

Saint Sabina Catholic Church

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Office Hours: 9:00am-5:00pm, Monday - Thursday and 9:00am-1:00pm, Friday



Thank you to the boy scouts who insulated the storage room of the gym for Colby's Eagle Scout project!

Mass Times

Saturday: 4:00pm in English

Sunday: 8:00am and 10:30am in English,
12:30pm in Spanish

Visit our website for Holy Day and special
Mass times

Mother's Day Breakfast - Sunday, May 8th

Our Knights of Columbus are hosting a Mother's Day Breakfast after the 8am and 10:30am Masses on Sunday, May 8th. All mothers will receive a free breakfast. Please plan on attending to enjoy great food and fellowship.

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 1, 2016

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Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Intentions for May 2-6, 2016

Mon.	8am	†Chester Hopkins
Tues.	6pm	†Maury Struckhoff
Wed.	8am	†Douglas Cheney
	10:30am	†Charlotte Byrnes (Beautiful Savior)
Thurs.	8am	†Frances Little
Friday	8am	†Tomás Turcios

Saturday, May 7, 2016

4:00pm	†Larry Schmidt
	†Vernita Linenberger

Sunday, May 8, 2016

8:00am	Intentions of the Parish Family
10:30am	†Carrie Carrollo
12:30pm Spanish	†Pablo Benavides

From Death to New Life De la Muerte a la Nueva Vida

†**Douglas Cheney**, son-in-law of Mabel Hopkins, brother-in-law of Sandy Flynn

†**Charlotte Byrnes**, Beautiful Savior

†**Frances Little**, sister-in-law of Wayne Little

†**Tomás Turcios**, father of Delmy Giron and Oscar Turcios

†**Vern King**, Brother-in-law of Rita Stout

† **Helen Dunn**, Foxwood Springs



Calendar/Parish Happenings

Sunday, May 1 - Domingo, 1 de Mayo

Ministry Fair/Feria de Ministerios

9:00am Parents Lounge

9:00am PSR

11:00am Escuela de Religión

7:00pm High School and Confirmation Youth

Monday, May 2 - Lunes, 2 de Mayo

5:30pm Marian Prayer Group

6:00pm Cub Scouts

7:00pm Boy Scouts Gym

7:00pm The Book of Isaiah

Tuesday, May 3 - Martes, 3 de Mayo

4:30pm Confessions

6:00pm Entrenamiento de Guías para TOV

7:00pm English as a Second Language
Inglés Como Segunda Lengua

7:00pm Foundations for Living Stones

7:00pm Talleres de Oración y Vida

Wednesday, May 4 - Miércoles, 4 de Mayo

9:00am Legion of Mary

10:00am The Book of Isaiah

10:30am Mass at Beautiful Savior

6:00pm Cantor Practice

7:00pm Choir Practice (4:00 & 10:30 groups)

7:00pm Junior High Youth

7:00pm Knights Business Meeting

Thursday, May 5 - Jueves, 5 de Mayo

9:30am Quilters

Friday, May 6 - Viernes, 6 de Mayo

8:30am Adoration

9:00am Altar Society Cleaning

Saturday, May 7 - Sábado, 7 de Mayo

9:00am Living Stones Makeup Session

3:00pm Confessions

Sunday, May 8 - Domingo, 8 de Mayo

9:00am Mothers' Day Breakfast

The Fifth Gospel – The Writings of the Prophet Isaiah

Monday Evenings, May 2-9-16-23, 2016 ~ 7-9 PM
Repeated Wednesday Mornings, May 4-11-18-25, 2016 ~ 10 AM-Noon

The book of Isaiah is the most often quoted prophetic book in the New Testament. We use many passages from Isaiah in our lectionary, especially during the seasons of Advent-Christmas and Lent-Easter. The New Testament writers were familiar with Isaiah and used it often as a backdrop to understanding Jesus' identity, mission and ministry. These four two-hour sessions will present a basic introduction to the Book of Isaiah, with a special focus on Chapters 40-55, what is commonly referred to as the writings of Second Isaiah. Come, bring a bible and a friend and let us together explore this most important prophetic book, and its impact on Jesus and the New Testament. Such awareness will deepen our knowledge of God's word as well as enhance our full, conscious and active participation in the Sunday liturgy. These sessions would greatly benefit all liturgical ministers, especially lectors and cantors. All Christian denominations and faith traditions are most welcome.



