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*Congratulations to Louis Jack, son of Tommy and Hannah, who was baptized on December 5!
Felicidades a Louis Jack, hijo de Tommy y Hannah, quien fue bautizado el 5 de diciembre!*

Weekend Masses

Saturdays at 4:00pm (English)
Sundays at 8:00am and 10:30am (English)
Sundays at 12:30pm (Spanish)

Daily Masses (English)

Tuesdays at 11:00am
Wednesday-Friday at 8:00am

Confessions

Saturdays 3:00-3:30pm
Or by appointment

Eucharistic Adoration

First Fridays, 8:30am-8:00pm

Online Masses

Sundays at 8:00am (Facebook-live)
Posted to website immediately after
Sundays at 12:30pm (Spanish-Facebook-live)
Posted to website immediately after

Misas Dominicales

Sábado a las 4:00pm (Inglés)
Domingo a las 8:00am y las 10:30am (Inglés)
Domingo a las 12:30pm (Español)

Misas Diarias (Inglés)

Martes a las 11:00am
Miércoles a Viernes a las 8:00am

Confesiones

Sábado de 3:00-3:30pm
O con cita

Adoración Eucarística

Primer Viernes del Mes, 8:30am-8:00pm

Misas en Línea

Domingo a las 8:00am (inglés-Facebook)
Publicado en nuestro sitio web después
Domingo a las 12:30pm (español-Facebook)
Publicado en nuestro sitio web después



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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 Ombudsman, Joe Crayon, at 816.812.2500 or crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org 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 Whitney True-Francis, Victim Assistance Coordinator, at 816.392.0011 or true.francis@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/>.

Mass Intentions for the Week Peticiónes de la Semana

Intentions for January 4-7, 2022

Tues.	11am	Open
Wed.	8am	Open
Thur.	8am	Open
Fri.	8am	Open

Saturday, January 8, 2022

4:00pm †Matthew Biro

Sunday, January 9, 2022

8:00am	Intentions of Our Parish Family
10:30am	In Thanksgiving to St. Anthony
12:30pm	Spanish Disponible

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

†John Jongenelen, husband of Catharina Jongenelen

†Rhonda Cooper, sister of Kenneth Cooper

†Rosa Maria Ortiz Calderon, hermana de Reyna Albor

†Valmer Bays, father of Mark, Donald, Martin & Teresa, and Karl Bays

†Lois Ervin, grandmother of Jenny Mossey

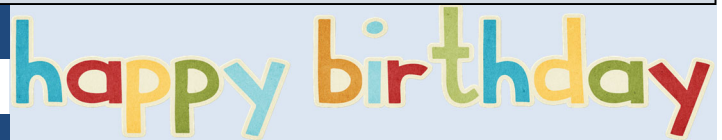
†Kathy Guezuraga, wife of Bob Guezuraga

†Mary Coleman, mother of Melissa Coleman

†Christina Gonzales, wife of Thomas Tobin

†Vanessa Coakley, mother of James Brady, Lisa Clark and Steven Coakley



**Sunday, January 2 - Domingo, 2 de Enero**

11:00am Ensayo del Coro Hispano

Monday, January 3 - Lunes, 3 de Enero

No Scheduled Events

Tuesday, January 4 - Martes, 4 de Enero

6:15am High School Youth Prayer and Donuts

7:00pm Rosario Parroquial

Wednesday, January 5 - Miércoles, 5 de Enero

9:00am Legion of Mary

6:30pm Parish Rosary

7:00pm Formation Offering—Complicity with Slavery (Zoom)

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

7:00pm Junior High Youth Group

7:00pm Knights of Columbus Council Meeting

7:00pm Scouting Religious Emblem Class

Thursday, January 6 - Jueves, 6 de Enero

9:30am Piecemakers Quilt Group

10:00am Formation Offering—Complicity with Slavery (Zoom)

3:00pm COVID Vaccine Clinic

7:00pm RCIA/RICA

Friday, January 7 - Viernes, 7 de Enero

10:00am Visitation for Vanessa Coakley

11:00am Funeral for Vanessa Coakley

12:30pm Adoration/Adoración

Saturday, January 8 - Sábado, 8 de Enero

Christmas Lights Recycle/Reciclaje de Luces Navideñas

10:00am Platicas Pre-bautismales

3:00pm Confessions

Sunday, January 9 - Domingo, 9 de Enero

Christmas Lights Recycle/Reciclaje de Luces Navideñas

9:00am PSR

11:00am Escuela de Religión

11:00am Ensayo del Coro Hispano

1:30pm SEARCH Team Meeting

7:00pm Confirmation and High School Youth Group

Esiquel Alvarado	Drake Mackall
Alexander Arreola	Jennifer Mackinnon
Ramona Benitez	Leilani Madrid
Michael Biondo	Nancy Meiron
Nick Biondo	Alan Menjivar
Elizabeth Breier	Argentina Meza-Dubón
Roberto Bretado	Joel Munoz
Maria Candia	Brian Niemeyer
Candido Cano	Lenyn Ortiz Galvez
Margie Castonguay	Michele Pinkowski
Melissa Coleman	Liliana Pinon
Enrique Esparza	Josafat Placencia
Beyonce Flores Noriega	Lily Pointer
Debra Glagola	Diana Ramirez
Zaira Gomez	Marcela Ramirez
Abigail Grantham	Reina Razo
Marie Graves	Eliceo Rocha
Kevin Guzman	Darlene Rojas
Shaun Halbhuber	Kevin Rosas
Caroline Henkhaus	Marie Ryherd
Hector Hernandez	Mercy Segovia
Citlaly Hernandez	Kurt Shatford
Josue Hinojos	John Shields
Yamilet Huerta	Larry Spencer
Garrett Huntsman	Bethany Stoverink
Cristin Ibarra	Rosa Torres
Tom Iseman	Jose Valenzuela
Kathy Kratoftil	Leopolda Vasquez
Jim Krezek	Janet Villalobos
Robert Lang	Karen Wallace
Marina Lopez	Terrance Wartell
Graciela Lopez	Mary Weber
Edward Ludwing	

