



# SDNB

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## **OFFICE OF THE BISHOP**

**THANK YOU** for those who attended the Women Religious Appreciation Mass at the Motherhouse in Concordia. It was a wonderful celebration of the impact these women have had on the Diocese of Salina and around the world.

**THANK YOU** to all who attended the Memorial Mass for parents who have lost children. It was well attended, and an emotional and joyful gathering.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to all May graduates. May God be with you in your future endeavors.

**THANK YOU** for all who participated in the Rural Life Commissions St. Isidore Day activities in Russell.

**PARISH CONFIRMATION REQUEST FORM** - if you did not complete the Confirmation request form prior to the May 31st deadline, please contact Brenda as soon as possible at [brenda.streit@salinadioese.org](mailto:brenda.streit@salinadioese.org)

**OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP** feast day is on June 27. She is the patroness of our diocese.

**PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION** Is June 30<sup>th</sup>.

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

**JUNE** – Human trafficking is a scourge, a crime against the whole of humanity. It is time to join forces and work together to free its victims and to eradicate this crime that affects all of us, from individual families to the worldwide community. Pope Francis Alliance to End Human Trafficking-Founded and Supported by US Catholic Sisters 7575 Grand River Ave.1-1009, Brighton, MI 48114.

**JUNIO** – La trata de personas es un flagelo y un crimen contra toda la humanidad. Es hora de unir fuerzas y trabajar juntos para liberar a sus víctimas y erradicar este crimen que nos afecta a todos, desde familias individuales a la comunidad mundial, nos dice el Papa Francisco. La alianza para poner fin a la trata de personas: fundada y apoyada por hermanas católicas de los EE. UU. 7575 Grand River Ave.1-1009, Brighton, MI 48114

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

THÁNG SÁU – Nạn buôn người là một tai họa, một tội ác chống lại toàn thể loài người. Đây là lúc gia nhập các lực lượng và cùng nhau hoạt động để giải thoát các nạn nhân của nó và hủy diệt tội ác này, tội ác ảnh hưởng trên tất cả chúng ta, từ các gia đình riêng lẻ để cộng đồng khắp thế giới. 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.

## **MARK YOUR CALENDARS:**

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES ANNUAL FUNDRAISER Green Tie Celebration** is Saturday, July 13 at the Salina Country Club. Please consider attending the event to show your support and appreciation for all the good that Catholic Charities does. More information and tickets can be purchased at <https://ccnks.org/greentie>

Please join us, if possible, as we support these young men in their journeys to becoming priests in our diocese.

**DIOCESAN EUCHARISTIC CONFERENCE** will be presented by the Comeau Catholic Campus Center and held at Fort Hays State University on August 9 & 10<sup>th</sup>. Please go to [salinadiocese.org](http://salinadiocese.org) for more information and to register.

## **OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR**

**DIOCESAN CALENDAR** dates for the fiscal year of 2024-2025 are attached. Event dates are subject to change. Any updates and additions to this calendar will be posted on the diocesan website and listed on the monthly calendar sent out with the SDNB.

## **OFFICE OF VOCATIONS**

**THE VOCATIONS BBQ** is scheduled for August 4th beginning at 3:00 p.m. at St. Nicholas of Myra Parish in Hays. Priests are encouraged to think of young men 7<sup>th</sup> grade and above from their parishes that would benefit from this event, and RSVP this information by July 19<sup>th</sup> to [sandy.losey@catholictigers.org](mailto:sandy.losey@catholictigers.org). A parent is welcome to attend along with their son. Seminarians will also be in attendance for discerners to visit with.

**THE SEMINARIAN DINNERS** are scheduled as follows:

- July 31 – Salina, Hilton Garden Inn
- August 1 – Colby, City Limits Convention Center
- August 2 – Hays, The Strand

## **OFFICE OF PUBLICATIONS**

**NEW EDITOR FOR THE REGISTER** - Lori Leiszler will assume full time duties for The Register effective June 1, 2024. You can contact her at 785.827.8746 x114 or by email at [theregister@salinadiocese.org](mailto:theregister@salinadiocese.org), or [lori.leiszler@salinadiocese.org](mailto:lori.leiszler@salinadiocese.org)

### **COMMUNICATION DEADLINES:**

June Issue: June 7 (in home 6-28)

July Issue: July 5<sup>th</sup> (in home 7-26)

August: Aug. 2<sup>th</sup> (in home 8-23)

## **OFFICE OF RESPECT LIFE**

**MEMORIAL MASS** - Thank you to St. Thomas More parish in Manhattan and Sacred Heart parish in Plainville for hosting this year's Masses for Parents of Deceased Children. It was a beautiful Mass celebrated with the Bishop. We appreciate everyone who worked together to make this ministry a success.

