

# 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...**



**Parishioners gathered on Saturday, October 12 to pray our  
annual bilingual rosary. Thank you to Priscilla Moran and  
Florencia Trejo for coordinating again!**

## Mass Times

**Saturday:** 4:00pm in English

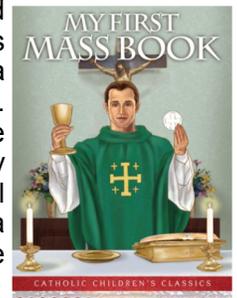
**Sunday:** 8:00am and 10:30am in English,  
12:30pm in Spanish

**Confessions:** Saturdays 3:00-3:30pm

**Visit our website for Holy Day and special  
Mass times.**

## Now Available—Missals for Children:

We now have Missals for grade school aged children to use during Mass. My First Mass Book is an illustrated booklet containing all the prayers and responses we say during Mass. It is a great tool to help children learn the prayers and the order of the liturgy. The books are in a basket near the St. Sabina statue at the entrance to church. Please return the books to the same basket after Mass so they will continue to be available for all children to use. Thank you to a generous parishioner for the donation of the book



**Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**October 20, 2019**

## Parish Staff/Mass Intentions

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### Mass Intentions for the Week

#### Intentions for October 21-25, 2019

Mon.	8am	Communion Service
Tues.	6pm	†Darrell Littler
Wed.	11am	†Ivan Dull (Carnegie Village)
Thurs.	8am	†Rev Cardinal Joachim Meisner
Fri.	8am	†Dusty West

#### Saturday, October 26, 2019

4:00pm Intentions of Our Parish Family

#### Sunday, October 27, 2019

8:00am	†Don Bannerman
10:30am	†Joe Falco Sr
	†Patrick Davis
12:30pm Spanish	†Salvador Orellana
	†Vicenta Cabrales Valdez

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

†Elizabeth “Liz” Selleck, sister of Tom Iseman and Fran Iseman

†D.W. “Dusty” West, brother of Nancy Amfahr

†Don Bannerman, husband of Margaret Bannerman

†Bob Morris, Redwood of Raymore



# Calendar/Information

## Sunday, October 20 - Domingo, 20 de Octubre

Knights Tootsie Roll Dive  
 9:00am PSR/Parents Lounge  
 11:00am Clase de Como Hacer Piñatas  
 11:00am Escuela de Religión  
 11:00am Ensayo del Coro Hispano  
 6:00pm Ensayo de Matachines  
 7:00pm High School Youth Group Bonfire

## Monday, October 21 - Lunes, 21 de Octubre

6:30pm Cub Scout Den Meeting  
 7:00pm Boy Scouts

## Tuesday, October 22 - Martes, 22 de Octubre

7:00pm Ensayo de Matachines  
 7:00pm Living Stones  
 7:00pm Talleres de Oración y Vida

## Wednesday, October 23 - Miércoles, 23 de Octubre

9:00am Legion of Mary  
 11:00am Mass at Carnegie Village  
 11:00am Over 55 Event: Truman Love Story  
 7:00pm Boy Scouts Religious Emblem Class  
 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal (4:00 and 10:30 groups)  
 7:00pm Faith Formation Religious Conflicts in Matthew's Community

## Thursday, October 24 - Jueves, 24 de Octubre

6:45am Youth Donuts and Prayer  
 9:30am Piecemakers Quilt Group  
 10:00am Faith Formation Religious Conflicts in Matthew's Community  
 6:00pm Wedding Rehearsal: Muder/Rojas  
 7:00pm RCIA/RICA  
 8:00pm Choir Rehearsal (8:00 group)

## Friday, October 25 - Viernes, 25 de Octubre

6:00pm Ensayo de Obra de Las Posadas  
 7:00pm Knights Poker Tournament

## Saturday, October 26 - Sábado, 26 de Octubre

9:00am Altar Society Church Cleaning  
 9:00am Fall Retreat by Altar Society  
 1:00pm Wedding: Muder/Rojas  
 3:00pm Confessions  
 6:00pm Ensayo de Obra de Las Posadas

## Sunday, October 27 - Domingo, 27 de Octubre

9:00am PSR/Parents Lounge  
 10:30am Bible Study  
 11:00am Clase de Como Hacer Piñatas  
 11:00am Escuela de Religión  
 11:00am Ensayo del Coro Hispano  
 2:00pm Ensayo de Obra de Guadalupe  
 6:00pm Ensayo de Matachines  
 6:00pm Trunk-or-Treat

## Remembering the Dead

Christian communities remember the names of their dead. These names are heard in the Prayer of the Faithful during Mass and in the chanting of the Litany of the Saints at the Easter Vigil. The names of the deceased are seen on holy cards, memorial cards, and grave markers. Masses are prayed for the repose of souls. These rituals and practices serve to keep the memory of those who have gone before us in faith present in our minds and hearts.