Happy Anniversary

Jim and Patty Krezek	57 Years!	1/8/1965
Bill and Bonnie Becker	56 Years!	1/8/1966
Tom and Mary Ann Stout	44 Years!	1/7/1978
Lou and Sue Scaccia	41 Years!	1/3/1981
Jesus and Rosa Torres	31 Years!	1/5/1991
Ruben Oropeza and Hortensia Vazquez	19 Years!	1/6/2003
Juan Alas and Maria Delgado	5 Years!	1/7/2017

Baptism Congratulations

Archer William Ray Stangl, son of Adam and Shelby Stangl

Wedding Congratulations

Congratulations to **Adam and Shelby Stangl** who celebrated the blessing of their marriage on January 1st.

This Week's Do You Know Video:

Plays, art, music, costumes and dance are all entertaining ways to teach and instruct. The Christian missionaries to the Americas utilized all of these means to instruct the native people regarding the key lessons of the Advent-Christmas-Epiphany Season. These evolved into many Christmas customs and traditions that instruct as well as celebrate the meaning of the season. Celebrating Our Lady of Guadalupe with both a play and dance, the Matachines, Las Posadas, Las Pastorelas, the setting up of the Nacimientos, the Christmas nine day novena commemorating the nine months of Mary's pregnancy, the Piñata, the Three Kings, gift giving and the King's cake are just a few of these many rich customs and traditions. Make time to view this week's DYK video and immerse yourself in these many Latin American customs and traditions surrounding the Christmas season.

En Nuestro Video ¿Sabes...? de Esta Semana:

Obras de teatro, arte, música, disfraces y danza son formas entretenidas de enseñar e instruir. Los misioneros cristianos en las Américas utilizaron todos estos medios para instruir a los nativos sobre las lecciones claves de la temporada de Adviento, Navidad y Epifanía. Estos se convirtieron en muchas costumbres y tradiciones navideñas que instruyen y celebran el significado de la temporada. Celebrar a Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe con obras y danzas, los Matachines, Las Posadas, Las Pastorelas, la instalación de los Nacimientos, la novena navideña de nueve días para conmemorar los nueve meses del embarazo de María, la Piñata, los Reyes Magos, entrega de obsequios y la rosca de reyes son solo algunas de estas ricas costumbres y tradiciones. Tómese un momento para ver el video ¿Sabes? de esta semana y sumérjase en estas muchas costumbres y tradiciones latinoamericanas que rodean la temporada navideña.



Wellness Center

Did You Know- January is always the busiest time of the year for gyms—you might even call it the fitness version of Black Friday. After a holiday season of eating, drinking, and being merry (often in excess), many gyms see memberships double each January. Regardless of all that enthusiasm, gym attendance is usually back to its normal, pre-New Year level by mid-February.

You don't need superpowers or an iron will to commit to being healthier this year. Whether your goal is to do 10 push-ups, run a marathon, or simply take the stairs more often—you can get there! The Wellness Center is here to support you in your journey to be the best **YOU**, you can be!



Here are some tips to staying on track once you begin a workout regime.

1. **Write it and measure it-** Writing down your goals is not only a great way to accomplish them, but your list can also help you figure out the exact steps needed to get there.
2. **Break Up the Goal-** Resolving to do 10,000 push-ups in a year is intimidating but breaking down your goal to manageable, achievable steps will get you there.
3. **Keep a Schedule and Keep it Interesting-** Time management is important for accomplishing any goal, and fitness is no exception. Early morning exercise is a great way to fit a workout into a busy day, and it may encourage healthier eating and more movement throughout the day.
4. **Be Forgiving-** Even the best-laid resolutions can lose steam by spring. If taking time off means slightly tweaking your resolution, then so be it—but don't give up.

Many people can get easily discouraged and give up when there's too much emphasis on weight loss. Focus on the joys of exercise and movement instead. Take pride in your body getting stronger.

Catholic Charities Food Pantry

Catholic Charities KCSJ recently opened its first Food Pantry, "Lift Up—Kansas City" at our temporary site in St. Catherine of Siena Parish. The Pantry is available to anyone in our diocese and includes an online shopping portal for clients to choose groceries. Our plan is to have mobile outreach deliver food and emergency services across the diocese. We continue to seek capital support in the form of a building, shelving, box trucks, vans & forklifts and also search for a permanent home to serve the southern portion of our diocese and a location in our northern counties. If you have knowledge of or access to any of these items, please let us know. For more information, contact Jessica Gant at 816-882-4781 or jgant@ccharities.com. To volunteer, contact Linda Hopkins at 816-659-8205 or lhopkins@ccharities.com.



Matachines



Green Team Tip of the Week

Make your New Year's Resolution to join the Green Team! We meet the second Tuesday of the month. Next meeting 7pm Tuesday, Jan 11 in the Juan Diego Room. Contact michelle-a-rose@att.net for more info.

