivated person to assist multi-channel revenue generation, donor stewardship and sponsorship. To apply, visit www.ccnks.org/careers

LICENSED THERAPIST - HAYS – PART TIME: Catholic Charities is hiring a Licensed Therapist at our Hays location. We are looking for a compassionate, driven, and organized individual to provide affordable mental health care to those in need across northern Kansas. To learn more and apply, visit www.ccnks.org/careers

OFFICE OF RURAL LIFE

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: Catholic Rural Life Centennial Observance. Catholic Rural Life is observing 100 years of service during 2024. Observances will be in four different dioceses around the country. The first observance will be in the Diocese of Salina on February 29, 2024 at St. Isidore's Parish in Manhattan. The Event will begin at 5:00 p.m. followed by dinner at 6:00 p.m. Distinguished guests include Fr Gale Hammerschmidt, Bishop Gerald Vincke, Kansas Secretary of Agriculture, Mike Beam, and the Keynote Speaker, Katherine DiNuzzio. Please mark your calendar and plan to attend. Check the diocesan website under Rural Life for reservations and tickets. Ticket sales will be ending o/a January 20, 2024. For additional information please contact Fr Rich Daise 785-625-7356.

ST. ISIDORE'S DAY, May 15th will be in the West Central Deanery. The exact site is yet to be determined. We will have Mass, lunch, special rural presentations, blessing of fields and flocks and activities unique to the hosting parish. For additional information, please contact Fr. Richard Daise, 785-625-7356.

RURAL LIFE DAY is tentatively planned for Sunday, August 11th in the East Deanery. If your parish is interested in hosting the Rural Life Day in August, please contact Fr. Richard Daise, 785-625-7356. Additionally, if any of your parishes 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 East 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.

In addition to both of these traditional observances, the Rural Life Commission is participating in the Soil Health U, January 17 -18, 2024 in Salina. Soil Health U is a two-day event providing high-quality instruction to teach farmers & ranchers how to sustainably maximize profit from every acre of land.

February 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 CSW -Salina, St. Mary's, 8am CSW -Beloit/Tipton, in Beloit, 2pm	2 CSW – Hays, Ellis & Plainville, at IHM, Hays, 10am	3 Year of Mercy, Clifton/Clyde
4 YOM Clifton/Clyde Confirmation, St. Thomas More, Manhattan, 5pm	5	6	7 Year of Mercy, Abilene	8 Lay Review Board, 4:00pm	9	10 Year of Mercy, Ogden, Mass, 4:15pm St. Andrew's School Auction, Abilene, 6pm
11 Year of Mercy, S.D., Manhattan World Marriage Sunday	12	13	14 Year of Mercy, St. Isidore's, Manhattan Ash Wednesday	15	16 Deacon Candidate weekend, 16-18	17
18 Rite of Election, Cathedral, Salina, 3pm	19 IPF Bishops Program, 8-day Silent Retreat, 19-27	20	21	22 Catholic Charities board, 6pm, via Zoom	23 Pathways Retreat, 23-25 th , St. Isidore's, Manhattan	24 Bishop's Annual Appeal Collection weekend, 24- 25 th
25 Rite of Election, St. Nicholas, Hays, 3pm	26	27	28 Year of Mercy, Clay Center	29 Year of Mercy, Miltonvale Nat'l Rural Life 100 th yr. Anniv., St. Isidore's, Manhattan, 5:30pm		

Diocese of Salina FertilityCare Services

Practitioner Education Program



EDUCATION PHASE I

March 9-16, 2024

EDUCATION PHASE II

August 31 -
September 5, 2024

ACCREDITATION

This program has been approved for interim accreditation by the American Academy of FertilityCare Professionals (AAFCP). It adheres to the AAFCP Code of Ethics and provides students the educational background to become eligible for AAFCP certification.

LOCATION

Our Lady of Perpetual Help
307 East 5th - Concordia, KS

PROGRAM PURPOSE

To prepare those who wish to provide the Creighton Model FertilityCare System instruction with the training necessary to deliver the highest quality of services.

