



# SDNB

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## **OFFICE OF THE BISHOP**

**CONFIRMATION** schedule for next year is still being finalized. If you have any questions or need to have your parish included in the schedule, please let Brenda know as soon as possible.

**CHANCERY CLOSED** on Friday, July 4 in observance of Independence Day. Have a safe and happy 4th!!

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES ANNUAL GREEN TIE FUNDRAISER** will take place on July 12 at the Salina Country Club. Please visit <https://ccnks.org/greentie> or contact Catholic Charities for more information (785.825.0208).

**NFP AWARENESS WEEK is July 20-26.** Thank you for promoting NFP in your parishes. There are many great resources available on the USCCB website ([www.usccb.org/topics/natural-familyplanning/national-nfp-awareness-week](http://www.usccb.org/topics/natural-familyplanning/national-nfp-awareness-week)). Please see the Office of Natural Family Planning for more information.

**WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY** will take place each year on the fourth Sunday in July, close to the feast of Ss. Joachim and Anne (July 26). This year, the special day will be celebrated on July 27. Please recognize these groups of people at your Masses.

**ANNUAL SEMINARIAN FUNDRAISING DINNERS** are scheduled for July 30 in Manhattan at the Hilton Garden Inn and July 31 at Rose Garden in Hays. These events will start at 5:15 p.m. Visit the Diocesan website or call the Chancery to purchase tickets. Thank you for your support.

## **MARK YOUR CALENDARS:**

Aug. 3<sup>rd</sup>, Vocations BBQ, St Nicholas of Myra, Hays.

Aug. 9-10, Eucharistic Conference, FHSU campus, Hays  
Fr. John Riccardo will be the keynote speaker.

Aug. 15<sup>th</sup>, Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.  
The Chancery will be closed.

## **OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR**

**DIOCESAN CALENDAR** dates for the fiscal year of 2025-2026 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**

**VOCATIONS BBQ** - August 3, 2025, Vocations BBQ at St. Nicholas of Myra Parish in Hays.

**PILGRIMAGE** - Please keep the seminarians in your prayers as they participate in a pilgrimage to Mexico June 29th through July 4th.

**RUNNIN' REV'S** will be held in conjunction with the Eucharistic Conference. The game will take place on August 8th at 6:00 p.m. in the FHSU Coliseum.

December 29, 2025 - Runnin Rev's at 6:00 p.m. in Salina

Vocations Office contact information:

Fr. Andy Hammeke 785-656-3747

Fr. Brian McCaffrey 785-236-0462

## **OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS**

**DEADLINES:** The deadline to submit content for the August paper is August 1st (in homes August 22). September's content deadline is September 5th (in homes Sept. 26). You can contact the editor, Lori Leiszler, at 785.827.8746 x114 or by email: [lori.leiszler@salinadiocese.org](mailto:lori.leiszler@salinadiocese.org) or [theregister@salinadiocese.org](mailto:theregister@salinadiocese.org)

## **OFFICE OF EDUCATION**

**ENROLLMENT** – Schools will be gearing up for enrollment for the 2025-2026 school year. Please contact your local Catholic school if you have questions.

**PILGRIMAGE 2027** – Students, parents, teachers, and clergy just returned from a pilgrimage to Italy, where they visited beautiful churches, prayed together daily, and attended the papal audience. The Office of Education will be organizing another pilgrimage in June 2027 to Milan, Florence, Assisi and Rome. More details will be available in the coming months.

**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 Heather Hartman, Director of Development for the Catholic Foundation [heather.hartman@salinadiocese.org](mailto:heather.hartman@salinadiocese.org). For the 24-25 school year, over \$137,000 will be awarded to [schools for 102](#) students in the Salina Diocese. These funds go directly to help with the cost of education for the qualifying student.

**OFFICE OF EDUCATION (cont.)**

**NEWMAN MINISTRY** – The Salina Diocese has partnered with Newman Ministry to help our high school seniors, Catholic, Public, or Home-School, get connected with the parish in the community they move to. Information has been sent to parish CYO Directors and Catholic high school principals.

**RELIGION ASSESSMENT** – This year, students are once again participating in the ARK (Assessment of Religious Knowledge). We are excited to see the results and celebrate the areas we are performing well in and target areas for growth in the future.

**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.

**OFFICE OF RESPECT LIFE**

**MEMORIAL MASS FOR PARENTS OF DECEASED CHILDREN** - The Memorial Masses for the Parents of Deceased Children has been moved to October in observance of Respect Life month. The Mass is scheduled for Sunday, October 19<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 p.m. at Sacred Heart Cathedral in Salina, KS. This Mass is open to all families who have lost a child. This Mass will count towards your Sunday obligation. There will be a reception following the Mass. Please join us.

**OFFICE OF SAFE ENVIRONMENT**

**MANDATORY MICROSOFT TEAMS MEETINGS** - The dates for the annual Microsoft Teams Meetings for Safety Coordinators of schools and parishes have been set for later this month. Please check your email for detailed information. If you have not received an email with this information, please call 785-827-8746 #124.

**AUDIT PERIOD** - The audit period for 2024-2025 ended June 30th. Any user in the CMGConnect database with an expired status or an unfinished curriculum has now been archived.

**THE SHEPHERD** - Please continue to use this quarterly newsletter to stay current with information from the Safe Environment Office and the Diocese of Salina as you continue to provide safe environments for the children and youth in your care.

