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



Thank you to the crew leaders who helped make this summer's VBS a success! See more pictures from VBS on page 4.

Mass Times

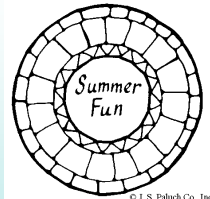
Saturday: 4:00pm in English

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

**Visit our website for Holy Day and special
Mass times**

Parents Lounge Spray Park Family Fun

Grab the kiddos, swimsuits, sunscreen, and a packed lunch if you like and head to the spray park in Grandview (John Anderson Park 4701 E 135th St Grandview, MO 64030)! Plan to get wet in the water and also enjoy the playground from 1pm-4pm on July 24th.



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Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Intentions for July 25-29, 2016

Mon.	8am	COMMUNION SERVICE
Tues.	6pm	†Linda Regnier
Wed.	11am	†George Bleier & his deceased family (Carnegie Village)
Thurs.	8am	†Vernita Linenberger
Friday	8am	†Lela Amel

Saturday, July 30, 2016

4:00pm	†Lola Barrios
	Intentions of Ben and Brenda Winter

Sunday, July 31, 2016

8:00am	Intentions of the Parish Family
	†Mary Ellen Hermann
10:30am	†Conrad Kast
12:30pm Spanish	†Alfonso Estrella Garcia
	†Higinio Enriquez Perez

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

†Fr. Pat Tobin, brother of Fr. Chuck Tobin

†Linda Regnier, mother of Sean Regnier and Michelle Marchese

†Lela Amel, mother of Sean Morgan and Darlene Howard

†Gaynell Spiller, mother of Jeff Spiller

†Richard Borris, brother of Jo Locke

†Gloria Stanley, sister of Shirly Tolbert

†Joe Stanley, husband of Donna Stanley

†Billy Coleman, father of Terry Willcott and Kelly Simoneau



Calendar/Parish Happenings

Sunday, July 24 - Domingo, 24 de Julio

9:30am Summer Choir Practice

Monday, July 25 - Lunes, 25 de Julio

5:30pm Marian Prayer Group

Tuesday, July 26 - Martes, 26 de Julio

6:00pm Entrenamiento de Guías para TOV

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

Wednesday, July 27 - Miércoles, 27 de Julio

9:00am Legion of Mary

11:00am Mass at Carnegie Village

Thursday, July 28 - Jueves, 28 de Julio

9:30am Quilters

6:00pm Renovación de Lectores y Ministros Eucarísticos

Friday, July 29 - Viernes, 29 de Julio

No Scheduled Events

Saturday, July 30 - Sábado, 30 de Julio

3:00pm Confessions

3:20pm Summer Choir Practice

Sunday, July 31 - Domingo, 31 de Julio

9:30am Summer Choir Practice

Pilgrimage to Fatima and Lourdes

Travel on a pilgrimage to visit Fatima and Lourdes in the year of the 150th anniversary of Our Lady appearing in Lourdes, France. Pilgrimage dates are April 2-11, 2017. You can talk to Fr. Jeff for more information and information packets are available in the gathering space.



Pupusa Sale - August 7

On Sunday, August 7 our Salvadoran community will be selling pupusas after all 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.



Parish Happenings and Information

Foundations for Living Stones – A Faith Formation Program for Interested Adults

"Come to him, a living stone...chosen and precious in the sight of God, and, like living stones, let yourself be built into a spiritual house..."

(1 Peter 2:4-5)

St. Sabina, a Catholic faith community committed to total and lifelong faith formation, is offering an adult faith formation program titled, Foundations for Living Stones. The program explores in greater depth and knowledge the basics of our faith. All the sessions focus on the ministry that we are called to in and through our baptism. Communication skills, group development, leadership skills, bible study, church history, prayer and sacraments are some of the many areas explored and examined in depth. Adult methods of learning and reflection are employed throughout.

The sessions are scheduled on Tuesday evenings, from 7-9:30 PM, beginning in early September and ending in late May. This is a 9-month commitment to deepen one's skills and knowledge so as to become a more effective and engaged disciple and minister. We hope to work collaboratively with neighboring parishes, inviting them to be part of this mutual learning process. For a brochure or more information, please call or e-mail either Kris or Biagio at:

Biagio Mazza 816-979-3153; e-mail biagio@stsabinaparish.org

Kris Larkey 816-979-3151; e-mail kris@stsabinaparish.org

Over 55

New Theatre Restaurant

The next show we will be seeing at the New Theatre Restaurant is *Chicago* on Thursday, September 8 at 6:00pm. Tickets are \$49 each. If you would like to go, please contact Bridget Hernandez at 816-979-3159 with the number of tickets you will need by Tuesday, August 2.