## **OFFICE OF SAFE ENVIRONMENT**

**SAFETY COORDINATORS** - Please continue to monitor your CMGConnect database through the summer months, especially if your parish or school continues to have summer programs for our youth. Please archive users who are not ministering and contact users who need to update. Continuing this process during the summer will make "paperwork" easier this fall. Please ensure drivers transporting minors during summer programs follow diocesan guidelines. Please refer to the Field Trip Supplement of the Safe Environment Program Handbook for detailed instructions. If you have any questions related to Safe Environment Training and background checks, or any other concerns in regard to safety, please email [wendy.backes@salinadiocese.org](mailto:wendy.backes@salinadiocese.org). Additionally, please continue to check your email for other important information from the Safe Environment Office during the summer months.

**MANDATORY MICROSOFT TEAMS MEETING** - Microsoft Team Meetings for Parish/School Safety Coordinators will be scheduled this summer, similar to last year. Microsoft Team Meetings for Safety Coordinators of schools AND parishes will tentatively be scheduled in July. An email will be forthcoming with exact dates and times. Note: You can participate in a Teams meeting even if you do not have a Teams account. I will send instructions with your email invitation.

**SCHOOLS OUT** - Just because school is out does not mean we have to stop learning. We can't take a vacation from keeping kids safe, so here are a few things to help you keep on track for a great summer! Click [here](#) to read the article *Surviving Summer Boredom*, the article highlights 5 easy ways to help parents combat summer boredom and help kids develop the internal resources that are important for developing creative, resource, and time management skills to have a safe and fun summer.

## **OFFICE OF SAFE ENVIRONMENT (cont.)**

**COMPLIANCE** - Please be sure your parish or school has submitted all required documentation to the diocese, as the audit period ends June 30th. We will be participating in a live audit this year and your full participation is an essential part of the process. Thank you for your continued commitment to protecting children in our diocese.

**SHOUT-OUTS** - During the month of May, we recognized Loretta Studer. Loretta is the parish safety coordinator at Sacred Heart Parish in Atwood and Assumption of Mary Parish in Herndon. Loretta began her career at Sacred Heart in September 1997, as part-time secretary. Now serving as Full-Time Office Manager and Director of Religious Education for both Sacred Heart, Atwood and St. Mary's, Herndon. Loretta's ensures that the parishes are always in compliance, and her attention to detail, and punctuality are what stand out most as Safety Coordinator. These key attributes are so important as we continue to provide safe environments for the students and adults in our parishes, schools, and community; with our mission, promise to protect, pledge to heal. We greatly appreciate Loretta as Safety Coordinator and all she does in Atwood and Herndon.

*Previous shout - outs:*

April 2024 - *Laura Schwarz - 2024 Safety Coordinator of the Year – Sacred Heart Parish and School Colby*

March 2024 - *Shelly Wahlmeier - St. Joseph Parish-New Almelo, KS, and St. Francis of Assisi - Norton*

February 2024 - *Amy Hudson – TMP School, Hays*

January 2024 - *Amanda Martin – Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish, Goodland*

## **CATHOLIC CHARITIES**

**JUNE OUTREACH SERVICES SCHEDULE** - 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 June Outreach Services schedule is attached. You can also view the full, up-to-date Outreach Services schedule anytime at [www.ccnks.org/outreach](http://www.ccnks.org/outreach).

### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**Hays-Area Baby Bottle Campaign** - The Baby Bottle Campaign is taking place in Hays-area parishes from Mother's Day to Father's Day. Simply fill a bottle with coins, cash, or a check and return to your parish on Father's Day weekend to make a big impact for mothers and babies across our diocese. You can also donate online at [www.ccnks.org/babybottle](http://www.ccnks.org/babybottle). If you give via Venmo, be sure to include "2024 Baby Bottle Campaign" in the description of your transaction. Your generosity helps provide essential support and care. Thank you for making a difference!

**Green Tie Celebration – July 13, 2024** - Catholic Charities' annual fundraiser, the Green Tie Celebration, will be held Saturday, July 13 from 6-10 p.m. at the Salina Country Club. This festive evening will include a social hour, live music, dinner, impactful testimonials, and a live auction presented by Gene Francis & Associates. Seats are limited, so reserve your spot today! To reserve seats, donate, or both, visit [www.ccnks.org/greentie](http://www.ccnks.org/greentie). Questions? Contact Jessica Allen at 785-825-0208 or [jallen@ccnks.org](mailto:jallen@ccnks.org).

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

### **WAYS TO HELP:**

#### **Help Catholic Charities Help Others with Dillon's Pickup Bags!**

Did you know that the bags used for online grocery orders at Dillon's can make a big difference? Catholic Charities recycles them to create hygiene kits for those in need in our community. Every bag counts! Please consider dropping off your Dillon's Pickup bags at any of our three offices located in Salina, Manhattan, and Hays. Your contribution will directly impact those facing hardship in northern Kansas. Let's work together with Catholic Charities to make a positive change!

#### **In-Kind Donations Welcome!**

Did you know that Catholic Charities gladly accepts in-kind donations? Your generosity makes a difference in the lives of those we serve. Please see the attached list of needed items. Every donation is valued and appreciated. Learn more at [www.ccnks.org/inkind](http://www.ccnks.org/inkind). Thank you for your support!