**PLEASE WELCOME** - Liz Aguayo, the newest member of the Chancery Staff and the new Safe Environment Program Coordinator for the Diocese of Salina. Wendy will be training Liz, and they will be tag-teaming until the end of December. Moving forward, if you would please include both Liz and Wendy in any communications and submissions to ensure proper training, and then to pray for a seamless transition, we would be grateful. Liz's email address is [liz.aguayo@salinadiocese.org](mailto:liz.aguayo@salinadiocese.org). Also, note that Wendy will continue to manage the phone. Thank you for your support and patience as we continue our mission, *promise to protect, pledge to heal*.

## **OFFICE OF FAMILY LIFE**

**TOGETHER IN HOLINESS (SAVE THE DATE)** - We are excited to welcome the **Together in Holiness** initiative from the St. John Paul II Foundation to our diocese! This inspiring marriage enrichment program offers couples a meaningful opportunity to grow together in holiness and to embrace their vocation to family life. Rooted in the beauty of the Catholic vision for marriage, *Together in Holiness* is more than a single event—it is a movement that supports couples in living out their faith, empowers parents as the primary evangelizers of their children, and helps build vibrant communities of faith-filled families across our parishes.

At the heart of this initiative is the one-day **Together in Holiness Conference**, a grace-filled experience designed with busy families in mind. Featuring dynamic Catholic speakers, time for prayer and reflection, the sacraments, and even on-site childcare, the conference offers couples a rare and valuable opportunity to step away from the demands of daily life, encounter Christ together, and be renewed in their sacred vocation. We are confident that this day of formation and fellowship will bear lasting fruit in the lives of couples and the life of our diocese.

More details to come, but save the date—Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup>, IHM Parish (Hays)

**SACRED TABLE** - This year, our diocese is blessed to be one of only twenty across the country selected to host SacredTable, a new initiative from the USCCB and the National Federation for Catholic Youth Ministry (NFCYM). SacredTable is about strengthening the connection between our parish communities and the domestic Church—the family. It's built around real moments of encounter, meaningful conversations, and working side-by-side to pass on the faith.

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Click here for more information. <https://oursacredtable.org/>

Click here for a 1-minute explanation video <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xqlltr0Kyl8>

Click here to register <https://nfcym.leadlms.com/register/group/487>

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**ENGAGED ENCOUNTER** - These are the upcoming EE weekends. Note the team has canceled the June 2025 date.

Sept 12-14, 2025

Feb. 6-8, 2026

Apr 24-26, 2026

June 5-7, 2026

## **CATHOLIC CHARITIES**

**PARISH INFORMATION:** The details below are intended to assist your parish and staff. For any questions or additional support, please reach out to Megan Augustine at [maugustine@ccnks.org](mailto:maugustine@ccnks.org) or 785-833-9380.

- **Igniting Hope: Annual Campaign for Our Neighbors in Need.** - We are gearing up for our *Igniting Hope: Annual Campaign for Our Neighbors in Need* kickoff weekend scheduled for October 25 & 26, 2025. More information will be sent to each parish in the diocese in the coming months. Stay tuned and thanks in advance for your help!
- **Thank You for Supporting Grinnell Tornado Relief Efforts** - We are deeply grateful for the generosity and compassion shown in response to the devastating tornado that struck Grinnell in May. Your support has allowed Catholic Charities to walk alongside families and individuals as they begin the difficult journey of recovery and rebuilding—whatever that may look like for each person. Because of you, we've been able to provide direct assistance to those impacted, offering food, financial aid, essential supplies, and ongoing emotional support. Every donation, every collection, every prayer has made a meaningful difference. Thank you for answering the call to help our neighbors in need. Your kindness is a powerful reminder of what it means to be a community rooted in faith, hope, and love.
- **Baby Bottle Campaign** - Thank you to every parish that has supported moms and babies through this year's Baby Bottle Campaigns! Because of you, families receive essentials like diapers, wipes, car seats, blankets, and baby clothes. But more than that, they receive love, dignity, and a reminder that they're not alone.
- Interested in Hosting a Campaign? If your parish hasn't hosted a campaign before, now's a great time to start planning for 2025. You can choose a timeframe that fits your community. To get started, reach out to Megan Augustine at [maugustine@ccnks.org](mailto:maugustine@ccnks.org) or 785-833-9380!
- **Parish & Community Engagement** - It has been a pleasure connecting with parishioners in our service area over the last couple of months! We appreciate your time, interest, and willingness to learn more about our work. We couldn't do this without your support, and we're excited to have you on mission with us! We look forward to visiting with the parishioners of Colby in August! If your parish or group is interested in inviting Catholic Charities staff to share about our programs and services, we would love to meet you! Contact Megan Augustine at [maugustine@ccnks.org](mailto:maugustine@ccnks.org) or 785-833-9380. You can also fill out the online form at [www.ccnks.org/parishes](http://www.ccnks.org/parishes), and Megan will follow up with you.
- **Upcoming Office and Thrift Store Closure Dates** - The offices in Manhattan, Salina, and Hays, as well as the Salina and Hays Thrift Stores, will be closed on Friday, July 4 in observance of Independence Day.

**BULLETIN INFORMATION:** Feel free to use the information below in your weekly bulletin. We appreciate your help in letting parishioners know about the resources Catholic Charities offers. For any questions about this information, please contact Jeree Hughbanks, Communications Manager, at [jhughbanks@ccnks.org](mailto:jhughbanks@ccnks.org) or 785-833-9378.