Cave Quest

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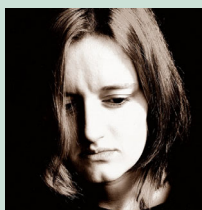
Pastoral Care

Nursing Home Mass Schedule

July 27 11:00am	Carnegie Village
Aug 3 10:30am	Beautiful Savior
Aug 10 10:00am	Rehabilitation of Raymore

"Adult Grief Recovery Group" If you would like to register for this group please contact us by Tuesday, August 9th.

The first session is Tuesday, August 16th at 1:30pm and meets for six consecutive weeks. All faith traditions are welcome. **Advanced registration required.** The sessions are closed after the first one. It is most beneficial to attend all six sessions. Confidentiality within the group is expected. To register contact Marta Roper in the parish office at 979-3154, or marta@stsabinaparish.org, or Mary Ann Long at malinbelton@yahoo.com. **If you would like to speak with someone who has participated in a previous group contact us and we will be happy to make that happen.**



In this year of Mercy our Church is the Voice of Mercy



Joining 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. 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.

Prayer Requests/Peticiones de Oración

Felipe Abarca	Fr. Paul Frank	Alice Miller
Dick Anthony	Emily Frezza	Carl Miller
Belen Antillon	Dick Garnier	Lawrence Meissen
Marilyn Avalos	Antonio Garcia	Mona Neighbors
Suzie Ashbaugh	Wendy Gomez	Sherril Nevins
Polleth Bautista	Tom Gudenkauf	Johnnie Nicholes
Yesika Benavides	Connie Harper	Jane Nouryeh
Sheryll Bentley	Jason Hart	Gary Palmer
John Bidondo	Jeanette Hart	Thelma Palmer
Allie Biondo	Cherie Hatfield	Cynthia Peterman
Joe Birkenbach	Laverne Harlow	Leona Ragsdale
Yolanda Blanks	Bart Henke	Austin Richards
Lonny Borchers	Rhonda K Henke	Kathy Shields
Mark Butler	Mabel Hopkins	Patricia Smith
Hilda Burchett	Josie Johnson	Noah Stanley
John Caoile	Kelly Jordon	Jean Tate
Delfina Chavez	Ashley Junkunc	Ruth Tayler
Barbara Clark	Kelsey Krum	Angel Thomas
Trish Clark	August LeBoeuf	Daryl Vonderohe
Marvin Cohen	Beverly Little	Marie Wilburn
Steve Collier	Jo Locke	Gerry Westbrook
Rosemary Cooney	Msgr. J Mancuso	Bob Westfall
Joseph Coots	Dick Martin	Mary Westfall
Donna Dailey	Dodie Maurer	Judy Wheeler
Paul DeMar	Bob McDonald	Merle Woolworth
Nolan Dickerson	Gloria McLaughlin	Emy Yeater
Frances DiGeorge	Denise Mehlo	Carmitia Yust
Butch Ford		Pablo Zayas

Prayer for the sick:

Lord Jesus, who went about doing good and healing all, we ask you to bless (name) who is sick. Give them strength in body, courage in spirit, and patience in pain. Let them recover their health, so that, restored to the community, they may joyfully praise your name, for you live and reign for ever and ever. Amen.

Wellness Center

Pain Relief: Breathing with Imagery

When we experience pain, we often hold our breath, which can contribute to inflammation through the release of the stress hormone cortisol.

TRY THIS NEXT TIME YOU EXPERIENCE DISCOMFORT: Close your eyes and imagine your body growing relaxed. As you breathe through your belly, visualize oxygen filling any areas of tension with comfort and calm. Then picture the pain leaving with each exhalation. The longer you exhale, the more you stimulate the vagus nerve in the brain, which helps initiate the relaxation response instead of the fight or flight stress response. Pretty soon you will notice a more expansive, open feeling rather than a constricted, tight bodily sensation. It sounds very simple, but this is the way we are wired. As we practice the relaxation response, we are resetting our body's default to 'Relaxed v. Stressed.'

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 Circuit Training 6-7pm
Friday:	Intermediate Yoga 1-2pm Gentle Yoga 2-3pm
Saturday:	CLOSED

Schedule your screening today!