As a symbol of our gifts of time and talent, parishioners carried banners representing different parish ministries during the collection last weekend



Parish Happenings and Information

Fasting Before Receiving Communion

The Code of Canon Law states, "A person who is to receive the Most Holy Eucharist is to abstain for at least one hour before holy communion from any food and drink, except for only water and medicine... The elderly, the infirm, and those who care for them can receive the Most Holy Eucharist even if they have eaten something within the preceding hour." Therefore, those receiving holy communion should fast one hour prior to receiving communion, not one hour before Mass begins. As the saying goes, "breakfast is the most important meal of the day," so be assured that you can eat breakfast before coming to Mass in the morning.

Bilingual Story Time Summer Break

The Belton Library is getting ready to begin their summer schedule, and during the summer months there will not be story time at St. Sabina. They will resume offering story time at St. Sabina in the fall.

Guide Book Directory Advertising Opportunity

We are in the process of updating our annual Guide Book & Directory for the church. This book will contain everything pertinent to our church: the various ministries, organizations, committees, activities, functions and events plus a complete directory of all members. This book is being provided and direct-mailed to each family at no cost to our church, and it is again being subsidized by local businesses that advertise. If you own or manage a business and would like to find out about advertising in our book, please call the Church Office. Recent survey results by Guide Book Publishing show that 92.1% of families would rather patronize a Guide Book & Directory advertiser over a non-advertiser. It "will pay" to advertise in our new Guide Book & Directory.

Update Membership Information

Does our Church database have YOUR family membership record correct?

Here is your chance to update YOUR record for our annual Guide Book & Directory (if you haven't already done so).

It is time for us to update our database with any changes, additions, or deletions that may have occurred in YOUR family over the past year.

Have you changed your phone number? Have you moved? Are you preparing to move soon? Are all of your children still at home and are they all included in your membership record? Do you want your record published?

If you have not already informed the Church Office about changes to your record, please let us know now so that the information in the Guide Book & Directory is correct. The Church Office number is 816-331-4713.

Baptism Prep - May 12 at 7pm

Baptism Preparation Class is scheduled for Thursday, May 12th at 7pm in the conference room of the parish hall. To register for this class, please contact Kris at 816-979-3151 for a baptism application, or download one from our website at <http://stsabinaparish.org/sacraments/>.

Pupusa Sale - June 5

On Sunday, June 5 our Salvadoran community will be selling pupusas after Masses. A pupusa is a traditional Salvadoran dish made of a thick, handmade corn tortilla that is usually filled with variations of cheese, pork, and refried beans. There will be samples to try so you can purchase your favorite variety. The cost will be \$2 each and you can purchase them to go. All funds collected will be used to support our scholarship students in El Salvador.



Last week our Green Team practiced **stewardship of creation** as a way of celebrating Earth Day with their Metal Recycling event, and by handing out seeds at Mass!



Pastoral Care

Nursing Home Mass Schedule

May 4 10:30am Beautiful Savior
May 11 10:00am Rehabilitation of Raymore
May 18 10:00am Foxwood Springs

Join us for our Wednesday Mass at area senior centers and nursing homes. Your kind presence brings great happiness to those in long term care. Have questions? Contact Marta in the parish office.

In this year of Mercy our Church is the voice of Mercy Working with the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas Project Rachel will begin hosting one-day retreats, known as "Unfailing Mercy," to share God's mercy and healing after abortion. The one day retreats are held on Saturdays, from 8:30am to 5:00pm. Women and men of all ages are welcome. For location and details call 816-591-3804 or email projectrachel@diocesekcsj.org. Your confidentiality will be respected. *Sometimes... one day really can change everything.*

Thanks to all who stopped by the "Ministry to the Sick and Homebound" table after Masses this weekend.

Parkinson's Support Group

Carnegie Village now hosts a Parkinson's Support Group. **The group meets every 3rd Wednesday** of the month from 6-7pm. Please RSVP to 816-331-7848. This group is open to the public and will include hosts from the aging and healthcare professions.

