

# 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 all who donated to our Beans and Rice drive for the Migrant Farmworkers Project this year!**

## 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**

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## Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

### Intentions for September 12-16, 2016

Mon.	8am	COMMUNION SERVICE
Tues.	6pm	†Martha Aguirre
Wed.	10am	†Frances Little(Rehab of Raymore)
Thurs.	8am	†Russ Thurman
Friday	8am	†Robert Wasleski

### Saturday, September 17, 2016

4:00pm    Intentions of the Parish Family

### Sunday, September 18, 2016

8:00am	†Don Fenske
10:30am	†Charles Bybee
	†Charles Bybee Jr.
12:30pm Spanish	†Maria Elena Morales

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

†**Rosa Misquez**, Rehabilitation of Raymore  
†**Gloria McLaughlin**, mother of Karen Henrich  
†**Martha Aguirre**, wife of Adolfo Aguirre  
†**Don Lawrence**, husband of Jeanne Lawrence  
†**George Lopez Jr.**, Rehabilitation of Raymore  
†**Marian Hager**, aunt of Michelle Rose



# Calendar/Parish Happenings

## Sunday, September 11 - Domingo, 11 de Septiembre

Second Collection—Louisiana Flood Relief

12:00pm Eagle Scout Court of Honor

1:30pm Ensayo—Obra de Guadalupe

## Monday, September 12 - Lunes, 12 de Septiembre

5:30pm Marian Prayer Group

7:00pm Cub Scouts

7:00pm Boy Scouts

## Tuesday, September 13 - Martes, 13 de Septiembre

1:30pm Adult Grief Recovery Group

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

7:00pm Ensayo—Obra de Guadalupe

7:00pm Green Team Meeting

## Wednesday, September 14 - Miércoles, 14 de Septiembre

9:00am Legion of Mary

10:00am Mass at Rehab Center of Raymore

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

7:00pm Advocacy Team Meeting

7:00pm Talleres de Oración y Vida

## Thursday, September 15 - Jueves, 15 de Septiembre

9:00am Sew Day

6:00pm Harvesters

7:00pm Ensayo—Obra de Guadalupe

7:00pm RCIA/RICA

8:00pm Choir Practice (8:00 group)

## Friday, September 16 - Viernes, 16 de Septiembre

No Scheduled Events

## Saturday, September 17 - Sábado, 17 de Septiembre

Second Collection—Latin America Apostolate

10:00am Pláticas Matrimoniales

3:00pm Confessions

## Sunday, September 18 - Domingo, 18 de Septiembre

Second Collection—Latin America Apostolate

First Day of PSR/Primer Día del Catecismo

9:00am Parents Lounge

12:00pm Eagle Scout Court of Honor

1:30pm Ensayo—Obra de Guadalupe

7:00pm High School and Confirmation Youth

## Getting to Know Your Faith

This year, the St. Sabina Adult Faith Formation Team is offering a series called “Getting to Know Your Faith.” Many Catholics see the need for growing in their faith by exploring the richness of the tradition and wisdom that has been handed down to us from those who have gone before us. Taking seriously Vatican II’s call to form people into “full, conscious and active” participants in their faith lives, we are offering these sessions to provide another avenue of continued growth in our faith.

Every third Monday of the month, beginning September 19, 2016, from 7-8:30 PM, we will explore a different topic together that will help us in getting to know our faith better. The sessions for the next three months are as follows:

Sept 19, 2016 – Different Prayer Styles and Ways of Praying

Oct 17, 2016 – Devotions to Mary and the Saints

Nov 21, 2016– Lectionary Structure and the Advent-Christmas-Epiphaney Season

The sessions will be facilitated by Biagio Mazza, Pastoral Associate of St. Sabina Parish. To register, please contact Biagio either by phone at 816-979-3153 or by e-mail at biagio@stsabinaparish.org.