All the saints are celebrated each year on November 1; however, most Christian traditions of honoring the dead are linked with All Souls Day on November 2. On this day, we remember our own loved ones who have gone before us in faith. These tributes extend beyond the day itself and last through the month of November, the Month of All Souls. The days are now at their darkest; crops have been harvested; leaves have changed colors and are falling to the ground; the weather turns cold and bitter, while the readings of the liturgy direct our thoughts to the end times, when Christ will return in his full glory restoring the fullness of salvation to all of creation. What a perfect time to remember our beloved dead!

## Why Do We Have an Area of Remembrance at St. Sabina?

Throughout the entire month of November, we join the church in remembering those men and women who lived Christian lives of faith and now enjoy the promise of eternal life made to them at their baptism. We offer the worship of our sorrow, and feel the solidarity of the saints who made the way to heaven through the suffering of life on earth. **WE INVITE YOU TO BRING A PICTURE** of your deceased loved ones beginning the weekend of Oct. 26-27. The Area of Remembrance will remain in the north alcove until the Feast of Christ the King, Sunday, November 24th.

## Ladies Evening Event

The St. Sabina Parents Lounge Ladies are hosting another "WOW" evening event on Friday, November 8, 7-10pm in the parish hall. All women of St. Sabina are invited to grab a girlfriend and join the fun. "WOW" means Work On Whatever. Bring a project you'd like to work on, such as: a craft, sewing project, scrapbooks, paint your nails, organize paperwork, photos or emails, etc. Let's get together as women of the parish and chat and work on whatever! If you don't have a project, just come to chat. Feel free to bring a snack to share if you'd like. Can't get there right at 7pm? No worries come and go as you wish. All women and nursing babies are welcome. (Please no other kiddos at this event. Parents Lounge will try to host a full family event soon.)

## St. Matthew 3pm Mass to be Suspended

Please note that the 3pm Mass held at St. Matthew Apostle on Saturdays will be suspended beginning Saturday, November 10.



# Information

## This Week's Do You Know Video:

The gospel for the 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C is the parable of



the widow and the unjust judge, unique to Luke's gospel. While Luke frames the parable in the context of persistence in prayer, a better way to examine the parable is to focus on which character better images God. An unjust judge who cares for neither God nor humans and yet fears a powerless widow is not an appropriate image for God. The powerless, vulnerable widow continually seeking justice is the ideal image of God. Thus the unjust judge is us who often act unjustly while the widow images God who continually petitions and demands that we act with justice in all that we say and do. Make time to view this week's DYK video and learn Jesus' lesson of discipleship that Luke's parable conveys.

## Fall Retreat—October 26

The St. Sabina Altar Society invites all members of the parish to participate in a retreat they will be sponsoring, with the help of Biagio Mazza, who will be facilitating. Please come join us for breakfast, provided by the Altar Society, at 8:30am.

### Happy Harvest—Do Small Things With Great Love!

October 26, 2019  
8:30am-Noon

For more information, contact Jan Stella at 816-786-0754 or [jstella@kc.rr.com](mailto:jstella@kc.rr.com).

## Missouri Catholic Conference Advocacy Network

Acting together through Missouri Catholic Advocacy Network (MOCAN), Catholics work to advance the common good by protecting the unborn, assisting the poor, and promoting quality education for all school children. Through the years, the Missouri Catholic Conference (MCC) has had many successes, such as enacting a ban on partial birth abortions, expanding A+ Scholarships to include private school students, and raising the age of juvenile jurisdiction for young offenders. But the MCC is only effective if Catholics actively participate in MOCAN. Registration and participation in the network is free. Members receive regular email updates and alerts on pending issues and legislation. The MCC puts network members in touch with their legislators when key votes are pending. To enroll by text message, send MOCAN to 50457. You will receive a confirmation text indicating your response was received. Please click the link in the text to fill out your contact information. By providing this information, the MCC will be able to connect you with your specific legislators.

## Wedding Congratulations

Congratulations Cody Muder and Vivian Rojas who will be married on October 26th.

