

Saint Sabina Catholic Church

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



Don and Marilyn Grieb celebrated the graduation of Alejandro, a student they sponsored in Anapra, Mexico and received a special thank you gift from him!

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

Meeting for Lourdes-Fatima Trip

There will be an information meeting on Thursday, September 8th at 6pm in the parish hall for anyone interested in the April 2017 trip to Lourdes, Fatima and Barcelona. All those interested in going on the trip are invited to attend this meeting.

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 4, 2016

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Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Intentions for September 5-9, 2016

Mon.	8am	COMMUNION SERVICE
Tues.	6pm	†Noah Park
Wed.	10:30am	†Rosa Misquez (Beautiful Savior)
Thurs.	8am	†Harry Duncan
Friday	8am	†Gloria McLaughlin

Saturday, September 10, 2016

4:00pm †Billy Coleman

Sunday, September 11, 2016

8:00am	†Mary Tracey
10:30am	Intentions of the Altar Society
12:30pm Spanish	Intenciones de la Familia Parroquial
	†Alex Humberto Romero

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

- †Noah Park, infant son of Bailey Park
- †Mary Tracey, mother of Terry Vanzandt
- †Rosa Misquez, Rehabilitation of Raymore
- †Gloria McLaughlin, mother of Karen Henrich
- †Martha Aguirre, wife of Adolfo Aguirre



Calendar/Parish Happenings

Sunday, September 4 - Domingo, 4 de Septiembre

Altar Society Sale
Beans and Rice Drive
9:30am Summer Choir Practice
1:30pm Ensayo—Obra de Guadalupe

Monday, September 5 - Lunes, 5 de Septiembre

Parish Office Closed
5:30pm Marian Prayer Group
7:00pm Boy Scouts

Tuesday, September 6 - Martes, 6 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

Wednesday, September 7 - Miércoles, 7 de Septiembre

9:00am Legion of Mary
7:00pm Choir Practice (4:00 & 10:30 groups)
7:00pm Knights Business Meeting
7:00pm Talleres de Oración y Vida

Thursday, September 8 - Jueves, 8 de Septiembre

9:30am Quilters
6:00pm Fatima/Lourdes Pilgrimage Meeting
7:00pm Baptism Prep
7:00pm Ensayo—Obra de Guadalupe
7:00pm RCIA/RICA

Friday, September 9 - Viernes, 9 de Septiembre

6:00pm Wedding Rehearsal—Enriquez/Abonza

Saturday, September 10 - Sábado, 10 de Septiembre

Second Collection—Latin America Apostolate
10:00am Platicas Pre-bautismales
10:00am Platicas Matrimoniales
1:00pm Wedding—Octavio Enriquez/Marisela Abonza
3:00pm Confessions

Sunday, September 11 - Domingo, 11 de Septiembre

Second Collection—Latin America Apostolate
12:00pm Eagle Scout Court of Honor
1:30pm Ensayo—Obra de Guadalupe

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 with 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-Epiphany 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

Baptism Prep - September 8th at 7pm

Baptism Preparation Class is scheduled for Thursday, September 8th 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/>.

Beans and Rice Distribution

Several volunteers will take the donations collected in our beans and rice drive to the Migrant Farmworkers Project in Lexington, MO on September 12th, where they will distribute items to migrant families. This ministry is very important because the migrant families are constantly moving around the country, to wherever they can find work that time of year, and can only take the possessions that will fit in their car with them.

Parents Lounge

Are you looking for a group that offers discussion on "parent-generated" topics, socialization, and participation in creating family friendly events at the parish? If you answered yes to any of these, then Parents Lounge is for you!

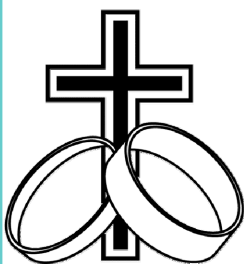
We will begin meeting again on Sundays from 9-10am (during PSR) in the Juan Diego room, with our first meeting on September 18th. Stop in, check it out, and enjoy some coffee and donuts while your kids are in class.