Prayer Requests/Peticiones de Oración

Felipe Abarca	Antonio Garcia	Mona Neighbors
Diana Avery	Wilma Gaines	Sherril Nevins
Beverly Bell	Jason Hart	Gary Palmer
Pauline Bellm	Jeanette Hart	Thelma Palmer
Sheryll Bentley	Cherie Hatfield	Leona Ragsdale
John Bidondo	Bob Heffernan	Linda Regnier
Allie Biondo	Pat Heffernan	Mary Renfro
Lonny Borchers	Bart Henke	Austin Richards
Richard Borris	Mabel Hopkins	Kathy Shields
Gretchen Butler	Mary Ellen Hermann	Patricia Smith
Mark Butler	Kelly Jordon	Joe Stanley
Tom Butler	Ashley Junkunc	Noah Stanley
Georgene Caoile	Kelsey Krum	Lois Stogsdill
John Caoile	Filemu Lemautu	Jean Tate
Delfina Chaves	Beverly Little	Ruth Tayler
Trish Clark	Jo Locke	Ann Verhulst
Marvin Cohen	Msgr J Mancuso	Kaley Wagner
Joseph Coots	Gloria McLaughlin	Marie Wilburn
Donna Dailey	Denise Mehlo	Bob Westfall
Paul DeMar	Tony Melitante	Mary Westfall
Ted Fiocati	Alice Miller	Brandi Wiatrek
Butch Ford	Nadine Monnig	Emy Yeater
Emily Frezza	John Malena	Carmitia Yust
Dick Garnier		Pablo Zayas

Anointing of the Sick?

If you suffer from a chronic illness, the affect of advanced years or have an upcoming surgery and wish to receive this sacrament let Fr Jeff or Fr Curt know before the Mass you attend and they will be glad to anoint you after Mass. If you would like to schedule it in advance or make an appointment for a weekday contact Marta Roper in the parish office at 816-979-3154.

Wellness Center

Coffee, Java, Joe

The health benefits of coffee have been in the spotlight for some time, and when it comes to coffee's ability to help prevent diabetes, the news just keeps getting better. A 2014 report discovered that drinking three to four cups a day may reduce your risk by up to 26 percent. The positive effect was nearly as strong with decaf but, it did make a difference in how the coffee was brewed. Instant coffee is half as powerful



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as the regular brewed, filtered java. Also, remember to skip the sugar and sweeten with cinnamon, which has been shown to have glucose-lowering effects. So, get rid of the guilt around your morning joe, it looks like it's a healthy pleasure!

Wellness Center Class Schedule

Monday: Intermediate Yoga 1-2pm
Gentle Yoga 2-3pm
Yoga 6-7pm

Tuesday: Stretch & Strength 1-2pm
Gentle Stretch & Strength 2-3pm

Wednesday: Intermediate Yoga 1-2pm
Gentle Yoga 2-3pm
Strength & Restore 6-7pm

Thursday: Stretch & Strength 1-2pm
Gentle Stretch & Strength 2-3pm
ReFit® 5-6pm

Friday: Intermediate Yoga 1-2pm
Gentle Yoga 2-3pm
Circuit Training 5-6pm

Saturday: Open Workout 8:30-11:30am
Health Screening 8:30-11:30am
ReFit® 10-11am



Area Information

Diocesan Healing Prayer Services The diocese continues to reach out to those impacted by abuse by offering healing services. The next service will be held at **St. Therese Parish 7207 NW Highway 9, Kansas City, 64152 on Wednesday May 25th at 7:00 p.m.**

Priests Softball Game - June 19 Please join us for the **3rd Annual Pitching for Priests Softball game** at Community America Ballpark (**T-bones Stadium**) in the Legends shopping area on **FATHER'S DAY, Sunday June 19, 2016 at 5:00 pm.** Player introductions, National Anthem, and the first pitch will begin at 4:45 pm. If you order tickets online they will be available at the game (will call). Tickets will not be mailed. For more information, please visit <https://squareup.com/market/catholic-radio-network/nd-annual-pitching-for-priests-softball-game>.

Camp Erin, June 10-12 The weekend camp designed for children and teens that have experienced a **significant loss** is coming up June 10 – 12. Parents/guardians can contact Lisa Farmer for more information: lfarmer@kchospice.org or **816-276-2766**.

Married Couples: Does gardening give you a sense of wonder and fulfillment? On your wedding day, you lovingly planted the seeds of a lifelong relationship. A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will give you the "gardening tools" you need to help your marriage grow and blossom. The next Weekend in Kansas City is May 13-15, 2016. For more information or to apply, please visit our website: www.wvme4youandme.org



Pictured above is Savannah, daughter of Shawn and Margaret who was baptized last Saturday!

