Saint Sabina Catholic Church

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

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Remember, Renew, Rejoice...

Thank you to Marily, who served for her first time as an altar server on January 6, and to all of our altar servers who share their time with our parish!

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.

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Intentions for January 21-25, 2019

Mon.	7pm	Ecumenical Prayer Service
Tues.	6pm	Intentions of Melissa Frerking
Wed.	11am	Intentions of Ruth Brown Intentions of Don Grieb (Carnegie Village)
Thurs.	8am	†Theo Suwito
Fri.	8am	†Jack & Nancy Henning

Saturday, January 26, 2019

4:00pm †Jean Rehm-Coomer

Sunday, January 27, 2019

8:00am †Paul DeMar
10:30am †Felix Suwito
†Theo Suwito
12:30pm Spanish Intenciones de Nuestra Familia Parroquial
†Salvador de Jesús Calderon Lopez

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

†Jean Rehm-Coomer, wife of Bob Coomer

†Eileen Feller, mother of Dave Feller

†Mary Frances Moore, mother of Mark Moore

Calendar/Information

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

Monday, January 21 - Lunes, 21 de Enero

Martin Luther King, Jr Day/Office Closed

7:00pm	Ecumenical Prayer Service

Tuesday, January 22 - Martes, 22 de Enero

7:00pm	ESL/Inglés Como Segunda Lengua
7:00pm	First Reconciliation Service
7:00pm	Living Stones

Wednesday, January 23 - Miércoles, 23 de Enero

9:00am	Legion of Mary
11:00am	Mass at Carnegie Village
7:00pm	Choir Rehearsal (4:00 and 10:30 groups)
7:00pm	Faith Formation Offering: Welcoming the Poor
7:00pm	Junior High Youth Group

Thursday, January 24 - Jueves, 24 de Enero

6:55am	High School Youth Prayer Breakfast
9:30am	Piecemakers Quilting Group
10:00am	Faith Formation Offering: Welcoming the Poor
7:00pm	RCIA/RICA

Friday, January 25 - Viernes, 25 de Enero

No Scheduled Events

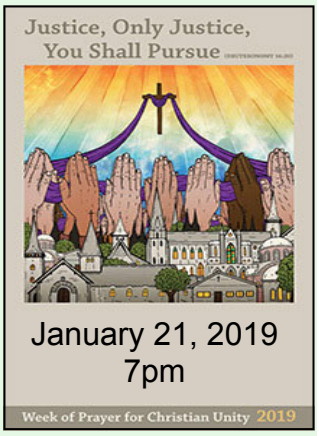
Saturday, January 26 - Sábado, 26 de Enero

3:00pm	Confessions

Sunday, January 27 - Domingo, 27 de Enero

9:00am	PSR/Parents Lounge
9:30am	First Communion Parent Meeting
10:30am	Taller de Hechura de Piñatas
11:00am	Ensayo del Coro Hispano
11:00am	Escuela de Religión
11:30am	Junta de Padres para la Primera Comunión
3:00pm	Search Team Meeting

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 pray not only for unity, but for justice as well.

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.

Trip to the Pacific Northwest

Brochures are available in the gathering space and in the parish office for Fr. Jeff's trip to Discover the Pacific Northwest and California. The dates of the trip are September 29-October 6. 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. For more information, please visit https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/897088.

Parish Information

This Week's Do You Know Video:

This week's DYK video addresses the three Epiphany events associated with January 6, the traditional date for the celebration of the Feast of the Epiphany. While the West focused on the Magi story, the Eastern Church focused on the Baptism of Jesus and the Wedding Feast of Cana as key events in the Epiphany or manifestation of Jesus to the world. Today all three events in Jesus' life are associated with his Epiphany to the wider world. The Magi following the star search for a ruler or king unlike other kings who will rule with justice and care and concern for others. Baby Jesus, not Herod, is the full manifestation of such a king and they honor him with gifts. Jesus' baptism as an adult is a symbolic manifestation of turning his self over to God. While not necessary for him, as fully human, he models for us what we are to be about in our own baptism. The wedding feast of Cana is Jesus' first public sign according to John's gospel, showing disciples that care and concern for others trumps readiness for ministry, Coaxed by his mother, Jesus does marvels for a couple whose wedding feast runs out of wine. Make time to view this week's DYK video and learn more about what these three manifestations of Jesus teach us about being disciples.