A Special Thank You from Our Hispanic Ministries

Thank you to all who purchased tamales to support our parish and Hispanic Ministries. The sale was a great success and we sold over 200 dozen tamales! We'd also like to thank especially *Chelly's Café*, who donated 300 of the tamales and gave us a special price for the rest so that we could raise more for our ministry.

Green Team Tip of the Week

Learn which plants bring birds, bees and butterflies to your yard and how rainwater affects our local streams. Saturday September 10 3pm-6pm at the Depot (T.B.Hannah Station) Raymore



Wedding Congratulations

Congratulations to Antonio Romero and Margarita Juarez who were married on Saturday, September 3rd.

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

Parish Office Closed September 5th

Our Parish Office will be closed on Monday, September 5th in observance of Labor Day.

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 rayncows@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.

It's a great time to join St. Sabina Music Ministry:

The United States Bishops (USCCB) tell us, "Singing is one of the primary ways that the assembly of the faithful participates actively in the Liturgy." (Sing to the Lord: Music In Divine Worship) We feel confident joining in singing at Mass when we have good leadership. That's the role of music ministry.

Please consider sharing your interest in music with our parish. We are seeking singers and those with instrumental experience of all ages. Has anyone ever told you that you have a pleasant voice? Now is the time to join choir! Hey you high school band & choir members out there, I'm talking to you, too! It would be great to have you share the music you make on flute, clarinet, violin, cello, trumpet or whatever instrument! How wonderful it would be to enhance our music in that way.

You may choose to become involved at any Mass. Practice for the 4:00 and 10:30 Masses is on Wednesdays at 7:00 in the music room of church. The first practice of the season is Wednesday, September 7. The 8:00 Mass choir practices every other Thursday evening. Even if you can't be there every week, come when you can. Why not come and try it out? I guarantee you will feel like you gain more than you invest. For more information please contact Susan Ratigan in the parish office, 979-3158 or susan@stsabinaparish.org

Pastor Al



"If I'm going to be part of the 'Choir of Angels in Heaven', I might as well get in some practice on Earth."

Pastoral Care

Nursing Home Mass Schedule

Sep 7	10:30am	Beautiful Savior Home & Manor
Sep 14	10:00am	Rehabilitation of Raymore
Sep 21	10:00am	Foxwood Springs

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 Extraordinary 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 is September 13th. For more information, or to register please contact Marta Roper in the parish office at 816-979-3154 or marta@stsabinaparish.org.

Bulletin Prayer Request List

Parishioners who are ill, or who have a loved one who is ill, may request to have the person remembered on the Prayer Request list published in our bulletin. Names will remain on the list for two months but may be resubmitted upon request. Please remember permission must be given by the individual before the name can be published. To add or remove a name from the list contact Marta Roper, in the parish office. 816-979-3154.

Prayer Requests/Peticiones de Oración

Felipe Abarca	Butch Ford	Mona Neighbors
Dick Anthony	Fr. Paul Frank	Sherril Nevins
Belen Antillon	Emily Frezza	Johnnie Nicholes
Dick Armstrong	Dick Garnier	Jane Nouryeh
Marilyn Avalos	Antonio Garcia	Vicki Owen
Suzie Ashbaugh	Wendy Gomez	Gary Palmer
Polleth Bautista	Tom Gudenkauf	Thelma Palmer
Yesika Benavides	Connie Harper	Cynthia Peterman
Sheryll Bentley	Jason Hart	Leona Ragsdale
John Bidondo	Jeanette Hart	Sherman Ragsdale
Allie Biondo	Cherie Hatfield	Connie Read
Joe Birkenbach	Laverne Harlow	Austin Richards
David Bland	Bob Heffernan	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
Delfina Chavez	Kelly Jordon	Rose Wall
Barbara Clark	Kelsey Krum	Bob Westfall
Steve Collier	Beverly Little	Mary Westfall
Joseph Coots	Jo Locke	Judy Wheeler
Phil Cummings	Dick Martin	Merle Woolworth
Donna Dailey	Dodie Maurer	Emy Yeater
Paul DeMar	Bob McDonald	Carmitia Yust
Nolan Dickerson	Denise Mehlo	Pablo Zayas
Frances DiGeorge	Alice Miller	

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 ask Fr Jeff 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.