## Knights Golf Tournament

Come play golf and join the fun at the Knights of Columbus 15th Annual Paul Vargo Golf Tournament at Eagles Landing Golf Course in Belton on Saturday, September 17th. It's only \$75.00, which includes green fees, cart, lunch, BBQ buffet dinner, golf prizes and contests. If you don't play golf, be a sponsor (\$25.00 cart or \$100.00 hole). All proceeds will benefit Missouri Special Olympics, St. Sabina Youth Ministry and Disabled U.S. Veterans. Last year we made \$4,000 and gave \$2,000 to Missouri Special Olympics, \$1,000 to St. Sabina Youth Ministry and \$1,000 to Lord of Love Community Meals. Please mail your check, payable to Knights of Columbus, for golf or sponsor to: Bob Coshun, 310 Monroe Ave., Belton, MO 64012. Questions, please call Bob at 816-304-0570. **Thanks in advance for your support!**



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# Parish Happenings and Information

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## Parish Picnic - Sunday, September 25



Our parish picnic will be held on Sunday, September 25th beginning at 1:30pm, after our last Sunday Mass. We will have games, piñatas, a cake walk, hamburgers and hotdogs, a yogurt bar, door prizes and much more!! **Please bring a pot luck dish to share and come and celebrate being a member of our parish!**

## Community Garden Update

We have five garden beds on the South-West corner of the parish property. Volunteers just planted for a fall harvest of peas, beans, carrots, beets, asparagus, squash, cabbage, radishes, green and red leaf lettuce, oregano, sage, chives, cilantro, and parsley. All the produce grown will help feed the hungry by being distributed to local food banks/soup kitchens. Thank you to Jeannine Midgett who donated over 1000 packs of seeds for the garden!

## Over 55

### New Theatre Restaurant

The next show we will be seeing at the New Theatre Restaurant is *Have You Met Miss Jones?* on Monday, November 21st 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 Friday, October 14th.

### Green Team Tip of the Week

Get air quality alerts sent to your email, phone or mobile device <http://greaterkc.enviroflash.info/signup.cfm>

## Meditation on Mercy

"Jesus went around to all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom, and curing every disease and illness. At the sight of the crowds, his heart was moved with pity for them because they were troubled and abandoned, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest.'"

It is a sad fact that we often become immune to the plight of the suffering. We pass those begging on street corners, step around people who are homeless and lying on the sidewalk, or ignore the look of hunger in the eyes of children. Sometimes we think, "Someone else will take care of them," or, "What can my five dollars do to change their situation," or even, "They should just go and get a job." In this passage that we read today, Jesus shows us in actions and words that it is not some-one else's responsibility but ours. As Jesus was passing through towns, he would see those who were sick and, moved with pity, stop to cure them. In *Misericordiae Vultus*, Pope Francis recalls several of Jesus' acts of mercy (e.g., Mt 14:13-21; Mt 15:32-39; Lk 7:11-17). In all of these examples, Jesus acts out of compassion for those who are in distress. As Pope Francis explains, "What moved Jesus in all of these situations was nothing other than mercy, with which he read the hearts of those he encountered and responded to their deepest need" (MV, no. 8).

Not only should we follow Jesus' example in allowing our hearts to respond to the needs of others, but we should also listen to what Jesus calls us to: "The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest" (Mt 9:37-38). God calls on us to go out into our homes, workplaces, and communities and recognize his love and mercy working through others. God's harvest of mercy is rich and full; we must ask God to make us laborers in his field so that we can better recognize the love of God in others, especially in those we might normally walk past. This month, we celebrate a jubilee for workers and volunteers of mercy, something we all should strive to be. A contemporary example of someone who worked for mercy is Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta, who responded to God's call for laborers. In her caring actions for those in the slums of Calcutta, Mother Teresa put into practice the actions of Christ and the call he makes to us all to labor with him. Our response to those who are suffering, like Mother Teresa's, should be one of love, compassion, and mercy.

# Pastoral Care

## Nursing Home Mass Schedule

Sep 14	10:00am	Rehabilitation of Raymore
Sep 21	10:00am	Foxwood Springs
Sep 28	11:00am	Carnegie Village

**"Lord, when did we see you sick or in prison and come to you?"** The King will answer and say to them, "Truly I say to you, to the extent that you did it to one of these brothers of Mine, even the least of them, you did it to Me."

## Registration Deadline Sept 13th - Extraordinary

### Ministers to the Sick & Homebound

Interested in visiting the sick or those confined to their homes due to illness or advanced years? Training will be offered September 24th at St. Sabina for Extra-ordinary ministers of holy Communion to the sick and homebound. There are many varied ways to help with this ministry. We visit Belton Regional Hospital, several nursing homes, assisted living, senior centers and parishioners homes in the Belton Raymore area. The workshop will begin at 9am. Registration deadline September 13th. For more information, or to register please contact Marta Roper in the parish office at 816-979-3154 or [marta@stsabinaparish.org](mailto:marta@stsabinaparish.org).