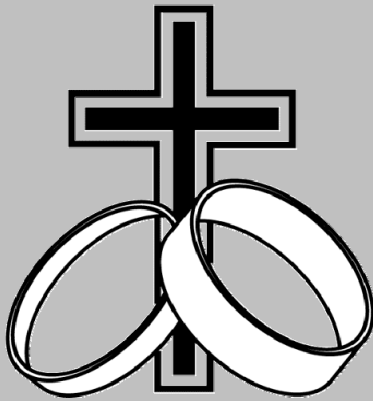


Area Information

Job Opening at Catholic Charities

Catholic Charities of Kansas City-St Joseph is looking for a part-time licensed Community Mental Health Educator. Interested applicants can apply online at www.catholiccharities-kcsj.org.

Married couples, do you want to rekindle that love you had on your wedding day?



"Before our Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend, all Jim and I ever talked about was kids, his job, the house and money. I wondered what happened to the couple that talked on the phone for hours after being together all day during our courtship. On our Weekend we rediscovered that couple!"

The next Weekend in Kansas City is

Sept. 30-Oct. 2, 2016

For more information or to apply, please visit our website: www.wmme4youandme.org or call Tony & Barb Zimmerman, 816-741-4066 or email tonybarbz@prodigy.net

happy birthday

Carlos Aguilera	Erik Guevara	Maria Palomares
Jorge Amescua	Steven Haeefe	Racheal Perez
Rachel Argie	Brian Hall	Matthew Peterman
Manuel Arroyo	Jessica Hammack	Natali Pinon
Rogelio Ayala	Emmanuel Hernandez	Mario Ramirez
Yesenia Ayala	Amanda Hirt	Debbie Ranes
Thomas Baty	Edwin Hopkins	Quinn Rewald
Jim Brown	Jorge Huerta	Rudy Roberts
Corey Burdick	Jorge Huerta	Leonel Rocha
Ryan Butler	Justin Hutchens	Janett Rodelo
Brianna Byelley	Eli Jackson	Maria Rodriguez
Layla Calovich	Steph Jones	Yarecsi Rodriguez
Juan Cano	Ignacio Juarez	Gage Roe
Shane Coley	Ann Klassen	Ulises Rosales
Naida Colin	Stacia Knoll	Jim Ruffini
Mason Cooper	Rocky Lee	Rob Rustemeyer
Kelly Coots	Jordan Little	Liliana Schlotman
Ryan Coovert	Mary Little	Marta Serrano
Lisa Cummings	Wayne Little	Colleen Shern
Ana Estrada	Daniel Luciano	Scott Sigman
Alexander Garcia	Jose Maldonado	Jill Sueltz
Gabriela Garcia	Jose Martinez	Wyatt Tapia
Jennifer Giaccone	Julie McGurn	Alex Valenzuela
Julio Gonzalez	Julieta Medrano	Cynthia West
Maria Gonzalez	David Mora	John Wink
Deivid Guerrero	Rusty Nachbar	Ethan Woodfine

Quinceañera



Quinceañera Congratulations

Congratulations to **Grecia Jaime**, the daughter of Luis Jaime and Maria de Jesus Jaime, who celebrated her Quinceañera on Saturday, July 23.

Baptism Congratulations

Congratulations to Brynnley Lucille Howard, the daughter of Aaron and Theresa Howard, who was baptized on July 22nd.



Wedding Congratulations

Congratulations to Olinser Luna and Alejandra Lopez who were married on July 16th!

Happy Anniversary

Charles and Melba Mercier	47 Years!	07-26-1969
Gary and Terri Krueger	40 Years!	07-30-1976
John and Veronica Cisetti	37 Years!	07-27-1979
Susan and Tom Coovert	33 Years!	07-29-1983
Dennis and Celia Squires	30 Years!	07-26-1986
Larry and Carolyn Foster	23 Years!	07-30-1993
Bonnie and Mark Lesmeister	20 Years!	07-27-1996
Doug and Claudine Butscher	17 Years!	07-31-1999
Kevin and Stephanie Como	17 Years!	07-31-1999
Jake and Krisi Jacobs	17 Years!	07-31-1999
Amy and Rob Murtha	14 Years!	07-26-2002
Chris and Michaela VanSickle	12 Years!	07-28-2004
Paul and Gio Needels	8 Years!	07-29-2008
Cesar and Lorena Medrano	8 Years!	07-31-2008
Casey and Kerry Morgan	5 Years!	07-30-2011
Mason and Kathryn Bell	2 Years!	07-26-2014

School of Religion/Youth Ministry

Volunteer Opportunities



Uplift Org. If you would like to bring meals to the homeless on the 4th or 5th Monday of any month, please contact Kirstie Roberts! This ministry is open to all parishioners age 14 and older. Volunteers must report to the Uplift Warehouse by 5pm and will be finished around 9:30pm.