Wellness Center

Eye Health

Our obsession with technology has introduced a new threat: digital eyestrain. While one symptom, dry eyes, is normally no more than a nuisance, a 2014 study in JAMA Ophthalmology suggests that staring at a screen all day could lead to changes in the eye similar to those in patients with dry eye disease, a more serious condition in which the eye doesn't produce tears properly (or they evaporate too quickly). Researchers discovered that as the screen time went up, the level of lubrication substance found in tears went down. Why? The participants may have blinked less. Studies have shown that we normally blink 15-20 times per minute, but when we're using digital devices, that rate can be cut in half. Put a sticky note on your computer to remind yourself to take a break and blink! Get up and move around, don't stay stationary for more than 40 minutes. It's good for your eyes and your whole body to not sit for too long. Stay connected to the world around you, not just the world contained on that screen.

We will be closed Monday, September 5th for the observance of Labor Day.

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

Monday:	CLOSED FOR LABOR DAY
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



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!

Bow Ties for Babies

Have you or do you know someone who may be pregnant and know their baby will die during pregnancy or soon after birth due to an adverse prenatal diagnosis, or has a newborn and has received a terminal diagnosis? Or are you a family who has experienced an unexpected loss of a child due to miscarriage, fetal demise, stillbirth, SIDS, or any cause? There is a place in Kansas City known as Alexandra's House and offers healing and support for parents and families, free of charge, during pregnancy and after the death of a child. To help support this nonprofit and its services, the Friends of Alexandra's House hosts a gala called Bow Ties for Babies. This year's event will be held on October 14 at the Grand Street Café Plaza with a silent and live auction and dinner. Tickets are \$150 per person. For more information visit bowtiesforbabies.com or call 816-931-5378. Also visit www.alexandrashouse.com to learn more about this special ministry.

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. Information is also available online at: [http://www.benedictinesisters.org/images/vocation/Oct2016 weekend.pdf](http://www.benedictinesisters.org/images/vocation/Oct2016%20weekend.pdf).

happy birthday

Mark Adams	Randy Horstman	Owen Olson
Robert Alvarez	Yeiny Iruegas	Sonia Oquendo
David Avila	Marilyn Keating	Wendy Ortiz
Megan Avila	Celine Keesoon	Marisol Osorio
Prudencio Ayala	Alonso Lopez	Jaime Pimentel
Vera Barrera	Ivonne Lucho	Lucenda Piñon
Alexander Biondo	Rosemary Malena	Gunnar Poland
Dayana Cabrera	German Mancía	Angel Reyes
Teresa Caesar	Luis Martin	Michael Richardson
Lorenzo Cano	Elibeth Martinez	Cynthia Rickard
Emma Canton	Ramona Martinez	Quinten Ripley
Alex Carillo	Reece McClish	Christopher Rivas
Anthony Cervantes	Christopher McDaniel	Carol Ryan
Javier Chavez	Haylee McDaniel	Jared Samson
Mary Coleman	Georgia Meakins	Natividad SanJuan
Vincent Como	Sarah Meakins	Jacob Sargert
Jonathan Coots	Carla Mena	Dalton Schoenberger
Reina Coreas	Louis Mendiola	Patté Schreihöfer
Richard Fields	Don Miller	Margaret Sell
Joseph Foster	Nancy Minnis	Emily Sigman
Julio Garcia	Mauricio Morales	Kristie Silkwood
Todd Goffoy	Damaris Moreira	Susan Sirocka
Obdulia Guerrero	Linda Mueller	Donna Stanley
Marco Guillermo	John Murphy	Reilly Stewart
Heather Hadley	Maria Najera	Jose Torres
Beth Hansel	Connie Nation	Elena Tracy
Kevin Hernandez	Maria Negrete	Damian Vargas
Pedro Hernandez	Andrzej Oczko	Sophia Vargas
Sandra Hiesberger	Gustavo Olivas	August Weber
Renee Hogard-Robbins	James Oliver	