### 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 know before the Mass you attend and he 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.

## Prayer Requests/Peticiones de Oración

Felipe Abarca	Butch Ford	Sherril Nevins
Dick Anthony	Fr. Paul Frank	Johnnie Nicholes
Belen Antillon	Emily Frezza	Jane Nouryeh
Dick Armstrong	Dick Garnier	Vicki Owen
Marilyn Avalos	Bob Heffernan	Gary Palmer
Suzie Ashbaugh	Antonio Garcia	Thelma Palmer
Polleth Bautista	Wendy Gomez	Leon Palomares
Yesika Benavides	Tom Gudenkauf	Cynthia Peterman
Sheryll Bentley	Connie Harper	Leona Ragsdale
John Bidondo	Jason Hart	Sherman Ragsdale
Allie Biondo	Jeanette Hart	Connie Read
Joe Birkenbach	Cherie Hatfield	Austin Richards
David Bland	Laverne Harlow	Patricia Smith
Carol Bland	Bart Henke	Noah Stanley
Yolanda Blanks	Rhonda K Henke	Jean Tate
Mark Butler	Mabel Hopkins	Ruth Tayler
Hilda Burchett	Josie Johnson	Angel Thomas
Shirley Castor	Kelly Jordon	John Vigil
Delfina Chavez	Kelsey Krum	Rose Wall
Barbara Clark	Beverly Little	Bob Westfall
Steve Collier	Jo Locke	Mary Westfall
Joseph Coots	Dick Martin	Judy Wheeler
Phil Cummings	Dodie Maurer	Ben Winter
Donna Dailey	Bob McDonald	Brenda Winter
Paul DeMar	Denise Mehlo	Merle Woolworth
Nolan Dickerson	Alice Miller	Emy Yeater
Frances DiGeorge	Mona Neighbors	Carmitia Yust
		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

### Eating and Exercising for Your Eyes

In one large-scale study, researchers discovered that women whose diets contained the highest amounts of eye-healthy nutrients were 32 percent less likely to develop cataracts than those who ate the lowest. So what should you look for? Foods that are rich in lutein and zeaxanthin, two antioxidants found in veggies such as spinach, kale, Brussels sprouts and corn.

Research also suggests that exercise may help prevent glaucoma, which can damage the optic nerve. A British study of more than 5,600 adults found that those who exercised regularly were 25 percent less likely to have low blood flow to their eyes, (circulation issues are thought to be a cause of glaucoma) than their sedentary counterparts.

Please call us to set up your annual biometric screening. We are here to support EVERYONE's health and wellness! 816-979-3090

### Wellness Center Class Schedule

<b>Monday:</b>	Intermediate Yoga 1-2pm Gentle Yoga 2-3pm Yoga 6-7pm
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Stretch & Strength 1-2pm Gentle Stretch & Strength 2-3pm
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Intermediate Yoga 1-2pm Gentle Yoga 2-3pm
<b>Thursday:</b>	Strength & Restore 6-7pm Stretch & Strength 1-2pm Gentle Stretch & Strength 2-3pm Circuit Training 6-7pm
<b>Friday:</b>	Intermediate Yoga 1-2pm Gentle Yoga 2-3pm
<b>Saturday:</b>	CLOSED



## Area Information

### **Missouri Puppy Mill Rescue Open House**

Missouri Puppy Mill Rescue, a not for profit, state licensed animal rescue located at 5508 E. 215th Street in Belton invites you to attend their Open House festivities in September:

- ◆ Chamber of Commerce Ribbon Cutting—Thursday, September 22, 12-1pm
- ◆ Snacks and Facility Tour—Saturday, September 24, 1-4pm
- ◆ Ice Cream Social and Facility Tour—Sunday, September 25, 1-4pm

For further information, contact Becky Fenske at: 816-401-0707. Hope you can join us!

### **Rachel's Vineyard: Healing the Pain of Abortion, One Weekend at a Time**

For women and men who have experienced abortion, they often feel as if a part of their very selves has died. But Jesus wants to touch these souls and raise them up to experience peace and joy. If you or someone you know is suffering from an abortion decision, we can help. Healing the pain of abortion one weekend at a time is Rachel's Vineyard's ministry. The next Kansas City retreat will be on September 16-18, 2016. Please call (816) 679-4973 or email [rvcmmo@gmail.com](mailto:rvcmmo@gmail.com) for confidential information and to start the healing.