- **Green Tie Celebration** - Catholic Charities' Annual Fundraiser, the Green Tie Celebration, takes place Saturday, July 12 at the Salina Country Club. Join us for another unforgettable evening where we'll celebrate your generosity and hope you bring to our neighbors in crisis. The Green Tie Celebration will feature a delicious dinner, time for fellowship, and an auction filled with exciting opportunities – all in support of those who need it most. 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 785-833-9379 or [jallen@ccnks.org](mailto:jallen@ccnks.org). We hope you plan to attend!
- **July 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 Abilene, Atwood, Belleville, Beloit, Beverly, Chapman, Clay Center, Colby, Concordia, Ellsworth, Herington, Hill City, Hoxie, Junction City, Lincoln, Mankato, Minneapolis, Norton, Oakley, Oberlin, Osborne, Phillipsburg, Plainville, Russell, Smith Center, Solomon, WaKeeney, and Washington. The July 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).
- **Fill the Freezers** - Thanks to generous supporters, Catholic Charities of Northern Kansas has freezers in all three of our offices! We're asking for your help to **Fill the Freezers** and feed hungry families in our communities. Many of the families we serve struggle to afford meat, making it difficult to prepare balanced meals. By donating processed beef, pork, poultry, or venison, you can help provide nutritious protein to those in need across northern Kansas. Meat donations must be USDA or state-inspected, properly packaged, and labeled.

Please call ahead to ensure we have freezer space. Donations can be dropped off at our offices in Salina, Manhattan, or Hays. For questions or to schedule a drop-off, contact Jessica Allen or Megan Augustine at 785-825-0208. Thank you for helping us feed our neighbors in need!

- **Volunteer Opportunities** - Catholic Charities offers a variety of volunteer opportunities where you can make a meaningful impact! Whether you're helping build food and hygiene boxes, assisting at our outreach locations, or supporting our thrift stores in Salina and Hays, your contributions are invaluable. If you're interested in volunteering, please fill out the volunteer form on our website: <https://ccnks.org/volunteer>.
- **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 communities. Every bag counts! Please consider dropping off your Dillon's Pickup bags at any of our three office locations 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!

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

### **JOB OPPORTUNITY IN SALINA:**

- **Director of Development** - Catholic Charities is Hiring a Director of Development: Catholic Charities of Northern Kansas is seeking a Director of Development to lead major gift fundraising and donor engagement across our 31-county service area. This full-time position is based in Salina and focuses on building strong relationships with donors through thoughtful, mission-driven fundraising. The ideal candidate will be passionate about the work of Catholic Charities, skilled in strategic relationship-building, and committed to advancing our mission to serve those in need. To view the full job description and apply, please visit: [www.ccnks.org/careers](http://www.ccnks.org/careers) or contact Megan Robl at [mrobl@ccnks.org](mailto:mrobl@ccnks.org).

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

### **BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL 2025 - Help Us Make This Year's Appeal a Success!**

The success of the appeal depends on all of us working together. By using the tools we've provided- even just a brief mention in the bulletin or a few words at Mass – you're helping bring essential ministries to life across our diocese, including your parish.

- Update the parishioners on your progress towards the goal – this information is found on your parish dashboard. Need help accessing this? Contact Torrie at [torrie.gregg@salinadiocese.org](mailto:torrie.gregg@salinadiocese.org)
- Include in the Prayers of the Faithful, bulletins, social media, emails, etc.

**Parish Resources for Bishops Annual Appeal – [bit.ly/ParishBAA](http://bit.ly/ParishBAA)**

**QR Code and Link for Bulletins, etc.- [appeal.givecfds.org](http://appeal.givecfds.org)**



**Received an Appeal Check in Your Offertory?** If you receive a Bishop's Annual Appeal check in your offertory, please forward these as soon as possible to the foundation at P.O. Box 1696, Salina KS 67402. Timely forwarding helps us ensure donors are thanked quickly for their generosity. Thank you for your assistance!



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

**SEMINARIAN DINNERS - PLEASE JOIN US!** We would love to have you join us at one of this year's seminarian fundraising dinners. This is an opportunity to meet the current seminarians, hear all the good news from the Vocations Office and make a gift to directly support these men!

- Wednesday July 30<sup>th</sup> – Manhattan – Hilton Garden Inn. 410 South 3<sup>rd</sup> St.
- Thursday July 31<sup>st</sup> – Hays – Rose Garden Banquet Hall, 2350 E 8<sup>th</sup> St.

This year, we are introducing a new approach to these special evenings to ensure more people across the diocese can participate. With the anticipated number of seminarians growing, we recognize the importance of making these events more accessible to all corners of the diocese. That's why, moving forward, we will rotate locations each year. **In 2026, the seminarian dinners will be hosted in Colby and Salina**, ensuring that more communities can come together and support priestly vocations.

### **Here's a few ways to help us promote the dinners:**

- Include in your bulletins and email communication to parishioners. Below are a couple of samples of text you can use- and a QR code if you would like to include that.

*Show your support for the Diocese of Salina seminarians at the **Annual Seminarian Fundraising Dinners – July 30<sup>th</sup> in Manhattan and July 31<sup>st</sup> in Hays**. The evening begins at 5:15 p.m. and includes a cocktail hour, a delicious dinner, and a program. The ticket price per person is \$60. RSVPs are due by **July 16<sup>th</sup>**. To register or to make a gift to support our seminarians, visit [bit.ly/semsofsalina](http://bit.ly/semsofsalina)*

*Annual Seminarian Fundraising Dinners - Join us July 30<sup>th</sup> at the **Hilton Garden Inn in Manhattan and July 31<sup>st</sup> at the Rose Garden Banquet Hall in Hays** for an evening of faith, fellowship, and support for our future priests! Come enjoy a delicious meal, inspiring program, and the opportunity to meet and visit with the seminarians who are answering God's call to the priesthood in the Diocese of Salina. To RSVP by July 16<sup>th</sup> or to make a gift to support the seminarians, visit [bit.ly/semsofsalina](http://bit.ly/semsofsalina)*

Check out items on the Parish Resources page - <https://givecfds.org/parish-resources/>

- Announcements at Masses.
- Post on your social media – using any of the attached items or feel free to share anything that the Catholic Foundation posts about the event
- Print the flyer and display it on bulletin boards/gathering space.
- *Please keep in mind that the RSVP deadline is July 16<sup>th</sup>. Promotions should conclude by this date.*

### **QR Code to RSVP for Dinners/Make Gift for Seminarians-**





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

**MAKE A WILL MONTH** - August is Make-A-Will Month, a perfect time to take action and ensure your legacy. The Catholic Foundation is here with resources to help your parishioners keep their faith in mind when planning their estate.