Happy Anniversary

John and Mary Cikan	46 Years!	09-07-1970
Patrick and Jill Heinerikson	32 Years!	09-08-1984
Carlos and Ana Contreras	25 Years!	09-07-1991
Thomas and Teresa Baldwin	24 Years!	09-05-1992
Victor and Irma Vieyra	22 Years!	09-09-1994
Dave and Diane Keith	19 Years!	09-06-1997
Elvyn and Maria Fiallos	17 Years!	09-10-1999
Mike and Leslie McDowell	17 Years!	09-11-1999
Corey and Kimberly Pointer	15 Years!	09-08-2001
Dale and Nancy Amfahr	14 Years!	09-07-2002
Joshua and Elizebeth Giacone	12 Years!	09-09-2004
Mark and Michelle Emry	9 Years!	09-08-2007
James and Emily Simms	6 Years!	09-07-2010
Michael and Karen Grantham	3 Years!	09-07-2013



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:

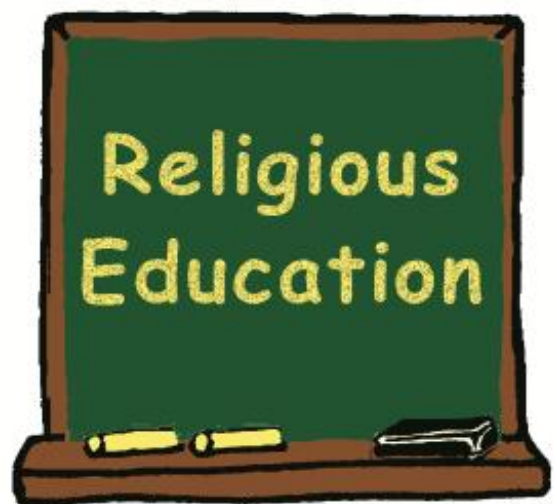
1. **Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and**
2. **Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and**
3. **After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Jenifer Valenti, at 816.812.2500 or JeniferValenti@att.net, 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 <https://kcsj catholic.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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JULY 2015-JUNE 2016 FINANCIAL REPORT-REPORTE FINANCIERO
AND BUDGET REPORT FOR JULY 2016-JUNE 2017