Platicas Pre-Bautismales - 8 de Enero, 2022

Normalmente cada segundo Sábado del mes de las 10 am a las 11am. (Sólo para niños de 0-6 años.) Salón Parroquial. Para niños mayores de 7 años requerirán una formación especial. **No se ofrece cuidado de niños.**



PRÓXIMOS BAUTISMOS: Llamar a Kris al 816-979-3151. Favor de llenar su aplicación para asistir a las platicas con anterioridad.

Despensa de Alimentos de Catholic Charities

Catholic Charities KCSJ (Caridades Católicas) abrió recientemente su primera despensa de alimentos, "Lift Up — Kansas City" en nuestro sitio temporal en la parroquia de St. Catherine of Siena. The Pantry está disponible para cualquier persona en nuestra diócesis e incluye un portal de compras en línea para que los clientes elijan alimentos. Nuestro plan es que el alcance móvil brinde alimentos y servicios de emergencia en toda la diócesis. Continuamos buscando apoyo de capital en forma de edificio, estanterías, camionetas y montacargas y también buscamos un hogar permanente para servir a la parte sur de nuestra diócesis y una ubicación en nuestros condados del norte. Si tiene conocimiento o acceso a alguno de estos elementos, háganoslo saber. Para obtener más información, comuníquese con Jessica Gant al 816-882-4781 o jgant@ccharities.com. Para ser voluntario, comuníquese con Linda Hopkins al 816-659-8205 o lhopkins@ccharities.com.

Consejo de la Semana del Equipo de Ecología

¡Haga su Resolución de Año Nuevo para unirse al Equipo de Ecología! Nos reunimos el segundo martes del mes. Próxima reunión 7pm martes 11 de enero en el Salón Juan Diego. Póngase en contacto con michelle-a-rose@att.net (ingles) o la oficina parroquial para obtener más información.

Tuesday Morning Donuts and Prayer for High School Youth at 6:15am!

Youth are welcome to stop by the Youth Office and take a moment to pray and enjoy a donut Tuesdays on their way to school. Friends are always welcome, too!

¡Donas y Oración los Martes a las 6:15am! Los jóvenes de la High School son bienvenidos a pasar por la Oficina del Ministerio de Jóvenes los martes y tomarse un momento para orar y disfrutar de una dona de camino a la escuela. ¡Los amigos también son bienvenidos!g

Guadalupe Celebration



Nursing Home Mass Schedule

January 12 10:30am Benton House of Raymore
January 19 10:00am Foxwood Springs

Visitors may attend these but you must wear a mask and sign in at the front desk.

Practice Being Grateful

As we begin a new year, it's important to stay grateful despite the stress and uncertainty we have all faced. Being grateful and showing gratitude are more than nice things to do; they help you appreciate your life and what you have. ***It feels good to be grateful!***

Say, "Thank you!" all the time. It may sound simple, but saying "thank you" and meaning it can boost your mood. Not only is it polite, it also will make the person you're thanking feel good too.

Write down what you appreciate most. This is a great exercise to help you see how much you truly have. Try to not focus on material things. Perhaps you feel grateful for your family, a healthy body, or the nice weather outside. You will see that being grateful can really have a positive impact on your mental health.

Pay attention to your emotions. It's important to stay in tune with how you're feeling. Meditation and mindfulness exercises are great to take a breather and escape from everyday stressors. Being present, feeling your breath, or having a few minutes of silence can all be exercises in gratitude when you practice focusing on the positive.

Staying grateful in difficult times can feel like a heavy lift when you don't know where to start. But with a little practice, it can become much easier to see the good instead of focusing on the negative or uncertain. Being grateful is a simple way to keep afloat and can help you and those around you.

Practique Ser Agradecido

A medida que comenzamos otro año, es importante estar agradecidos a pesar del estrés y la incertidumbre que todos hemos enfrentado. Estar agradecido y mostrar gratitud son más que lo correcto; le ayudan a apreciar su vida y lo que tiene. ***¡Se siente bien estar agradecido!***

Diga "¡gracias!" todo el tiempo. Puede parecer simple, pero decir "gracias" y decirlo en serio puede mejorar su estado de ánimo. No solo es cortés, sino que también hará que la persona a la que agradece se sienta bien.

Escriba lo que más aprecia. Este es un gran ejercicio que le ayudará a ver cuánto tiene realmente. Trate de no concentrarse en cosas materiales. Tal vez se sienta agradecido por su familia, un cuerpo sano o el clima bonito. Verá que estar agradecido realmente puede tener un impacto positivo en su salud mental.

Preste atención a sus emociones. Es importante estar en sintonía con cómo se siente. Los ejercicios de meditación y atención plena son excelentes para tomar un respiro y escapar de los factores estresantes cotidianos. Estar presente, sentir su respiración o tener unos minutos de silencio pueden ser ejercicios de gratitud cuando practica concentrarse en lo positivo.

Mantenerse agradecido en tiempos difíciles puede parecer un trabajo pesado cuando no sabe por dónde empezar. Pero con un poco de práctica, puede resultar mucho más fácil ver lo bueno en lugar de enfocarse en lo negativo o incierto. Estar agradecido es una forma sencilla de mantenerse a flote y puede ayudarlo a usted y a quienes lo rodean.



