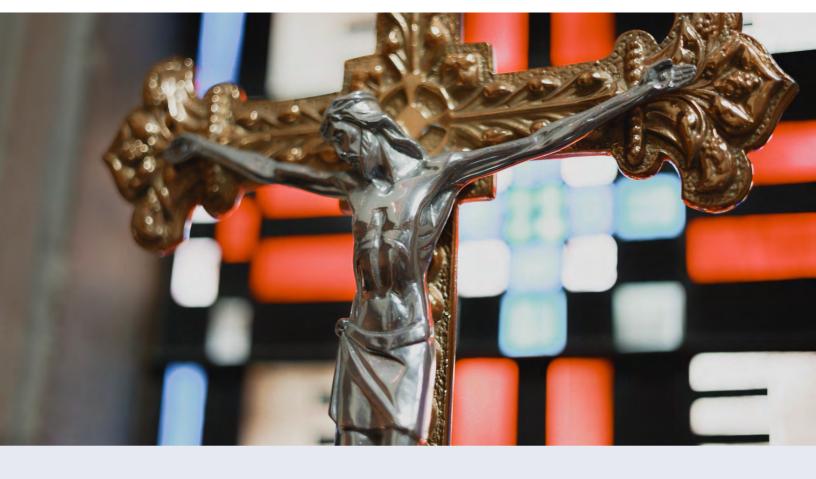






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## FROM BISHOP VINCKE

I wanted to take a moment to say thank you for your gift to the Bishop's Annual Appeal – Call to Share. Because of your generosity,

our diocese was able to create the space for people to encounter the saving, abiding, merciful love of Christ. We were able to be disciples who make disciples. Your kindness and generosity made this possible. We could not do it without you. Thank you for your "yes" in joining us in our mission to help



every person know Jesus.





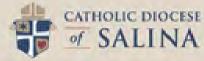


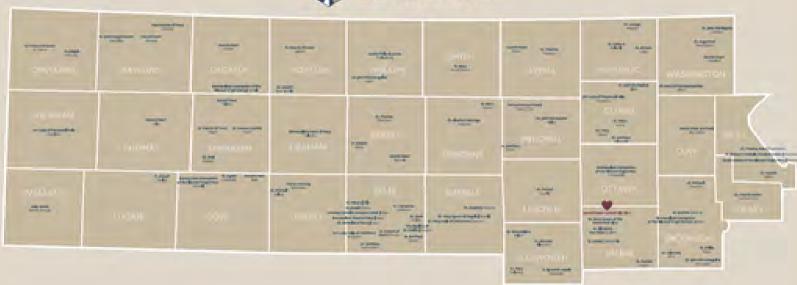
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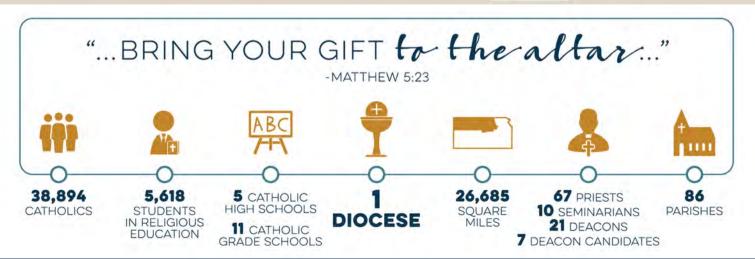
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THANK YOU FOR YOUR INCREDIBLE GENEROSITY.

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"I have served the people of this diocese for 23 years. I've baptized 241 babies, 337 funerals, and 74 marriages. Thank you for giving to the appeal. Because of you, I have been able to retire with peace of mind. I still help out when I can though! A priest is never done with his work. So, you are all in my prayers." Fr. Larry Letourneau **Retired Priest** 



## **INSPIRING** STORIES **FROM THOSE TOUCHED BY YOUR GENEROSITY**

"The topic of discussion at OCIA was 'Who is Jesus.' Fr. Andy told us that there would be Adoration after class and that we were more than welcome to come. The entire class while learning about Iesus, I had a thought in the back of my head telling me that I need to attend. When I first met Jesus that night, I was able to experience how much love and mercy Jesus has for me. Looking back, I know that thought in my head was Jesus telling me that it's time to follow him and put my trust in him. OCIA and the Eucharist truly changed my life for the better and I hope that anyone considering joining the church make that commitment and put all your trust in him."

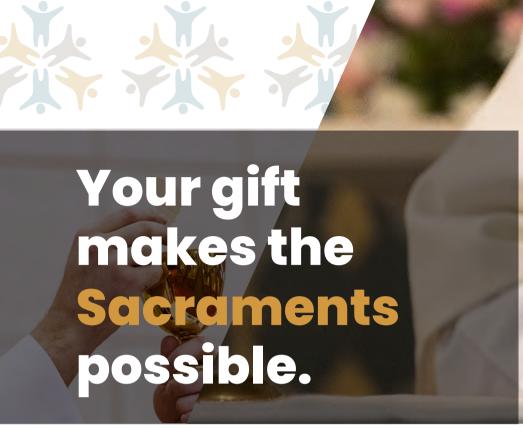
> Ian Sackett **OCIA Participant, Hays, KS**



**Christina Whitehair** 

"My favorite thing about working in a Catholic school is that faith is an integral part of everything we do. It is so beautiful to see children growing in their faith and developing a relationship with God as they learn academics. Helping students learn about God's plan for their lives is also very rewarding."

Principal at St. Andrew Elementary, Abilene







655
Confirmations



730 First Communions



674
Baptisms



202
Marriages





10 Seminarians



Seminarian Visits



65
Health Care for Clergy



13
Retired Clergy



290 Men's Conference Attendees



2000+
Totus Tuus Students



101
Anniversary Mass
Attendees



6102

Faith Formation throughout parishes and schools





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