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On Saturday, December 15, the Ladies Auxiliary and other parishioners went Christmas caroling at area nursing homes.

Mass Times

Saturday: 4:00pm in English

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

Confessions: Saturdays 3:00-3:30pm

Visit our website for Holy Day and special Mass times.

The Baptism of the Lord **January 13, 2019**

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Intentions for January 14-18, 2019

Mon.	8am	Communion Service
Tues.	6pm	†Donna Kozar
Wed.	10am	†Jerry Mosakowski (Foxwood Springs)
Thurs.	8am	†Theo Suwito
Fri.	8am	†Michael Eugene Bross

Saturday, January 19, 2019

4:00pm †Pablo José Zayas

Sunday, January 20, 2019

8:00am †Beverly Little
10:30am Intentions of Our Parish Family
12:30pm Spanish †Alfredo Carrasco
†Angela Aguirre

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

†Ángela Aguirre, tía de Rafael, Elia, Imelda y Brenda Chávez

†Ángela Ruiz, tía de la Familia Cedillo

†Jean Coomer, wife of Bob Coomer

† Eileen Feller, mother of Dave Feller

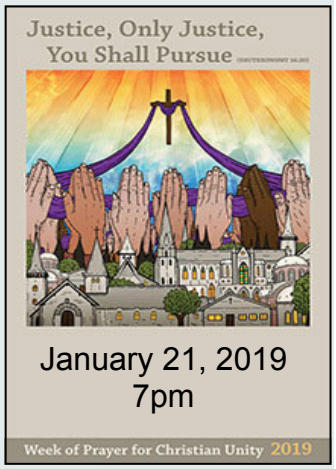
† Mary Frances Moore, mother of Mark Moore

Calendar/Information

Sunday, January 13 - Domingo, 13 de Enero	
9:00am	PSR/Parents Lounge
10:30am	Bible Study
10:30am	Taller de Hechura de Piñatas
11:00am	Ensayo del Coro Hispano
11:00am	Escuela de Religión
2:00pm	Evaluación de Celebración Guadalupana
Monday, January 14 - Lunes, 14 de Enero	
6:00pm	Pacific North West Trip Information Meeting
6:30pm	Cub Scout Den Meeting
7:00pm	Boy Scouts
Tuesday, January 15 - Martes, 15 de Enero	
7:00pm	ESL/Inglés Como Segunda Lengua
7:00pm	Living Stones
Wednesday, January 16 - Miércoles, 16 de Enero	
9:00am	Legion of Mary
10:00am	Mass at Foxwood Springs
7:00pm	Choir Rehearsal (4:00 and 10:30 groups)
7:00pm	Faith Formation Offering: Welcoming the Poor
7:00pm	Confirmation Sponsor Night
7:00pm	Knights First Degree
Thursday, January 17 - Jueves, 17 de Enero	
6:55am	High School Youth Prayer Breakfast
9:30am	Piecemakers Quilting Group
10:00am	Faith Formation Offering: Welcoming the Poor
7:00pm	Altar Society Meeting
7:00pm	Love Thy Neighbor Team Meeting
7:00pm	RCIA/RICA
8:00pm	Choir Rehearsal (8:00 group)
Friday, January 18 - Viernes, 18 de Enero	
No Scheduled Events	
Saturday, January 19 - Sábado, 19 de Enero	
3:00pm	Confessions
Sunday, January 20 - Domingo, 20 de Enero	
9:00am	PSR/Parents Lounge
10:30am	Taller de Hechura de Piñatas
11:00am	Ensayo del Coro Hispano
11:00am	Escuela de Religión
3:00pm	Search Team Meeting
7:00pm	Confirmation and High School Youth

Christian Unity Ecumenical Service - Jan 21

All are invited to attend our ecumenical service in conjunction with the Week of Christian Unity on Monday, January 21st at 7pm at St. Sabina. The theme for this year's service is Justice, Only Justice, You Shall Pursue. Please plan on joining our brothers and sisters from our neighboring churches as we prayer not only for unity, but for justice as well.