Baptism Congratulations

Molly Jane Hafkesbring, daughter of Robert and Samantha Hafkesbring

Green Team Tip of the Week

Learn about programs, grants and service providers for improving energy efficiency in commercial and residential buildings https://metroenergy.org/programs/energy-efficient-buildings/.

Over 55

New Theatre Restaurant

The next show we will be seeing at the New Theatre Restaurant is *Biloxi Blues* starring Peter Scolari on Thursday, March 14 at 6:00pm (show will begin at 7:35). Tickets will be $48 each. If you would like to go, please contact Bridget Hernandez at 816-979-3159 with the number of tickets you will need by Thursday, February 7th.

happy birthday

Doraida Aguirre	Ivan Hinojos	Diego Salcedo
Salvador Arroyo	Nancy Jaimes	Marisol Salinas
Katlyn Austin	Angel Jaimes	Alan Shields
John Berryman	Kimberly Lopez	Francisco Solis
Emilee Biondo	Lorena Lopez	Valerie Spencer
Monica Burgin	Janice McDougal	Wally Srader
Megan Carr	Jose Meza	Daniel Starforth
Stefany Cartagena	Viridiana Molina	Lois Stogsdill
Teresa Chavez	Fabiola Morales	Nikki Strickland
Christofer Duarte	Jerry Morgan, Jr	Logan Sueltz
Maria Fragoso	Amy Nelson	Shawn Sueltz
Angel Fuentes	Austin Pritchett	Shirley Tolbert
Don Grieb	Raul Quinones	Maricruz Villa Lagos
Jonathan Harshbarger	Beverly Renfro	Jill Votava
Beckee Hart	Evelyn Reyes	Emy Yeater
Kelly Hense	Sergio Rocha	Reyna Zamora
Luis Hinojos	Daniel Rojo	Vicki Zamora

Happy Anniversary

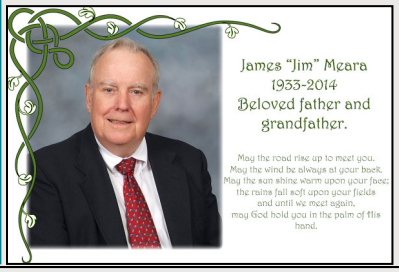
Michael and Donna Dailey	42 Years!	1/22/1977
Ron and Marta Roper	38 Years!	1/24/1981
James and Estelle Lewis	20 Years!	1/24/1999

Office Closed January 21

Our parish office will be closed on Monday, January 21st in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

75th Anniversary Coffee Table Book and Pictorial Directory

This year marks the 75th anniversary of our parish. As a part of our celebration, we will publish a special anniversary coffee table book/pictorial directory. We invite you to purchase a space in this special edition directory to insert your own memories or memorials. Memory and Memorial space prices are listed below. Contact Bridget in the parish office with questions or to reserve your space. Photography will take place in April and we hope to have the book completed by fall.



Full Page—$200
Half Page—$120
Quarter Page—$70

Information

Help for Struggling Marriages - Retrouvaille

Retrouvaille offers a welcoming and loving space to couples who have been living with the misery of a failing marriage. Retrouvaille offers hope: hope that it is not too late, hope of a different and better marriage. Retrouvaille helps couples to show each other mercy through the opportunities it provides to listen, to forgive, to be reconciled and to move into their futures believing that God loves them and with His help and their efforts, their marriages can be healed and restored. Retrouvaille provides help for marriage problems/difficulties/crises. For more information about an upcoming Retrouvaille Weekend program for couples, contact registration team: Local telephone is 800-470-2230 or visit our website: HelpOurMarriage.com. **The next weekend in the Kansas City area will be January 25-27.**