- Check out the “Estate Planning” section on the Parish Resources page - [bit.ly/ParishBAA](http://bit.ly/ParishBAA)
- Host a free estate planning seminar - contact Corrina Hudsonpillar at 785-639-2100 or [corrina.hudsonpillar@salinadiocese.org](mailto:corrina.hudsonpillar@salinadiocese.org) – with questions or obtain information on the content of these seminars.
- Be watching for an email reminder for resources you can utilize at your parish in August!

## **OFFICE OF NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING/FERTILITYCARE CENTER**

**THE DIOCESAN NFP OFFICE** has parish and school fertility appreciation presentations available for girls in grades 4-12 and a co-ed presentation for juniors and seniors. Mother-Daughter events are also available. See the flyer for details and contact Lindy Meyer to schedule a presentation ([fertilitycare@salinadiocese.org](mailto:fertilitycare@salinadiocese.org) or 785.614.0831).

**THE DIOCESAN FERTILITYCARE SERVICES CENTER** has 10 FertilityCare Practitioners serving the parishes and community of our diocese. See the attached flyer for their locations and contact information. All Practitioners see clients in-person and virtually. More information about our FertilityCare Center can be found at [salinafertilitycare.org](http://salinafertilitycare.org).

**INTERESTED IN BECOMING A FERTILITYCARE PRACTITIONER?** We will be offering the next FertilityCare Practitioner Program in October 2025. The 13-month program includes two in-person Education Phases, two Supervised Practica, an On-Site Visit, and a final exam. See the attached flyer for more information or visit [salinafertilitycare.org](http://salinafertilitycare.org).

**NATIONAL NFP AWARENESS WEEK** - To celebrate National NFP Awareness Week July 20-26, the Diocesan NFP Office is hosting four nights of virtual presentations. Hear personal stories of healing, learn about the various methods of Natural Family Planning, and have a chance to ask any questions about NFP. See the flyer for more details about each session.

## **OFFICE OF YOUTH MINISTRY AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

**Junior CYO Camp** - Registrations opened on May 1<sup>st</sup>. Camp will be from August 30<sup>th</sup> to September 1<sup>st</sup> this year and is open to students in 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade for the 2025-2026 school year. Please click here to register and for more information--<https://salinadiocese.org/office/office-of-youth-ministry/junior-cyo-camp/> Or print off attached PDFs to hand out at your parish.

Registration Form

Rock Springs Participation Form

Salina Diocese Form B

Salina Diocese Form C

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

**NCYC 2025** - 3rd payment (\$200) is due July 1<sup>st</sup>. Check out the website for more information.

**HOLY FIRE** - We have set a date and location for this event. It will be November 1<sup>st</sup> at FHSU. This is for all 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade students (2025-2026 school year).

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At the training, you'll learn practical skills like generative listening, get up to speed on the latest research and Church teaching about family ministry, and see how SacredTable can help you connect with parents in your parish community in a whole new way.

Click here for more information. <https://oursacredtable.org/>

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Sunday		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1	2  Tipton Church Picnic, Mass at 4:00pm
3  Vocation BBQ, St. Nicholas of Myra, Hays 3pm		4	5  K of C Supreme Convention, Washington, D.C., Aug 5-7	6	7  Marian Days, Carthage, MO, Aug 7-8	8  Runnin' Revs, FHSU Hays, 6pm	9  Eucharistic Conference, FHSU, Hays, 12:30pm- 4:30
10  Eucharistic Conference, FHSU, Hays, 8:00am – 2:00pm		11	12	13	14	15  Feast of the Assumption of Mary  CHANCERY CLOSED	16
17  DPC meeting, Russell, 2:00pm		18	19	20	21  Lay Review Board mtg., 4:00pm	22	23  St. John's Harvest Festival, Beloit, 5pm
24	31	25	26	27	28  Catholic Charities Board mtg (in person), 4pm	29	30  Junior CYO Camp, Aug. 30-Sept. 1

## ***Diocesan Calendar Dates July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026***

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

### **Office of the Bishop**

Aug 5-8	K of C Supreme Convention, Washington, D.C.
Aug 9-10	Eucharistic Conference, Hays
Sept 22-25	Mission Bishop's Conference, Chicago
TBD	White Mass
Nov 4	Memorial Mass for Deceased Priests
Nov 9-13	USCCB Meeting Baltimore, MD
Jan 5-12	Region IX Bishop's Retreat, San Diego
Jan 27	Red Mass, Kansas Catholic Conference Day with Legislators, Topeka
Jan 28	Ignite Rally and Mass / Kansas March for Life, Topeka
Feb 23-Mar 3	IPF Bishop's Silent Retreat, Clearwater, FL
May 1-4	Knights of Columbus State Convention, Wichita
Jun 9-12	USCCB Special Assembly, Orlando, FL
TBD	Women Religious Appreciation Mass