Prayer Requests/Peticiones de Oración

Randy Andrews	Steve Circo	John Frezza	Ellen Lovelace	Abigail Ragsdale	Rita Stout
Chris Armstrong	Angela Clayton	Gary Gallup	Axel Martinez	Patrick Reidy	Joel Taylor
Dick Armstrong	Mary Coleman	Karen Grantham	Pam May	Larry Rhodes	Marco Antonio Valeriano Barahona
Steve Ayers	Marianne Crooks	Cherie Hatfield	Gene McEwen	Amy Ritchie	Imelda Villareal
Joe Barron	Jack Davis	Martha Healy	Antonia Molina	Dennis Ritchie	Norma Villareal
Dcn Ross Beaudoin	JoAnn Davis	Rhonda Henke	Norabel Molina	Agustin Rivera	Marilyn Vranicar
Bill Beaver	Harold Dawes	Jack Henningsen	Shane Morrison	Alfonso Rivera	Deb Wagner
Emma Beaver	Mark DeLuca	Marilyn Henningsen	Joan Muench	Crystal Rodriguez	Denise Vargo Wallace
Jovita Berbena	Marcia DiGeorge	Matt Hiesberger	Jerry Nowak	Michelle Rose	Andrew Watson
Dennis Berg	Randy Dyck	Zoey Ann Holle	Joan Nowak	Anna Ryan	Donna West
Marion Biondo	Jeannine Edmonds	Ernestine Iseman	Jack Obermeier	Larry Scali	Mary Wickstrum
Mary Pat Biondo	Terry Eppert	Sue Huwar	JoAnn Obermeier	Deryl Sellmeyer	Marie Wilburn
Betty Bremerkamp	Clayton Evans	Kenneth Jones	Miguel Angel Ortega	Georgiana Smith	Marilyn Wilhite
Veronica Burks	Melissa Evans	Debbie Kelly	Maria Orozco	Mary Spear	
Sherman Calice	Sharon Felsing	Jack King	Ron Parker	Don Standley	
Joyce Callahan	Carolyn Folz	Todd Kudron	Heleno Piano	Lori Stangl	
Roy Carlock	Larry Foster	Don Kueck	Ricardo Pinon	James Stella	
Patty Carr	Liliana Flores	Susan Lager	Gary Prendergast	Johnny Stinger	
Racheal Casaday Smith	Maria Luisa Flores	Ellen Lilek	Rita Pruitt	Lois Stogsdill	

In the ancient world, an “epiphany” referred to the appearance of a god who became visible to human beings. This is what we celebrate on the Feast of Epiphany. **We celebrate our God becoming human, becoming visible, and interacting with us on our level.** As the first letter of John states: “the Word of Life... was made visible” (1John 1:2), and we have seen, heard, touched and testify to that Word. **This is the marvelous reality that we celebrate today.**

In most of Europe, January 6th, exactly twelve days after Christmas, is a holy day of obligation, the time when gifts are shared, based on the story of the magi and their sharing of gifts with the holy family. **The Epiphany season focuses on revealing Jesus to the world.**

Following the Christmas celebration, the liturgical year lays out a series of manifestation points in which Jesus is made publicly known. From the beginning, the Christian community highlighted three manifestations or appearances of divinity in our midst, namely the story of the magi, the baptism of Jesus and the wedding feast of Cana. All three are considered epiphanies.



The Epiphany discloses Jesus to the world of the Gentiles, represented by the magi from the East. The accounts of Jesus' baptism lead Jesus to a greater awareness of himself, his identity and mission, along with exposing him to those to whom he was sent to minister. The miracle of turning water to wine at the wedding feast of Cana, unique to John's gospel, is, according to John, the first public sign that Jesus performs, thus manifesting his public identity and his ministry.

Today in the Western church our lectionary readings focus on these epiphanies by celebrating them on successive Sundays: Epiphany Sunday (Jan 2), the Baptism of the Lord Sunday (Jan 9) and the wedding feast of Cana on the second Sunday in Ordinary time in lectionary year C (Jan 16). **This year, we are once again fortunate to have the opportunity to reflect on all three manifestations or epiphanies of Jesus.**

Matthew's Magi account concerning Gentiles from unknown lands acknowledging Jesus as king, powerfully communicates an essential truth about Jesus and his followers. **It affirms that any true follower of Jesus must be "catholic." This does not mean membership in the Catholic Church. Rather to be "catholic" is to be universal, with a welcoming open stance toward all.**

Jesus came for all people. **By accepting Jesus, we too become people open to all, welcoming all, breaking down boundaries, and reconciling enemies.** Like Jesus, we welcome all; the social outcast, the stranger, the immigrant and the asylum seeker pleading at our border for hospitality, safety and welcome, the homeless, the rich and the powerful, to be part of our table. **We make sure there is room at the table for all, treating all with human dignity, respect and love.**

In so doing, we become manifestations, epiphanies and sacraments to others of the real presence of God among us. We become Christ for others and to others. Through our actions, others will come to recognize the active “catholic” presence of God. By committing ourselves to such a lifestyle, we can boldly sing the refrain from responsorial Psalm 72, “Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.” **With the letter to the Ephesians we proclaim “that the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body, and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.” Like the Gentiles, immigrants seeking safety are “members of the same body”.**

As we celebrate Epiphany, recall how God has been made manifest in your life. Where have you seen, heard, touched and testified to that divine manifestation? How will you continue to attune yourself to the multitude of ways in which God enters your life? **How do the Magi challenge you to be truly “catholic” in your following of Jesus and in welcoming all to the table? Reflect on what should be our Christ-like attitude towards all those who seek hospitality and welcome at our borders. How will you respond as a catholic disciple? Happy Epiphany to all.**