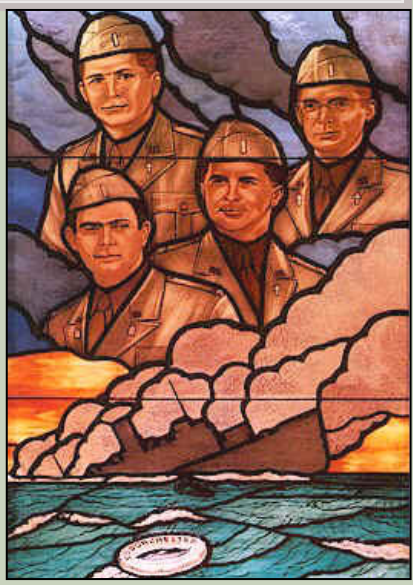
Poinsettias in Memory/Honor of our Loved Ones

In recent bulletins, we have published the names of those in whose memory poinsettias were placed in the sanctuary during Christmas time. A few names were mistakenly not printed on the previous list. We sincerely apologize for this error. Below is the complete list. Thank you again to everyone who contributed funds to purchase poinsettias to decorate our church for Christmas.

Poinsettias have been placed in the sanctuary in memory of the following: Karen Taylor, Walt and Ann Oliver, George Pierce, Bob Meiron, Albert and Loritta Verhulst, L.B. Storenski, Harold Brown, Ray Silvers, Casey Pointer, Megan Ramos, James P. Adams, Dodie and Joe Maurer, Raymond P. Burns, Justin H. Chrane, Keith Buell, Ursula Buell, Ray Yust, Sr., Veronica Yust, Irena Oczko, Halina and Edward Pawlus, Stefania and Robert Papez, Phil Moore, Theo Suwito, Felix Suwito, Della White, Billy Caruthers, Donny Caruthers, Juan G. Gogue, Magdalena K. Gogue, Jay K. Gogue, Maria K. Gogue, Maggie K. Gogue, Joseph F. Falco, Sr., Frances Storm, Albert Storm, Fran Birkner, Greta Sellmeyer, Sandi Anderson, Arthur and Martha Anthony, the Gogue Family, the Reyes Family, Larry San Nicolas, Ralph Richardson, Ruth Richardson, Catherine Gorman, Ivan Dull, Barney and Barbara Klaus, Richard Garnier, Edwin Morgan, Hilda Kemna, Herman Kemna, Charles Kemna, Larry Schmidt.

Poinsettias have also been placed in the sanctuary in honor of the Ron and Joanie Hoffman Family and the Gebauer Family.

Four Chaplains Memorial Service



American Legion Post 488 will conduct the annual Four Chaplains Memorial Service at 2:30pm on Sunday, January 27. This year's service will be at St. Paul's United Methodist Church, 1111 W Foxwood Dr, Raymore.

This interfaith service memorializes the four Army chaplains who gave their lives in the 1943 sinking of the US Army Transport ship Dorchester.

The four, Lt. George L. Fox, a Methodist, Lt. Alexander Goode, a Jewish Rabbi, Lt. John P. Washington, a Catholic Priest, and Lt. Clark V. Poling, Dutch Reformed, calmed the frightened, tended to the wounded and guided the disoriented to safety before giving up their own life jackets so that others might live. All are encouraged to attend.

Catholic Charities Services/Welcome Center

When you're hungry or without a stable home it's difficult to move forward. A recent study suggests that children who experience poverty early on may suffer negative brain changes that can lead to lifelong issues. Catholic Charities KCSJ works to meet basic needs through a network of food pantries, emergency assistance sites and community partners.

In FY 2018, the Welcome Center served over **3200 households,** yet the need continues to grow exponentially. We are forced to turn away requests every month. To learn how you can help, please contact Kisha Thomas, Director of the Welcome Center at 816-659-8237 or kthomas@ccharities.com.