Baptism Congratulations

Congratulations to our newly baptized:

Andres Duarte Mora, son of Juvenal Duarte Castañeda and Maria del Carmen Mora Villanueva

happy birthday

Yudith Amador	Beatriz Gallegos	Rodrigo Pulido
Ethan Ambrose	Gissell Garcia	Tom Ragsdale
Jeremy Ambrose	John Giaccone	Rene Ramos
Maria Anderson	Javier Grado	Jeiser Rascon
Dick Anthony	Bob Guezaraga	Caylee Richardson
Mark Arnold	Saul Guzman	Mark Rickard
Joselyn Arreola	Vaden Haddock	Jean Rieder
Juan Ayala	Rick Hamilton	Joselyn Rivera
Donny Barker	Jacob Haus	Rodolfo Rivero
Anthony Beecher	Maria Hernandez	Kevin Rodriguez
Brinley Bornheimer	Kala Hille	Lorenzo Sanchez
Jose Burciaga	Fregoso Iniguez	Emmanuel Santillanes
Angelica Calderon	Mama Jones	Madison Smith
Deborah Catron	Mikayla Laughlin	Sophia Swenson
Samantha Como	Kevin Livingston	Eric Torres
Chris Cornejo	Ken Lovelace	Ann Vargas
Zuleyka Coronado	Pat Madden	Silvano Vargas
Teresa Davis	Austin McGuire	Alfredo Velazco
Gary Dean	Cesar Mendoza	Josephine Walter
Jordan Del Valle	Wendy Miranda	Sarah Wheeler
Sam Ewbank	Elvia Mora	Terri Wilson
Kelly Fadous	Cristeli Morales	Millie Wolfe
Juanita Franco	Mary Jo O'Brien	Lindsay Wooldridge
Jennifer Fuller	Mina Oquendo	Jeffery Yenser
	Bailey Park	

Happy Anniversary

Bob and Mary Westfall	68 Years!	05-04-1948
Mary and Mark Putnam	65 Years!	05-05-1951
Anna and Joe Anderson	55 Years!	05-05-1961
Tom and Judith Gudenkauf	51 Years!	05-08-1965
Jack and Christie Poynter	47 Years!	05-03-1969
Judy and Thomas Wolfe	43 Years!	05-04-1973
Richard and Gerry Westbrook	36 Years!	05-08-1980
Joe and Pattie Ledford	32 Years!	05-05-1984
Paul and Marlyn Anderson	21 Years!	05-06-1995
Luis Rojas and Patricia Gomez	6 Years!	05-08-2010
Jack and Melissa Bondon	5 Years!	05-07-2011
Martha Garzon and Ivan Ramirez	5 Years!	05-07-2011
Ryan and Kimberly Grantham	3 Years!	05-04-2013
Jake and Paige Rewald	3 Years!	05-04-2013

Quinceañera Congratulations

Congratulations to Gissel Mora, daughter of Juvenal Duarte Castañeda and María del Carmen Mora Villanueva, who celebrated her Quinceañera on Saturday, April 30th.

School of Religion/Youth Ministry

Junior High Youth! Our next meeting will be on May 4th 7-8:30pm in the Parish Hall. We're looking forward to seeing you!

High School & Confirmation Youth Group Your next meeting will be on May 1st from 7-8:30pm in the Parish Hall.

Confirmation Rehearsal Dinner We will meet in the gym at 6:30pm on May 10th. Each boy candidate and his sponsor are to bring one dessert that will serve 12 people. Each girl candidate and her sponsor are to bring a side dish that will serve 12 people. The Youth Office will provide the meat and drinks for our dinner. Parents are asked to volunteer with receiving the food as it arrives while we begin the rehearsal. We will enjoy our pot luck dinner after rehearsal in the gym.

Confirmation Mass May 11th Bishop Johnston has asked that all candidates arrive in the gym no later than 5pm so he can meet with you. The Youth Office will provide snacks (leftovers from the rehearsal dinner). Mass will begin at 7pm. We will have a cake and punch reception immediately after Mass in the gym.

Children's Liturgy Sunday

Children from our parish are invited to be Lectors, Ushers, Greeters and Gift Bearers at a Mass each month. Our next Mass date is May 8th at the 10:30am Mass. Please contact Kirstie Roberts if your child would like to sign up for this ministry.

Donut Sunday!

Please join us for doughnuts and orange juice on May 1st after the Masses which will be hosted by the 6th grade class!

Child Safety

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combating sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you *observe or suspect* sexual abuse:

*Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and

*Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and

*After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected *sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult* to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Jenifer Valenti, at 816.812.2500 or JeniferValenti@att.net, if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph.

The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact Victim Advocate Kathleen Chastain at 816.392.0011 or chastain@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

All volunteers with youth and children must attend one Protecting God's Children workshop, submit to a background check and sign the policy on Ethics and Integrity in Ministry, (EIM). More info at http://www.diocese-kcsj.org/content/protecting_children/



Ms. Barb's class also practiced **stewardship of creation** last weekend by planting flowers in our entrance flowerbed for Earth Day!