# happy birthday

Micki Aguayo	Jose Guardado	Leslie Prieto
Alfredo Aguilar	Madlyn Henkhaus	Derek Pritchett
Joseline Arevalo	Marco Hernandez	Martha Ramos
Mike Biondo	Jennifer Hirt	Rene Ramos
Cecilia Bondon	Roger Jacobs	Katy Rewald
Rylee Bornheimer	Carolyn Jordan	Heath Rigby
Ivan Castillo	Karlie Kennedy	Laura Rocha
Carlos Chavez	Kinleigh Kirchhuff	Nelybeth Rodriguez
Trenton Clark	Clemente Landa	Carlos Ruiz
Montana Cummings	Marvin Lopez	Vicenta Sanchez
Diane Daldrup	David Lopez	Anna Schwarz
Jacob Fields	Gloria Madden	Georgia Shively
Louise Fleetwood	Ofelia Marquez	Ethan Torrey
Tyson Fritz	Adilene Mendoza	Marcos Trejo
James Fuller	Lisette Morales	Selen Valenzuela
Randy Gallick	Eris del Carmen Morales	Victor Vieyra
Briana Garcia	Isla Morgan	Kyle Wathor
Oscar Garcia	Jacob Ocon-Canchola	James Wilson
Anallely Garrido	Maria Orozco	Calvin Wilson
Deacon Mike Gates	Diego Perez	Madelon Wink
Michael Gelatko	Monica Perez	Merle Woolworth
Julio Gracida	Lizania Perez	
Austin Grantham	Isaac Perez	

# Happy Anniversary

Wayne and Darlene Jennings	65 Years!	10/22/1954
Jeffrey and Suzanne Gibel	37 Years!	10/26/1982
Thomas and Michelle Ragsdale	31 Years!	10/21/1988
David and Laura Pierce	28 Years!	10/26/1991
Jeff and Bev Jakobe	25 Years!	10/22/1994
James and Stephanie Dillon	16 Years!	10/25/2003
Christopher and Emily Bornheimer	15 Years!	10/24/2004
Rigoberto and Ofelia Marquez	2 Years!	10/21/2017

## Over 55 Potluck and Event - October 23

Our Over 55 group's next event will be held on Wednesday, October 23rd in the parish hall. We will begin at 11am with a potluck luncheon, followed by a presentation by Doug Richardson about the love story of Harry and Bess Truman. This event is free, but we will take donations for a tip for Doug. Please RSVP by calling the parish office at 816-331-4713 or by emailing Kris at [kris@stsabinaparish.org](mailto:kris@stsabinaparish.org).

## Knights Membership Drive and Breakfast

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting an open house and membership drive after the 8am and 10:30am Masses on November 3rd. Bring the family and enjoy a free breakfast and learn about membership in our parish Knights of Columbus council.



## Pastoral Care

### Nursing Home Mass Schedule

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

### All Saints Mass Followed by Reception

This year, because All Souls falls on Saturday, we will combine the Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed with the **Solemnity of All Saints Mass**. You are cordially invited to join us for Mass followed by a reception celebrating the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed on Friday, November 1st at 7:00pm. We especially invite those who have lost a loved one over the past year. All are welcome. You may write the names of your beloved departed in the **Book of the Names of the Dead** which will be displayed in the gathering space beginning October 26/27. The book will be given a place of honor at Mass on November 1.

**Rachel's Vineyard-Kansas City** Healing hearts in the heart of the nation Jesus said, "Whoever comes to me will never hunger and whoever believes in me will never thirst." Anyone who is suffering from an abortion decision is invited to come and experience the True Bread from heaven and drink from the well that never runs dry. Rachel's Vineyard retreats are all about healing the pain of abortion one weekend at a time. The last of three 2019 Kansas City retreats will take place on October 25-27. Please call (816) 679-4973 or send an email to [rvkcmo@gmail.com](mailto:rvkcmo@gmail.com) for confidential information and to start the healing.