APPLICANT CRITERIA

The program welcomes applications from those with strong motivation and commitment to the very highest quality educational services in FertilityCare.

Those eligible include:

- Registered nurses with current licenses
- Individuals with BA or BS degree
- Associate Degree/Diploma: LPN or equivalent of two years of college study

Further eligibility requires applicants to practice the Creighton Model FertilityCare System or be a philosophical acceptor. It also requires commitment to adhere to the AAFCP Code of Ethics. Applicants must not prescribe or refer for contraceptives and must not perform or refer for sterilization or abortion.



CREIGHTON MODEL FERTILITYCARE SYSTEM

A safe, natural, and effective method to plan your family and understand your reproductive health. This method can be used to avoid and achieve pregnancy, overcome infertility, and find the cause of many reproductive health problems.



PROGRAM DESIGN

The Education Program is a 13-month course of study incorporating two classroom Education Phases and two Supervised Practicums of teaching experience. The Creighton Model FertilityCare System and NaProTechnology have been developed through the research and education efforts coordinated and directed by Thomas W. Hilgers, MD, in Omaha, NE.

PROGRAM FACULTY

Lindy Meyer, CFCP, FCE
Program Director

Becky Knapp, CFCP, CFCE
Faculty Educator

Pastor - Fr. Brian Lager

Medical Consultant - TBD

Faculty realizes no financial gain

EDUCATION PHASE I: March 9-16, 2024

An eight-day, total immersion course covering:

- History of Natural Family Planning
- Anatomy of Male & Female Reproductive System
- Menstrual Cycles: Statistical Parameters
- Anovulation and Oligoovulation
- Physiology of the Cervix
- Beginnings of Human Life
- Physiology of Breastfeeding and Menopause
- Natural Methods of Family Planning
- Investigation and Care of the Infertile Couple
- Teaching Fertility Appreciation
- Methods of Artificial Contraception
- Physical and Psychological Aspects of Induced Abortion
- Use Effectiveness of Natural and Artificial Methods of Family Planning
- Psychodynamics of Natural Family Planning
- Philosophical Attitudes on Family Life, Family Planning, and Unplanned Pregnancy
- Human Sexuality, Married Love, and Fertility
- Importance of Standardized Teaching
- Conducting an Introductory Session
- Conducting Follow-ups
- Forms for Record Keeping and Standardized Teaching
- Business Aspects of FertilityCare Providers
- Case Management Approach to Problem Solving
- Introduction to NaProTechnology

SUPERVISED PRACTICUM I:

A six-month faculty supervised teaching experience at the student's home location to develop basic skills.

EDUCATION PHASE II: August 31 - September 5, 2024

A six-day course of advanced study consisting of lecture, group discussion and hands-on problem solving of advanced aspect of teaching the Creighton Model FertilityCare System. Topics include:

- Management of Infertility, Chronic Discharges, Unusual Bleeding, and Continuous Discharges
- NaProTechnology
- Advanced Issues
- Pregnancy Evaluation Principles
- Advanced Case Management
- Advanced Business Aspects

SUPERVISED PRACTICUM II:

Seven months in duration, this faculty supervised teaching experience includes an On-Site Visit.

FINAL CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION:

All students are required to take a criterion referenced, professionally administered, final examination, which is proctored at the student's home location.

Note: Upon completion of the Education Program, a Practitioner must become an affiliate of or participate in an affiliated center of FertilityCare Centers of America to order Creighton Model client-teaching materials.

COSTS:

Application Fee: \$25

Education Programs I & II:
Tuition, books, Lodging, Meals
\$4,000

Client teaching supplies: \$450

On-Site Visit

Student is responsible for all traveling, lodging, and meals expenses of Faculty Supervisor

APPLICATION MATERIALS:

Lindy Meyer, CFCP, FCE
Program Director
lindy.meyer@salinadiocese.org
785.614.0831

Application deadline February 1, 2024. Late applications will incur an additional \$100 fee.