Meeting for Trip to Pacific Northwest - Jan 14

On Monday, January 14th at 6pm in the parish hall there will be an informational meeting about Fr. Jeff's trip to Discover the Pacific Northwest and California. The dates of the trip are September 29-October 6, 2019. The cost of the trip for double occupancy is $3,149 per person. If you book before March 29th, you will save $100. Highlights of the trip include visiting Seattle, Mount St. Helens Visitor Center, Portland, the Columbia River Gorge, Newport, Bandon State Natural Area, Redwood National Park, Eureka, Avenue of the Giants, San Francisco, and your choice of a San Francisco Bay cruise or a city tour of San Francisco.

SOS Benefit Dinner – January 25, 2019

The 26th Annual Support Our Seminarians (SOS) Benefit Dinner, is scheduled for Friday, January 25, 2019, at Union Station, Kansas City, MO. This event benefits seminarians from the Archdiocese of Kansas City, Kansas, the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph and Conception Seminary College. The reservation price is $175.00 per person at tables of ten people. To reserve your seat or table contact: Martha Hodes at 913.207.9893 or mmmhsos512@gmail.com or register online at www.supportourseminarians.com. To donate to the marketplace or silent auction, contact: Mary Quinn at 816.665.0380 or marydeeq@aol.com.

Valentine Dance - February 16

The Ladies Auxiliary will be hosting a Valentine Dinner and Dance on February 16th. There will be a catered dinner, dancing, DJ, entertainment, and dessert bar. Happy hour will begin at 6:30pm and dinner will be served at 7pm. Tickets will be on sale starting January 13 and the cost is $50.00 per couple. Please call Nancy at 816-820-6109 or Jan at 816-318-0754 for more information.

Parish Information

Happy Anniversary

Fred and Judy Honigman	57 Years!	1/20/1962
Jerry and Carolyn Folz	53 Years!	1/15/1966
Ron and Shelia Hampton	34 Years!	1/19/1985
Miguel Pacheco and Hilda Alvarado	18 Years!	1/16/2001
Oscar and Sara Rosales	18 Years!	1/16/2001
Adelso and Maria Solares	9 Years!	1/17/2010

Baptism Congratulations

Kinleigh Ann Kirchhoff, daughter of Jon and Whitney Kirchhoff

Green Team Tip of the Week

Learn ways to save energy and money on your electric bill. https://www.kcpl.com/save-energy-and-money/home

This Week's Do You Know Video:

January 6, the Feast of the Epiphany, celebrates the Magi following the star to Bethlehem to bring gifts to the new born king. Gift giving in the United States is associated with Santa Claus on Dec 25. But in Italy, along with Poland, Russia and much of Eastern Europe, different gift giving traditions developed, all associated with the Magi, now turned into three kings. Two of these traditions, namely La Befana and Babushka, have a similar backdrop. Their legend is associated with the three kings, who, tired from following the star, stop and ask for hospitality at the house of an old woman. As she provides for them, they explain their journey, the gifts that they bring, and about the new born king. The old woman is excited about the news and they invite her to join them. But she is too busy with housework and cannot join them. After they leave to continue their journey, the old woman regrets not going with them and decides to pack gifts and food to bring to the baby Jesus. However, she cannot find the kings, nor the star. She continues searching but is lost and cannot find the new born king. So she decides to stop at the home of every child to leave gifts with the hope that this might be the baby Jesus, the new born king. That is the backdrop to the traditions of La Befana and Babushka who bring gifts to every child on January 6, in connection with the three kings and in honor of Jesus' birth. Make time to view this week's DYK video and find out more about the gift giving traditions of La Befana and Babushka.