### **Continuing Education of Priest**

Sept 8-11	Priests' Retreat, Wichita
Feb 9-12	Priest Renewal Days, Wichita

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

July 8	Priests' Council, Salina
Sept 8	Priests' Council and College of Consultors, Wichita
Nov 4	Priests' Council, Salina
Feb 10	Priests' Council and College of Consultors, Wichita
Mar 26	Priests' Council, Salina
May 21	College of Consultors, Salina
May 28	Priests' Council, Salina

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

March 10	Annual Board Meeting, Salina
(moved to	Senior Priests Luncheon, Victoria
July 2026)	Senior Priests Luncheon, Salina

### **Rural Life**

Aug 17	Rural Life Day
May 15	St. Isidore's Day

### **Deacon Formation**

Sept 26-28	Deacon Retreat, Wichita
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### **DPC Meetings**

Aug 17	Russell
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### **Finance Council Meetings**

Sept 18	Salina
Dec 11	Salina
March 24	Salina
June 25	Salina

### **Diocesan Collections**

Aug 10	Annual Seminarian Collection
Oct 19	Mission Sunday Collection
Dec 14	Retired Religious Collection
Mar 15	Catholic Relief Services Collection
April 3	Holy Land Collection
Apr 26	Catholic Home Mission Appeal
June 28	Peter's Pence Collection

### **Propagation of the Faith**

Oct 19	World Mission Sunday
April 12	Earliest date Mission Coop appeals can begin

### **Liturgy**

Feb 22	Rite of Election, Salina
Mar 15	Rite of Election, Hays
Mar 26	Chrism Mass, SH Cathedral

### **Lay Review Board Meetings**

Aug 21	Lay Review Board Mtg
Dec 4	Lay Review Board Mtg
March 5	Lay Review Board Mtg
June 18	Lay Review Board Mtg

**Catholic Foundation for Diocese of Salina**

July 22	Board Meeting
Aug 9/10	In-Pew Weekend for Bishop's Annual Appeal
Oct. 28	Board Meeting
Nov 17	#IGiveCatholic - Advanced Giving
Dec. 2	#IGiveCatholic - Giving Tuesday
Jan 27	Board Meeting
Feb 7/8	Bishop's Annual Appeal Kick-off Weekend

**Family Life**

Jul 27	World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly
Aug 9-10	Eucharistic Congress, FHSU, Hays
Oct 12	Anniv. Mass - Salina
Oct 19	Memorial Mass for Parents who lost a Child, S.H Cathedral, Salina
Oct 26	Anniv. Mass - Hays
Nov 1	Holy Fire Event. FHSU-Beach Schmitt

**Engaged Encounter**

Sept 12-14	Catholic Engaged Encounter, Victoria
Feb 6-8	Catholic Engaged Encounter, Victoria
April 24-26	Catholic Engaged Encounter, Victoria
June 5-7	Catholic Engaged Encounter, Victoria

**Natural Family Planning**

July 20-26	NFP Awareness Week
Oct 9-12	Education Phase I
Oct 16-19	Education Phase I
Apr 9-12	Education Phase II
Apr 17-19	Education Phase II
Mar 22-28	Worldwide FertilityCare Week

**Vocations**

July 30	Seminarian Recognition Dinner, Manhattan
July 31	Seminarian Recognition Dinner, Hays
Aug 8	Runnin' Revs - FHSU, Coliseum
Oct 3-5	Crossroads Retreat, Hays
Nov 2-8	Vocations Awareness Week
Dec 26-28	Quo Vadis, Wichita
Dec 29	Seminarian Family Mass and Luncheon, Salina
Dec 29	Running Revs Basketball Game, Salina
Apr 11	Transitional Deacon Ordination
May 1	Adoration under the Stars, Hays
June 6	Priest Ordination

**Catholic Schools**

Aug 30	Principals' Meeting (Salina)
Nov 7	Diocesan Teachers' Inservice
Jan 25-31	Catholic Schools Week

**Youth Ministry**

July	Prayer & Action HS Wk 4 - Junction City
July 6-11	Totus Tuus - Sharon Springs, Hoxie, Ellsworth, Stockton/Plainville
July	Prayer & Action HS Wk 5 - Junction City
July 13-18	Totus Tuus - Colby, Osborne, Ellis, Belleville
July	Prayer & Action HS Wk 6 - Junction City
July 20-25	Totus Tuus - Park, Concordia, Hays, Hays
Aug 30-Sept 1	Junior CYO Camp, Rock Springs
Sept 21	Catechetical Sunday Weekend
Nov 20-22	2025 NCYC, Indianapolis, Indiana

**Respect Life**

October	Respect Life Month
Oct 4-10	Diocesan Rosary Congress
Oct 15	Diocesan Respect Life Youth Conference (Salina)
Jan 21-25	Diocesan March for Life Pilgrimage (DC)
Jan 27	Red Mass
Jan 28	Ignite Rally for Life and Mass, Topeka

**Catholic Charities**

July 12	Green Tie Celebration, Salina Country Club
Aug 28	Board Meeting (in person)
Oct/Nov	Happy Bottoms Diaper Drive-Salina
Oct 25/26	Annual Appeal Kick-off Weekend
Nov 7	Annual Adoption Mass, Salina
Nov 24	Board Meeting (Zoom)
Feb	Baby Bottle Campaign (Salina & Manhattan area Parishes & Schools)
Feb 18-Apr 2	Lenten Food Drive
Feb 17	Board Meeting (Zoom)
May/June	Baby Bottle Campaign (Hays area Parishes & Schools)
May 21	Board Meeting (in person)