### Prayer Requests/Peticiones de Oración

Anna Anderson	Rhonda Henke	Agustin Rivera
Dennis Berg	Alex Henningsen	Michelle Rose
Jean Berg	Morgan Hilliard	Anna Ryan
John Bidondo	Richard Hoedl	Lorena Sandozal
Mary Pat Biondo	Gale Holsman	Ron Schock
Betty Bremenkamp	John Jongenelen	James Sedlock
George Bremer	Kathy Keary	Doris Shields
Maxine Bremer	Jack King	Jaxton Shipley
Sheila Brown	Don Kueck	Lois Simpson
Joyce Callahan	Paulina Lemautu	Rachael Casady Smith
Marge Campbell	Emmy Long	Amalie Steinspring
John Caoile	Kristy McClain	Marie Stinger
John Cikan	Ray Malisos	Lois Stogsdill
Steve Circo	Cullen Manser	Rita Stout
Joseph Coots	Janet Moorman	Willow Szczygiel
Nolan Dickerson	Mona Neighbors	Jean Tate
Barry Dougherty	Mike Nichols	Joe Taylor
Irene Down	Bogumila Oczko	Angel Thomas
Paula Dull	Ezequil Olarte	Bruce Thompson
Judy Giannini	George Panebianco	Priscilla Tristani
Kelly Hall	Monica Peek	Richard Vogel
Terry Eppert	Nora Placencia	Mary Westfall
Jean Frank	Diane Quinn	Carmitia Yust
Butch Geer	Larry Rhodes	
Cathy Hall		
Kelly Hall		
Cherie Hatfield		
Beth Heide		



## Wellness Center

**Did You Know-** Volunteering with kids reinforces values and helps our children develop empathy and compassion. Finding opportunities that are age-appropriate may seem daunting but it doesn't have to be. Whether your kids are 2-12, there are plenty of ways they can give back.

Volunteering together as a family helps kids learn that they can make a positive difference in the lives of others. Family service also cultivates empathy and helps children learn to recognize their personal good fortune and blessings.

#### Here are a few ideas:

- **Working in the St. Sabina Garden**—Help prepare the garden for winter. Spend family time together outdoors doing something valuable for the parish.
- **Help Neighbors**—Volunteer as a family to help elderly neighbors with house projects.
- **Organize a Food Drive**—Your kids can pitch in by going shopping with you to pick out items for donation and going with you to deliver the items for distribution.
- **Donating Used Toys and Books**—Have the whole family look around the house for items that are in good shape that can be donated.
- **Walking or Riding for Charity**—Walk-a-thons and bike-a-thons are great ideas for kids to see how they can make a difference and get fit at the same time. Aside from giving, kids develop a sense of pride and accomplishment when they take part in an event like this, Training for the walk with mom and dad can be an excellent way for families to spend time together while getting fit.



# Stewardship

## AmazonSmile Donations

Have you heard of AmazonSmile? We are now a charity listed on AmazonSmile, which allows us to receive a 0.5% donation on all of your eligible Amazon purchases at no extra cost to you. To support us in this way, be sure to do your Amazon shopping through [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com) and select "St. Sabina Catholic Church, Belton" as your charity of choice.

## Online Giving

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: go to our parish website at [www.stsabina.org](http://www.stsabina.org), click the "Online Giving" button in the top right section and fill out the online contribution form.

## World Mission Sunday - October 20

Be Baptized and Sent on Mission in the World! Today, World Mission Sunday, we are called to personal encounter with Jesus Christ alive in the Church, and to offer, through this Eucharistic celebration, our prayers and our generous financial support, through the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, to continue the mission of Jesus. Today we are "sent" out to witness to Mission in the world through our prayers and personal sacrifices for our brothers and sisters around the world. As little as...

\*\$25 helps support a catechist for a month in remote Latin America

\*\$75 provides for the work of religious Sisters caring for orphaned children in Africa

\*\$100 assists poor children in boarding schools in Asia

As always, your prayers are your most treasured gift to the Missions. Your prayers and financial help, offered today, WORLD MISSION SUNDAY, support mission priests, religious Sisters and Brothers, and lay catechists who are Christ's witnesses to a world so in need of His healing, love, and peace.

## IRA Required Minimum Distribution

Maximize what you leave behind for your children, then make a gift to do God's work. Make your parish a beneficiary of your IRA. To name your parish as a beneficiary of your IRA, contact Kris in the parish office with questions. Or, contact Laura Gray at [gray@diocesekcsj.org](mailto:gray@diocesekcsj.org), 816-714-2363.

To leave your parish a bequest (e.g. will) or name it as a beneficiary (e.g. life insurance, an annuity), make sure your intentions are understood by providing as much identifying information as possible. Ideally, state the Legal Name, Tax ID Number, Address, City, State, and Zip.