happy birthday

Dolores Aguilar
Lizbeth Aguirre
Phil Albin
Luis Alonso
Flor Alvarado
Cristian Amador
Jacob Anderson
Maura Arenivas
Antony Ayala
Maura Badillo
Yamileth Bejarano Samaniego
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John Borgman
Tonya Britton
Ruth Brown
Juliana Catalan
Suzanne Daniels
Randy Dillon
Samantha Franco
Clara Fuentes
A.J. Goffoy
Jesus Gonzalez
Lizbeth Gracida
Jasmin Guardado
Abril Gutierrez
Abigail Guzman
Cherie Hatfield
Marv Henrich
Mauro Hernandez
Karla Hernandez
Kyara Hinojos
John Hirt
Brenda Huhn
Kathleen Kenyon
Arturo Lagunes
Jeffrey Lewis
Amy Lopez
Mary Mattingly
Jose Mauro
Chris McClish
Daniel Medina
Emily Monroe
Alex Mora
Tania Neri
Laurie Oakes
Rafael Ocon
Joshua Oliver
Shelly Orozco
Leobardo Ortega
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Miguel Perez
Michael Peters
Nick Pierce
Corey Pointer
Doug Pritchett
Angela Pulido
Matthew Ratigan
Taylor Rayos
Juan Rocha
Caleb Roseburrough
Maria Ruiz
Maura Trejo
Gisell Varela
Katheyrn Vasquez
Kathleen Whitney
Marie Wilburn
Cassandra Zamora

Congratulations to Michael Dailey, Ron Schock & Bob Coshun, and Jerry Stella for earning the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd quarter awards for their hard work in the Knights of Columbus. Congratulations to John Berryman for earning the 4th quarter award and Knight of the Year award!

Family Christmas Party

Pastoral Care

Nursing Home Mass Schedule

Jan 16	10:00am	Foxwood Springs
Jan 23	11:00am	Carnegie Village
Jan 30	8:00am	St. Sabina (5th Wed)

Six Week Grief Recovery Group

Consciously remembering those who have died is the key that opens our hearts, that allows us to love them in a new way.

Grief and loss are a vital part of being alive. If you love, sooner or later you will lose, and you will grieve. St. Sabina Grief Ministry will offer an Adult Mutual Self-Help Recovery Group beginning Tuesday morning, March 12, from 10-11:30 am. This group consists of six, 90 minute sessions. Each session is designed around a particular focus. Session one will focus on getting acquainted with the other participants and their grief stories. Advanced registration is required. Maximum group size is eight. For information or to register please contact Marta Roper at 816-979-3154 or marta@stsabinaprish.org.

Anointing of the Sick?

If you suffer from a chronic illness, the effects 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 anointing 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

Anna Anderson
Dick Armstrong
Pauline Bellm
John Bidondo
Maxine Bremer
Roger Brown
Sheila Brown
Joyce Callahan
John Caoile
John Cikan
Cynthia Circo
Joseph Coots
Rikki DeVaul
Nolan Dickerson
Pete DiGeorge
Steven DiGeorge
Jim Dillon
Kelly Dirks
Paula Dull
Judy Giannini
Kelly Hall
Emily Emke-Hayes
Terry Eppert
Dave Feller
Cheryl Frezza
Jim Frezza
Sergio Gallardo
Al Gebauer
Ginny Hainey
Cathy Hall
Laverne Harlow
Allyson Harkins
Connie Harper
Cherie Hatfield
Beth Heide
Rhonda Henke
John Hirt
Shayla Hoffman
John Holden
Cecilia Imming
Lisa January
Araceli Jimenez
John Jongenelen
Kathy Keary
Don Kueck
Darrell Littler
Ray Malisos
Angela Maria
Jamie Martinez
Janet Moorman
Harry Muench
Joan Muench
Bella Nouryeh
Ezequil Olarte
Thelma Palmer
George Panebianco
David Pierce
Gary Prendergast
Doug Pritchett
Rita Pruitt
Thelma Putnam
Sherman Ragsdale
Larry Rhodes
Amy Ritchie
Jim Ruffini
Anna Ryan
Ron Schock
Brenda Sheppard
Brian Sheppard
Doris Shields
Kathy Shields
Lois Simpson
Michelle Soto
Baby Stone
Kayla Stone
Rita Stout
Ursula Suwito
Svoboda Family
Jean Tate
Angel Thomas
Bruce Thompson
Priscilla Tristani
Jim Wall
Mary Westfall
Marie Wilburn
Travis Woods
Jeanette Woolworth
Carmitia Yust
Debra Zayas

Wellness Center

Did you know running and walking are among the purest, most natural forms of exercise around? With newfangled innovations like Freon-filled midsoles and pump-it-up tongues, it's difficult to know which shoes to buy. Choose the wrong athletic shoes and you could end up lying on the couch nursing shin splints or aching heels instead of enjoying a brisk walk or run. Here are a few tips to get to the right fit.