Uplift Cooks! Anyone who would like to help prepare a meal for the homeless is welcome to join our team on the 4th Monday of each month at 10am in the gym. We recommend that you bring a good cutting knife, vegetable peeler and can opener. Our next cooking date is July 25.



Harvesters! This local food bank provides food to needy families around the KC area. Volunteers are needed to help sort food donations and pack weekend food bags for kids in our community. We will be taking a group of 5 people on the third Thursday of each month. Our next date is August 18, 6-8pm. If you would like to volunteer, call or email Kirstie in the Youth Office.

Community Meals Lord of Love Lutheran Church offers a free meal to the community each Wednesday. Every third Wednesday of the month St. Sabina volunteers help prepare, serve and clean up in an effort to work together with other Christians to carry out Christ's work. Our next volunteer date is August 17. Contact Berenice Zayas in the parish office for more information or to sign up. Phone: 816-979-3150 or email: berenice@stsabinaparish.org.

Child Safety

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

1. **Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and**
2. **Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and**
3. **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/

How To Keep Your Child Catholic? Try the Newman Connection!

College is often a difficult time for young Catholic students who do not meet and socialize with other likeminded Catholics. The Newman Connection Project

is designed to help young men and women who are leaving home for the first time to meet people with similar beliefs and principles. All we need from you is the **Student's Name, University/College Name and City/State** the student will attend. Call Homer Radford at 816-560-2992 or email to hradford2@comcast.net and the folks at Newman Connection will help your student(s) keep connected with their faith! [<http://www.newmanconnection.com>]

Quinceañera Retreat

Our summer retreat for girls will be held on August 6, 2016 from 10am until 5pm at St. Sabina Parish in the Parish Hall. This retreat is to prepare young ladies for their Quinceañera as well as serve as an opportunity for all girls ages 14 and older to explore their faith and share in the joys of being a young Catholic lady. Registration forms are available on our website at www.stsabinaparish.org/permission-slips/.

Parish School of Religion (PSR)

The next PSR school year will begin on Sunday, September 18. PSR registration forms will be available beginning the weekend of August 7. Stay tuned!



Stewardship

“And I tell you, ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks, receives; and the one who seeks, finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened. What father among you would hand his son a snake when he asks for a fish? Or hand him a scorpion when he asks for an egg? If you then, who are wicked, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him?”

Luke 11: 9-13

St. Teresa of Avila had this to say about prayer: “The most potent and acceptable prayer is the prayer that leaves the best effects. I do not mean it must immediately fill the soul with desire... The best effects are those which are followed by actions...when the soul not only desires the honor of God, but really strives for it.” Her point is that prayer requires action. That is the same conclusion we might draw about stewardship as a way of life. Adding the phrase “as a way of life” implies that it is more than an attitude. It is something that should fill every moment of every day for us. That is what Jesus is trying to communicate to us — that we must be consistent and persevere in prayer. Our lives should reflect our ongoing prayer. You might say how we live our lives is a living prayer. That is what the Lord wants from us. As the Lord advises us, “Ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you.” — See more at www.catholicsteward.com/blog/

July 17 Contributions

Envelopes/Sobres:	\$13,198.77
Plate/Canasta:	\$ 775.67
Maintenance-Upkeep:	\$ 1,488.50

Thank You from Ernestine Iseman

Ernestine would like to thank all the staff and parishioners who sent her a birthday card for her 80th birthday. She received 107 cards in her birthday card rush!

Cross Catholic Outreach - Aug 6-7

Fr. Hugh Duffy, Ph.D. of Cross Catholic Outreach will be visiting our parish the weekend of August 6-7 to speak at all the Masses on behalf of the poor in developing countries. This ministry was founded to create a meaningful link between parishes in America and the priests and nuns working in the Church overseas in the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, Central and South America.



El Salvador Scholarship Student, Heydi

Heydi Gomez lives in a small community outside of Cinquera, called San Francisco Echeverria. She is 21 years old and she attends the University of El Salvador. She is currently in her 4th year of study and she is majoring in Sport and Recreation Education. She entered the scholarship program in 2014 and she is expected to graduate in 2018.