### **Come and See Monastic Weekend-Oct. 14-16**

The Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration in Clyde, Missouri, will host a Come and See monastic weekend for women discerning a religious vocation. The event is scheduled to begin at 4:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 14, and will continue through 1:30 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 16, 2016.

Participants will enter into the rhythm of contemplative life, experience the time and place for listening to God, share with others who might also be discerning a religious vocation and ask vowed religious about monastic life.

Those who would like to participate should be single Catholic women between the ages of 18 and 40. The event is free for those participating.

For more information, please contact Sister Maria Victoria Cutaia, OSB at (660) 944-2221 or [vocation@benedictinesisters.org](mailto:vocation@benedictinesisters.org). Information is also available online at: [http://www.benedictinesisters.org/images/vocation/Oct2016\\_weekend.pdf](http://www.benedictinesisters.org/images/vocation/Oct2016_weekend.pdf).



### **Wedding Congratulations**

Congratulations to Octavio Enriquez and Marisela Abonza who were married on Saturday, September 10.

## happy birthday

Adriana Alvarado	Alvaro Fuentes	Alejandro Negrete
Jacob Ambrose	Mirtha Galant	Jasmine Orozco
Josiah Anderson	Stephanie Gaspar	Juan Osorio Jr
Julio Arroyo	Kathleen Gebauer	Darren Ostrom
Maria Arroyo	Malcolm Goswell	Crystal Perez
Vidal Barrera	Sergio Guillermo	Mark Putman
Meredes Becerra	Mary Henkhaus	Mario Quezada
Christopher Benavides	Lauren Hennessey	Aaron Ratigan
Sophia Biondo	Michelle Hernandez	Brian Ratigan
Payton Buseck	Rafael Hinojos Jr	Hannah Ratigan
Ramon Canchola	Arabella Hoffman	Amor Razo
Roberto Cano	Cecilia Imming	Kivan Rivera
April Carbajal	Grace Jackson	Bertha Rodriguez
Belem Cardenas Camacho	Jose Lagunes	Kenneth Roe
Maria Cartagena	Juan Lopez Jr	Alexander Rogers
Elba Castellón	Megan Loveless	Rodrigo Rojo
Daisy Cervantes	Joseph Malena	Gloria Romero
Christopher Coley	Arleen Martinez	Juan Rosales
Carlos Contreras	Fernando Martinez	Avery Schaeffer
Jody Crookshanks	Luis Martinez	Haley Seute
Claudio Cruz	Dodie Maurer	Morgan Shelley
Dalton Dailey	Miranda McClish	Ashley Skipton
Hunter Dailey	Alex Michiels	Eduardo Solis
Sara Del Valle	Johanna Molina	Alexus Sowers
Erica Doody	Kathleen Moore	Mackenzey Spiller
Robert Duffey	Saira Morales	Philip Stine
Salustia Enriquez	Melany Moreno	Patty Swiatek
Ted Ewbank	Sonja Morgan	Bridget Tapia
Katie Fletcher	Robert Morris	Marcia Washam
Ana Flores	Emily Mosman	Jacie Wells
Jayden Flores	Cecelia Moss	Arthur Zeitelhack
Glenda Foster	Juliana Munoz	

## Happy Anniversary

Robert and Darlene Henderson	60 Years!	09-14-1956
Don and Margaret Bannerman	57 Years!	09-12-1959
Larry and Beckee Hart	52 Years!	09-12-1964
Randy and Teresa Davis	41 Years!	09-13-1975
Tom and Carol Lacy	37 Years!	09-15-1979
James and Kathleen Wilson	34 Years!	09-18-1982
Nicholas and Lois Turnese	33 Years!	09-18-1983
Guy and Tammy Barnes	20 Years!	09-14-1996
Richard and Julie McGurn	20 Years!	09-14-1996
Marquis and Cynthia Rickard	20 Years!	09-14-1996
Rodney and Sharon Stoverink	16 Years!	09-16-2000
Michael and Amy Laughlin	15 Years!	09-15-2001
John and Elvira Messer	13 Years!	09-13-2003
Michael Walter and Tara Wedemeyer	7 Years!	09-16-2009
John and Genoveva Driscoll	7 Years!	09-17-2009
Derek and Mallory Harshner	3 Years!	09-14-2013

# 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 September 26th.



**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 September 15th, 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 September 21st. Contact Berenice Zayas in the parish office for more information or to sign up. Phone: 816-979-3150 or email: berenice@stsabinaparish.org.