Don't make shoes multitask. Walking shoes are stiffer; running shoes are more flexible with extra cushioning to handle greater impact. If you do both activities, get a pair for each.

Know your feet and measure your feet frequently. We have 10 toes and two heels, but beyond that, feet come in a variety of shapes and knowing your foot's particular quirks is key to selecting the right pair of shoes. It's a myth that foot size doesn't change in adults. It does change as we get older, so have your feet measured twice a year. Sizes also vary between brands, so go by what fits, not by the shoe size.

Shop toward the end of the day. Feet swell over the course of the day; they also expand while you run or walk, so shoes should fit your feet when they're at their largest.

Bring your own socks -- the ones you wear while running or walking. If you wear orthotics, bring those, too. Shoes need to fit with the orthotic inside.

Don't over- or underpay. Good-quality running and walking shoes are fairly pricey -- and usually worth it. A $15-shoe will not be as good as an $80-shoe. But you'll pay a premium for super-fashionable styles or those associated with a celebrity and they won't be any better for your feet.

Know when to replace them. The average pair of running shoes should be replaced after about 350-400 miles of use. Once the back of the sole is worn out or the shoe feels uncomfortable or less supportive, it's time to take those tootsies shopping again.

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Stewardship

"After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.'"
Luke 3:21-22

The Spirit descends upon us throughout our lives as Catholics. At our Baptism the Holy Spirit came upon us, and we received the fullness of the Holy Spirit's gifts at Confirmation. Nevertheless, we receive the Holy Spirit at every Mass and especially at the Eucharist. Just as the Holy Spirit descended upon the Lord, that same Holy Spirit descends upon us. You probably have never paid much attention to how a dove actually descends. It sort of hovers and floats downward. Its descent is smooth, deliberate, and in its own unique way. This Spirit has descended upon us and continues to do so. It fills us. What do we do with it? It is part of our very being, but for it to be effective we must share it and use it. — See more at www.catholicsteward.com/blog/.

Contributions for December 30

Envelopes/Sobres:	$10,582.00
Plate/Canasta:	$ 956.30
Maintenance-Upkeep:	$ 789.00

Contributions for January 6

Envelopes/Sobres:	$14,424.00
Plate/Canasta:	$ 623.78
Maintenance-Upkeep:	$ 2,247.37
Catholic Key Appeal	$ 2,302.85
Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God	$ 1,678.77

Catholic Home Mission Appeal - Jan 19-20

Next week we will take up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Right now, over 40 percent of dioceses in the United States are considered home mission territory because they are unable to fund the essential pastoral work needed in their communities. Your support of this appeal helps ease the struggle of these dioceses. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. More information can be found at *www.usccb.org/home-missions*.

Delegation to El Salvador In July of 2019 we plan to take a delegation to El Salvador to participate in the annual scholarship retreat. Along with our students in Cinquera, 17 other municipalities in El Salvador have students receiving scholarships to attend either high school or university. At the scholarship retreat, there will be 2-3 students from each municipality come together to share their experiences. Our travel dates will be July 8-15, 2019. Please contact Kris if you are interested in attending or would like more information. kris@stsabinaparish.org or 816-979-3151.

El Salvador Scholarship Student, Heydi

Heydi Ellizabeth Gómez Espinoza lives in a small community outside of Cinquera, called San Francisco Echeverria in the municipality of Tejutepeque. She is 23 years old and she attends the University of El Salvador, in San Salvador. She is currently in her 5th year of study and she is majoring in Physical Education, Sports and Recreation Education. She entered the scholarship program in 2015 and she is expected to graduate in 2019. Her grade point average last semester was 9.0.

Heydi has classes on Tuesdays from 9am-Noon, on Wednesdays from 7am-9am and 6pm-7pm, and on Saturdays from 1pm-5pm. Heydi lives in an apartment with other scholarship students from Cinquera during the week. She takes a 4-hour bus ride home each weekend to visit her family.