Stewardship

“Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give it to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid. You heard me tell you, “I am going away and I will come back to you.” If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father; for the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it happens, so that when it happens you may believe.”

John 14: 27-29

Jesus makes a point of making it clear to His followers and to us that He is not just saying “Peace” the way people usually do, but from Him it is filled with more strength and meaning. It is “Not as the world gives” that Jesus is saying “Peace be with you.” Jesus is telling us that He through the Holy Spirit will always be with us, stand next to us, and strengthen us. That is something we must believe. Trusting in the Lord is a key aspect of stewardship. In our world we are more likely to say “Good-bye” than “Shalom.” However, even that has a meaning with a much deeper message. “Good-bye” derives from the farewell “God be with you” or “God be with ye.” Thus, when we say “good-bye” we are also giving someone the same message that Jesus gives us. God is with us — always. He loves you. — See more at www.catholicsteward.com/blog/

April 24 Contributions

Envelopes/Sobres:	\$8,522.54
Plate/Canasta:	\$1,231.62
Maintenance-Upkeep:	\$ 735.63

2016 Annual Catholic Appeal

Thanks to all who have contributed to the 2016 Annual Catholic Appeal. **As of April 11th, 108 families from St. Sabina have contributed a total of \$15,913.00.** Please contribute generously to “*Blessed Are the Merciful*”, the 2016 Annual Catholic Appeal (*in past years, the Bishop’s Annual Appeal*) in support of parish and diocesan programs and ministries. Go on-line to www.kcsigives.org for more information or use the form available in the Catholic Key. To make a gift of appreciated stock, mutual fund shares or gifts of grain, call Greg Vranicar at 816.714.2363.

Pledge Sunday

Don’t forget to bring your Pledge and Time & Talent Cards to Mass next week to leave in the collection basket. Please prayerfully consider giving of your “first fruits” to our parish by making a pledge and think about how you might be able to put your talents to good use or donate your time. We encourage youth to also fill out a Time & Talent card. More are available in the gathering space if you did not receive yours or if you need another.

Liturgical Ministers Needed

While we are thinking about offering our time and talent as we fill out our pledge cards, please take a moment to consider becoming active as a liturgical minister. Any role that is filled during public prayer (liturgy) is referred to as a liturgical ministry. These include Eucharistic ministers, lectors, ushers, sacristans, altar servers, and music ministers. We are in great need of all ministers, especially at the 4:00PM Saturday and 8:00AM Sunday Masses. There will be brochures at the liturgy table at the ministry fair describing of each of these ministries. Also, you can visit with some of our current ministers to ask about what they do and find out what they like about being involved. Please prayerfully consider assisting the parish by sharing your time during Mass to fill one of these roles. Plan to stop by the Liturgy, Music and Art & Environment tables to find out more, or contact Susan Ratigan in the parish office at 979-3158 or susan@stsabinaparish.org for more information

Thank you to Joy Banks-Wilson and Gloria Garcia who shared their experience living a stewardship lifestyle with us at Mass last weekend.



Gracias a Joy Banks-Wilson y a Gloria Garcia quienes compartieron sus experiencias viviendo un estilo de vida corresponsable en la Misa el Domingo pasado.



Reflection on the Readings



As we approach the feast of Pentecost and bring closure to the Easter season, our readings focus on the new way that the earthly Jesus will be ever with us. It may seem ironic that in the Easter season we select gospel readings from John concerning Jesus' farewell discourse to his followers at the last supper. Here, Jesus speaks most

clearly about his passage from this life to the next, and consequently his different way of being present with us. That presence is concretized in the gift of the Spirit, the Advocate, whom God will send to teach and remind Jesus' followers of all that Jesus had told them.

Leaving and departure is difficult for all parties concerned. Jesus assures his followers that his peace will be gifted to them through the presence of the Spirit. He reminds them that love involves keeping "my word." To keep Jesus' word is to trust that whatever Jesus said and did is a reliable guide for life and relationship.

This does not mean that worries, concerns and conflicts will not arise. Think of the major conflict that faced the early followers of Jesus in today's first reading from Acts. They faced a very difficult decision concerning how to invite and welcome non-Jewish persons as followers of a Jewish Jesus. Such a major step must have challenged them to the very core of their identity, beliefs and traditions as Jews. Yet they trusted that Jesus' wisdom and guidance was still operative among them in the presence and power of the Spirit.