Heydi has classes Monday through Friday from 8am-5pm. She leaves her home in Cinquera each Sunday at 3pm for the 4 hour bus ride to San Salvador. After a week of classes, she arrives home each Saturday at 10 in the morning to spend weekends with her family.

While the scholarship funds from St. Sabina pay for most of Heydi's tuition, she still incurs expenses. Her monthly bus costs are \$32.50 and her costs for lunch are \$20 per month. Her books and printing costs are \$15 per month, and her internet and miscellaneous fees come to \$9.80 each month.

Heydi's family makes its living by farming. Her mom also has a sewing machine and sews for people on the side. Her home is built of cement blocks with an outhouse. The family has access to potable water and the house has electricity.

Heydi lives with her mother, her 19 year old sister, Jeaneth, and her 3 year old brother, Angel. When Fr. Jeff, Kris and Jeannine were in El Salvador this past January, Heydi and her mother invited them to their home for vegetable soup. It was such a special occasion for the family, that Heydi's mother killed one of their chickens to cook for lunch. Even though baseball is not popular in El Salvador, Heydi was particularly interested in hearing about the Royals winning the World Series.

Heydi's biggest challenge in completing her degree is the amount of physical strength required. She says that this is more of a skill for men, so she has been kind of marginalized. Her biggest challenge outside of school is the commute from home to school and the violence in

the country, living in constant fear of gang activity. After graduation Heydi hopes to find a job in her community and continue providing support to the municipality, to the young people, and to her family. She wants to develop physical education and sports programs for the youth. Pictured left are Fr. Jeff, Jeaneth, Kris, Heydi, Jeannine, Angel and Heydi's mom, Julia. To donate to our El Salvador Scholarship fund, please visit our website at www.stsabina-parish.org and click online giving.

Reflection on the Readings

The focus of this Sunday's readings is on the power and necessity of prayer. Psalm 138 and its refrain, "Lord on the day I called for help you answered me," assure us with great confidence that God has answered prayers in the past and continues to answer prayers today. This confidence in God allows us to trust that God will continue to answer prayers in times yet to come. God's covenant love and care are the constant reference for our continued trust and reliance upon God. The psalmist is convinced of God's care by asserting that "your right hand saves me...your kindness (*hesed* or covenant love) endures forever."

The letter to the Colossians expresses this same care and concern by stressing that God came in the person of Jesus to free us from slavery to sin, "obliterating the bond against us...nailing it to the cross." God raised Jesus up and brought us to new life in him even though we "were dead in transgressions." Thus, through baptism, we have been buried with Christ, so that through the power of God, we might be raised with him. Such depth of love is the clearest manifestation of God's care and concern for all God's creation. Prayer connects us to God and allows us to build on that strong loving bond that God has initiated with all people.

The first and third readings stress the need for continual prayer as well as for persistence in prayer. Abraham negotiating with God over the fate of Sodom and Gomorrah seeks to have God do what God always desires to do. God desires to be merciful and to forgive sinners. Abraham asks essentially how far God is willing to be God. In that

sense, Abraham is attuning himself to God's desires and will, asking God to be faithful to what God ultimately desires.

It is in the context of Jesus himself praying that his disciples ask him to teach them how to pray. Jesus teaches his disciples the "Our Father" as the ideal prayer form. The prayer summarizes key Jewish beliefs and understandings of God, emphasizing familial covenant love and relationship. The Jewish Scriptures understood the people's relationship to God in terms of a loving parent who manifests continual care and concern for all.

Along with the prayer, Luke's Jesus recounts several parables about the need for persistence in prayer, which will lead to God's gift of the Spirit in our lives. Why the gift of the Spirit? Because it is the Spirit that helps us to pray, guides us in our prayer, and allows us to attune our prayer to God's will and desire and not our own.

Persistence in prayer is not about nagging or complaining till we get our way with God. That sort of attitude causes people to give up on God or to see God as arbitrary, answering that person's prayer and not ours. Persistence in prayer does not mean pestering God for as long

as it takes till God gets the message. Prayer is not about changing God's mind. Rather prayer is asking God to grant us the wisdom to discern God's way or path for our lives, along with asking for the courage to accept that path, no matter where it leads.

In Luke's gospel, Jesus prays continually throughout his whole ministry, especially at key moments in that ministry. Jesus offers prayer to God as Father, seeking to know God's desires for him. Jesus does not impose his will on God but rather attempts to discern what God wants of him. The perfect expression summing up all prayer is Jesus' prayer to the Father, "not my will but yours be done." Armed with such assurance, Jesus attempts to put God's will and desire into action.