#### **Walmart Registry for Good**

Are you looking for an easy way to help our neighbors in need? The Walmart Registry for Good offers a simple way to purchase essential food, hygiene, and baby items and ship them directly to our warehouse in Salina. Visit [www.ccnks.org/inkind](http://www.ccnks.org/inkind), where you'll find a link to our Walmart registry. Explore the food, hygiene, and baby lists by clicking the link. Once you've selected your items, proceed to checkout. These items will then be shipped directly to the Salina warehouse and distributed among our three locations in Salina, Hays, and Manhattan, benefitting our neighbors in need across northern Kansas.

#### **Venmo Giving**

Supporting Catholic Charities of Northern Kansas is easier than ever with our 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 for helping our neighbors in need!



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### **JOB OPENINGS:**

#### **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](http://www.ccnks.org/careers)

## **CATHOLIC FOUNDATION FOR DIOCESE OF SALINA**

**BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL 2024:** Thanks to the generosity of donors across the diocese, we have surpassed \$1,733,434 in funds raised for the Bishop's Annual Appeal.

If you have any questions, please contact Heather Hartman at 785-738-7336 or [heather.hartman@salinadiocese.org](mailto:heather.hartman@salinadiocese.org)

**PARISH RESOURCES** – One idea for your bulletin is below, or find others at: [bit.ly/BAresources](http://bit.ly/BAresources)

*Did you know that the 2024 Bishop's Annual Appeal runs through January 2025? This allows members of our diocese to support the appeal at any point throughout the year, perhaps when it is most financially feasible for them to do so. Any gift, large or small, can help support the mission of our diocese and ensure that thousands across our diocese continue to encounter Christ. You can return your pledge card anytime in the offertory basket; mail it to Bishop's Annual Appeal, PO Box 1696, Salina KS 67402 or give online at <https://appeal.salinadiocese.org/>*

**BISHOP VINCKE'S 25<sup>th</sup> JUBILEE** – Please join us Sunday June 9<sup>th</sup> to celebrate Bishop Vincke's 25<sup>th</sup> Jubilee. Mass will be held at 3 p.m. at The Basilica of St. Fidelis, Victoria. An open house reception will be held from 4-6 p.m. at the Victoria Elementary School gymnasium. RSVP ASAP to [corrina.hudsonpillar@salinadiocese.org](mailto:corrina.hudsonpillar@salinadiocese.org) or 785-639-2100. We hope you can join us for this celebration.

**FREE ESTATE PLANNING SEMINARS – CREATING YOUR CATHOLIC LEGACY:** The Foundation staff is currently scheduling free estate planning seminars! These are an opportunity for members of our diocese 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.

Estate planning is for **ALL AGES** regardless of the size of their “estate”– once someone starts retirement accounts, has life insurance, a family, purchases a home – they need a plan! If your parish would like more information on hosting a free seminar, please contact Corrina Hudsonpillar at 785-639-2100 or [corrina.hudsonpillar@salinadiocese.org](mailto:corrina.hudsonpillar@salinadiocese.org)

**SEMINARIAN DINNERS – Save the Dates!** Mark your calendars for the 2024 Seminarian Fundraising Dinners. Be watching for formal invitations and RSVP information in the upcoming months.

Wednesday July 31<sup>st</sup> – Salina

Thursday August 1<sup>st</sup> – Colby

Friday August 2<sup>nd</sup> – Hays

## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND YOUTH MINISTRY**

**JR. CYO CAMP** - Registration will open on May 1<sup>st</sup> for Jr. CYO Camp. For more information, please visit our website. <https://salinadiocese.org/office/office-of-youth-ministry/junior-cyo-camp/>

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

**\*NEW DRE'S OR YOUTH MINISTERS** - 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>

**RESTORED ORDER OF THE SACREMENTS LISTENING SESSION FOR DRE'S AND YOUTH MINISTERS** - As you know, we are in the process of exploring and discerning whether to move to the Restored Order of the Sacraments, and we need your feedback! We have set up two meetings for our DREs and Youth Ministers to discuss some things. You can attend both meetings in person or virtually.

Please select which meeting you plan to attend and if you will attend in person or virtually. (If you can't attend either meeting, don't worry; you are welcome to reach out to me after the meeting, and I will be happy to fill you in and discuss your thoughts.)

Tuesday, June 4th at 6 p.m. (Hays KS)

Wednesday, June 5th at 6 p.m. (Salina KS)

Click the Link to register a spot-<https://forms.gle/XsRg1P1oJNzcNtX47>

## **OFFICE OF FAMILY LIFE**

**THE MISSIONARIES OF THE HOLY SPIRIT IN THE FAMILY (MHSF)** is a Catholic apostolate for married couples that is built around the practical application of the New Evangelization in the Domestic Church to build up the culture of marriage & family. It is our vision to unify, strengthen, and normalize virtuous marriages that are solidified by orthodox formation, an intentional community, and deep encounters with God. <https://www.mhsfonline.org/who-we-are>

If you have any questions about how this can help married couples in your parish, they are hosting their first-ever formal "Get to Know MHSF" (digital) summer session on Saturday, June 15th, from 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

The session will cover:

- a) what is MHSF
- b) how it can fit into the culture of your parish and/or community
- c) the practicals about how to implement MHSF

If you're not sure you want to bring MHSF to your area but would like to learn about its potential impact on your community, parish, and families, this will be a great event to attend.