## Contributions for October 13

Envelopes/Sobres:	\$12,598.00
Plate/Canasta:	\$ 1,205.53
Maintenance-Upkeep:	\$ 2,755.06
El Salvador Scholarship:	\$ 1,943.65

## Tootsie Roll Drive

The Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive for Persons with Developmental Disabilities has been in existence since 1970. **This year's drive is Friday, October 18 through Sunday, October 20.** The Knights will be giving out Tootsie Rolls and accepting donations at Hy-Vee in Belton, Country Mart in Peculiar, and Walmart in Raymore, as well as St. Sabina. If you are interested in helping the Knights hand out tootsie rolls, please contact John Berryman at 816-916-7696.

## Community Garden Needs Leaves and Straw

The community Garden needs leaves and straw bales for compost and mulch. Please drop off at the community garden or contact David Pierce for pick up 816-392-1110.

## Green Team Tip of the Week

Avoid micro beads in personal care products. These polyethylene and polypropylene plastics pollute our water.

"The Lord said, 'Pay attention to what the dishonest judge says. Will not God then secure the rights of his chosen ones who call out to him day and night? Will he be slow to answer them? I tell you, he will see to it that justice is done for them speedily.'"

Luke 18: 6-8

Our Lord Himself calls us to prayer — and persistence in prayer — in the Gospel passage from Luke. Jesus tells the parable of the nagging widow who finally wears down the judge with her unrelenting persistence in her pursuit of a just ruling from him on her behalf. If even a bad judge will give a good result in response to a persistent request, how much more (infinitely more) eagerly and perfectly will our good Father respond to our persistent prayers to Him. If he delays in responding, if he provides a different response from the one we were expecting, we can remain confident and trusting in His goodness, knowing that His response, whenever it comes and in whatever form, will be the very best one for us. Our job then, as Christian stewards, is simply to remain faithful to our relationship with God through prayer. We must lean on each other in our communities — family and parish — as we support each other in prayer. A strong pillar of prayer will make all our other stewardship efforts fruitful. — See more at [www.catholicsteward.com/blog/](http://www.catholicsteward.com/blog/)



# Stewardship

## Delegation to El Salvador - February 10-17

Due to responses from parishioners interested in working to build homes in Paso Puente, we have changed the itinerary and the dates of our delegation to El Salvador. Our new dates of the delegation will be February 10-17. While in El Salvador, we will spend the majority of our time in Paso Puente, as well as try to arrange to visit with some of our scholarship students. This will be an incredible experience, joining our brothers and sisters in solidarity to build dignified homes for families. The children living in Paso Puente have never lived in a dignified home, instead they've only lived in shacks assembled from scrap materials. Our delegation will also have the opportunity to visit Romero Community, which is a neighborhood across the street from Paso Puente. Just four years ago, Romero Community was living in squalor, like Paso Puente is now. They received title to their land and, through many generous donations, 65 dignified homes have been built in Romero Community. For more information, please contact Kris Larkey in the parish office at 816-979-3151 or kris@stsabina-parish.org.

## Knights of Columbus



## Texas Hold'Em

### Benefiting Special Olympics Missouri

When: Friday, October 25, 2019  
Time: 7:00 PM  
Where: St. Sabina Parish Gym  
700 Trevis Ave  
Belton, MO 64012

#### Available Sponsorships

Sponsor's name will be advertised and displayed on the screen and/or table sign during the event.

- \$25 Individual Early Bird Registration (by 10/22)
- \$30 Individual at the door

#### Includes:

- Snacks & soft drinks
- \$3,000+ chips
- 101 Lesson

\$3 Beer & Mixed drinks

Players must be 21 years old or older.

Corporate Sponsor*	\$200
*Includes 8 seats	
Final Table Sponsor	\$100
Table Sponsor	\$ 50

For more information or to register, contact Cooper Tracy @ 316-993-1741 or [ctreyce@gmail.com](mailto:ctreyce@gmail.com)

Payments can be made via PayPal or with check payable to: Knights of Columbus

**Don't miss out on the raffles & fun!**

## Letter from Deanery V Pastors

*The following letter has been sent to the parishioners of Deanery 5 which includes St. Sabina. There are no anticipated changes here at our parish. We are publishing this in our bulletin and will not be spending the money to mail copies to each family since we do not expect this to affect us.*

To: Coronation of Our Lady, Our Lady of Lourdes, St. Bernadette, St. Catherine, St. John Francis Regis, St. Matthew the Apostle, and St. Sabina Parishioners

The Diocesan Vision, One Family: Restored in Christ - Equipped for Mission, is in an ongoing process of being fully developed and implemented. There are three aspects of this Vision: Healing Our Family; Growing God's Family; and Using Resources Wisely. The third aspect, using resources wisely, is now for us to consider and pray over.

