

Prayer for the World Meeting of Families

God and Father of us all, in Jesus, your Son and our Savior, you have made us your sons and daughters in the family of the Church.

May your grace and love help our families in every part of the world be united to one another in fidelity to the Gospel.

May the example of the Holy Family, with the aid of your Holy Spirit, guide all families, especially those most troubled, to be homes of communion and prayer and to always seek your truth and live in your love. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, pray for us!



NO ONE IS WITHOUT A FAMILY IN THIS WORLD: THE CHURCH IS A HOME AND FAMILY FOR EVERYONE, ESPECIALLY THOSE WHO 'LABOR AND ARE HEAVY LADEN.'"

~FAMILIARIS CONSORTIO 85, MT 11:28



Events in the Diocese

In the Catholic Diocese of Wichita, the year of preparation begins on the Feast of the Holy Family, Sunday, December 28, 2014. Different events each month will aim at bringing focus to the family. The Marriage and Family Week in February, for example, will highlight the theme of the World Meeting of Families. The year will culminate in September with the World Meeting in Philadelphia. Finally, the year will come to a close on the same feast day of the Holy Family next year on Sunday, December 27, 2015.



For an up-to-date listing of events, please visit:

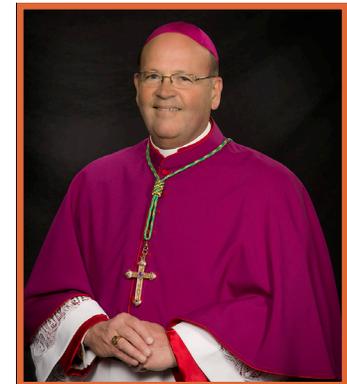


www.catholicdioceseofwichita/mfl/events/world-meeting-of-families-2015

Check back often for updates!

For more information

Everyone looking for resources is invited to visit www.CatholicDioceseOfWichita.org and click on "Marriage and Family Life" to find useful resources for marriage and families. Specific resources for the World Meeting of Families will be available on our website.



Join The Most Reverend Carl A. Kemme, Bishop of Wichita, for several of the events listed throughout the year!

Information for Parishes & Apostolates

If you would like to offer an event at your parish, please let us know by using the contact information on this brochure.

We look forward to this being a collaborative effort. If your parish or organization is interested in partnering with the Office of Marriage and Family Life on an event, please see the contact information on the back of this brochure.



**WORLD
MEETING OF
FAMILIES**
2015 Philadelphia

The 8th World Meeting of Families is September 22-27, 2015 in Philadelphia, PA. It is expected to draw a global audience. The theme for the 8th World Meeting of Families is “Love Is Our Mission: The Family Fully Alive” which aims to emphasize the good news of the family and highlight its intrinsic value to the good of society. Since its inception by Blessed Pope John Paul II in 1994, the World Meeting of Families seeks to strengthen the sacred bonds of family across the globe.

Visit www.WorldMeeting2015.org for resources and more information.



The Catholic Diocese of Wichita Office of Marriage and Family Life will provide information on pilgrimages to the 8th World Meeting of Families. For information, please visit:

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2015 Events

DECEMBER

Advent Retreats and Events
Feast of the Holy Family

JANUARY

March for Life
Catholic Schools Week

FEBRUARY

Marriage and Family Week
World Marriage Day and Romance Night

MARCH

Men's Conference
After the Gift Retreats
Worldwide *FertilityCare* Week

APRIL

Catholic Culture Conference – Spiritual Life Center
Senior Adult Faith Formation

MAY

Women's Conference
Ordinations to the Diaconate and Priesthood
Life Run
Fr. Kapaun Pilgrimage

JUNE

Harvest House Anniversary Mass & Reception
Holy Family Camp

JULY

Natural Family Planning Celebration Week

AUGUST

Midwest Catholic Family Conference

SEPTEMBER

Pilgrimage to Philadelphia: World Meeting of Families

OCTOBER

Respect Life Month
Anniversary Mass
Harvest House Fall Festival

NOVEMBER

Adoption Awareness Month
Mass of Remembrance for Widows and Widowers

DECEMBER

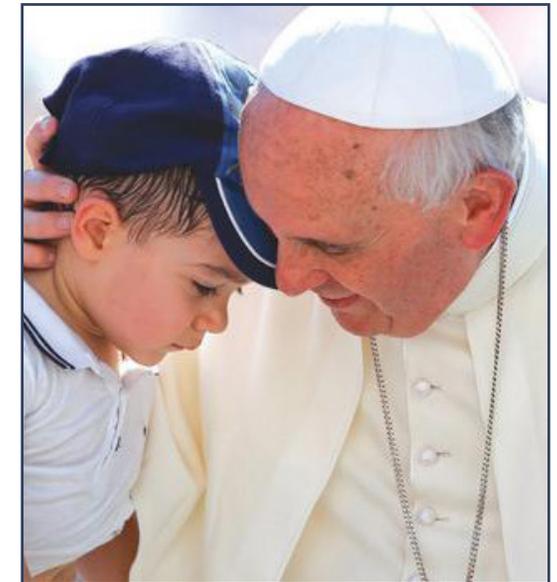
Parish Celebrations
Feast of the Holy Family

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www.catholicdioceseofwichita/mfl/events/world-meeting-of-families-2015
or call (316) 685-5240

JOIN IN PREPARATION FOR THE

2015

World Meeting of Families in Philadelphia



“THE FAMILY IS IMPORTANT — AND IT IS NECESSARY — FOR THE SURVIVAL OF HUMANITY. WITHOUT THE FAMILY, THE CULTURAL SURVIVAL OF THE HUMAN RACE WOULD BE AT RISK”
-POPE FRANCIS



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