	<i>ACTUAL AMOUNT</i>	<i>BUDGET AMOUNT</i>
Ordinary Income/Ingresos Ordinarios		
Contribution Income/Entradas por Contribuciones	<u>2015-2016</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
Weekly Envelopes	\$635,118.55	\$645,000.00
Weekly Plate	\$46,208.07	\$46,000.00
Holy Days	\$32,436.76	\$33,000.00
Development/Fund Raising/Desarrollo/Eventos Recavatorios de Fondos		
Building Fund	\$60,156.60	\$60,000.00
Gifts/Special Donations/Fund Raising Activity	\$76,052.23	\$74,500.00
Operational/Operacional		
Interest/ Rental/ Mass Stipends/ Poor Box/ Votive Lights	\$20,380.69	\$21,800.00
Education/Religious Education/Ministry/Other/Educacion Religiosa/ Ministerio/Otros		
Religious Education/Summer Programs/ Youth Ministry/ Senior Ministry/ Miscellaneous	\$9,312.26	\$9,410.00
Bequests		
Total Parish Operating Income/Total de Ingresos Operacionales	<u>\$879,665.16</u>	<u>\$889,710.00</u>
Parish Expenses/Gastos Parraquiales		
Personnel/Personal Administrativo		
Salaries/Clergy & Lay Benefits/Employer Portion Social Security/Medicare	\$580,242.49	\$587,061.00
Facilities/Facilidades-Edificios		
Gas	\$10,114.43	\$10,000.00
Electric	\$27,784.59	\$27,500.00
Other Utilities/ Ordinary Repairs/Custodial Supplies & Services/Equip/ Computer/Software	\$60,585.20	\$55,555.00
General Operational/Operaciones Generales		
Monthly Diocesan Support	\$96,468.00	\$80,423.00
Insurance/Resource Materials/Poor/Envelopes/Supplies/ Special Events/ Postage/Others	\$96,481.38	\$102,421.00
Prayer & Worship/Oracion y Culto		
Liturgical Supplies/Hymnals/Homily Aids/Stipend Musicians	\$9,143.29	\$8,050.00
Religious Education/Educacion Religiosa		
Religious Education Pre School-High School/ Summer Programs/ RCIA	\$13,551.94	\$12,400.00
Pastoral Minsitry/Ministerio Pastoral		
Youth Ministry/Family Ministry/Senior Ministry	\$6,252.03	\$6,300.00
Extraordinary Expense/Gastos Extraordinarios		
New Construction/Major Renovation/Equipment	\$12,094.00	\$100,000.00
Total All Parish Expenses/Total de Todos los Gastos Parroquiales	<u>\$912,717.35</u>	<u>\$989,710.00</u>
Net Income	<u>-\$33,052.19</u>	<u>-\$100,000.00</u>
Funds on Deposit with Diocese as of June 30, 2015/Fondos en el Deposito 2015	\$242,956.39	
Funds put on Deposit for 2015-2016 Fiscal Year/Fondos en el Deposito 2015-2016	\$3,258.10	
Funds withdrawn from Deposit with the Diocese for 2015-2016 Fiscal Year/ Fondos Retirados	\$0.00	
Total Funds on Deposit with Diocese as of June 30, 2016	<u>\$246,214.49</u>	

Reflection on the Readings



The scripture readings this Sunday challenge us once again to examine our commitment to discipleship, as well as to assess the cost involved in being a true disciple of Jesus. The readings challenge us to assess reality not in terms of our own perceptions but rather in term of God's wisdom.

The first reading from the book of Wisdom concludes that only with God's help in teaching us wisdom from on high, are our paths on earth "made straight." If we were to rely solely on ourselves for wisdom, we would strive endlessly and end up with a confused and muddled version of wisdom. True wisdom has its source only in God, and not in our own devices. The responsorial psalm emphasizes this focus by asking us to affirm our belief that "In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge." On our own, we cannot see clearly or discern properly. But God has been and continues to be our constant refuge in our search for wisdom.

The passage from Paul's letter to Philemon is an excellent example of the challenge that God's wisdom offers us as we seek life's straight paths. Onesimus is an escaped slave of Philemon who befriended Paul and through Paul became a disciple of Jesus. Paul is writing to Philemon, also a follower of Jesus, asking him to consider how he is going to treat his returning slave. In light of the bonding that they both have in Jesus, what does God's wisdom, which is the only means to life's "straight paths," now require of Philemon?

Paul counsels Philemon to treat Onesimus as a brother in the Lord and no longer as a slave. This approach would certainly challenge Philemon's innate understanding of the relationship between master and slave. God's path and wisdom place significant demands on our human ways of thinking, asking us to judge by God's criteria and not ours.

Luke's gospel passage challenges us in the same way. Our possessions, our

relationships, our very human need for planning and thinking ahead can be real sources of distraction in our attempt to take on God's perspective and wisdom. Luke's Jesus continually challenges us to focus consistently on what matters most, namely following and imitating him, God's true wisdom. All else falls by the wayside in comparison to this overarching focus.

