



FOSTER CARE MINISTRY

The Foster Care Ministry of ArchKCK seeks to Inspire and Mobilize the Church to Love and Protect All Children

Responding to needs: Co-hosted a Foster Family Appreciation Event at Queen of the Holy Rosary, bringing in a presenter from AGT and over 100 participants. The event included dinner, activities and connection for participants, free of charge. Raffled gift cards for meals, Registration for a family for Family Camp @ Camp Tekakwitha 2025, a signed football from the Chiefs.

Growth: Foster Ministry has grown from 7 parishes, in Johnson County Deanery, to 14 parishes, extending to Leavenworth Deanery and one parish working on becoming the Topeka Foster Care Ministry 'Hub.'

Support: I have identified a couple who has committed to being a lead for Foster Care Ministry at Holy Angels, Bashor and am working closely with them to build and train their team. I am working closely with Holy Spirit to build their team and connect them with resources for training. I support foster families in parishes that don't have active Foster Care Ministry. I host quarterly meetings for Foster Ministry Coordinators. Assisting with upcoming Respite Night for Foster Families on October 18 at Queen of the Holy Rosary, OP @ 5-8pm.

Collaboration: I work closely with KVC to provide support and resources to Foster Ministry Coordinators. I am partnering with RE: Conference to offer scholarships to Catholic Foster Families.

Training: I am partnering with Joy Meadows to host a training in July to train Foster Adopt Ministry Coordinators and Volunteers to start their ministries. I am meeting with Office of Protection and Care to be certain all volunteers are following safe practices.