Biagio Mazza, Pastoral Associate

Readings



Sunday, January 2

1st Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6

Psalm: Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 (11)

2nd Reading: Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6

Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

Sunday, January 9

1st Reading: Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11

Psalm: Psalm 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30

2nd Reading: Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7

Gospel: Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

En el mundo antiguo, una "epifanía" se refería a la aparición de un dios que se hacía visible para los seres humanos. Esto es lo que celebramos en la fiesta de la epifanía. **Celebramos que nuestro Dios hecho humano, hecho visible y dado a conocer con nosotros a nuestro nivel.** Como dice la primera carta de Juan: "La Palabra que es vida ... se dio a conocer" (1 Juan 1: 2), y hemos visto, escuchado, tocado y testificamos de esa Palabra. **Esta es la maravillosa realidad que hoy celebramos.**

En la mayor parte de Europa, el 6 de enero, exactamente doce días después de Navidad, es un día de precepto, el momento en que se comparten los regalos, basado en la historia de los magos y su intercambio de regalos con la Sagrada Familia. **La temporada de la Epifanía se centra en la revelación de Jesús al mundo.**

Después de la celebración navideña, el año litúrgico presenta una serie de puntos de manifestación en los que Jesús se da a conocer públicamente. Desde el principio, la comunidad cristiana destacó tres manifestaciones o apariciones de divinidad entre nosotros, a saber, la historia de los magos, el bautismo de Jesús y la fiesta de bodas de Caná. Los tres son considerados epifanías.

La Epifanía revela a Jesús al mundo de los paganos, representado por los magos del Oriente. Los relatos del bautismo de Jesús llevan a Jesús a una mayor conciencia de sí mismo, su identidad y su misión, además de exponerlo a aquellos a quienes fue enviado para ministrar. El milagro de convertir el agua en vino en la fiesta nupcial de Caná, única en el evangelio de Juan, es, según Juan, el primer signo público que realiza Jesús, manifestando así su identidad pública y su ministerio.

Hoy en la iglesia occidental, nuestras lecturas del leccionario se centran en estas epifanías al celebrarlas los domingos sucesivos: el domingo de la Epifanía (6 de enero), el domingo del bautismo del Señor (13 de enero) y la fiesta de bodas de Caná el segundo domingo del tiempo ordinario en Leccionario año C (20 de enero). **Este año, una vez más somos afortunados de tener la oportunidad de reflexionar sobre las tres manifestaciones o epifanías de Jesús.**

El relato de Mateo de los Magos sobre los gentiles de tierras desconocidas que reconocen a Jesús como rey, comunica poderosamente una verdad esencial acerca de Jesús y sus seguidores. **Afirma que cualquier verdadero seguidor de Jesús debe ser "católico". Esto no significa ser miembro de la Iglesia católica. Más bien, ser "católico" es ser universal, con una actitud abierta hacia todos.**

Jesús vino para todas las personas. **Al aceptar a Jesús, nosotros también nos convertimos en personas abiertas a todos, dándoles la bienvenida a todos, rompiendo fronteras y reconciliando enemigos. Como Jesús, damos la bienvenida a todos; el marginado social, el extranjero, el inmigrante pidiendo hospitalidad, seguridad y acogida en nuestra frontera, las personas sin hogar, los poderosos y los ricos, para formar parte de nuestra mesa. Nos aseguramos de que haya espacio en la mesa para todos, que traten a todos con dignidad humana, respeto y amor.**

Al hacerlo, nos convertimos en manifestaciones, epifanías y sacramentos para otros de la presencia real de Dios entre nosotros. Nos convertimos en Cristo para los demás. A través de nuestras acciones, otros llegarán a reconocer la presencia activa "católica" de Dios. Al comprometernos con un estilo de vida así, podemos cantar audazmente el estribillo del Salmo responsorial 72: "Se postrarán ante ti, Señor, todos los pueblos de la tierra". **Con la carta a los efesios proclamamos "que por el evangelio, los paganos son coherederos, miembros del mismo cuerpo, y copartícipes en la promesa en Jesucristo". Al igual que los paganos, los inmigrantes que buscan seguridad son "miembros del mismo cuerpo".**

Lecturas



Lecturas del Domingo, 2 de Enero

Primera Lectura: Isaías 60:1-6
Salmo: Salmo 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13
Segunda Lectura: Efesios 3:2-3, 5-6
Evangelio: Mateo 2:1-12

Lecturas del Domingo, 9 de Enero

Primera Lectura: Isaías 40:1-5, 9-11
Salmo: Salmo 103:1-2a, 2b-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30
Segunda Lectura: Tito 2:11-14;3:4-7
Evangelio: Lucas 3:15-16,21-22

Mientras celebramos este tiempo de Epifanía, recuerde cómo Dios se ha manifestado en su vida. ¿Dónde ha visto, oído, tocado y testifica de esa manifestación divina? ¿Cómo continuará sintonizándose con la multitud de formas en que Dios entra en su vida? **¿Cómo le desafían los Magos a ser verdaderamente "católicos" en su seguimiento de Jesús y en dar la bienvenida a todos a la mesa? Reflexione sobre cuál debería ser nuestra actitud cristiana hacia todos aquellos que buscan hospitalidad y bienvenida en nuestras fronteras. ¿Cómo responderá como discípulo católico? Feliz Epifanía a todos.**

Biagio Mazza, Asociado Pastoral

SLAVES, BE SUBJECT TO YOUR MASTERS (1 PET 2:18)

A Narrative of American Religious Institutions and Their Historical Complicity with Slavery and Racism

Wednesday Evenings, January 5, 12, 19, & 26, 2022 ~ 7-9 PM (Central Time)
Repeated Thursday Mornings, January 6, 13, 20, & 27, 2022 ~ 10 AM-Noon (CT)

Long before its foundation, slavery, in its many forms, has been an integral component of the United States. Blacks and other non-white ethnic groups were enslaved, abused, tortured and killed. "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness," boldly affirmed in the Declaration of Independence did, and in many ways, still does not apply to Blacks and other non-white ethnic groups.