After much deliberation and consultation they proclaimed that "It is the decision of the Holy Spirit and of us..." This bold proclamation was only possible because they believed and trusted that Jesus did not leave them orphan, and that the Spirit was present as they deliberated according to Jesus' values and modeling.

The second reading from the book of Revelation stresses this rich presence of God in powerful symbolic language.

The New Jerusalem that was introduced in last week's reading is pictured without a temple and without sun or moon. This would have been shocking language to any Jew since the temple was the very heart of the city, the focus and center of its ritual and religious practice. But, with Jesus, we have a new focus to the city of Jerusalem. The Lord God and the Lamb, the risen Lord, are its temple, and the glory of God and the Lamb are its light and lamp. The image clearly stresses that God dwells with us, guiding and sustaining us with glory and power.

Such indwelling of God with us through the presence of the Spirit assures us of continued guidance, wisdom and power. With the psalmist we call upon all the nations to realize and acknowledge God's presence with all people as we join together to joyously sing the refrain of Responsorial Psalm 67, "O God, let all the nations praise you!"

We too, who often struggle in our commitment to "keep" Jesus' word and carry on his vision and mission, should trust and believe that Jesus is always with us, our true light and lamp. In returning to the Father, Jesus has gifted us with the discerning power of the Spirit who will help and guide us in our decision making. The Advocate is what makes Jesus present to us in new and different situations, always helping us put into practice what Jesus would have done and said if Jesus were still physically present with us.

As we prepare for the coming of the Spirit at Pentecost, reflect on how the Spirit is operative in your daily life, guiding your path and enlightening your way.

Biagio Mazza,
Pastoral Associate

Readings



Sunday, May 1

1st Reading: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29

Psalm: Psalm 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (4)

2nd Reading: Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23

Gospel: John 14:23-29

Sunday, May 8

1st Reading: Acts 1:1-11

Psalm: Psalm 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 (6)

2nd Reading: Ephesians 1:17-23

Gospel: Luke 24:46-53

Bible Study

Catholics are mostly exposed to the Bible through the Sunday Lectionary Readings. In order to help us all enter into the Bible through the Sunday readings, we are offering study sessions that will provide an opportunity to read, to study background to the readings, and to reflect on how to apply the readings to our lives. **We will gather on May 15th and 29th at 10:30am.** All are welcome. Bring a Bible and a friend. To register for these sessions, please call Biagio at 816 -979-3153.



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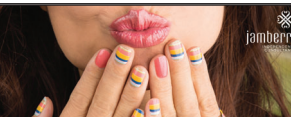
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Reflexión Sobre las Lecturas



Ya que nos acercamos a la fiesta de Pentecostés y se cierra la temporada de Pascua, las lecturas se centran en la nueva forma que el Jesús terrenal estará siempre con nosotros. Puede parecer irónico que en la temporada de Pascua seleccionamos las lecturas del Evangelio según San Juan con respecto al discurso de despedida de Jesús a sus seguidores en la última cena. Aquí, Jesús habla con mayor claridad acerca de su paso de esta vida a la siguiente, y en consecuencia la manera diferente en que estará presente con nosotros. Esa presencia se concreta en el don del Espíritu, el Defensor que Dios enviará a enseñar y recordar a los seguidores de Jesús de todo lo que Jesús les había dicho.

La partida y la salida es difícil para todas las partes interesadas. Jesús asegura a sus seguidores que su paz será dotado a ellos a través de la presencia del Espíritu. Les recuerda que el amor consiste en mantener "mi palabra". Mantener la palabra de Jesús es confiar en que todo lo que Jesús dijo e hizo es una guía confiable para la vida y la relación.

Esto no quiere decir que no surgirán preocupaciones, inquietudes y conflictos. Piense en el gran conflicto que enfrentó a los primeros seguidores de Jesús en la primera lectura de hoy de los Hechos. Se enfrentaron a una decisión muy difícil con respecto a cómo invitar y dar la bienvenida a personas no judías como seguidores de Jesús, un judío. Tal paso importante debe haberlos desafiado a la misma base de su identidad, sus creencias y tradiciones como Judíos. Sin embargo, confiaban en que la sabiduría y la orientación de Jesús todavía estaba entre ellos en la presencia y el poder del Espíritu.

Después de mucha deliberación y consulta proclamaron que "El Espíritu Santo y nosotros hemos decidido..." Este valiente proclamación sólo fue posible porque creían y confiaban en que Jesús no los dejó huérfano, y que el Espíritu estaba presente como deliberaron acuerdo con los valores y el modelado de Jesús.