Heydi's mom makes a living as a seamstress. Their home is built of brick with an outhouse. The family has access to potable water and the house has electricity.

Heydi's mother, Julia, is 45 years old and completed high school. Heydi's 21 year old sister, Jeaneth finished high school and is continuing her studies. Her 5 year old brother, Angel, has just started school. Heydi visited St. Sabina in February of 2017.

This year Heydi's community project was Prevention before Treatment, a program which taught adolescents in Cinquera about sexual education in order to reduce the risk of teenage pregnancies, educate about sexual and reproductive responsibility and raise awareness about sexually transmitted diseases.

Heydi's achievements this past year include completing all her courses successfully, participating in social and political activities in the community and completing her social work successfully. Heydi's biggest challenges are the lack of economic resources and the lack of sports and recreation projects. She wants to raise awareness among the people so they know about the importance of sports and physical activity, and how this benefits the development of children and adolescents.

After graduation Heydi wants to work in a public school. She also wants to open a gym offering martial arts, judo, gymnastics and other sports. Heydi wants to create an association with different institutions such as city hall and NGOs, to be able to make physical activity more accessible to the children and youth of her municipality and surrounding communities.

To donate to our El Salvador Scholarship fund, please visit our website at www.stsabinaparish.org and click on on-line giving or drop a check in the collection with El Salvador written in the memo line.

Youth Ministry

Youth News

Thursday Morning Donuts! Every Thursday that Belton High School is in session, Kirstie will have donuts and a little prayer for High School youth heading to school. The Youth Office doors will open at 6:55am for kids to stop in on their way to school.

Confirmation Candidates! All youth enrolled in the Confirmation program must have a Sponsor to join them on the journey to the sacrament of Confirmation. There will be once a month meetings which are listed on the Youth Calendar which is available on the parish website. A sponsor is an adult Catholic who is confirmed, in good standing with the Catholic church and who is available to attend the meetings with the youth. It is not recommended that a parent serve as a sponsor. Our next Sponsor Night will be February 13th from 7-8:30pm in the Parish Hall. If you have any questions, please contact Kirstie Roberts.

Search Team! All current and former Peer Ministers are invited to contact Kirstie if you would like to serve on the Search Retreat this spring, March 1st-3rd. We will begin meetings at the end of January.

Junior High Lock In! Our Junior High Youth are invited to attend an overnight lock-in with several other Catholic youth groups from around KC on Saturday February 9th. We will leave St. Sabina at 8pm and return on Sunday the 10th at 6am. The cost for the event is $20 each and covers the use of Legacy Park as well as pizza. Youth are welcome to bring friends and everyone needs a permission slip. We will need parent drivers and chaperones for this event. Parents who would like to help out should contact Kirstie Roberts in the Youth Office as soon as possible. Parent chaperones will be paid with pizza, Doritos and caffeine and will forever be held in high esteem in the hall of the Education Wing.

PSR News

First Reconciliation service for all students in the 2nd grade and those preparing for First Holy Communion will be on January 22nd at 7pm in the church.

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://kcsjcatholic.org/the-office-of-child-and-youth-protection/

The Little Ones Jim Burrows

After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." Lk 3:21-22

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Reflection on the Readings

The Baptism of the Lord Sunday functions as a hinge Sunday between the Christmas/Epiphany Season, and the beginning of Ordinary time. Officially it is the last Sunday of the Christmas Season, bringing closure to the Christmas Season. Ordinary time begins with Sunday evening prayer, making the following Sunday, the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time, or Sunday of the second week in Ordinary Time. Ordinary time continues till Ash Wednesday when it is interrupted by the Great Ninety Days of Lent-Easter-Pentecost. Ordinary time is picked up again after the celebration of Pentecost and continues till the first Sunday of Advent.

The Christmas/Epiphany season began with the birth of the infant Jesus, God with us, and ends with the adult Jesus acknowledged as God's son, ready to take up his ministry and mission. Having publically given his life to God through the external sign of baptism, Jesus is overshadowed by the Spirit who motivates and drives him to mission on behalf of humanity.