Most American Religious Institutions bought into the cultural appropriation of slavery, and despite their beliefs and teachings regarding the dignity and respect due to all, they were complicit, along with all other social and governmental institutions, in slavery and racism.

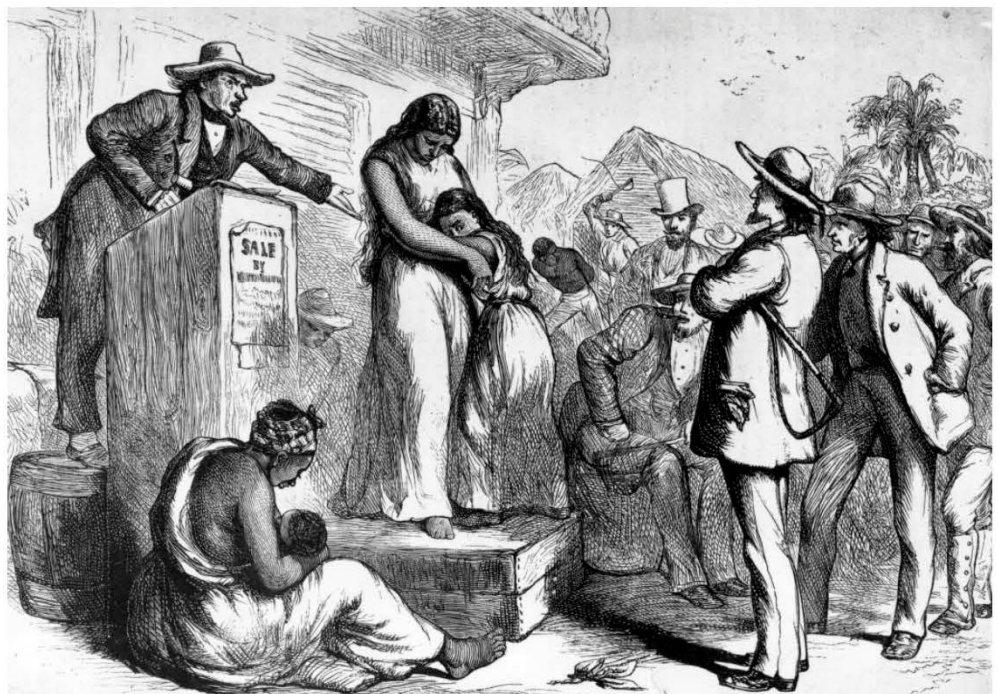
These sessions explore the many ways in which American Religious Institutions manifested their complicity in the buying and selling of human beings, along with how they continued their complicity to our present day with racist policies and prejudice. Most major American universities, Protestant Religious institutions, Catholic Religious Orders of both men and women, along with many other religious institutions, all used and abused human beings to support and further their mission and objectives. The sessions conclude by examining the many ways that some of these religious institutions are acknowledging and apologizing for their complicity, and what they are currently doing to make amends or reparations.

The sessions will be facilitated via Zoom. To register for your desired time frame, see below.

**To register, call Biagio at 816-979-3153 or e-mail Biagio at biagio@stsabinaparish.org
St. Sabina Parish, 700 Trevis Avenue, Belton, MO 64012 www.stsabinaparish.org**



Sessions will be
facilitated by
Biagio Mazza,
Pastoral Associate,
St. Sabina Parish.



"And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was. They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh."

Matthew 2:9-11

At Christmas the Messiah Jesus was revealed to the shepherds, who were Jewish. But on this day the Lord is revealed to all nations and to the Gentiles (represented by the Magi). We are all familiar with the star the Magi followed, but we need to understand all that is happening and what it means. This all represents the Light of Christ, a Light which today we honor and commemorate. We are called to be the Light of Christ right now to those around us and those with whom we come in contact. That way we can be the disciples Christ wants us to be. The poet William Cullen Bryant captures the significance of the star the Magi followed very well when he wrote, "O Father, may that Holy Star, Grow every year more bright, And send its glorious beams afar, To fill the world with light." — See more at www.catholicsteward.com/blog/.

"Al ver de nuevo la estrella, se llenaron de inmensa alegría. Entraron en la casa y vieron al niño con María, su madre, y postrándose, lo adoraron. Después, abriendo sus cofres, le ofrecieron regalos: oro, incienso y mirra."