Like Us On Facebook

We have been updating the St. Sabina Facebook page to make it even more informative. We are now including weekly videos, upcoming events, as well as regular posts. Make sure you keep up on all the information and news about St. Sabina by "Liking" our page. Find us at www.Facebook.com/StSabinaParish.

Pastoral Care

Nursing Home Mass Schedule

Jan 23	11:00am	Carnegie Village
Jan 30	8:00am	St. Sabina (5th Wed)
Feb 6	10:30am	Beautiful Savior

What is a Grief Recovery Group?

The group we offer at St. Sabina is based on an adult mutual self-help grief recovery model. It is a safe place to recognize and acknowledge a painful loss. The participants are grievers that are courageous and have chosen to be proactive rather than passive. It's a place to give your grief its voice. Advanced registration is important; group size is limited, but we need at least five participants to have a group. All are welcome; you do not have to be a parishioner to participate. Friends and family members are welcome.

When and How to Register?
This year our group will begin Tuesday morning, March 12 at 10:00am. The group will meet once a week for six weeks. To register or for more information contact Marta Roper at 816-979-3154 or marta@stsabinaparish.org.

In a society which is much more inclined to help you hide your pain rather than to grow through it, it is necessary to make a very conscious effort to mourn. *-Henri Nouwen, "In Memoriam" (Notre Dame, Ind.: Ave Maria Press)*

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
Cindy 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

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Did you know the St. Sabina Wellness Center is a resource available to **all** parishioners? We are here to empower you, your entire family and our community to improve health and wellbeing!

We provide free, confidential health screenings for all parishioners. In addition to health screenings, the Wellness Center offers 15 fitness classes a week, health education classes and several special events throughout the year at no cost. **The only requirement is for participants to either have a health screening in the Wellness Center or bring in lab results, from a health screening with your doctor or care provider, within the last 12 months to fulfill the health screening requirement.**

The health screening includes-

- Personal Health Assessment- health history
- Vital Signs
- Cholesterol and Glucose labs
- Height and Weight

The Wellness Center and the Belton Parks & Recreation High Blue Wellness Center have a dynamic partnership. After you complete your annual health screening in the St. Sabina Wellness Center, you and your family are eligible for a discount on your membership at the High Blue Wellness Center. Together we are working to make health and wellness an attainable goal for all. For more information call the Wellness Center 816 979-3090.

Stewardship

"Then he told them, 'Draw some out now and take it to the headwaiter.' So they took it. And when the headwaiter tasted the water that had become wine, without knowing where it came from (although the servers who had drawn the water knew), the headwaiter called the bridegroom and said to him, 'Everyone serves good wine first, and then when people have drunk freely, an inferior one; but you have kept the good wine until now.'"
John 2: 8-10

In the midst of the feast, the Blessed Mother noticed that the wine had run out and pointed out the problem to Jesus. Then, she gave the servants instructions that are equally applicable to us modern-day stewards, saying, "Do whatever He tells you." Jesus gives the servants a simple and seemingly mundane task, telling them to fill some stone jars with water. They did what He told them to do. And Jesus used their obedience in the accomplishment of that simple task to perform His first miracle, turning the water into the choicest wine. Our Lord didn't have to include those servants in order to perform this miracle — He chose to. And today, 2,000 plus years later, He still chooses to include us in the performance of His miracles through our cooperation with Him in using the gifts and talents He has given us. — See more at www.catholicsteward.com/blog/.