As his followers, Jesus calls us to model our prayer life on his. When you pray, what exactly are you asking God for? At life's difficult moments, what function does prayer play in your life? How do you see the role of the Spirit in your prayer life? Pray today for wisdom to know God's will and for strength to follow through on God's ways.

Biagio Mazza,
Pastoral Associate

Readings



Sunday, July 24

1st Reading: Genesis 18:20-32

Psalm: Psalm 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8 (3a)

2nd Reading: Colossians 2:12-14

Gospel: Luke 11:1-13

Sunday, July 31

1st Reading: Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23

Psalm: Psalm 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17 (95:8)

2nd Reading: Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11

Gospel: Luke 12:13-21

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 July 24th and August 28th 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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Reflexión Sobre las Lecturas

El foco de las lecturas de este domingo está en el poder y la necesidad de la oración. Salmo 138 y su estribillo, "Cuando te invoqué, Señor, me escuchaste," nos aseguran con gran confianza de que Dios ha respondido a las oraciones en el pasado y continúa a responder a las oraciones de hoy. Esta confianza en Dios nos permite confiar en que Dios continuará a responder a las oraciones en los tiempos por venir. El amor y la atención de pacto de Dios son la referencia constante para nuestra confianza y dependencia continua en Dios. El salmista está convencido de la atención de Dios mediante la afirmación de que "tu derecha me salva... tu misericordia (hesed o amor de pacto) es eterna."

La carta a los Colosenses expresa esta misma atención y preocupación haciendo hincapié en que Dios vino en la persona de Jesús para liberarnos de la esclavitud del pecado, anulando "el documento que nos era contrario... clavándola en la cruz de Cristo." Dios resucitó a Jesús y nos llevó a una nueva vida en Él a pesar de que estábamos "muertos por nuestros pecados." Así, mediante el bautismo, hemos sido sepultados con Cristo, para que a través del poder de Dios, podamos ser resucitados con Él. Dicha profundidad del amor es la manifestación más clara de la atención y preocupación de Dios por toda su creación. La oración nos une a Dios y nos permite construir sobre ese fuerte lazo de amor que Dios ha iniciado con todas las personas.

La primera y tercera lecturas enfatizan la necesidad de la oración continua, así como la persistencia en la oración. La negociación de Abraham con Dios por la suerte de Sodoma y Gomorra busca tener a Dios haciendo lo que Dios siempre

desea hacer. Dios desea ser misericordioso y perdonar a los pecadores. Abraham pregunta, en esencia hasta qué punto Dios está dispuesto a ser Dios. En ese sentido, Abraham se sintoniza a los deseos y la voluntad de Dios, pidiéndole ser fiel a lo que básicamente Él desea.

Es el contexto del mismo Jesús orando en que sus discípulos le piden que les enseñe a orar. Jesús enseña a sus discípulos el "Padrenuestro" como la forma ideal de orar. La oración resume las creencias claves de los judíos y la comprensión de Dios, enfatizando el amor y la relación de pacto familiar. Las Escrituras judías entienden la relación del pueblo a Dios en términos de un padre amoroso que se manifiesta la atención y preocupación continua para todos.

Junto con la oración, el Jesús retratado por Lucas relata varias parábolas sobre la necesidad de persistencia en la oración, lo que resultará al regalo de Dios del Espíritu en nuestra vida. ¿Por qué el regalo del Espíritu? Porque es el Espíritu que nos ayuda a orar, nos guía en nuestra oración, y nos permite sintonizar nuestra oración a la voluntad y el deseo de Dios y no de nosotros mismos.

La persistencia en la oración no se trata de atosigar a Dios o quejarnos hasta que obtengamos lo que queremos de Dios. Ese tipo de actitud hace que las personas renuncian a Dios o ven a Dios como arbitrario, en respuesta a la oración de esa persona y no la nuestra. La persistencia en la oración no significa molestar a Dios por el tiempo que se tarda hasta que Dios reciba el mensaje. La oración no se trata de cambiar la mente de Dios.

Más bien, la oración es pedirle a Dios que nos conceda la sabiduría para discernir el camino de Dios para nuestras vidas, junto con pedir el valor de aceptar ese camino, no importa hasta dónde llega.

En el Evangelio de Lucas, Jesús ora continuamente a través de todo su ministerio, especialmente en momentos claves de ese ministerio. Jesús ofrece la oración a Dios como Padre, buscando conocer los deseos de Dios para Él. Jesús no impone su voluntad a Dios, sino más bien se trata de discernir lo que Dios quiere de Él. La expresión que resume perfectamente toda oración es la oración de Jesús al Padre, "no se haga mi voluntad, sino la tuya." Armado con tal seguridad, Jesús intenta poner la voluntad y el deseo de Dios en acción.