Mateo 2:9-11

En Navidad, el Mesías Jesús fue revelado a los pastores, que eran judíos. Pero en este día el Señor se revela a todas las naciones y a los gentiles (representados por los Magos). Todos conocemos la estrella que siguieron los magos, pero debemos comprender todo lo que está sucediendo y lo que significa. Todo esto representa la Luz de Cristo, una Luz que hoy honramos y conmemoramos. Estamos llamados a ser la Luz de Cristo ahora mismo para aquellos que nos rodean y aquellos con quienes entramos en contacto. De esa manera podemos ser los discípulos que Cristo quiere que seamos. El poeta William Cullen Bryant capta el significado de la estrella que los magos siguieron muy bien cuando escribió: "Oh Padre, que esa estrella santa, crezca cada año más brillante, y envíe sus gloriosos rayos a lo lejos, para llenar el mundo de luz".

— Vea mas en www.catholicsteward.com/blog/.

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St. Sabina offers an online giving option for parishioners and visitors. This is an easy, safe and secure way to make contributions online. To set up a one-time or recurring contribution: scan the QR Code or go to our parish website at www.stsabinaparish.org and click the "Online Giving" button in the top right section. This will open a new window through our secure third party website.



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Contributions for the Week of December 12

Envelopes/Sobres:	\$16,097.00
Weekly Plate:	\$ 1,553.00
Maintenance-Upkeep:	\$ 2,235.00
Immaculate Conception:	\$ 565.00

Donaciones por Internet

Sta. Sabina ofrece una opción de donar en línea para los feligreses y visitantes. Esta es una manera fácil, y segura de contribuir por internet. Para establecer una contribución única ó recurrente: escanee el código QR o visite nuestro sitio web de la parroquia en www.stsabinaparish.org, haga clic en el botón "Online Giving" en la parte superior derecha. Se abrirá una ventana nueva que lo llevará a otro sitio seguro.

¡Apoya a Nuestra Parroquia al Comprar por Internet!

¿Sabía que es probable que sus compras en Amazon sean elegibles para proveer una donación para nuestra parroquia? Por favor, tenga esta en cuenta cuando hace sus compras navideñas. El último trimestre, recibimos donaciones basadas en **más de \$26,700** de sus compras y más de \$162,700 de sus compras, ¡acumulativamente! Para apoyarnos de esta manera, asegúrese de hacer sus compras en Amazon a través de smile.amazon.com y seleccione "St. Sabina Catholic Church, Belton" como su organización benéfica preferida. ¡Gracias a los 117 compradores que nos han elegido como organización benéfica!

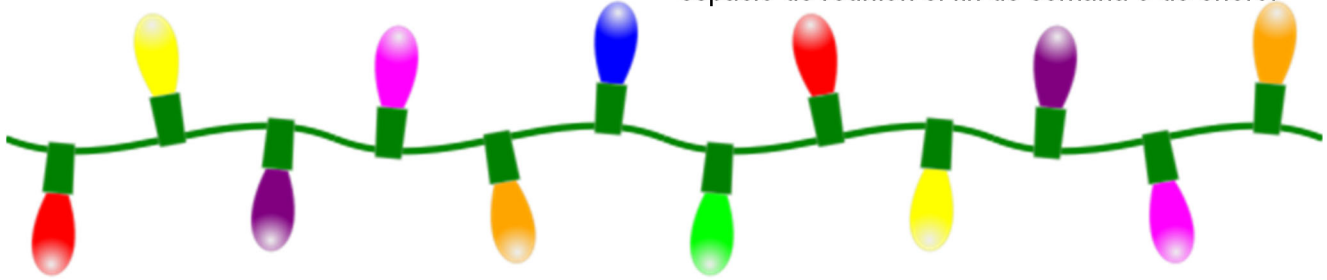


Christmas Light Recycling

Our parish Green Team will be offering the opportunity to recycle your old, non-working Christmas lights again this year. Collection bins will be found in the gathering space the weekend of January 9.

Reciclaje de Luces Navideñas

Nuestro Equipo de Ecología de la parroquia estará ofreciendo la oportunidad de reciclar sus luces navideñas que ya no funcionan nuevamente este año. Los contenedores de recolección se encontrarán en el espacio de reunión el fin de semana 9 de enero.



Consider Making a Bequest to St. Sabina

Planned giving provides an opportunity to give a gift that forever perpetuates our Catholic faith. To leave your parish a bequest, make sure your intentions are understood by providing as much identifying information as possible. State the Legal Name, Tax ID Number (if known), Address, City, State and Zip Code. Contact Kris at kris@stsabinaparish.org for more information.

Considere Hacer un Legado a Santa Sabina

Las donaciones planificadas brindan la oportunidad de dar un regalo que perpetúa para siempre nuestra fe católica. Para dejar un legado a su parroquia, asegúrese de que se comprendan sus intenciones proporcionando tanta información de identificación como sea posible. Indique el nombre legal, el número de identificación fiscal (si lo conoce), la dirección, la ciudad, el estado y el código postal. Póngase en contacto con Kris en kris@stsabinaparish.org para obtener más información.

Altar Society Thanks

The Altar Society of St Sabina would like to thank the parishioners for their outstanding support during the recent Religious Articles Sale. All proceeds from the sale benefit St. Sabina directly. The Altar Society purchases the bread and wine used during the liturgy, server robes, and many other items needed for the sacristy, sanctuary and church. Your continued support is greatly appreciated!

Agradecimiento de la Sociedad del Altar

La Sociedad del Altar de Santa Sabina quisiera agradecer a los feligreses por su destacado apoyo durante la reciente Venta de Artículos Religiosos. Todos los ingresos de la venta benefician directamente a Sta. Sabina. La Sociedad del Altar compra el pan y el vino que se usan durante la liturgia, las túnicas para los monaguillos y muchos otros artículos necesarios para la sacristía, el santuario y la iglesia. ¡Su apoyo constante es muy apreciado!