Contributions for January 13

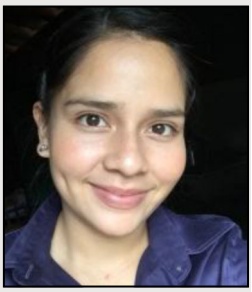
Envelopes/Sobres:	$6,495.00
Plate/Canasta:	$ 541.14
Maintenance-Upkeep:	$ 310.00

Catholic Home Mission Appeal - Jan 19-20

Support the Catholic Home Missions Appeal today! 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 funds programs such as religious education, seminary formation, and lay ministry training, to build vibrant faith communities right here in the United States. Please be generous. 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, Jhoselyn



Jhoselyn Guadalupe Rivas Gonzalez lives in the community of San Francisco Echeverria, which is in the municipality of Cinquera. She is 23 years old and she attends the Catholic University of El Salvador in Santa Ana, majoring in English. She entered the scholarship program in 2016, but she is actually in the 4th year level of study. She is expected to graduate in 2020. Her grade point average last semester was 8.9.

Jhoselyn has classes Mondays - Fridays from 1:00pm-4:40pm. She leaves her home at 11am and returns home at 7pm. She has to ride in the back of a pick-up for 3 km to get to the bus stop, and then rides the bus another 12 km to get to school.

Jhoselyn's family makes its living by farming. Her home is built of a bricks and it has a toilet. The family has access to potable water and the house has electricity.

Jhoselyn lives with her parents and her sister and brother. Her father, Santos, is 45 years old, is a farmer and has a fifth-grade education. Her mother, Roxina, is a housekeeper, is 43 and has a ninth-grade education. Her 10 year old sister, Alexandra, is in 5th grade, and her brother, Jaime, is 26 years old, finished high school, and is continuing his studies.

This year Jhoselyn'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.

Jhoselyn says that her greatest achievement this past year was completing another semester at the university. Her major challenge is lack of economic resources for her and her family. She also has a high level of fear due to the gang violence in El Salvador.

Jhoselyn thinks the scholarship program is an excellent initiative for those that do not have the economic means. She wishes to thank everyone who makes it possible for her to attend university. After she completes her education, she wants to be able to give back to the scholarship fund so others have the opportunity for an education.

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

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without knowing where it came from, ...the headwaiter
called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves good wine first,
and then when people have drunk freely, an inferior one;
but you have kept the good wine until now." Jn 2:9-10

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Reflection on the Readings

The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord celebrated last Sunday serves the dual purpose of bringing to a close the Christmas season while at the same time beginning the liturgical season of Ordinary Time. The word "Ordinary" does not mean plain but refers to "ordinal" or "numbered" Sundays. This season extends to the first Sunday of Advent, interrupted by the great ninety days of the Lent-Easter-Pentecost season. **Ordinary time immerses us in the great mysteries celebrated at Easter and Christmas.**

Lectionary Year C is the only year that fully proclaims the January 6 epiphanies or celebrations of the Lord's manifestations. Our Eastern Orthodox brothers and sisters celebrate the Magi, the baptism of the Lord and Jesus' first miracle according to John, the wedding feast of Cana, on January 6 as a cluster of stories marking the Lord's Epiphany or manifestation to the world. **During lectionary year C, the Western church takes those clustered epiphanies and unpacks them into three successive Sundays. Today, we celebrate the last of the Epiphany cluster, the wedding feast of Cana**.

All the readings invite the whole assembly to sing joyfully responsorial Psalm 96, "Proclaim God's marvelous deeds to all the nations." The readings offer the reason for this insistent joyful call to praise the Lord. **This praise psalm captures the heart of the liturgy, while the readings astound us with God's marvelous deeds.**

Isaiah boldly proclaims that God has vindicated us and given us new names, namely "My Delight" and "Espoused." These names proclaim boldly the intimacy and joy that God takes in us. So rich is God's joy and intimacy with us that it is compared to the marital bond which is faithful, loving and forever. **God is so intimate with us that nothing can ever separate us from God. Even if we choose to abandon God, God will never abandon us, nor stop loving us. Do we really believe that?**

Paul writes to the Corinthians concerning God's marvelous bestowal of the Spirit's abundant gifts. Such abundance is understood as a sign of God's special love for all people. **The gifts are given for the common good, to build up the people of God.** When we use our Spirit-given gifts for building up God's people, we manifest to others that same intimate love and concern that God has shown us. **How do you use the gifts you have been given to build up God's people, thus praising and glorifying God?**

John begins Jesus' public ministry with the wedding feast of Cana. According to John, this is the first sign that Jesus performed. What sign does the wedding feast convey about us and our God? **The wedding feast itself, a sign of intimate and deep love, conveys the reality that God loves us and calls us to the same intimacy.** The wedding banquet is also a rich biblical symbol of the intimacy and bonding that will be ours with God at the end times.