The Parishes of Deanery 5, to which this note is addressed, have dealt with quite a bit of change in the last 20 years. For most of our parishes, the number of parishioners is much less than 20 years ago. Where once there were 4 vibrant Catholic Schools, now there is only one. Maintenance of older buildings is an ongoing concern, and in addition, the number of priests available to serve the people is less now than then.

Thus, the diocese will begin a process focused on our parishes to look at how best to use our resources. (It is expected that several other deaneries will also undergo similar processes.) This process will include not only looking at facts and figures, but also meeting with the people in the pews. At this moment, the end result is unknown, but to be honest, will probably result in a reduction of the number of parishes or the consolidation of some. We, the priests, ask you pray and participate during this process. Things like this are not easy, but please remember in the wider context we are the people of God no matter where we participate in the life of the Church.

God Bless,

Fathers Adam Haake, David Holloway, Sean McCaffery, Jeff Stephan, and Sunoj Thomas

## Lector Workbooks:

Lectors: The Workbook for Lectors for 2020 is available for pickup in the sacristy. Please take the book with your name on it. If you are able to make a donation of \$10 to help defray the cost of the books, it is greatly appreciated, but if you cannot make the donation, please take a book anyway. Thank you!

## Thanks from Littler Family

We would like to extend our sincerest thanks to Fr. Jeff, Fr Chuck and the staff for all of their support during the time Darrell was in the hospital and at his funeral. We thank the funeral luncheon group for the wonderful luncheon and the choir for the beautiful music. We thank everyone for their prayers. The Family of Darrell Littler.



# Youth Ministry

## PSR News

**Trunk-or-Treat!** We will host another Trunk-or-Treat this year on Sunday, October 27 at 6pm. We would really love to have some more trunks this year! If you would be interested in signing up to enter your trunk, please contact Kirstie Roberts! We will give out prizes for the best decorated trunks!



**Parent Meetings for First Reconciliation** will be on November 10 at 9:30am in English and 11:30am in Spanish. Parents will be given a schedule for this year of sacramental preparation, their parent workbooks and information about the program we use. The deadline to enroll in First Communion preparation is November 10.

## Youth News

**High School Youth Bonfire!** On October 20 we will pack up the youth group and head to a parishioner's land for a bonfire party! We will leave St. Sabina at 7pm and return at 9pm. We will have hotdogs, s'mores, cocoa and a woodsy maze, as well as some glow in the dark games. We will need help from parents to drive students to and from the event. Parents are asked to please contact Kirstie Roberts to sign up to be a driver. Everyone must have a permission slip and please note that this event is for our youth group only. There is no charge for this activity.

**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 November 13 from 7-8:30pm in the Parish Hall. If you have any questions or need to enroll in the Confirmation Program, please contact Kirstie Roberts. The deadline to enroll in Confirmation is November 10.

## 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, Joe Crayon, at 816.812.2500 or [crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org](mailto: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 Victim Advocate, Kathleen Chastain, at 816.392.0011 or [chastain@diocesekcsj.org](mailto:chastain@diocesekcsj.org) for more information.

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## Uplift Thanksgiving Dinner

Our Uplift cooks will be preparing Thanksgiving dinner for Uplift on Wednesday, November 27. We'll be working from 8am to 3pm and anyone is welcome to join us. Children must be accompanied by a parent. There will be a sign up genius available for food donations at the beginning of November. Please contact Kirstie Roberts if you would like to help cook this special meal for our homeless brothers and sisters in the Kansas City area. 816-979-3155 or [kirstie@stsabinaparish.org](mailto:kirstie@stsabinaparish.org).

## Reflection on the Readings

The psalm refrain, Psalm 121 “Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth,” sets the tone for the key themes of this Sunday’s readings. They seem to be rather obvious as all three readings, along with the psalm, focus on the need for persistence in prayer so that ultimately justice can be accomplished. The psalm is one of confidence and trust in God who secures justice for the widow (gospel), the oppressed and the powerless, all who have little power and almost no voice.

Psalm 121 is a pilgrimage prayer of those journeying to Jerusalem. As they set out on the journey to deepen their relationship with God, they ask God’s help, assured that God “will guard your coming and your going.” This was extremely important on a journey that was riddled with difficulties and many dangers. Such confidence and reliance on God comes only from a deep relationship and trust in a God who is concerned for all, protects all and secures justice for all.