Frequently Asked Questions (See attached PDF)

Frequently Asked Questions with Priest Comments (See attached PDF)

Please click here to RSVP for the Summer Session on June 15th. (Even if you cannot attend, we will record the event to send along your way.) Click Link to RSVP [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd-88ihkmXXU8oO\\_H-NF240YjcEx51OTAdq7463MZins11DSw/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd-88ihkmXXU8oO_H-NF240YjcEx51OTAdq7463MZins11DSw/viewform)

**OFFICE OF EDUCATION**

**TAX CREDIT SCHOLARSHIP** - Support Catholic Education in the Salina Diocese and receive a 75% State Tax Credit! The Scholarship Granting Fund for the Catholic Diocese of Salina is accepting donations and is able to offer a 75% tax credit. Please email Katie Platten, CEO for Catholic Foundation [katie.platten@salinadiocese.org](mailto:katie.platten@salinadiocese.org). This school year, over \$119,000 was awarded to schools for 96 students in the Salina Diocese.

**NOW HIRING** - Experience the JOY of teaching in a Catholic school! Browse the available positions and apply online: <https://salinadiocese.org/office/human-resources/>

**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.



# July 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4 Independence Day CHANCERY CLOSED	5	6
7 150 <sup>TH</sup> Anniversary Mass for St. Phillip, Hope, 4:30pm	8	9	10	11 Priests Council Mtg, 2:30pm	12 38 <sup>th</sup> Annual Bishop George Fitzsimons Memorial Golf Tournament	13 Catholic Charites Green Tie Celebration, 6pm, Salina Country Club
14	15	16	17 National Eucharistic Revival Conference, Indianapolis, IN	18 National Eucharistic Revival Conference, Indianapolis, IN	19 National Eucharistic Revival Conference, Indianapolis, IN	20 National Eucharistic Revival Conference, Indianapolis, IN
21 National Eucharistic Revival Conference, Indianapolis, IN	22	23 Catholic Foundation Board mtg. 4pm	24	25	26	27 Plainville School Auction, 5pm
28	29	30	31 School Principals mtg., Hall of Bishops, 9am Seminarian Dinner in Salina, Hilton Inn, 6pm			

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### **Office of the Bishop**

Jul 16-21	National Eucharistic Congress, Indianapolis, Indiana
July 24-25	Courage International Conference, Mundelein, IL
Aug 5-8	ACTS XXIX Conference, Detroit, MI
TBD	White Mass, Location TBD
Nov 7	Memorial Mass for Deceased Priests
Nov 19-21	Convocation, Washington, D.C.
Jan 3-10	Region IX Bishop's Retreat, San Diego
Jan TBD	Red Mass, Kansas Catholic Conference Day with Legislators, Topeka
Jan 29	Ignite Rally and Mass / Kansas March for Life, Topeka
Feb 24-Mar. 4	IPF Bishop's Silent Retreat, Clearwater, FL
May 2-4	Knights of Columbus State Convention, Topeka
May 8	Women Religious Appreciation Mass

### **USCCB Meetings**

Nov 10-14	Baltimore, MD
June 16-20	Special Assembly, Orlando, FL

### **Continuing Education of Priest**

Sep 16-19	Priests' Retreat, Wichita
Feb 17-20	Priest Renewal Days, Wichita

### **College of Consultors/Priests' Council Meetings**

Jul 11	Priests' Council, Salina
Sep 16	Priests' Council and College of Consultors, Wichita
Nov 7	Priests' Council, Salina
Feb 17	Priests' Council and College of Consultors, Wichita
Mar 27	Priests' Council, Salina
May 21	College of Consultors, Salina
May 29	Priests' Council, Salina

### **Clergy Health and Retirement Board**

March 6	Annual Board Meeting, Salina
May 20	Senior Priests Luncheon, Victoria
May 21	Senior Priests Luncheon, Salina

### **Lay Review Board Meetings**

Aug 29	Lay Review Board Mtg
Dec 12	Lay Review Board Mtg
Mar 20	Lay Review Board Mtg
Jun 5	Lay Review Board Mtg

### **Deacon Formation**

Jul 21-27	Candidate Homiletics Course - St. Meinrad, IN
Sep 6-8	Deacon Retreat, Wichita
Sep 20-22	Candidate Formation and Rite of Acolyte, Victoria
Oct 18-20	Candidate Formation Weekend, Victoria
Nov 15-17	Candidate Formation Weekend, Victoria
Dec 20-22	Candidate Formation Weekend, Victoria
Jan 11	Candidate Scrutiny Interviews, Salina
Jan 17-19	Candidate Formation Weekend, Victoria
Feb 8	Candidate & Spouse Interviews with Bishop, Salina
Feb 21-23	Candidate Formation Weekend, Victoria
Mar 21-23	Candidate Formation Weekend, Victoria
Apr 25-27	Candidate Formation Weekend, Victoria
May 16-18	Candidate Formation Weekend, Victoria
Jun 11-15	Candidate Canonical Retreat, Schuyler, NE
Jun 28	Permanent Deacon Ordination