Today we celebrate the baptism of the Lord as well as our own baptism. The season of **Ordinary (Numbered Sundays) Time plunges us into living out our baptismal commitment in imitation of Jesus' mission and ministry.**

The refrain from Responsorial Psalm 104 "O Bless the Lord, my soul," invites us all to bless the Lord for all of life's wonders resulting from God's free and gracious choice to be completely one with us in the person of Jesus. All Jewish prayer begins by blessing the Lord. The psalm pictures God as the one who gives people their food in due season, filling us with all good things. It reminds us that through the outpouring of God's grace, presence and relationship, we are created and renewed daily. **Today we loudly bless the Lord for all of life and love.**

The first reading from Isaiah is the beginning of Isaiah's message of consolation to those in exile in Babylonia, reminding them that God has not forgotten them. Isaiah proclaims that God's comfort and tender mercy is at work, preparing a smooth and open path for their return home. God is the good shepherd who feeds the flock, caring for them with great love. **God's love is ever faithful, ready to rebuild and renew the relationship that had been neglected by the people.**

The letter to Titus clearly proclaims that in Jesus, the grace of God has appeared among us. Jesus came to save us by "training us to reject godless ways...and to live temperately, justly and devoutly...." Jesus modeled the life style that God desires by being willing to give of "himself for us to deliver us from all lawlessness and to cleanse for himself a people as his own, eager to do what is good." **Titus goes on to affirm that it is God's Spirit, poured out through Jesus, which renews and restores our relationship with God and with all creation.**

Lectionary year C focuses our attention on the gospel of Luke. Luke's account of the Baptism of Jesus distinguishes between the role of John the Baptist and that of Jesus. John affirms that Jesus is the Christ. **Luke's account is unique in having God's Spirit descend on Jesus not as he comes out of the water but afterwards, while Jesus is praying. Luke pictures Jesus in prayer constantly, especially when Jesus needs time to discern God's will and intention for his life.**

God affirms Jesus' life style and mission by proclaiming that "you are my beloved son; with you I am well pleased." As we celebrate Jesus' baptism, let us recall that we too have been baptized in Christ. God has spoken to us, affirming us as sons and daughters in whom God is most pleased. As Jesus prays to strengthen his relationship to God and to be faithful to his mission, let us pray that God will strengthen us to be faithful to our baptismal commitment. **Like Jesus, we are called to "act with justice, to love tenderly, to serve one another, to walk humbly before God." During this season of Ordinary Time, how will you live out your baptismal commitment and promises?**

Biagio Mazza, Pastoral Associate

Readings

Sunday, January 13
1st Reading: Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11
Psalm: Psalm 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 (1)
2nd Reading: Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7
Gospel: Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

Sunday, January 20
1st Reading: Isaiah 62:1-5
Psalm: Psalm 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 (3)
2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:4-11
Gospel: John 2:1-11

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 offer study sessions that provide an opportunity to read, to study background to the readings, and to reflect on how to apply the readings to our lives. **Our next Bible Study dates are January 13 and 27 at 10:30am in the conference room.** All are welcome; bring a Bible. To register, call Biagio at 816-979-3153.

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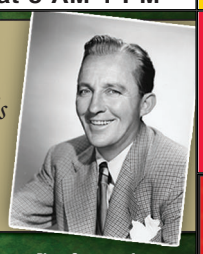
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Reflexión Sobre las Lecturas

El domingo del Bautismo del Señor funciona como un domingo de bisagra entre la temporada de Navidad/Epifanía y el comienzo del tiempo ordinario. Oficialmente, es el último domingo de la temporada navideña, que cierra la temporada navideña. El tiempo ordinario comienza con la oración del domingo por la noche, haciendo el domingo siguiente, el segundo domingo del tiempo ordinario o el domingo de la segunda semana del tiempo ordinario. El tiempo ordinario continúa hasta el Miércoles de Cenizas cuando es interrumpido por los Grandes noventa días de Cuaresma, Pascua y Pentecostés. El tiempo ordinario se reanuda de nuevo después de la celebración de Pentecostés y continúa hasta el primer domingo de Adviento.