John's account of the wedding feast of Cana has Jesus manifest two key qualities of our God. Jesus is so attuned to the needs of others that, with the gentle coaxing of his mother, he is willing to change his own plans and time frame for their sake. **Secondly, Jesus provides for us not only great abundance,** a key indicator of the messianic times, but abundance of the highest quality.

The amount (over 150 gallons worth) and quality of the new wine is a clear indication that God's kingdom is here, present in our midst. Once we realize this, we too can enter fully into the dancing and wedding celebration that signifies our life in union with God and others. Today, with all the nations, proclaim God's marvelous deeds and reflect on how you will respond to the richness and fullness of God's presence with us. **This week, try to manifest God's living presence among us to at least one person that you encounter in your daily life.**

Biagio Mazza
Pastoral Associate

Readings

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

Sunday, January 27

1st Reading: Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10
Psalm: Psalm 19:8, 9, 10, 15 (see John 6:63c)
2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:12-30
Gospel: Luke 1:1-4, 4:14-21

Bible Study

Catholics are mostly exposed to the Bible through the Sunday Lectionary Readings. In order to help us all enter into the Bible through the Sunday readings, we 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 date is February 3 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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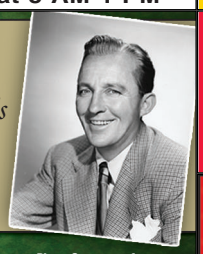
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Reflexión Sobre las Lecturas

La Fiesta del Bautismo del Señor, celebrada el domingo pasado, tiene el doble propósito de cerrar la temporada navideña y al mismo tiempo comenzar la temporada litúrgica del Tiempo Ordinario. La palabra "Ordinario" no significa simple, pero se refiere a domingos "ordinales" o "numerados". Esta temporada se extiende hasta el primer domingo de Adviento, interrumpido por los grandes noventa días de la temporada de Cuaresma, Pascua y Pentecostés. **El tiempo ordinario nos sumerge en los grandes misterios celebrados en la Semana Santa y la Navidad.**

El año Leccionario "C" es el único año que proclama plenamente las epifanías o celebraciones del 6 de enero de las manifestaciones del Señor. Nuestros hermanos y hermanas ortodoxos orientales celebran los magos, el bautismo del Señor y el primer milagro de Jesús según Juan, la fiesta de bodas de Caná, el 6 de enero como un conjunto de historias que marcan la Epifanía del Señor o la manifestación al mundo. **Durante el año C del leccionario, la iglesia occidental toma esas epifanías agrupadas y las separa en tres domingos sucesivos. Hoy celebramos lo último del cúmulo de la Epifanía, la fiesta de bodas de Caná.**

Todas las lecturas invitan a toda la asamblea a cantar con alegría el Salmo 96, "Cuenten las maravillas del Señor a todas las naciones". Las lecturas ofrecen el motivo de este insistente y alegre llamado a alabar al Señor. **Este salmo de alabanza captura el corazón de la liturgia, mientras que las lecturas nos asombran con las maravillas de Dios.**

Isaías proclama audazmente que Dios nos ha reivindicado y nos ha dado nuevos nombres, a saber, "Mi complacencia" y "Desposada". Estos nombres proclaman audazmente la intimidad y la alegría que Dios toma en nosotros. Tan rico es el gozo y la intimidad de Dios con nosotros que se compara con el vínculo matrimonial que es fiel, amoroso y para siempre. **Dios es tan íntimo con nosotros que nada nos puede separar de Dios. Incluso si elegimos abandonar a Dios, Dios nunca nos abandonará, ni dejará de amarnos. ¿Realmente creemos eso?**