### **Finance Council Meetings**

Sept 19	Salina
Dec 5	Salina
Mar 26	Salina
June 26	Salina

### **Diocesan Collections**

Aug 11	Annual Seminarian Collection
Oct 20	Mission Sunday Collection
Dec 8	Retired Religious Collection
Mar 30	Catholic Relief Services Collection
Apr 18	Holy Land Collection
Apr 27	Catholic Home Mission Appeal
June 29	Peter's Pence Collection

### **Propagation of the Faith**

Oct 20	World Mission Sunday
April 27	Earliest date Mission Coop appeals can begin

### **Liturgy**

Mar 9	Rite of Election, Hays
Mar 16	Rite of Election, Salina
Apr 10	Chrism Mass, SH Cathedral

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### **Rural Life**

Aug 18 Rural Life Day  
May 15 St. Isidore's Day

### **Catholic Foundation for Diocese of Salina**

July 23 Board Meeting  
Oct.22 Board Meeting  
Nov 18 #IGiveCatholic - Advanced Giving  
Dec 3 #IGiveCatholic - Giving Tuesday  
Jan 28 Board Meeting  
Feb 8-9 Bishop's Annual Appeal Kick-off Weekend  
Apr 22 Board Meeting

### **Respect Life**

Oct Respect Life Month  
Oct 5-11 Diocesan Rosary Congress  
Oct 9 Diocesan Respect Life Youth Conference (Salina)  
Jan 22-26 Diocesan March for Life Pilgrimage (DC)  
Jan 9 Ignite Rally for Life and Mass, Topeka

### **Family Life**

July 28 World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly  
Aug 9-10 Eucharistic Congress, FHSU, Hays  
Oct 13 Anniv. Mass - Salina  
Oct 27 Anniv. Mass - Hays  
TBD Memorial Mass for Parents who have lost a child  
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### **Engaged Encounter**

Sept 27-29 Catholic Engaged Encounter, Victoria  
Feb 7-9 Catholic Engaged Encounter, Victoria  
Apr 4-6 Catholic Engaged Encounter, Victoria  
June 6-8 Catholic Engaged Encounter, Victoria

### **Natural Family Planning**

Jul 21-27 NFP Awareness Week  
Aug 31-Sep 5 Education Phase II  
Mar 12-22 Worldwide FertilityCare Week

### **Vocations**

July 31 Seminarian Recognition Dinner, Salina  
Aug 1 Seminarian Recognition Dinner, Colby  
Aug 2 Seminarian Recognition Dinner, Hays  
Aug 4 Vocations BBQ, Hays  
Nov 3-9 Vocations Awareness Week  
Dec 27 Running Revs Basketball Game, Salina  
Apr 26 Transitional Deacon Ordination  
May 11 World Day of Prayer for Vocations  
May 31 Priest Ordination

### **Catholic Schools**

Jul 31 Principals' Meeting (Salina)  
Nov 8 Diocesan Teachers' Inservice  
Jan 26 - Feb 1 Catholic Schools Week

### **Youth Ministry**

Jul 7-12 Prayer & Action HS Wk 4 - Ellis  
July 7-12 Totus Tuus - Ellsworth, Colby, Concordia, Ellis  
July 14-19 Prayer & Action HS Wk 5 - Ellis  
Jul 14-19 Totus Tuus - Osborne, WaKeeney, Goodland, Stockton  
Jul 21-26 Prayer & Action HS Wk 6 - Ellis  
Jul 21-26 Totus Tuus - Hays, Victoria, Park  
Aug 31-Sept 2 Junior CYO Camp, Rock Springs  
Sept 15 Catechetical Sunday Weekend

### **Catholic Charities**

Jul 13 Green Tie Celebration  
Aug 22 Board Meeting (in person)  
Oct 14 - Nov 8 Happy Bottoms Diaper Drive  
Oct 26-27 Annual Appeal Kick-off Weekend  
Nov 8 Annual Adoption Mass, Salina  
Nov 21 Board Meeting (Zoom)  
Feb 1 - Mar 2 Baby Bottle Campaign (Salina & Manhattan area Parishes & Schools)  
Feb 20 Board Meeting (Zoom)  
May 11 - Jun 15 Baby Bottle Campaign (Hays area Parishes & Schools)  
May 22 Board Meeting (in person)

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### **Special Days of Prayer and Holidays**