**Special Events Around the Diocese**

July 11	Sacred Heart HS Endowment - Golf Tournament, Salina
July 18-19	After Harvest Festival, Grinnell
July 26	Sacred Heart Auction, Plainville
July 25-26	Wilson Czech Festival
Aug 2	St. Boniface Parish Picnic, Tipton
2026 TBD	SDCCW Convention, Immac. Conception, Grinnell (Biennial)
Aug 23	St. John's Harvest Festival, Beloit
Sept 12	TMP-Marian Homecoming
Sept 13	Divine Mercy Radio Banquet, Hays
Sept 14	Divine Mercy Radio Banquet, Salina
Sept 14	Annual Mass at Holy Cross Church, Pfeifer
Oct 17-19	Pathways Retreat - Sacred Heart Cathedral, Salina (Or Oct. 23-25)
Oct 24	Manhattan Catholic Auction, Manhattan
Nov 1	Sacred Heart Auction, Colby
Nov 25	Holy Family Benefactor Mass, Hays
Nov 25	St. Andrew Feast Day Celebration, Abilene
Dec 2-5	Divine Mercy Radio Fall Care-A-Thon
Dec 6	St. Joseph Auction, Oakley
Jan 1-5	SEEK26 Conference, Columbus, OH or Fort Worth, TX or Denver, CO
Jan 25	St. Mary School/Parish Auction, Ellis
Feb 20-22	Pathways Retreat - Sacred Heart Cathedral, Salina
Feb 21	Sacred Heart School Carnival, Colby
Mar 15	St. Patrick's Dinner & Raffle, Grinnell

**Special Events Around the Diocese Continued**

Mar 21	St. John the Baptist Auction, Beloit
Mar 21	St. John's Auction, Hanover
Apr 14-17	Divine Mercy Radio Spring Care-A-Thon
April 17-19	Pathways Retreat - Sacred Heart Cathedral, Salina
Apr 18	Sacred Heart HS Auction, Salina
Apr 18	St. Xavier Auction, Junction City
Apr 25	TMP-M Ace Auction, Hays
May 1	Adoration Under the Stars, CCCC., Hays
May 8	"Becoming Light Together", Hays
May 10	Tipton Catholic HS Graduation, Tipton
May 10	St. John's HS Graduation, Beloit
May 10	Sacred Heart HS Graduation, Salina
May 16	St. Francis Xavier HS Graduation, Junction City
May 17	TMP-M HS Baccalaureate and Graduation, Hays
May 18	St John's 8th Grade Graduation, Hanover
June 6	Fr. Earl Befort Golf Classic, Hays

**Special Days of Prayer and Holidays \* Indicates Holy Day of Obligation**

Jul 4	Independence Day - Chancery Closed
Aug 15*	<i>Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary - Chancery Closed</i>
Sept 1	World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation
Sept. 1	Labor Day - Chancery Closed
Sept 6-7	US Day for Grandparents and the Elderly
Sept 28	World Day of Migrants and Refugees
Oct 19	World Mission Sunday
Nov 1	Solemnity of All Saints
Nov 16	World Day of the Poor
Nov 27	Thanksgiving Day - Chancery Closed Nov 23-24
Dec 8*	<i>Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception - Chancery Closed</i>
Dec 24	Christmas Eve
Dec 25*	<i>Christmas Day - Chancery Closed</i>
Dec 26	Feast of St. Stephen - Chancery Closed
Jan 1*	<i>Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God - Chancery Closed</i>
Jan 18-25	Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
Jan 19	Martin Luther King Day - Chancery Closed
Jan 22	Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children
Jan 25-26	Sunday of the Word of God
Feb 2	World Day for Consecrated Life
Feb 8	World Marriage Sunday
Feb 11	World Day of the Sick
Feb 18	Ash Wednesday
Mar 19	Solemnity of St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Mar 29	Palm Sunday
April 2	Holy Thursday
April 3	Good Friday - Chancery Closed
April 4	Holy Saturday
April 5	Easter Sunday
April 6	Easter Monday - Chancery Closed
April 12	Divine Mercy Sunday
April 26	World Day of Prayer for Vocations
April 27	Day of Prayer in Atonement of Those Harmed by Sexual Abuse
May 10	Mother's Day
May 25	Memorial Day - Chancery Closed
June 21	Father's Day

**Special Feasts**

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 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 2	Memorial of the Holy Guardian Angels
Oct 4	Memorial of St. Francis of Assisi - Diocesan Secondary Patron
Oct 7	Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary
Nov 2	All Souls' Day
Nov 21	Memorial of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Nov 23	Solemnity of Our Lord, Christ the King
Dec 12	Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe - Patron of the Americas
Dec 28	Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
Jan 4	Solemnity of the Epiphany
Jan 11	The Baptism of the Lord
Feb 2	Feast of the Presentation of the Lord
Mar 19	Solemnity of St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Mar 25	Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord
May 15	Feast of St. Isidore
May 17	Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord
May 24	Solemnity of Pentecost
May 25	Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church
May 31	Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity
Jun 7	Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
Jun 12	Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
Jun 13	Memorial of the Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Jun 24	Solemnity of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist
Jun 27	Memorial of Our Lady of Perpetual Help - Diocesan Patron



# THE SHEPHERD

## Safety Coordinator Recognition Award 2025

I would like to take this opportunity to share with you this year's recipients of the Safety Coordinator Recognition Award. This award is given out each year in the month of April (Child Abuse Prevention Month) to a site Safety Coordinator who demonstrates full competence of the Safe Environment Program for the Diocese of Salina and is fully committed to the protection of children.

I am happy to announce this year's winners...