This is precisely the perspective that underlies Jesus' proclamation to his followers of "hating...father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters and even his own life...." Jesus is not literally saying that we are to hate and despise all those that we love and cherish. Rather, he is using a style of speaking that emphasizes the priorities demanded of any disciple. God is to come first above all else, even the most cherished of relationships.

The demands of discipleship are centered on God, and clearly articulated for us in the words and actions of God's incarnate wisdom, Jesus. If we desire to be Christ's disciples, such commitment demands a significant cost, symbolized by the cross that each of us is to carry. The demand can be overwhelming unless we continually recall and proclaim the refrain of the psalm, "In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge."

This week, think of people and/or times when you have been challenged to see things not from your own limited perspective but from God's perspective. Thank God for bringing such people or situations in your life, for it is in the struggle to discern life's "straight paths" that we come closer to knowing God's true wisdom.

Biagio Mazza,
Pastoral Associate

Readings



Sunday, September 4

1st Reading: Wisdom 9:13-18b

Psalm: Psalm 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17 (1)

2nd Reading: Philemon 9-10, 12-17

Gospel: Luke 14:25-33

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

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 11th and 25th 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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Las lecturas de este domingo nos desafían una vez más a examinar nuestro compromiso con el discipulado, así como evaluar el costo que implica ser un verdadero discípulo de Jesús. Las lecturas nos desafían a evaluar la realidad no en términos de nuestras propias percepciones, sino más bien en términos de la sabiduría de Dios. La primera lectura del libro de la Sabiduría llega a la conclusión de que sólo con la ayuda de Dios en enseñarnos la sabiduría de lo alto, están nuestros caminos en la tierra "enderezados." Si tuviéramos que depender exclusivamente de nosotros mismos por la sabiduría, para la planificación y el futuro pueden ser verdaderas fuentes de distracción en nuestro intento de asumir la perspectiva y la sabiduría de Dios. El Jesús de Lucas, nos desafía continuamente a centrarnos constantemente en lo más importante, a saber, seguir e imitar a él, la verdadera sabiduría de Dios. Todo lo demás queda en el camino en comparación con este enfoque general.

Esta es precisamente la perspectiva que subyace en el anuncio de Jesús a sus seguidores de "me prefiere a su padre y a su madre, a su esposa y a sus hijos, a sus hermanos y a sus hermanas, más aún, a sí mismo..." Jesús no está diciendo literalmente que debemos odiar y despreciar a todos aquellos que amamos y apreciamos. Más bien, él está utilizando un estilo de hablar que hace hincapié en las prioridades de demandas de seguir a Jesús, pidiéndole que tenga en cuenta la forma en que se va a tratar a su esclavo regresado. A la luz de la unión que ambos tienen en Jesús, ¿qué requiere ahora la sabiduría de Dios, que es el único medio para los "caminos

Pablo aconseja a Filemón que trate a Onésimo como un hermano en el Señor y no como un esclavo. Este enfoque, sin duda, desafía la comprensión innata de Filemón de la relación entre el maestro y el esclavo. El camino y la sabiduría de Dios pone demandas significativas en nuestras formas humanas de pensar, pidiéndonos a juzgar por los criterios de Dios y no los nuestros.

El pasaje del Evangelio de Lucas nos desafía de la misma manera. Nuestras posesiones, relaciones, nuestra necesidad muy humana para la planificación y el pensar en el futuro pueden ser verdaderas fuentes de distracción en nuestro intento de asumir la perspectiva y la sabiduría de Dios. El Jesús de Lucas, nos desafía continuamente a centrarnos constantemente en lo más importante, a saber, seguir e imitar a él, la verdadera sabiduría de Dios. Todo lo demás queda en el camino en comparación con este enfoque general.

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Las demandas del discipulado se centran en Dios, y claramente articulados para nosotros en las palabras y acciones de la sabiduría de Dios encarnado, Jesús. Si deseamos ser discípulos de Cristo, ese compromiso exige un costo significativo, simbolizado por la cruz que cada uno de nosotros es llevar. La demanda puede ser abrumador a menos que recordamos y proclamamos el estribillo del salmo, "Señor, tú has sido nuestro refugio de generación en generación."