Jul 4	Independence Day - Chancery Closed
Aug 15	Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary - Chancery Closed
Sept 1	World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation
Sept 2	Labor Day - Chancery Closed
Sept 8	US Day for Grandparents and the Elderly
Sept 29	World Day of Migrants and Refugees
Oct 20	World Mission Sunday
Nov 1	Solemnity of All Saints - Chancery Closed
Nov 17	World Day of the Poor
Nov 28	Thanksgiving Day - Chancery Closed Nov 23-24
Dec 8	Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception
Dec 24	Christmas Eve
Dec 25	Christmas Day - Chancery Closed
Dec 26	Feast of St. Stephen - Chancery Closed
Jan 1	Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God - Chancery Closed
Jan 20	Martin Luther King Day - Chancery Closed
Jan 18-25	Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
Jan 22	Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children
Jan 26	Sunday of the Word of God
Feb 2	World Day for Consecrated Life
Feb 9	World Marriage Sunday
Feb 11	World Day of the Sick
Mar 5	Ash Wednesday
Mar 19	Solemnity of St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Apr 17	Holy Thursday
Apr 18	Good Friday - Chancery Closed
Apr 19	Holy Saturday
Apr 20	Easter Sunday
Apr 21	Easter Monday - Chancery Closed
Apr 26	Day of Prayer in Atonement of Those Harmed by Sexual Abuse
Apr 27	Divine Mercy Sunday
May 11	World Day of Prayer for Vocations
May 11	Mother's Day
May 26	Memorial Day - Chancery Closed
Jun 15	Father's Day

### **Special Events Around the Diocese**

Jul 12	Sacred Heart HS Endowment - Golf Tournament, Salina
Jul 19-21	After Harvest Festival, Grinnell
Jul 27	Sacred Heart Auction, Plainville
Jul 27	Polka Mass - St. Wenceslaus, Wilson
Aug 3	St. Boniface Parish Picnic, Tipton
Aug 24	SDCCW Convention, Immac. Conception, Grinnell
Aug 24	St. John's, Beloit, Harvest Festival
Sep 7	Divine Mercy Radio Banquet, Hays
Sep 8	Divine Mercy Radio Banquet, Colby
Sep 15	Annual Mass at Holy Cross Church, Pfeifer
Sep 27	TMP-M HS Homecoming, Hays
Oct 4	Manhattan Catholic Auction, Manhattan
Oct 11-13	Pathways Retreat - Sacred Heart Cathedral, Salina
Oct 26	Sacred Heart Auction, Colby
Nov 7	Holy Family Benefactor Mass, Hays
Nov 26	St. Andrew Feast Day Celebration, Abilene
Dec 3-6	Divine Mercy Radio Fall Care-A-Thon
Dec 7	St. Joseph Auction, Oakley
Jan 1-5	SEEK25 Conference, Salt Lake City, Utah
Jan 26 - Feb 1	Catholic Schools Week
Feb 21-23	Pathways Retreat - TBD
Feb 23	Sacred Heart School Carnival, Colby
Mar 22	St. John the Baptist Auction, Beloit
Mar 29	St. Mary School/Parish Auction, Ellis
Apr 4-6	Pathways Retreat - TBD
Apr 29-May 2	Divine Mercy Radio Spring Care-A-Thon
Apr 26	Sacred Heart HS Auction, Salina
Apr 26	St. Xavier Auction, Junction City
Apr 26	TMP-M Ace Auction, Hays
May 11	Tipton Catholic HS Graduation, Tipton
May 11	St. John's HS Graduation, Beloit
May 11	Sacred Heart HS Graduation, Salina
May 17	St. Francis Xavier HS Graduation, Junction City
May 18	TMP-M HS baccalaureate and Graduation, Hays
Jun 6	Fr. Earl Befort Golf Classic, Hays

## Diocesan Calendar Dates July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025

(Please note that dates are subject to change. Please refer to the SDNB and Diocesan Website for the most accurate information month to month.)

### **Special Feasts** \* Indicates Holy Day of Obligation

Jul 26	Memorial of Sts. Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin
Aug 4	Memorial of St. John Vianney
Aug 6	Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord
Aug 15*	<i>Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>
Aug 22	Memorial of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Sep 8	Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Sep 14	Feast of the Exultation of the Cross
Sep 15	Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows
Sep 29	Feast of Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels
Oct 4	Memorial of St. Francis of Assisi - Diocesan Secondary Patron
Oct 7	Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary
Oct 20	Memorial of the Holy Guardian Angels
Nov 1*	<i>Solemnity of All Saints</i>
Nov 2	Feast of All Souls
Nov 21	Memorial of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Nov 24	Solemnity of Our Lord, Christ the King
Dec 8*	<i>Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception</i>
Dec 12	Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe - Patron of the Americas
Dec 25*	<i>Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)</i>
Dec 28	Feast of the Holy Innocents
Dec 31	Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
Jan 1	Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
Jan 6	Solemnity of the Epiphany
Feb 2	Feast of the Presentation of the Lord
Mar 5	Ash Wednesday
Mar 19	Solemnity of St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Mar 25	Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord
Apr 13	Palm Sunday
Apr 17	Holy Thursday
Apr 18	Good Friday - Chancery Closed
Apr 19	Holy Saturday
Apr 20	Easter Sunday
Apr 27	Divine Mercy Sunday
May 15	Feast of St. Isidore
May 29	Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord
Jun 8	Solemnity of Pentecost
Jun 9	Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church
Jun 15	Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity
Jun 19	Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
Jun 24	Solemnity of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist
Jun 27	Memorial of Our Lady of Perpetual Help - Diocesan Patron
Jun 27	Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
Jun 28	Memorial of the Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