Como sus seguidores, Jesús nos llama a modelar nuestra vida de oración en la suya. Cuando oras, ¿qué es lo que estás pidiendo a Dios? En los momentos difíciles de la vida, ¿qué función desempeña la oración en su vida? ¿Cómo ve el papel del Espíritu en su vida de oración? Ore hoy por la sabiduría para conocer la voluntad de Dios y la fuerza necesaria para completar los caminos de Dios.

Biagio Mazza
Asociado Pastoral

Lecturas



Lecturas del Domingo, 24 de Julio

Primera Lectura: Génesis 18:20-32

Salmo: Salmo 138:1-2a, 2bc-3, 6-7ab, 7c-8

Segunda Lectura: Colosenses 2:12-14

Evangelio: Lucas 11:1-13

Lecturas del Domingo, 31 de Julio

Primera Lectura: Eclesiastés 1:2; 2:21-23

Salmo: Salmo 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 y 17

Segunda Lectura: Colosenses 3:1-5, 9-11

Evangelio: Lucas 12:13-21

Escuela de Religión/Ministerio Juvenil

Oportunidades para Voluntarios



Uplift Org. Si le gustaría traer comidas a las personas sin hogar en el 4º o 5º Lunes de cada mes, por favor, póngase en contacto con

Kirstie Roberts! Este ministerio está abierto a todos los feligreses mayores de 14 años. Los voluntarios deben reportarse a la bodega de Uplift a las 5pm y se terminan a las 9:30pm.

Cocineros de Uplift! Cualquier persona que le gustaría ayudar a preparar una comida para las personas sin hogar está bienvenido a unirse a nuestro equipo en el 4º Lunes de cada mes a las 10am en el gimnasio. Le recomendamos que traiga un cuchillo y pelador de verduras buenos. El próximo día de cocinar es el 25 de Julio.



Harvesters! Este banco de alimentos local proporciona alimentos a las familias necesitadas de todo el área de KC. Se necesitan voluntarios para ayudar a organizar las donaciones de alimentos y para

preparar bolsas de comida para fines de semana para niños en nuestra comunidad. Vamos a llevar un grupo de 5 personas en el tercer Jueves de cada mes. Nuestra próxima fecha es el 18 de Agosto de 6-8 pm. Si desea ser voluntario, llame a o mande un correo electrónico a Kirstie en la Oficina de la Juventud.

Comidas Comunitarias La Iglesia Luterana Lord of Love ofrece una comida gratis a la comunidad cada miércoles. Cada tercer miércoles del mes voluntarios de Sta. Sabina ayudan a preparar, servir y limpiar en un esfuerzo de trabajar junto con otros cristianos para llevar a cabo la obra de Cristo. Nuestra próxima fecha como voluntarios es el 17 de Agosto. Contacte a Berenice Zayas en la oficina parroquial para más información.

Retiro para Quinceañeras

Nuestro retiro de verano para las niñas se llevará a cabo el 6 de Agosto 2016, desde las 10:00am hasta las 5:00pm en el Salón Parroquial de Santa Sabina. Este retiro es para preparar a las jóvenes para su Quinceañera, así como también sirve de oportunidad para que todas las niñas de 14 años o más exploren su fe y compartan las alegrías de ser una joven católica. Hojas para registrarse están disponibles en nuestra página web: www.stsabinaaparish.org/permission-slips/ y en el espacio de reunión.

Quinceañera



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 Éticas e Integridad en el Ministerio (EIM). Más información en <http://virtus.org>

Clases de Catecismo

Las clases de Catecismo comenzarán el Domingo, 18 de Septiembre. Hojas para registrar estarán disponibles empezando el 7 de Agosto. Manténgase en sintonía para mas información.



¡Felicidades a Ana Judy, quien celebró sus quince años el Sábado, 2 de Julio!



Corresponsabilidad/Información

¿Quién es tu Papá?

El Padrenuestro. Detengámonos a pensar en esta oración. Los discípulos de Jesús estaban obligados por la ley judía a decir la oración "Escucha, Israel" (Deuteronomio 6:4-5) diariamente, y sin embargo le dicen a su Maestro: "Enséñanos a orar". Jesús les responde: "Cuando oren, digan 'Padre'..." ¡Asombroso!