CATHOLIC DIOCESE
of SALINA



The Wonder of Eve

understand the power and strength created within the female body

The Wonder of Eve is a fresh and engaging presentation, helping young women understand how naturally amazing their bodies are and the impact their choices can have on their future health and fertility.

"Why didn't I know this years ago?"

We often hear this from our Natural Family Planning clients. **Even as a young woman, they wish they had known this about their bodies!**

The Wonder of Eve covers:

- the marvelous design and function of the female body and reproductive system/menstrual cycles
- a brief introduction to tracking cycles—a unique approach to women’s healthcare, no matter the stage in life
- ways to take good care of yourself now, to benefit you in the future.

Presentation specifics:

- geared towards high school girls
- aligned with Catholic teaching and values
- 60-minute presentation including Q&A

Diocese of Salina FertilityCare Practitioners are available for school and parish presentations.

Presentations for younger girls are also available.

 **Wonder of Eve Trailer Videos!** bit.ly/WonderofEveTrailer

Book Now for Your School!

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BE OUR LIGHT FOR THE NEW YEAR

COME, HOLY SPIRIT, SPIRIT OF THE RISEN CHRIST,
BE WITH US TODAY AND ALWAYS.
BE OUR LIGHT, OUR GUIDE, AND OUR COMFORTER.
BE OUR STRENGTH, OUR COURAGE, AND OUR SANCTIFIER.
MAY THIS NEW YEAR BE A TIME OF DEEP
SPIRITUAL GROWTH FOR US,
A TIME OF WELCOMING YOUR GRACES AND GIFTS,
A TIME FOR FORGIVING FREELY AND UNCONDITIONALLY,
A TIME FOR GROWING IN VIRTUE AND GOODNESS.
COME, HOLY SPIRIT, BE WITH US TODAY AND ALWAYS.

-AUTHOR UNKNOWN

I just want to give a shout-out to all of the parish and school Safety Coordinators in the Diocese of Salina.

I want to thank you for your commitment as you continue to keep our children safe.

Your dedication to our diocese is greatly appreciated.

Many blessings to you and your families in the new year!

Wendy

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Your continued support and patience is greatly appreciated.

Please contact the Safe Environment Office if you have questions or need assistance.



"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

All parishes and schools are reminded to place this announcement dated 7-23 in their parish bulletins and/or school newsletters/websites quarterly, then provide the Safe Environment Office a copy for diocesan files. If you need to change the format, please contact the SE office.

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.

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."
1 John 1:5-7



Our school children and our parishioners are our greatest gifts and our greatest resources. Ensuring the safety of children is an ongoing process that involves collaboration and cooperation on many fronts.

There are hard working people throughout the diocese at the parish and school level who are committed to helping the diocese create safe environments for our students to learn, pray and grow, and their efforts are greatly appreciated.

The Diocese of Salina's Safe Environment program continues to, and is dedicated to raising awareness and reduce risk throughout the diocese. If you would like to commit to helping with this endeavor please contact the Safe Environment Office 785-827-8746 or your local school or parish.