### Peer Ministers!

All are invited to a planning session for our upcoming school year. If you have any amazing ideas for a meeting or small ideas that need help, bring them!! We will meet on September 11th at 2:30pm. Plan to be here for at least 2 hours.

**Confirmation Youth!** If your child is in 10th grade or older and would like to prepare for the sacrament of Confirmation, please plan to attend a meeting on September 11th at 9am in the Education Wing. Contact Kirstie Roberts if you need schedule a different meeting time.



### 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:

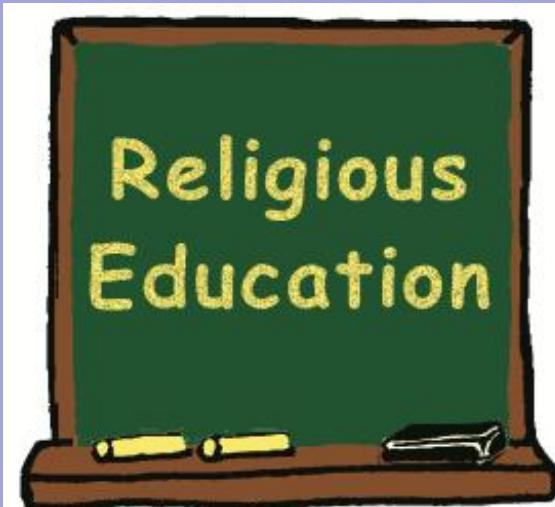
1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and
2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and
3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Jenifer Valenti, at 816.812.2500 or [JeniferValenti@att.net](mailto: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](mailto: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 <https://kcsjcatholic.org/the-office-of-child-and-youth-protection/>*

### Parish School of Religion (PSR)

The next PSR school year will begin on Sunday, September 18th. PSR registration forms are available in the gathering space and on the parish website.



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# Stewardship

"I see how stiff-necked this people is," continued the LORD to Moses. Let me alone, then, that my wrath may blaze up against them to consume them. Then I will make of you a great nation.' But Moses implored the LORD, his God, saying, 'Why, O LORD, should your wrath blaze up against your own people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with such great power and with so strong a hand? Remember your servants Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, and how you swore to them by your own self, saying, "I will make your descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky; and all this land that I promised, I will give your descendants as their perpetual heritage." So the LORD relented in the punishment he had threatened to inflict on his people."

Exodus 32: 9-11, 13-14

God may consider us to be stiff-necked at times, might He not? In spite of the Lord's appeals to us to trust Him and to follow Him, we sometimes stiffen and resist. Usually we do that because following the Lord may prove uncomfortable for us. God's terms for us and His expectations of us may sometimes seem unreasonable and even impossible. Yet, that is the challenge of living stewardship as a way of life. It is not always easy, and it may put us in positions where we feel uncomfortable and even vulnerable. Moses pleads the case for his people to God and the Lord responds to Moses' plea, his prayer, and Scripture tells us "So the Lord relented in the punishment." We do need to trust the Lord, and we do need to pray to Him, as He will respond with love and mercy.— See more at [www.catholicsteward.com/blog/](http://www.catholicsteward.com/blog/)

## August 28 Contributions

Envelopes/Sobres:	\$9,229.54
Plate/Canasta:	\$1,069.41
Maintenance-Upkeep:	\$ 471.00

## September 4 Contributions

Due to an early bulletin deadline for Labor Day, the September 4 contributions will be published in the September 18th bulletin.

## Missionary Plan of Cooperation - Sep 17-18

Each year parishes in our diocese participate in the Missionary Plan of Cooperation, providing the opportunity to raise mission awareness and offer others around the world material and spiritual help. This year Fr. Sunoj Thomas will celebrate our weekend Masses on September 17-18, and speak to us about the mission work being done at St. Thomas Benedictine Abbey in Kerala, India. To learn more about the mission work in Kerala, India, please visit the Abbey's website at: <http://www.kappadubenedictines.org/home/inner/4>. Please be generous at the second collection that weekend.

## Collection for Flood Victims This Weekend

This weekend we take up a second collection for the flood victims in Louisiana. May we continue to pray for them and for all victims of natural disasters. Thank you to all who donated to help our brothers and sisters in need.