## Marcy Kee and Tomi Moos



L to R -Geoff Andrews, Marcy Kee  
Wendy Backes, Father Jarett Konrade

Front Row: Jennifer Hood, Dianne  
Waggoner, Tomi Moos  
Back Row: Wendy Backes and  
Father Michael Leiker



The role of the Safety Coordinator is no small task. It is of great importance and each one serves as an extension of the Safe Environment Office at the Diocese as well as at the USCCB. Marcy and Tomi are very deserving of this award and are invaluable members of the Safety Coordinator team at the Chancery and to the staff, parents, and students at St. John's School- Beloit and SS Peter and Paul - Clay Center. Please join me in congratulating Marcy Kee and Tomi Moos.

Never waiver in your faith that the work you do falls under  
the shadow of the Almighty.

You are handpicked by Him to help His little children (young and old)  
heal their broken heartedness and to protect them.

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 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.



### SAFE ENVIRONMENT GUIDELINES

#### Education & Screening

All clergy, religious, seminarians/persons in formation, employees, educators, as well as volunteers who minister with minors are required to complete a background check and safe environment training.

For more information about safe environment compliance requirements, please contact your parish/school safety coordinator or visit  
[www.salinadiocese.org](http://www.salinadiocese.org)

#### Reporting & Victim Assistance

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, use one of the confidential diocesan reporting resources below:  
Phone: 866.752.8855

Website: [reportandprotect.com](http://reportandprotect.com)

Email: [reportabuse@salinadiocese.org](mailto: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 Service provides a confidential  
Hotline: 800.276.1562  
Website: [reportbishopabuse.org](http://reportbishopabuse.org)

The Diocese of Salina complies with Kansas laws regarding reporting suspected abuse to civil authorities and cooperates with civil authorities as they investigate reports of suspected abuse by all persons, including, but not limited to church personnel.

Any questions in regard to education, reporting, or victim assistance can be directed to the Safe Environment Office/ Diocese of Salina  
785.827. 8746



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## Keeping a Safe Environment with Teen Babysitters

With Summer in full swing, parishes look to teenagers to babysit for their summer programs.

By following the tips below, teenagers can become safe and responsible babysitters, providing parents with peace of mind while offering an enjoyable experience for the children in their care.

- **Get Trained:** Before starting, consider taking a babysitting training course. Many organizations offer these courses, which cover essential topics such as basic childcare, safety, first aid, and emergency preparedness. Some courses also provide certification, which can help you stand out to parents looking for a qualified babysitter.
- **Know the Basics:** Understand the fundamentals of childcare, including feeding, diapering, and age-appropriate activities. Being knowledgeable about child development can also help you engage with the children in your care more effectively.
- **Prepare for Emergencies:** Learn basic first aid techniques and know how to respond in case of emergencies such as choking, injuries, or allergic reactions. Make sure you know the emergency contact numbers and the location of nearby hospitals or urgent care centers.
- **Communicate Clearly:** Before the parents leave, ask about any specific instructions or rules they have for their children. Make sure you have a way to contact them in case of an emergency and keep them updated throughout the evening if necessary.
- **Set Boundaries:** Establish clear boundaries with the children you're babysitting. Let them know what is and isn't allowed and enforce these rules consistently.
- **Stay Alert:** Always pay close attention to the children. Avoid distractions like using your phone or watching TV while on duty. Being attentive can help prevent accidents and ensure the children's safety.
- **Be Prepared:** Bring a babysitting kit with essentials like first aid supplies, snacks, and activities to keep the children entertained. Familiarize yourself with the layout of the house, including emergency exits and safety equipment like fire extinguishers.
- **Practice Good Judgment:** Use your best judgment in challenging situations. If you're unsure about something, don't hesitate to ask for help or guidance from a trusted adult.
- **Be Professional:** Approach babysitting as a job and conduct yourself professionally. Arrive on time, dress appropriately, and communicate respectfully with the parents and children.
- **Reflect and Learn:** After each babysitting job, take some time to reflect on what went well and what could have been improved. Learning from each experience will help you become a better babysitter over time.



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# Catholic Charities Outreach Services

## July 2025 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

7/1

**Osborne** - St. Aloysius Catholic Church

10:30am - 11:30am

Wednesday

7/2

**Junction City** - JC Naz Church

9:00am - 10:00am

**Phillipsburg** - St. Philip & James

10:00am - 11:00am

**Smith Center** - St. Mary's Catholic Church

10:30am - 11:30am

**Norton** - St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church

12:00pm - 1:00pm

**Herington** - St. John Catholic Church

1:00pm - 2:00pm

**Hill City** - Immaculate Heart of Mary

2:00pm - 3:00pm

**Solomon** - Immaculate Conception Church

3:00pm - 4:00pm

Wednesday

7/9

**Washington** - St. Augustine Parish

9:30am - 10:30am

**Colby** - Knights of Columbus

10:00am - 11:00am

**Ellsworth** - St. Bernard Catholic Church

11:30am - 12:30pm

**Mankato** - St. Theresa Catholic Church

12:00pm - 1:00pm

**Oakley** - St. Joseph Catholic Church

12:00pm - 1:00pm

**Lincoln** - Lincoln County Health Department

1:30pm - 2:30pm

**WaKeeney** - Christ the King Church

2:30pm - 3:30pm

Wednesday

7/16

**Abilene** - St. Andrew Parish

9:30am - 10:30am

**Beloit** - St. John the Baptist Church

10:00am - 11:00am

**Atwood** - Sacred Heart Catholic Church

10:30am - 11:30 am

**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

**Hoxie** - St. Frances Catholic Church

2:30pm - 3:30pm

Wednesday

7/23

**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.

9:30am - 10:15am

**Beverly** - City Office of Beverly

10:45am - 11:15am

**Belleville** - St. Edward Parish

1:00pm - 2:00pm

**Plainville** - Sacred Heart Catholic Church

1:00pm - 2:00pm





# Fill the **FREEZERS**

We have freezers in all three Catholic Charities offices—but they're *empty*!