The first reading from Exodus clearly affirms that persistence in prayer, even when difficult or challenging, brings its own benefits. Prayer helps develop a deeper relationship with God based on confidence and trust in a God who is always present and faithful. The second reading from the second letter to Timothy encourages all of us to remain faithful to what we know about our God, knowledge gained primarily through God’s word and wisdom incarnated in Jesus and in the revealed Scriptures. The daily cultivation of our relationship to God in Christ and through the Scriptures makes us competent and assured in our faith, enabling us to reach out to all in justice and right relationship, “whether...convenient or inconvenient.”

Luke’s parable of the persistent widow and the unjust judge seems to uphold an unsavory character, the unjust judge (recall the unjust steward of a few Sundays ago), as someone from whom we can learn a lesson. That lesson centers on two aspects of prayer. One is the need for persistence and confidence in prayer exemplified by the persistent widow. Since she had no male to petition for her rights, the widow was extremely vulnerable in that society to abuse and neglect. She could only overcome such

vulnerability by persistence and reliance on the compassion of others. The parable’s other lesson focuses on the unjust judge as one who cares for no one, yet is willing to respond to the widow because of her persistence. If the uncaring judge is moved to respond, how much more so will our loving, caring and just God respond.

Reflecting on the parable from a different perspective leads to the gleaning of other lessons from the story. What if the unjust judge represents our attitude towards God and others, basically one of caring for self with no concern for God, others or right relationships? In this scenario, the widow takes on the role of God who challenges us consistently and persistently for justice in our relationship with others. God invites us into relationship to live, act and respond with justice towards all. When we do not, or when we choose other paths, our “persistent widow” God continually knocks at our door hoping that we will break down the barriers we have constructed and do justice by establishing right relationships with all.

What are your reactions as you reflect on our God taking on the role of the “persistent widow” in your life? Would that persistence eventually move you to acts of justice? How would you respond to our “persistent widow” God who bothers you for justice day and night? What affect would that have on your decision regarding whom to vote for in upcoming elections? What affect would that have on how you lived as a faithful disciple of the Lord?

Luke challenges us in many directions this Sunday. Take time to reflect on what God is trying to say to you as you interact with the Word and where that interaction takes you.

Biagio Mazza, Pastoral Associate

### Readings



### Bible Study

#### Sunday, October 20

**1st Reading:** Exodus 17:8-13

**Psalm:** Psalm 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (see 2)

**2nd Reading:** 2 Timothy 3:14—4:2

**Gospel:** Luke 18:1-8

#### Sunday, October 27

**1st Reading:** Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18

**Psalm:** Psalm 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23 (7a)

**2nd Reading:** 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

**Gospel:** Luke 18:9-14

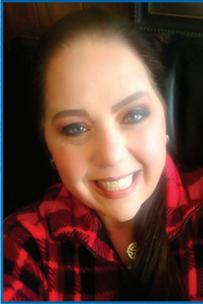
Catholics are mostly exposed to the Bible through the Sunday Lectionary Readings. In order to help us all enter into the Bible through the Sunday readings, we offer study sessions that provide an opportunity to read, to study background to the readings, and to reflect on how to apply the readings to our lives. Our next Bible Study dates are Oct 27 and Nov 10 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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## Reflexión Sobre las Lecturas

El estríbillo del Salmo 121 "El auxilio me viene del Señor que hizo el cielo y la tierra". Establece el tono de los temas clave de las lecturas de este domingo. Parecen ser bastante obvios ya que las tres lecturas, junto con el salmo, se enfocan en la necesidad de persistencia en la oración para que finalmente se pueda lograr la justicia. El salmo es uno de confianza en Dios que asegura la justicia para la vida (evangelio), los oprimidos y los impotentes, todos los que tienen poco poder y casi no tienen voz.

El Salmo 121 es una oración de peregrinación de aquellos que viajan a Jerusalén. A medida que emprenden el viaje para profundizar su relación con Dios, le piden ayuda a Dios, asegurando que Dios "guarda tus entradas y salidas". Esto fue extremadamente importante en un viaje plagado de dificultades y muchos peligros. Tal confianza en Dios proviene solo de una relación profunda y confianza en un Dios que se preocupa por todos, protege a todos y asegura la justicia para todos.

La primera lectura de Exodo afirma claramente que la persistencia en la oración, incluso cuando es difícil o desafiante, trae sus propios beneficios. La oración ayuda a desarrollar una relación más profunda con Dios basada en la confianza en un Dios que siempre está presente y fiel. La segunda lectura de la segunda carta a Timoteo nos anima a todos a permanecer fieles a lo que sabemos acerca de nuestro Dios, el conocimiento adquirido principalmente a través de la palabra de Dios y la sabiduría encarnada en Jesús y en las Escrituras reveladas. El cultivo diario de nuestra relación con Dios en Cristo y a través de las Escrituras nos hace competentes y seguros en nuestra fe, lo que nos permite llegar a todos en la justicia y la relación correcta, "a tiempo y a destiempo".