## Usher/Greeter Formation

If you are currently an Usher/Greeter at Mass or are interested in becoming one, please plan to attend the formation session for Ushers/Greeters on Saturday, October 1 at 5:00 PM or Tuesday, October 4 at 7:00PM in the church. (Sign up for one session) If you like to help and want to share your time/talent with our parish, but don't like to be in front of a crowd, this might be a great ministry for you!

Please sign up on the Registration Form in the Gathering Space

### What do ushers/greeters do?

- 🕒 Ushers are responsible for welcoming people as they arrive for Mass.
- 🕒 They create an atmosphere of hospitality and make sure general needs of our community are met as they arrive at church.
- 🕒 Ushers take up the collection and find members of our community to present the offering during Mass.
- 🕒 They help facilitate processions and assist during large or special liturgies, when things may be a bit unfamiliar for the assembly.
- 🕒 They often pass out needed materials (bulletins, candles, special envelopes).

### Who can be an usher/greeter?

- 🕒 Any member of our parish, male or female, who is interested in extending hospitality to our community at Mass.
- 🕒 Adults and high school youth (younger children may serve as greeters but must have adult supervision to assist with the offering).

Please register for the formation on the sign-up sheet in the gathering space or contact Susan Ratigan at [susan@stsabinaparish.org](mailto:susan@stsabinaparish.org) or 816-979-3158. Thank you!

## Christmas in October - Oct 8th

This year the Christmas in October workday will be held on Saturday, October 8th. If you are interested in participating, please contact John Ryan at [ryancows@aol.com](mailto:ryancows@aol.com) or sign up in the gathering space. It is very helpful for John to know in advance how many helpers we will have so he can determine how many houses our parish volunteers will be able to help with.



# Reflection on the Readings



Pharisees and scribes complain that Jesus "welcomes sinners and eats with them." This context frames the three "lost" parables of Luke's gospel passage. The parables of the lost sheep, the lost coin and the lost son are examples of total extravagance, impractical love, and disproportionate attention paid to one thing at the possible loss of much more.

It makes little sense to go after one lost sheep, risking the loss of the other ninety-nine. It makes no sense to throw a big party for a son who was outrageously disrespectful and dissolute. That is exactly the complaint of some of the Pharisees and scribes towards Jesus. Why would Jesus waste his time with "sinners?" It seems such a waste of his time, attention and energy.

Jesus' response to the Pharisees and scribes concretely images our God as full of compassion and mercy, slow to anger, rich in faithful covenant love, and abundant in forgiveness. Such extravagance knows no bounds. Our God is not caught up in judging and punishing, but is more focused on welcoming back, forgiving, and rejoicing in relationships restored and healed.

We find this extremely difficult to understand because we often fail to put ourselves in the other person's shoes. What if we were the one who was lost? How would we want to be treated? But we are not sinners who have intentionally rejected God? Or are we? Here is where the insights of the responsorial psalm, as well as the other readings come into play.

The refrain for Responsorial Psalm 51 asks us to identify ourselves with the wayward son who slowly realizes that his true home and security is with his loving father. With the prodigal son we too come to this realization as we sing "I will rise and go to my father." The psalm verses ask us to declare to God that we are all sinners, in constant need of God's mercy, compassion and forgiveness.

It is only in coming to such awareness about our true

selves that we can begin to see our need for a God who is extravagantly generous in love, fidelity and compassion. Such a state of self awareness brings us to our knees, asking for forgiveness and compassion, even when we know we do not deserve it.

In the first reading from Exodus, Moses challenges God's impulse to destroy the Israelites because of their infidelity and fickleness. Their actions manifest a forgetfulness of all that God has done for them. Moses reminds God that while perfectly justified in anger, the most cherished attributes of the God of the Israelites are forgiveness and compassion. Unlike the Israelites, God can and does show care and compassion, most especially when undeserved. God has always been faithful and compassionate, no matter how unfaithful the people have been. God remains constant as the God of love and compassion.

The first letter to Timothy reminds us that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. Each one of us is a sinner. Pope Francis himself admits that he, like the rest of us, is a sinner. By forgiving us in and through Jesus, God has re-established the loving bond with all creation initiated from the beginning of time. Because of our special relationship to God through Jesus, we too, like Jesus, have been chosen by God to be ministers of compassion, forgiveness, reconciliation and love towards all we encounter.