Donations for Christmas Poinsettias in Memory of our Loved Ones

Donations for Christmas poinsettias were given in memory of the following: Linda Baldwin, Vic and Jean Wasleski, Pat and Bill Rose, Kenneth Roe, Donald and Betty Benoit, Dodie Maurer, Joe Maurer, Mabel and Chester Hopkins, Anne Marie Flynn, Theo Suwito, Felix Suwito, Adonna Lowe, Ralph Richardson, Ruth Richardson, Joel Perez, Ruby Mae Shafer, Sherry Incorvia, The Findley Family, The Simon Family, Steven M. Birkner, Pat Falcon, Bob McKim, Harry Duncan, Ivan Dull, Casey Pointer, Charlie Carrollo, Carrie Carrollo, Joe Falco Sr., Harold and Bobby Brown, Rey Silvers, Theresa Brown, The Kaiser family, Mary F. Perkins, Joe and Gloria McLaughlin, Marvin Henrich, Rita H. Miller, Riley Nelson, Heather Nelson, Amy Nelson, Anne Marie Nelson, Francis Storm, Leo Storm, Albert Storm, Anna Reinhardt, Chuck and Wilma Mackey, Mildred Saighman, Eleanor Amfahr, and the souls in Purgatory.

And in honor of: The Moore Family and The Kaiser Family.

Donaciones para Noche Buenas en Memoria de Nuestros Seres Queridos

Linda Baldwin, Vic y Jean Wasleski, Pat y Bill Rose, Kenneth Roe, Donald y Betty Benoit, Dodie Maurer, Joe Maurer, Mabel y Chester Hopkins, Anne Marie Flynn, Theo Suwito, Felix Suwito, Adonna Lowe, Ralph Richardson, Ruth Richardson, Joel Perez, Ruby Mae Shafer, Sherry Incorvia, la familia Findley, la familia Simon, Steven M. Birkner, Pat Falcon, Bob McKim, Harry Duncan, Ivan Dull, Casey Pointer, Charlie Carrollo, Carrie Carrollo, Joe Falco Sr., Harold y Bobby Brown, Rey Silvers, Theresa Brown, la familia Kaiser, Mary F. Perkins, Joe and Gloria McLaughlin, Marvin Henrich, Rita H. Miller, Riley Nelson, Heather Nelson, Amy Nelson, Anne Marie Nelson, Francis Storm, Leo Storm, Albert Storm, Anna Reinhardt, Chuck y Wilma Mackey, Mildred Saighman, Eleanor Amfahr, y las almas del purgatorio.

Y en honor a: La familia Moore y la familia Kaiser.

Keeler Women's Center Offerings

Keeler Women's Center, operated by the Benedictine Sisters, offers a variety of classes and support groups. All programs and services are free and offered in-person to those fully vaccinated or via Zoom for all. Donations are accepted. Following are listed a few of their offerings. For a full listing, please visit www.keelerwomenscenter.org. To register, please call 913-689-9375 for English offerings, for Spanish offerings call 913-708-0286, or email kwc@mountosb.org.

Coping With Grief: Hosted by Sr. Loretta McGuire, OSB, 1st Wednesday of the month, 10:00 a.m. A support group for men and women.

Caregiver's Support Group: Hosted by Jackie Tigges, MSW, LCSW 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of every month from 2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Legal Support: Legal Advice on Wills and Power of Attorney: Hosted by Attorneys Sheila and Scott Martinsen, 3rd Thursday of each month, 10:00 a.m., via Zoom

Surviving Domestic Violence hosted in partnership with F.O.Y. and Joyce Williams Center: Every 2nd and 4th Tuesday, 2:00 – 3:00 p.m., via Zoom or call for in person reservation. Surviving Domestic Violence is an Education and Support Group for Victims of Domestic Violence. Each week a different topic will be explored and so you may join at any time. We ask that you are in a private location that cannot be overheard by others when you are on the zoom for this group.

Pictured are scenes of the reenactment of the apparitions of Our Lady to Juan Diego, performed at our annual Guadalupe Celebration on Sunday, December 12.

En las fotos se muestran escenas de la recreación de las apariciones de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe a Juan Diego, realizada en nuestra celebración anual de Guadalupe el domingo 12 de diciembre.

Programas del Centro de Mujeres Keeler

El Centro de Mujeres Keeler, operado por las Hermanas Benedictinas, ofrece una variedad de clases y grupos de apoyo. Todos los programas y servicios son gratuitos y se ofrecen en persona a quienes estén completamente vacunados o mediante Zoom para todos. Se aceptan donaciones. A continuación se enumeran algunas de sus programas. Para obtener una lista completa, visite www.keelerwomenscenter.org. Para registrarse, llame al 913-689-9375 para programas en inglés, para programas en español llame al 913-708-0286 o envíe un correo electrónico a kwc@mountosb.org.

Asistencia al Inmigrante: Presentado Attorney Greg Boyle, 3rd Jueves del Mes, 2:00 p.m., via Zoom o citas en persona

Grupo Las Mujeres: Presentada Eugenia De La Rosa, Martes del Mes, 10:00 – 11:30 a.m., via Zoom o en persona

La Hora Financiera Presentado Brenda Mortell, Jueves 7 de octubre, 10:00, via Zoom o citas en persona.

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