La temporada de Navidad/Epifanía comenzó con el nacimiento del niño Jesús, Dios con nosotros, y termina con el Jesús adulto reconocido como el hijo de Dios, listo para asumir su ministerio y misión. Habiendo dado públicamente su vida a Dios a través del signo externo del bautismo, Jesús es eclipsado por el Espíritu que lo motiva y lo lleva a la misión en nombre de la humanidad.

Hoy celebramos el bautismo del Señor así como nuestro propio bautismo. La temporada del **tiempo ordinario (domingos numerados) nos sumerge en vivir nuestro compromiso bautismal en imitación de la misión y el ministerio de Jesús.**

El estribillo del Salmo responsorial 104 "Bendice, alma mía, al señor", nos invita a todos a bendecir al Señor por todas las maravillas de la vida que resultan de la elección libre y amable de Dios de ser completamente uno con nosotros en la persona de Jesús. Toda oración judía comienza bendiciendo al Señor. El salmo representa a Dios como el que le da a las personas su comida en el momento oportuno, llenándonos de todas las cosas buenas. Nos recuerda que a través del derramamiento de la gracia, la presencia y la relación de Dios, somos creados y renovados diariamente. **Hoy bendecimos en voz alta al Señor por toda la vida y el amor.**

La primera lectura de Isaías es el comienzo del mensaje de consuelo de Isaías para los exiliados en Babilonia, recordándoles que Dios no los ha olvidado. Isaías proclama que el consuelo de Dios y la tierna misericordia están trabajando, preparando un camino suave y abierto para su regreso a casa. Dios es el buen pastor que alimenta el rebaño, cuidándolos con gran amor. **El amor de Dios es siempre fiel, listo para reconstruir y renovar la relación que la gente había descuidado.**

La carta a Tito claramente proclama que en Jesús, la gracia de Dios ha aparecido entre nosotros. Jesús vino a salvarnos al "enseñarnos a renunciar a la vida sin religión… y a vivir de una manera sobria, justa y fiel a Dios..." Jesús modeló el estilo de vida que Dios desea al estar dispuesto a entregarse "por nosotros para redimirnos de todo pecado y purificarnos, a fin de convertirnos en pueblos suyo, fervorosamente entregado a practicar el bien". **Tito continúa afirmando que es el Espíritu de Dios, derramado a través de Jesús, que renueva y restaura nuestra relación con Dios y con toda la creación.**

El año de Leccionario C enfoca nuestra atención en el evangelio de Lucas. El relato de Lucas sobre el Bautismo de Jesús distingue entre el papel de Juan el Bautista y el de Jesús. Juan afirma que Jesús es el Cristo. **El relato de Lucas es único al hacer que el Espíritu de Dios descienda sobre Jesús no cuando sale del agua sino después, mientras Jesús está orando. Lucas representa a Jesús en oración constantemente, especialmente cuando Jesús necesita tiempo para discernir la voluntad y la intención de Dios para su vida.**

Dios afirma el estilo de vida y la misión de Jesús al proclamar que "tú eres mi hijo, el predilecto; en ti me complazco". Al celebrar el bautismo de Jesús, recordemos que también nosotros hemos sido bautizados en Cristo. Dios nos ha hablado, afirmándonos como hijos e hijas en quienes Dios está más complacido. Mientras Jesús ora para fortalecer su relación con Dios y para ser fiel a su misión, oremos para que Dios nos fortalezca para ser fieles a nuestro compromiso bautismal. **Como Jesús, estamos llamados a actuar con justicia, a amarnos con ternura, a servirnos unos a otros, a caminar humildemente ante Dios. Durante esta temporada del Tiempo Ordinario, ¿cómo vivirá su compromiso y promesas bautismales? Biagio Mazza, Asociado Pastoral**

Lecturas

Lecturas del Domingo, 13 de Enero
Primera Lectura: Isaías 40:1-5, 9-11
Salmo: Psalm 104:1-2a, 2b-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30
Segunda Lectura: Tito 2:11-14; 3:4-7
Evangelio: Lucas 3:15-16, 21-22

Lecturas del Domingo, 20 de Enero
Primera Lectura: Isaías 62:1-5
Salmo: Salmo 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 9-10a y c
Segunda Lectura: 1 Corintios 12:4-11
Evangelio: Juan 2:1-11

Ministerio Juvenil/Información

Noticias Juveniles

Donas los Jueves por la Mañana! Cada jueves que Belton High School tiene clases, Kirstie tendrá donas y hará oraciones con los jóvenes de High School antes de ir a la escuela. Las puertas de la Oficina de la Juventud se abrirán a las 6:45am para que los jóvenes pasen antes de la escuela.