Reflect on how God has reached out to you with extravagant love and compassion. This week, walk a while in the shoes of those in need of forgiveness, compassion and love. Note the times you have reached out to others with the same extravagant love and compassion that God has shown to you.

**Biagio Mazza,  
Pastoral Associate**



## 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 September 25th and October 9th at 10:30am.** All are welcome. Bring a Bible and a friend. To register for these sessions, please call Biagio at 816-979-3153.

## Readings

### Sunday, September 11

**1st Reading:** Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14

**Psalm:** Psalm 51:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19 (Luke 15:18)

**2nd Reading:** 1 Timothy 1:12-17

**Gospel:** Luke 15:1-32

### Sunday, September 18

**1st Reading:** Amos 8:4-7

**Psalm:** Psalm 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8 (see 1a, 7b)

**2nd Reading:** 1 Timothy 2:1-8

**Gospel:** Luke 16:1-13



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# Reflexión Sobre las Lecturas



con la posibilidad de perder mucho más.

No tiene mucho sentido buscar una oveja perdida, con el riesgo de perder las otras noventa y nueve. No tiene nada de sentido hacer una gran fiesta para un hijo que era exageradamente desconsiderado y disoluta. Eso es exactamente la queja de algunos de los fariseos y los escribas hacia Jesús. ¿Por qué Jesús perdería su tiempo con "pecadores?" Parece un desperdicio de su tiempo, atención y energía.

La respuesta de Jesús a los fariseos y escribas concretamente dibuja a nuestro Dios como lleno de compasión y misericordia, lento a la ira y rico en amor fiel de alianza, y abundante en el perdón. Tal extravagancia no conoce límites. Nuestro Dios no se encuentra atrapado en juzgar y castigar, pero se centra más en la bienvenida de nuevo, el perdonar, y la alegría en las relaciones restauradas y sanadas.

Encontramos esta idea extremadamente difícil de entender, porque muchas veces nos fallamos en ponernos en el lugar de la otra persona. ¿Qué pasaría si la persona que se había perdido era nosotros? ¿Cómo nos gustaría ser tratado? Pero no somos pecadores que han rechazado deliberadamente a Dios? O somos? Aquí es donde los puntos de vista del Salmo responsorial, así como las otras lecturas entran en juego.

El estribillo del Salmo responsorial 51 nos pide identificarnos con el hijo rebelde que poco a poco se da cuenta de que su verdadero hogar y seguridad es con su padre amoroso. Con el hijo pródigo nosotros también llegamos a esta realización como cantamos "Me levantaré y volveré donde mi padre." Los versos del salmo nos piden que declaremos a Dios que todos somos pecadores, en constante necesidad de la misericordia, la compasión y el perdón de Dios.

Es sólo en llegar a tal conocimiento acerca de nuestro verdadero ser que podemos empezar a ver nuestra necesidad de un Dios que es exageradamente generoso en el amor, la fidelidad y la compasión. Tal estado de conciencia de sí mismo nos pone de rodillas, pidiendo

perdón y compasión, incluso cuando sabemos que no lo merecemos.

En la primera lectura del Éxodo, Moisés desafía el impulso de Dios para destruir a los Israelitas a causa de su infidelidad e inconstancia. Sus acciones manifiestan una falta de memoria de todo lo que Dios ha hecho por ellos. Moisés le recuerda a Dios que, aunque es perfectamente justificado en la ira, los atributos máspreciados del Dios de los israelitas son el perdón y la compasión. A diferencia de los israelitas, Dios puede y muestre la atención y compasión, sobre todo cuando inmerecida. Dios siempre ha sido fiel y compasivo, no importa lo infiel que ha sido el pueblo. Dios permanece constante como el Dios del amor y la compasión.

La primera carta a Timoteo nos recuerda que Cristo Jesús vino al mundo para salvar a los pecadores. Cada uno de nosotros es un pecador. El mismo Papa Francisco admite que, al igual que todos nosotros, es un pecador. Al perdonarnos en y a través de Jesús, Dios ha vuelto a establecer la relación de amor con toda la creación iniciada desde el principio del tiempo. Debido a nuestra relación especial con Dios a través de Jesús, también nosotros, como Jesús, hemos sido elegidos por Dios para ser ministros de la compasión, el perdón, la reconciliación y el amor hacia todos los que nos encontramos.