**We need your help to fill them!**

By *donating meat*, you can provide nutritious protein to families in need across northern Kansas.



## HOW TO DONATE MEAT:

1

### CALL AHEAD

Call ahead to ensure we have freezer space.

2

### WHAT WE ACCEPT

We accept **beef, pork, poultry, or venison** (*must be USDA or state-inspected*).

3

### PROPER PACKAGING

Meat must be **properly packaged and labeled** for food safety.

4

### DROP-OFF LOCATIONS

Bring donations to our **Salina, Manhattan, or Hays** offices.

## HELP FEED HUNGRY FAMILIES



**Provide nutritious meals** to families receiving our food boxes who can't afford meat, making balanced meals difficult.



**Ease financial struggles** for those forced to choose between essentials like rent and protein-rich food.



**Support local families** across northern Kansas by ensuring they have access to quality meat.

**HAVE QUESTIONS OR NEED MORE INFORMATION?  
CONTACT JESSICA ALLEN OR MEGAN AUGUSTINE AT:**



785-825-0208



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# 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: 1011 Centennial Blvd.**



# SHOPPING LIST



## PANTRY ITEMS

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cereal            | <input type="checkbox"/> Instant Oatmeal     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pancake Mix       | <input type="checkbox"/> Granola Bars        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Peanut Butter     | <input type="checkbox"/> Jelly               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Instant Potatoes  | <input type="checkbox"/> Tuna Helper         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Macaroni + Cheese | <input type="checkbox"/> Spaghetti noodles   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Spaghetti Sauce   | <input type="checkbox"/> Ramen Noodles       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Canned Soup       | <input type="checkbox"/> Canned Vegetables   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jello Packets     | <input type="checkbox"/> Pudding Packets     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Canned Fruit      | <input type="checkbox"/> Canned Tuna         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Saltine Crackers  | <input type="checkbox"/> Jiffy Cornbread Mix |

## HOUSEHOLD ITEMS

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|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Full-Sized Shampoo | <input type="checkbox"/> Full-Sized Body Wash |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bar Soap           | <input type="checkbox"/> Twin-Blade Razors    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Deodorant          | <input type="checkbox"/> Full-Sized Lotion    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Toothpaste         | <input type="checkbox"/> Tampons/Pads         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Toilet Paper       | <input type="checkbox"/> Kleenex Boxes        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Laundry Detergent  | <input type="checkbox"/> Multi-Purpose Wipes  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Liquid Dish Soap   | <input type="checkbox"/> Diapers (Size 4-6)   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Baby Wipes         | <input type="checkbox"/> Diaper Rash Cream    |

**Thank you for providing HOPE to our neighbors in need!**

# Fertility Appreciation School & Parish Presentations

with the Diocese of Salina Natural  
Family Planning Office &  
FertilityCare Center



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Each one-hour program is presented by a specially trained FertilityCare Practitioner from the Salina Diocese.

Parent information letters and packets are provided for each presentation. Parents are welcome to attend any of the sessions.

Mother-Daughter events are also available for each age level.

## Wonderfully Made

Designed for 4th-6th grade girls and provides a basic and gentle introduction to the female reproductive system and understanding the changes in the body for this age group.

## Hormone Wonder

Created for 11-12th grade girls and provides a deeper dive into the hormones of the menstrual cycle and how they impact our general health. Fosters an understanding of fertility for life-long use.

## Wonder of Eve

Available for 7th-10th grade girls and provides an overview of the menstrual cycle hormones and reproductive system. It also explores what's normal and not normal in a cycle.

## In God's Image

Special program for 11-12th co-ed classes and provides an overview of male and female reproductive health and how our differences are part of God's design. Includes a brief introduction to the use of NFP in marriage.



Salina Diocese NFP Office

# National NFP Week

## Virtual Events



Tuesday, July 22 // 7:00 p.m.  
NFP Q&A

Join Father Brian Lager, along with FertilityCare Practitioners from our diocese as they answer your NFP-related questions!



Wednesday, July 23 // 7:00 p.m.  
Creighton Model Intro Session

Pamela Schroeder will be offering a free, virtual Introductory Session. Come learn more about the Creighton Model System!



Thursday, July 24 // 7:00 p.m.  
Generational Hope and Healing

Samantha and Claire Hicks will be sharing their experience with FertilityCare as Claire sought treatment for her cycle-related needs.



Friday, July 25 // 7:00 p.m.  
Not Your Grandmother's NFP!

Join Lindy for an overview of modern methods of NFP and their many applications in not only family planning but also women's health.



National NFP Week // July 20-26  
Scan the QR Codes for each session's Zoom link!

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# BECOME A FERTILITY CARE PRACTITIONER



## Diocese of Salina FertilityCare Services Practitioner Education Program

### Program Overview

The Diocese of Salina FertilityCare Services Practitioner Education Program is a 13-month program that will prepare students to instruct women and couples in the Creighton Model FertilityCare System.

Training includes:

- Education Phase I
- Supervised Practicum I
- Education Phase II
- Supervised Practicum II
- On-Site Visit
- Final Exam

### Program Dates

#### Education Phase I

October 9-12, 2025 and  
October 16-19 2025

#### Education Phase II

April 9-12, 2026 and  
April 17-19, 2026

### For more information:

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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.