# Catholic Charities Outreach Services

## June 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

6/4

**Osborne** - St. Aloysius Catholic Church 10:30am - 11:30am

Wednesday

6/5

**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 of Assisi Catholic Church 1:00pm - 2:00pm  
**Herington** - St John Catholic Church 1:00pm - 2:00pm

Wednesday

6/12

**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** - Lincoln County Health Department 1:30pm - 2:30pm

Wednesday

6/19

**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

6/26

**Chapman** - St. Michael Catholic Church 9:00am - 10:00am  
**Russell** - St. Mary Queen of Angels Church 9:00am - 10:00am  
**Minneapolis** - 200 Block of N. Sheridan 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



*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!*





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Supporting Pregnancy Services



**May 12 - June 16**

Providing vital services to mothers and babies throughout northern Kansas.



Scan this QR Code with your smartphone camera to donate or visit [ccnks.org/babybottle](https://ccnks.org/babybottle)



# DONATE YOUR PICKUP BAGS!

Got extra Dillon's Pickup bags lying around? Catholic Charities would love to take them off your hands! We use these bags to create hygiene kits for those in need in Northern Kansas.

**Drop off bags at the office nearest you!**

**Salina: 1500 S. 9th St.**

**Manhattan: 212 S. 4th St.**

**Hays: 122 E. 12th St.**



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# Missionaries of the Holy Spirit in the Family

## Frequently Asked Questions

### 1. What is MHSF?

The *Missionaries of the Holy Spirit in the Family* (MHSF) is a Catholic apostolate for married couples which is built up around the practical application of the New Evangelization in the Domestic Church to build up the culture of marriage & family.

It is our vision to unify, strengthen, and normalize virtuous marriages that are solidified by orthodox formation, an intentional community, and deep encounter with God.

### 2. What is the purpose of MHSF?

A primary goal of MHSF is to help married couples grow intentionally together strengthened by the graces of the Sacrament of Marriage. We provide a transformative environment through orthodox formation & community with other couples that fosters a depth of growth and vulnerability in married life through the Holy Spirit.

We create a roadmap for the family and a model of the tools needed to create a new normal in marriage and family life for the home, the community, and the culture at large. We take an “up and out” approach through a gradual process of apostolic multiplication unique to each family and specific to each person.

### 3. How can I join?

- a. Being a part of MHSF comes by joining (or starting) a local “chapter”. These chapters include couples (usually about 8 to 15) from your parish or community who come together on a monthly basis in being formed through the same four pillars of seminary formation: human, intellectual, spiritual, and apostolic.



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4. How do I bring MHSF to my parish or community?
  - a. There are two simple ways to have MHSF brought to your community or parish:
    - A) Work with us to help start a chapter in your community or parish. Chapters begin at the beginning of each new year (i.e. January) and include a period of training to start a new chapter and a period of discernment for couples considering joining.
    - B) Share MHSF with your pastor or a priest who may be interested in learning more. Have them reach out to us directly for more details.
5. What does the commitment involve?
  - a. Couples who join MHSF spend two years together meeting monthly and participating in various gatherings, retreats, and small group activities.
6. Can I join if I am engaged?
  - a. MHSF is post-marriage formation aimed at those who are already married, so it is not for couples who are engaged. But once, married, we would love to have you!



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## Frequently Asked Questions (*for Priests*)

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  - b. It is our vision to unify, strengthen, and normalize virtuous marriages that are solidified by orthodox formation, an intentional community, and deep encounter with God.
2. What is the involvement of a priest with this mission?
  - a. Please see below for details of an MHSF chapter, but generally speaking, a priest is needed to provide Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and offer the Sacrament of Confession for MHSF couples once per month.
3. Is there any benefit to my parish?
  - a. The Latin word 'seminary' means greenhouse. A greenhouse provides a place of protection for a seedling. Within the walls of the greenhouse, through proper nourishment, nurturing and light, it grows deep roots and begins to become what it truly is. As it becomes strong, it can be transplanted outside and will be able to withstand the storms of life. MHSF is a seminary for those in the Sacrament of Marriage.
  - b. Through human, spiritual, intellectual, and apostolic formation, spouses receive the wisdom and beauty that God has revealed about marriage. Through meaningful relationships with other couples, they realize it is normal to receive God's plan for marriage and family and so be fully alive. As St. John Paul II was fond of saying, "Family, become what you are."
  - c. In all likelihood, by families participating in MHSF formation, you are helping build, grow, and establish intentional disciples in your parish.





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4. What does the process of starting an MHSF chapter look like?
  - a. We start MHSF Chapters annually, and they meet monthly for 24 sessions/months. They typically will meet at a local parish so that adoration and confession can be offered.
  - b. Prior to the commencement of each chapter, there is a short period of training to start a new chapter and a period of discernment for couples considering joining, typically during the Fall prior to a chapter starting.