Jesús usa una versión cariñosa y de niño ("Abba" que quiere decir "Papá"). Ningún creyente judío pronuncia el nombre de Dios, sólo "Señor" o "el Santo y Bendito". "Abba" no está distante de nosotros, sino que nos lleva cerca de su corazón. Podemos confiar en que Abba nos escuchará. Honramos a Dios, oramos por la venida del reino entre nosotros, pedimos el alimento de cada día para el cuerpo y para el alma, la fortaleza para poder perdonar como Dios perdona. Finalmente pedimos poder resistir las tentaciones, pues, como hijos e hijas no queremos desilusionar al Dios que nos ama. La oración del Padrenuestro nos ayuda a despojarnos de todo lo que complique nuestra conversación con Dios y a reconocer que Dios siempre escucha.

La Corresponsabilidad Viva Ahora

¿Es tu oración demasiado formal? ¿Tienes dificultad de ver a Dios como Padre? Trata de hablar con "Abba" como tu amigo más íntimo.

IV Conferencia Anual Diocesana de Jóvenes Hispanos Adolescentes - Witnesses to His Mercy (Tito 3:4-5) Concierto Diocesano Hispano - Año de la Misericordia

IV Conferencia Anual Diocesana de Jóvenes Hispanos Adolescentes - Witnesses to His Mercy (Tito 3:4-5)

Este es un evento anual diocesano bilingüe para jóvenes adolescentes hispanos que estén en High School, y tengan la edad de 14 a 18 años. Durante el evento, los participantes pueden fortalecer su experiencia de fe con Jesús a través de charlas y talleres sobre formación, liturgia, oración y alabanza, sacramentos, fraternidad y actividades lúdicas. El objetivo de la conferencia es enriquecer la fe de los jóvenes hispanos así como su identidad católica cultural hispana y puedan dar razón de su fe. Es también una oportunidad pastoral para invitar a los jóvenes a participar en los programas diocesanos y parroquiales para jóvenes.

Fecha: Sábado, Agosto 13, 2016 Hora: 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Lugar: Archbishop O'Hara High School – 9001 James A. Reed Rd, Kansas City, MO 64138

Costo: \$35 por persona en pre-venta y \$40 en la entrada del evento. Incluye comidas y refrescos. Ofrecemos un descuento para hermanos.

Quiénes pueden participar? Jóvenes adolescentes hispanos que estén en High School, y tengan la edad de 14 a 18 años - Pueden registrarse en sus parroquias llenando el formato de registro y autorización. Este es obligatorio.

Los padres de familia deben asistir a las 4:30 pm al lugar del evento para una catequesis sobre La Misericordia en la Familia.

La Santa Misa será celebrada a las 6:00 pm por nuestro Reverendo Obispo James Johnston en la Parroquia St. John Francis Regis, 8941 James A. Reed Rd, Kansas City, MO 64138.

Contacto: Edith Montes – emontes@diocesekcsj.org or 816.482.6906/816. 714.2350 Website: <http://ministerio.diocese-kcsj.org/> link: jóvenes hispanos.

Fecha: Viernes Agosto 12, 2016

Hora: 6:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

Lugar: Parroquia Sagrado Corazón-Guadalupe – 2544 Madison Ave, Kansas City, MO 64108

Actividades: Santa Misa, Enseñanza, Adoración Eucarística, confesiones y Concierto. Sesión para jóvenes adultos.

Costo: \$30 por persona (Incluye un platillo de \$5).

Quiénes pueden participar? Jóvenes Hispanos Adultos, 19 a 33 años, y Adultos (No habrá cuidado de niños).

Pueden registrarse online, con los coordinadores de Ministerio Hispano/Movimientos Apostólicos o en la parroquia el día del evento.

Contacto: Miguel Salazar – msalazar@diocesekcsj.org or 765.437.0853. Website: <http://ministerio.diocese-kcsj.org/>.

La Santa Misa será celebrada a las 6:00 pm por el Padre Darwin Salazar en la Parroquia Sagrado Corazón-Guadalupe.

Platicas Pre-Bautismales- 13 de Agosto

Normalmente cada Sábado Segundo de mes de las 10 am a 1 pm (Sólo para Niños de 0-6 años) Salón de juntas. Sótano de la Parroquia. Para niños mayores de 7 años requerirán una formación especial. Infórmate.

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Horarios de Misa

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Domingo: 8:00am y 10:30am en Ingles,
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Venta de Pupusas—7 de Agosto

El domingo 7 de Agosto 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.