Pablo escribe a los corintios sobre el maravilloso otorgamiento de los abundantes dones del Espíritu por parte de Dios. Tal abundancia se entiende como un signo del amor especial de Dios hacia todas las personas. **Los dones se dan para el bien común, para construir al pueblo de Dios.** Cuando usamos nuestros dones dados por el Espíritu para construir al pueblo de Dios, manifestamos a otros este mismo amor y preocupación íntima que Dios nos ha mostrado. **¿Cómo usa los dones que le han sido dados para construir al pueblo de Dios, alabando y glorificando a Dios?**

Juan comienza el ministerio público de Jesús con la fiesta de bodas de Caná. Según Juan, esta es la primera señal que Jesús realizó. ¿Qué señal transmite la fiesta de bodas sobre nosotros y nuestro Dios? **La fiesta de bodas en sí, un signo de amor íntimo y profundo, transmite la realidad de que Dios nos ama y nos llama a la misma intimidad**. La fiesta de bodas también es un rico símbolo bíblico de la intimidad y la unidad con Dios que tendremos en los últimos tiempos.

El relato de Juan de la fiesta de bodas de Caná hace que Jesús manifieste dos cualidades claves de nuestro Dios. Jesús está tan en sintonía con las necesidades de los demás que, con el suave engaño de su madre, está dispuesto a cambiar sus propios planes y plazos por el bien de ellos. **En segundo lugar, Jesús nos proporciona no solo una gran abundancia,** un indicador clave de los tiempos mesiánicos, sino una abundancia de la más alta calidad.

La cantidad (más de 150 galones) y la calidad del vino nuevo es una clara indicación de que el reino de Dios está aquí, presente entre nosotros. Una vez que nos demos cuenta de esto, nosotros también podemos participar plenamente en el baile y la celebración de bodas que significa nuestra vida en unión con Dios y con los demás. Hoy, con todas las naciones, proclame las maravillas de Dios y reflexione sobre cómo responderá a la riqueza y plenitud de la presencia de Dios con nosotros. **Esta semana, trate de manifestar la presencia viva de Dios entre nosotros al menos a una persona que encuentre en su vida diaria.**

Biagio Mazza, Asociado Pastoral

Lecturas

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

Lecturas del Domingo, 27 de Enero
Primera Lectura: Nehemías 8:2-4, 5-6, 8-10
Salmo: Psalm 19:8, 9, 10, 15
Segunda Lectura: 1 Corintios 12:12-30
Evangelio: Lucas 1:1-4; 4:14-21

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

Cuando el maestresala probó el agua convertida en vino, y como no sabía de dónde era (pero los que servían, que habían sacado el agua, lo sabían), el maestresala llamó al novio, y le dijo: "Todo hombre sirve primero el vino bueno, y cuando ya han tomado bastante, entonces el inferior; pero tú has guardado hasta ahora el vino bueno". Jn 2:9-10

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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

¡Apoye hoy al Llamado para las Misiones Católicas! Ahora mismo, más del 40 por ciento de las diócesis en los 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 financia programas tales como la educación religiosa, la formación de seminaristas y la capacitación del ministerio laico a fin de construir unas comunidades vivas

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Oficina Cerrada el 21 de Enero

La oficina parroquial estará cerrada el lunes 21 de enero en conmemoración del Día de Martin Luther King, Jr.

Baile de San Valentín - 16 de febrero

Las Damas Auxiliares patrocinarán una cena y baile de San Valentín el 16 de febrero. Habrá una cena provista, baile, DJ, entretenimiento y bar de postres. La hora feliz comenzará a las 6:30 pm y la cena se servirá a las 7 pm. Los boletos ya están a la venta a $50.00 por pareja. Para obtener más información, llame a Nancy (inglés) al 816-820-6109 o a Jan (inglés) al 816-318-0754.

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Segundo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario **20 de Enero, 2019**