An MHSF Chapter will include:

1. Somewhere between 8 and 15 couples. Typically any more than this, and we will look to create a second chapter to help foster intimacy, vulnerability, and friendship within the chapters
2. One "Facilitating Couple", whom we are able to communicate with and filter information through over the two year formation.
3. At least one priest who is able to offer adoration and confessions monthly. Preferably this priest will be able to be with the couples over the full two years, but obviously things can change but we want to try and plan for that if possible.
4. A "teacher" of the content. This could be the priest, someone local who can speak to the content, or at a minimum, our video series, that we created to facilitate this in the absence of an in-person teacher.



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### What are other priests saying about MHSF?

*“MHSF gives a pastor the space to engage a small group of intentional disciples to build up the families of his parish and initiate them in the ministerial life of the Church. Spending just one night a month, you will give the couples in your parish an excellent way to grow in their faith in God and openness to the promptings of the Holy Spirit. And you will receive so much more in return: new friendships with families in your parish, new disciples for Church ministries, and a bonus dinner and holy hour at the monthly gathering as well! This ministry has given me an amazing opportunity to encounter young families and grow within an intimate group of disciples, and I pray it will give the same opportunity to your parishes.”*

Fr. Joseph Wahlmeier

*“MHSF has been a massive gift not only for individual couples, but even in my own vocation. It's been exciting and life-giving to see faith grow in my couples and how MHSF has brought spouses even closer to each other, but more importantly desiring more of God. It has restored hope for humanity in my heart and helped me enter deeper into my spousal relationship with my Bride, the Church. Seeing my couples pray with each other, pray in front of the Blessed Sacrament more and desiring to pray with and over each other fills my heart with the pride and joy that a father has of his children. With the MHSF formation already planned out, it's not taxing on the priest's schedule. It's prepped and wrapped up as a gift, but is up to the priest to open and unleash it for himself and his parish!”*

Fr. Allan Phan

*“I'm happy to see Missionaries of the Holy Spirit in the Family thriving. It gives me comfort knowing that a bunch of young married couples are being formed, and are forming each other, for their lay apostolate. I like that they are learning about baptism in the Holy Spirit and are recognizing this as foundational to new life in Christ. And I like that they are establishing community with one another.”*

Fr. Christopher Goodwin



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*“Participation in MHSF is an incredible opportunity for husbands and wives to grow in their experience of the gift of marriage. We know the sacrament works; the grace is present. But an experience of the power of that grace at work in the everyday life of married couples is a game-changer for family life. The MHSF evenings provide an opportunity for a greater experience of the power of God's grace at work through the Church's teaching on marriage and family, through friendship and a shared experience of assimilating that teaching, and time spent together, as friends and as spouses, in prayer before our Eucharistic Lord. These moments make possible a new openness to, and cooperation with, the powerful grace of God. And, as priests we know, an openness to, and cooperation with, the grace of God has the power to set the world on fire - first in the human heart, then in the home, then in the parish, and then in the world!”*

Fr. Jay Buhman

### **From Co-Founder of MHSF, Father Ben Holdren:**

*Fathers,*

*I am a priest for the Diocese of Lincoln in Nebraska. I am now stationed at St. Gregory the Great Seminary as the Director of the Propaedeutic Year. I have been a part of Missionaries of the Holy Spirit in the Family (MHSF) for the past six years. For the great majority of my time in MHSF, I was serving as the Pastor of St. Peter's Catholic Church and St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Bellwood, Nebraska and Chaplain of David City Aquinas Catholic School. I am writing to highly recommend MHSF to you. It requires a sacrifice of time, but in my experience, I have gained far more than I have given.*

*MHSF is an apostolate that desires to create an environment where spouses can vulnerably and safely grow in relationship with God, with each other, and with like-minded couples. St. John Paul II said in Familiaris Consortio, “Families, become what you are.” MHSF is deeply grounded in Familiaris Consortio and imparts solid Catholic teaching in the formation of Catholic marriages. Couples discover their identity rooted in the love of God for them, and can then truly live out the vocation God has entrusted to them.*



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*It has been a joy to meet with couples once a month on Friday evenings and pass along the formation. MHSF continues to work to make it easier and easier for a priest to impart the curriculum. Each month there are recommended Catholic teachings on the Sacrament of Marriage, spousal prayer, charisms, etc. from a variety of sources. Accompanying these teachings each month is a video and a section of the workbook. If a priest is pressed for time in preparing, they can press play on the video and afterward go through the discussion questions in the workbook with minimal prep-time. A priest can also look at the information beforehand and use it to tailor a personalized talk on the topic and form their own discussion questions with the couples.*

*What I have enjoyed most is to see the couples form deep friendships with other like-minded couples, and to enter into deeper friendships with them myself. The couples receive a new awareness that they are not trying to be faithful Catholic spouses and parents on their own, but they are making this journey with many other couples who desire to do the same. It has given me tremendous life in my own priesthood as I am invited in deeper ways into the family life of many of these couples. It's fun just to share a meal with them once a month as we have lighthearted discussions, and then to be able to be a spiritual father to them through the offering of Adoration and Confession.*

*I would welcome any questions you have if it would be helpful to reach out to a fellow priest and discuss these things further. Get a hold of me anytime.*

*Sincerely in Christ,*

Fr. Ben Holdren



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