Esta semana, piense en las personas y/o momentos en los que ha sido desafiado a ver las cosas no desde su propio punto de vista limitado, pero desde la perspectiva de Dios. Dé las gracias a Dios por traer a esas personas o situaciones en su vida, ya que es en la lucha para discernir los "caminos derechos" de la vida que nos acercamos a conocer la verdadera sabiduría de Dios.

Biagio Mazza
Asociado Pastoral



Lecturas



Lecturas del Domingo, 4 de Septiembre
Primera Lectura: Sabiduría 9:13-19
Salmo: Salmo 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 y 17
Segunda Lectura: Filemón 9-10, 12-17
Evangelio: Lucas 14:25-33

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

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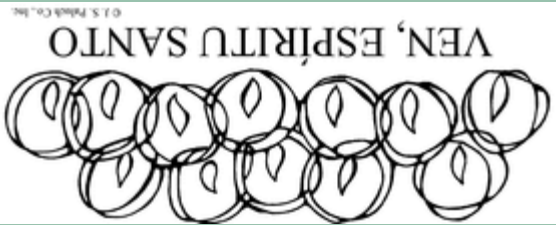
invitados a participar al taller de música litúrgica “Alabemos al Señor” con Enrique Castro de Jefferson City- que se llevará a cabo en español en el Centro Católico (20 W. 9th St. KC, MO 64105) el sábado, 1 de Octubre 2016. 8:30am-4:30pm. Costo por persona: \$15...incluye inscripción, materiales, y almuerzo. Para inscribirse, llamar a Miguel Salazar en la oficina diocesana (816) 714-2323. Organizado por las oficinas de Ministerio Hispano y Sacred Worship de la Diócesis de Kansas City-St. Joseph.

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- Mayores informes en los teléfonos 913-206-1291, 816-721-0594, o 816-433-0675 en horarios de 9am - 6pm de lunes a sábado.

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.



Seguridad Infantil

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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). Mas información en <https://kcsj catholic.org/the-office-of-child-and-youth-protection/>



Clases de Catecismo!

Las clases de Catecismo comenzarán el Domingo, 18 de Septiembre. Hojas para registrar están disponibles en el espacio de reunión, en la oficina y en la página web de la parroquia.

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.



Un Cambio de Corazón

¿Por qué dice Jesús que debemos preferirlo a él por encima de

madre, padre, cónyuge e hijos para poder ser discípulos? Jesús

sabe que, como seres humanos, a menudo nos aferramos a

relaciones y posesiones, y quiere advertirnos que será casi

imposible ser sus discípulos si esas cosas llegan a ocupar el

lugar que debería tener Dios en nuestro corazón. Piensa en estos

ejemplos: la mujer que pone toda su atención en sus hijos e

ignora al esposo; el hombre que se pasa todas las tardes y fines

de semana bebiendo; la persona que lo acapara todo como para

compensar la pérdida o carencia de relaciones. Tales desplazamientos, si se llegan a convertir en hábitos, pueden

alejarnos de Dios. Ir a Misa regularmente, orar con frecuencia y guardar los mandamientos son hábitos

excelentes; pero no nos acercan a Dios, a no ser que Dios pase a ocupar de nuevo el primer lugar en nuestro

corazón. Esa es la verdadera conversión, que muchas veces podría realizarse drásticamente, pero por lo regular

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Reporte Financiero

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Platicas Matrimoniales ofrecerán los sábados, 10 y 17

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parejas necesitan asistir a las dos platicas. Para mas

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En agosto, recibimos varios miembros nuevos a nuestra familia parroquial. Aquí aparecen nuevos feligreses Jaime Bueno y Andrea Lozano (arriba) y la familia Dominguez (abajo-derecha).



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