¡Candidatos de la Confirmación! La próximo noche de Padrinos para la Confirmación será el 13 de febrero, 7-8: 30pm en el Salón Parroquial. Se espera que todos los candidatos a la confirmación (jóvenes) y su padrino adulto asistan a estas reuniones. Si el padrino no puede asistir a una reunión con el joven, el joven todavía debe asistir. Si tienes dificultades para encontrar un padrino, póngase en contacto con Kirstie Roberts en la Oficina de la Juventud y ella estará encantada de encontrar a alguien para ti.

¡Equipo de Search (retiro de confirmación)! Todos los ministros actuales y anteriores están invitados a ponerse en contacto con Kirstie si desea participar en el Retiro de Search esta primavera, del 1 al 3 de marzo. Comenzaremos las reuniones a fines de enero.

¡Noche de Deportes (Lock-in)! Nuestros jóvenes del 7º y 8º grados están invitados a asistir a una noche encerrada de deportes con otros grupos de jóvenes católicos de todo KC el sábado 9 de febrero. Saldremos de Sta. Sabina a las 8pm y regresaremos el domingo 10 de febrero a las 6am. El costo del evento es de $20 cada uno y cubre el uso de Legacy Park y la pizza. Los jóvenes son bienvenidos a traer amigos y todos necesitan una hoja de permiso. Necesitaremos padres conductores y chaperones para este evento. Los padres que deseen ayudar deben comunicarse con Kirstie Roberts en la Oficina de la Juventud lo mas antes posible. Los padres chaperones serán pagados con pizza, Doritos y cafeína y siempre se tendrán en alta estima en el Área de la Educación.

Noticias de la Escuela de Religión

El servicio de Primera Reconciliación para todos los estudiantes en el segundo grado y los que se preparan para la Primera Comunión será el 22 de enero a las 7pm en la iglesia.

DE RELIGIÓN

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, ó 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).
2) Póngase en contacto con su departamento de policía local o llame al 911.
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 Victimas, Kathleen Chastain al 816.392.0011 o chastain@diocesekcsj.org para mas información.

Todas las personas que son voluntarios con los jóvenes ó 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 https://kcsjcatholic.org/the-office-of-child-and-youth-protection/

Los Más Pequeños Jim Burrows

Aconteció que cuando todo el pueblo era bautizado, Jesús también fue bautizado: y mientras El oraba, el cielo se abrió, y el Espíritu Santo descendió sobre El en forma corporal, como una paloma, y vino una voz del cielo, que decía: "Tú eres mi Hijo amado, en ti me he complacido". Lc 3:21-22

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Platicas Pre-Bautismales - 9 de Febrero

Normalmente cada segundo Sábado del mes de las 10 am a la 1 pm. (Sólo para niños de 0-6 años.) Salón doble del área de educación. Para niños mayores de 7 años requerirán una formación especial.

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

Llamado para las Misiones Católicas - Enero 20

La próxima semana, realizaremos el Llamado para las Misiones Católicas. Ahora mismo, más del 40 por ciento de las diócesis en Estados Unidos es considerado territorio misionero nacional porque a esas diócesis no les es posible financiar las labores pastorales esenciales y necesarias en sus comunidades. Su apoyo a este Llamado ayuda a aliviar los esfuerzos que hacen estas diócesis. Por favor, en oración, consideren la manera de apoyar este llamado. Pueden encontrar más información en *www.usccb.org/home-missions.*

Las Posadas 2018

Felicidades a Daniela, la hija de Oscar y Marisela, que celebró su Quinceañera el 22 de Diciembre.

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Confesiones: Sábados, 3:00-3:30pm

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El Bautismo del Señor **13 de Enero, 2019**