Reflexione sobre cómo Dios se le ha acercado con amor y compasión extravagante. Esta semana, camine un rato en los zapatos de las personas que necesitan el perdón, la compasión y el amor. Tenga en cuenta las veces que ha puesto en contacto con otras personas con el mismo amor y compasión extravagante que Dios le ha mostrado.

**Biagio Mazza  
Asociado Pastoral**

## Lecturas



### Lecturas del Domingo, 11 de Septiembre

**Primera Lectura:** Éxodo 32:7-11, 13-14

**Salmo:** Salmo 51:3-4, 12-13, 17 y 19

**Segunda Lectura:** 1 Timoteo 1:12-17

**Evangelio:** Lucas 15:1-32

### Lecturas del Domingo, 18 de Septiembre

**Primera Lectura:** Amós 8:4-7

**Salmo:** Salmo 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8

**Segunda Lectura:** 1 Timoteo 2:1-8

**Evangelio:** Lucas 16:1-13

# Ministerio Juvenil/Información Local

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## Ministros Jóvenes!

Todos están invitados a una sesión de planificación para nuestro próximo año escolar. Si tiene algunas ideas sorprendentes para una reunión o pequeñas ideas que necesitan ayuda, tráelas!! Nos reuniremos el 11 de septiembre a las 2:30 pm. Planea estar aquí por lo menos 2 horas.

**Jóvenes de la Confirmación!** Si su hijo está en el 10o grado o más y le gustaría prepararse para el sacramento de la confirmación, por favor haga planes para asistir a una reunión el 11 de septiembre a las 9 am en el Área de Educación. Comuníquese con Kirstie Roberts si necesita programar una hora de reunión diferente.

# Corresponsabilidad/Información Parroquial

## El Padre Indulgente

En los tiempos de Jesús el hijo primogénito heredaba las dos terceras partes de las propiedades de su padre; los hijos menores se quedaban con la porción restante. El hijo menor en el evangelio de hoy no puede esperar, exige su parte y se va. El dinero se acaba pronto y no le queda otra alternativa que cuidar de los cerdos. Regresa a casa con la intención de confesar su culpa y pedir que se le trate como un siervo y no como hijo. Sin embargo, el padre sale a su encuentro con la mejor ropa y ordena que se ofrezca un banquete. El hijo mayor reacciona hostilmente, aunque ya tiene garantizado el amor de su padre y una buena herencia. El padre sabe cómo perdonar y olvidar pero, tristemente, el hijo mayor desconoce ambas cosas. Lo que *hizo* el hijo no tiene importancia comparado con quién es el hijo: el hijo amado. Esta historia nos invita a considerar si actuamos como el hijo menor o como el mayor, y si nos esforzamos en actuar como Dios actúa con nosotros, esto es, como un padre indulgente.

## La Corresponsabilidad Viva Ahora

*Haz una lista de esas personas a las que no has perdonado del todo. Si no puedes hacer las paces con ellas en persona, ora por ellas una vez al día hasta que puedas perdonar y olvidar.*

## Colecta Para los Víctimas de Inundación este Fin de Semana

Este fin de semana hacemos una segunda colecta para los victimas de la inundación en Louisiana. Que sigamos orando por ellos y por todos los victimas de los desastres naturales. Gracias a todos que donaron para ayudar a nuestros hermanos en necesidad.

## Plan de Cooperación Misionera - Sept 17-18

Cada año, las parroquias de nuestra diócesis participan en el Plan de Cooperación Misionera, proporcionando la oportunidad de dar a conocer la misión y ofrecer a los demás en todo el mundo material y ayuda espiritual. Este año el P. Sunoj Thomas va a celebrar las Misas del fin de semana de 17-18 de Septiembre, y hablar con nosotros sobre el trabajo de la misión que se realiza en la Abadía Benedictina de San Tomás en Kerala, India. Para obtener más información sobre el trabajo de la misión en Kerala, India, por favor visite el sitio web de la Abadía en: <http://www.kappadubenedictines.org/home/inner/4>. Por favor, sea generoso en la segunda colección de ese fin de semana.

## Platicas Matrimoniales—17 de Septiembre

Platicas Matrimoniales ofrecerán los sábados, 10 y 17 de Septiembre a las 10am-3pm en el cuarto de conferencia en el edificio de las oficinas. Todas las parejas necesitan asistir a las dos platicas. Para mas información, llame Martina y Abelardo Arreola a 816-269-4956 o Kris a 816-979-3151.

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