2023 SAFETY COORDINATOR SHOUT – OUTS

DURING THE MONTH OF DECEMBER WE RECOGNIZED NANCY SHERFFIUS. NANCY IS THE SAFETY COORDINATOR OF ST. MARY QUEEN OF THE UNIVERSE IN SALINA, KS. NANCY HAS BEEN A MEMBER OF ST. MARY QUEEN OF THE UNIVERSE PARISH SINCE 1989 WHEN SHE MOVED TO SALINA AFTER TEACHING BUSINESS CLASSES FOR 14 YEARS AT CONCORDIA (KANSAS) HIGH SCHOOL. SHE BECAME THE FULL-TIME DIRECTOR OF FAITH FORMATION AND PASTORAL ASSISTANT IN 2000; THE PARISH SAFETY COORDINATOR BECAME PART OF HER RESPONSIBILITIES. SHE HAS BEEN FORTUNATE THAT ST. MARY PARISHIONERS HAVE BEEN VERY UNDERSTANDING AND COOPERATIVE IN WORKING TOWARD VERIFICATION AND CERTIFICATION. NANCY SHARES THIS RECOGNITION WITH ALL THE SAFETY COORDINATORS WHO WORK TO KEEP OUR CHILDREN SAFE WHEN WORKING WITH ADULT MINISTERS. NANCY HAS BEEN A GREAT ADDITION TO THE SAFETY COORDINATOR TEAM IN THE DIOCESE AS HER ATTENTION TO DETAIL, SELF-AWARENESS AND ACCOUNTABILITY ARE WHAT STAND OUT THE MOST! WE GREATLY APPRECIATE ALL OF NANCY'S WORK AND ALL SHE DOES AT ST. MARY QUEEN OF THE UNIVERSE PARISH IN SALINA, ESPECIALLY AS SHE CONTINUES TO CREATE A SAFE ENVIRONMENT FOR THE STUDENTS AT THE PARISH.

PREVIOUS SHOUT - OUTS

- NOVEMBER 2023 - DONNA BENOIT - ST. JOSEPH PARISH - DAMAR
- OCTOBER 2023 - STACEY HALBGEWACHS - ST. BERNARDS - ELLSWORTH
- SEPTEMBER 2023 - CODY MARINTZER - ST. NICHOLAS - HAYS
- MAY 2023 MICHELLE COONROD - MANHATTAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL - MANHATTAN
- APRIL 2023 TRACY PERRET - HOLY FAMILY ELEMENTARY - HAYS
- MARCH 2023 CHRISTINA WHITEHAIR - ST. ANDREW'S SCHOOL - ABILENE
- FEBRUARY 2023 SUSAN KISNER - IHM PARISH - HAYS
- JANUARY 2023 MICHELE GOSCHA-LAUMANN - ST. MARY'S PARISH - SMITH CENTER

A BIG thank you to all who received recognition in 2023!

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CATHOLIC DIOCESE
of SALINA

Catholic Charities Outreach Services

January 2024 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!

Tuesday

1/2

Osborne - St. Aloysius Catholic Church

10:30am - 11:30am

Wednesday

1/3

Junction City - JC Naz Church

9:00am - 10:00am

Smith Center - St. Mary's Catholic Church

10:30am - 11:30am

Phillipsburg - St. Philip & James

11:00am-12:00pm

Norton - St. Francis Catholic Church

1:00pm - 2:00pm

Herington - St. John Catholic Church

1:00pm - 2:00pm

Wednesday

1/10

Washington - St. Augustine Parish

9:30am - 10:30am

Wakeeney - Christ the King Church

10:00am - 11:00am

Ellsworth - St. Bernard Catholic Church

11:30am-12:30pm

Mankato - St. Theresa Catholic Church

12:00pm - 1:00pm

Oakley - Gateway Fellowship

12:30pm - 1:30pm

Lincoln - LC County Health Department

1:30pm - 2:30pm

Wednesday

1/17

Abilene - St. Andrew Parish

9:30am - 10:30am

Beloit - St. John the Baptist Church

10:00am - 11:00am

Hoxie - St. Frances Catholic Church

10:30am-11:30am

Oberlin - Gateway Civic Center

12:30pm - 1:30pm

Clay Center - St. Peter & Paul Parish

1:00pm - 2:00pm

Concordia - Our Lady of Perpetual Help

1:30pm - 2:30pm

Wednesday

1/24

Chapman - St. Michael Catholic Church

9:00am - 10:00am

Russell - St. Mary Queen of Angels Church

9:00am - 10:00am

Minneapolis - 200 Block of North Parker St.

10:30am-11:30am

Beverly - City Office of Beverly

12:30pm - 1:30pm

Belleville - St. Edward Parish

1:00pm - 2:00pm

Plainville - Sacred Heart Catholic Church

1:00pm - 2:00pm