La segunda lectura del libro del Apocalipsis subraya esta rica presencia de Dios en el lenguaje potente y simbólico. La Nueva Jerusalén, que se introdujo en la lectura de la semana pasada se representa sin templo y sin el sol o la luna. Esto habría sido el lenguaje chocante para cualquier Judío ya que el templo era el

centro de la ciudad, el enfoque y el centro de su ritual y práctica religiosa. Pero, con Jesús, tenemos un nuevo enfoque de la ciudad de Jerusalén. El Señor Dios y el Cordero, el Señor resucitado, son el templo, y la gloria de Dios y el Cordero son su luz y lámpara. La imagen destaca claramente que Dios habita con nosotros, guiándonos y el manteniéndonos de gloria y poder.

Tal morada de Dios con nosotros a través de la presencia del Espíritu nos asegura de la orientación continua, la sabiduría y el poder. Con el salmista llamamos a todas las naciones a darse cuenta y reconocer la presencia de Dios con todas las personas al unirnos a cantar con alegría el estribillo del Salmo Responsorial 67: "Oh Dios, que te alaben los pueblos, que todos los pueblos te alaben."

Nosotros también, que muchas veces tenemos dificultades en nuestro compromiso de "mantener" la palabra de Jesús y continuar su visión y misión, debemos confiar y creer que Jesús está siempre con nosotros, nuestra verdadera luz y lámpara. En volver al Padre, Jesús nos ha dotado con el poder de discernimiento del Espíritu, que nos ayudará y nos guiará en nuestra toma de decisiones. El Defensor es lo que hace Jesús presente en situaciones nuevas y diferentes, siempre ayudando a poner en práctica lo que Jesús habría hecho y dicho si él aún estuviera físicamente presente con nosotros.

Mientras nos preparamos para la venida del Espíritu en Pentecostés, reflexione sobre cómo el Espíritu es operativa en su vida diaria, guiando su camino y alumbrando su camino.

Biagio Mazza
Asociado Pastoral

Lecturas



Lecturas del Domingo, 1 de Mayo

Primera Lectura: Hechos 15:1-2, 22-29

Salmo: Salmo 67:2-3, 5, 6 y 8

Segunda Lectura: Apocalipsis 21:10-14, 22-23

Evangelio: Juan 14:23-29

Lecturas del Domingo, 8 de Mayo

Primera Lectura: Hechos 1:1-11

Salmo: Salmo 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9

Segunda Lectura: Efesios 1:17-23

Evangelio: Lucas 24:46-53

Escuela de Religión/Ministerio Juvenil

Jóvenes de Junior High!

Nuestra próxima reunión será el 4 de Mayo de 7-8:30pm en el Salón Parroquial. Aquí les esperamos!

Jóvenes de High School y Confirmación

Su próxima reunión será el 1 de Mayo de 7-8:30pm en el Salón Parroquial.

Cena del Ensayo para la Confirmación

Nos reuniremos en el gimnasio a las 6:30pm el 10 de Mayo. Cada candidato varón y su padrino debería traer un postre que servirá a 12 personas. Cada candidata mujer y su padrino debería traer un plato de acompañamiento que servirá a 12 personas. La Oficina de la Juventud proporcionará la carne y bebidas para la cena. Se les pide a los padres como voluntarios para la recepción de la comida, mientras comenzamos el ensayo. Cenaremos después del ensayo en el gimnasio.

Misa de Confirmación—11 de Mayo

El Obispo Johnson ha pedido que todos los candidatos lleguen al gimnasio antes de las 5pm para que pueda reunirse con ustedes. La Oficina de la Juventud proporcionará snacks (recalentado de la cena del ensayo). La Misa comenzará a las 7pm. Vamos a tener una recepción de pastel y ponche inmediatamente después de la Misa en el gimnasio.

Seguridad Infantil

La Diócesis de Kansas City-St. Joseph esta comprometida a luchar contra el abuso sexual en la Iglesia. Si usted es victima de abuso sexual, o si usted observa o sospecha de abuso sexual, por favor:

- 1) Llame a línea directa de Abuso Infantil en Missouri al 1.800.392.3738 (si la victima tiene menos de 18 años de edad), y
- 2) Póngase en contacto con su departamento de policía local o llame al 911, y
- 3) Después de informarle a las autoridades de la orden civil y de leyes, reporte el abuso sexual del menor o del adulto vulnerable al Defensor del Pueblo Diocesano, Jenifer Valenti, al 816.812.2500 o a su correo electrónico, jennifervalenti@att.net, si el abuso implica a un sacerdote, diacono, empleado o voluntario de la Diócesis de Kansas City-St. Joseph

La Diócesis tiene un sincero compromiso con los recursos del cuidado y la curación para las victimas de abuso sexual y a sus familias. Por favor póngase en contacto con la Defensora de Victimias, Kathleen Chastain al 816.392.0011 o chastain@diocesekcsj.org para mas información.

Todas las personas que son voluntarios con los jóvenes o niños de nuestra parroquia deben atender a un taller llamado Protegiendo a los Niños de Dios, también necesitaran someterse a una verificación de antecedentes y deberán firmar la póliza sobre Ética e Integridad en el Ministerio (EIM). Más información en <http://virtus.org>

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Mientras usted Disfruta de esta Importante clase, nosotros le ofrecemos **cuidado de niños**



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Domingo de Compromiso

No se olvide de traer sus tarjetas de Compromiso y de Tiempo y Talento a Misa el próximo Domingo para dejarlas en la canasta de la colecta. Por favor considere con el espíritu de oración, dar de sus "primeros frutos" a nuestra parroquia al hacer una promesa y piense en cómo puede poner sus talentos al buen uso o donar su tiempo. Animamos a los jóvenes también a llenar una tarjeta de Tiempo y Talento. Las tarjetas están disponibles en el espacio de reunión si usted no recibió la suya o si necesita otra.



Actualizar su Información de Membresía

¿Tiene nuestro banco de datos de la parroquia su registro familiar correcto?

Esta es su oportunidad para actualizar su registro para nuestra Guía y Directorio anual (si no lo ha hecho ya).

Es hora de actualizar nuestro banco de datos con todas las modificaciones, adiciones o supresiones que pueden haber ocurrido en su familia durante el año pasado.

¿Ha cambiado su número de teléfono? ¿Se ha mudado? Se está preparando para mudarse pronto?

¿Todos sus hijos siguen viviendo en casa y están todos ellos incluidos en su registro de membresía? ¿Desea que su registro sea publicado?

Si aún no nos ha informado en la Oficina Parroquial sobre los cambios en su registro, por favor háganos saber para que la información contenida en la Guía y Directorio sea correcta. El número de la Oficina Parroquial es 816-331-4713.

Platicas Pre-Bautismales—14 de Mayo

Normalmente cada Segundo Sábado del mes de las 10 am a 1 pm (Sólo para Niños de 0-6 años) en el salón 3 de la ala de educación. Para niños mayores de 7 años se requerirá una formación especial.

PRÓXIMOS BAUTISMOS: llame a Kris al 816-979-3151. Favor de llenar su aplicación antes de asistir a las platicas. **No se ofrece cuidado de niños.**

Cuentos bilingües— Vacaciones de Verano

La Biblioteca Belton se está preparando para comenzar su horario de verano, y durante los meses de verano no habrán cuentos en Santa Sabina. Los cuentos empezarán de nuevo en Septiembre.

Venta de Pupusas—5 de Junio

El domingo 5 de Junio nuestra Comunidad Salvadoreña venderá pupusas después de las Misas. Una pupusa es un plato tradicional Salvadoreño hecha de una tortilla de maíz gruesa que normalmente está rellena de variaciones de queso, carne de cerdo y frijoles refritos. Habrán muestras de prueba para que pueda comprar su variedad favorita. El costo será de \$2 cada una y se puede comprar para llevar. Todos los fondos recaudados serán utilizados para apoyar a nuestros estudiantes becados en El Salvador.

La Cruz de Cristo - 1 de Mayo

Una cruz decorada con fruta fresca es una tradición en El Salvador, que se celebra cada año el 3 de Mayo. La tradición sirve para anunciar el comienzo de la temporada de lluvias, en la expectativa de que la Tierra va a producir una rica cosecha de frutas. La tradición, que data del siglo II, cuando Santa Elena busca y encuentra la cruz de Jesús. Por favor, únase a nosotros después de la Misa hoy, 1 de Mayo, para la bendición de la cruz. Después de la bendición, todos están invitados a asistir a la Feria de Ministerios en el gimnasio.



Clases de Ingles Como Segundo Idioma

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Horarios de Misa

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Domingo: 8:00am y 10:30am en Ingles,
12:30pm en Español

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Desayuno del Día de la Madre - Domingo, 8 de Mayo

Nuestros Caballeros de Colón harán un Desayuno del Día de la Madre después de las Misas de las 8am y las 10:30am el Domingo, 8 de Mayo. Todas las madres recibirán un desayuno gratis. Por favor planea asistir y disfrutar de la buena comida y muy buena compañía.