La parábola de Lucas sobre la vida persistente y el juez injusto parece defender un personaje desagradable, el juez injusto (recuerde al administrador injusto de hace unos domingos), como alguien de quien podemos aprender una lección. Esa lección se centra en dos aspectos de la oración. Una es la necesidad de persistencia y confianza en la oración, ejemplificada por la vida persistente. Como no tenía ningún hombre para solicitar sus derechos, la vida era extremadamente vulnerable en esa sociedad al abuso y la negligencia. Solo podía superar esa vulnerabilidad persistiendo y confiando en la compasión de los demás. La otra lección de la parábola se centra en el juez injusto como alguien que no se preocupa por nadie, pero que está dispuesto a responder a la vida debido a su persistencia. Si el juez indiferente se mueve para responder, cuánto más responderá nuestro Dios amoroso, afectuoso y justo.

Reflexionar sobre la parábola desde una perspectiva diferente conduce a la búsqueda de otras lecciones del cuento. ¿Qué pasa si el juez injusto representa nuestra actitud hacia Dios y los demás, básicamente una de cuidar de uno mismo sin preocuparse por Dios, los demás o las relaciones correctas? En este escenario, la vida asume el papel de Dios que nos desafia constantemente y persistentemente por justicia en nuestra relación con los demás. Dios nos invita a una relación para vivir, actuar y responder con justicia hacia todos. Cuando no lo hacemos, o elegimos otros caminos, nuestra "vida persistente" Dios llama continuamente a nuestra puerta con la esperanza de romper las barreras que hemos construido y hacer justicia al establecer relaciones correctas con todos.

¿Cuáles son sus reacciones cuando reflexiona sobre nuestro Dios asumiendo el papel de la "vida persistente" en su vida? ¿Acaso esa persistencia eventualmente le llevaría a actos de justicia? ¿Cómo respondería al Dios de nuestra "vida persistente" que le molesta por la justicia día y noche? ¿Qué efecto tendría eso en su decisión sobre a quién votar en las próximas elecciones? ¿Qué efecto tendría eso en cómo vive como un discípulo fiel del Señor? Lucas nos desafia en muchas direcciones este domingo. Tómese un momento para reflexionar sobre lo que Dios está tratando de decirle mientras interactúa con la Palabra y adónde lo lleva esa interacción.

**Biagio Mazza**  
**Asociado Pastoral**

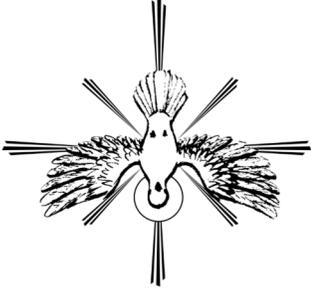
**Lecturas del Domingo, 27 de Octubre**  
Primera Lectura: Eclesiástico 35:15-17, 20-22  
Salmo: Salmo 34:2-3, 17-18, 19 y 23  
Segunda Lectura: 2 Timoteo 4:6-8, 16-18  
Evangelio: Lucas 18:9-14

**Lecturas del Domingo, 20 de Octubre**  
Primera Lectura: Exodo 17:8-13  
Salmo: Salmo 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8  
Segunda Lectura: 2 Timoteo 3:14-4:2  
Evangelio: Lucas 18:1-8



### Lecturas

Dios asumiendo el papel de la "vida



**Candidatos de la Confirmación!** Todos los jóvenes inscritos en el programa de Confirmación deben tener un padrino quien les acompañará en el viaje al sacramento de la Confirmación. Habrá reuniones una vez al mes las cuales se encuentran en el Calendario Juvenil que está disponible en el sitio web de la parroquia. Un padrino es un católico adulto que está confirmado, en buena posición con la iglesia católica y que está disponible para asistir a las reuniones con los jóvenes. No se recomienda que un padre sirva como padrino. Nuestra próxima Noche de Padrinos será el 13 de noviembre de 7 a 8:30 pm en el Salón Parroquial. Si tiene alguna pregunta o necesita inscribirse en el Programa de confirmación, comuníquese con Kirstie Roberts. La fecha límite para inscribirse en la Confirmación es el 10 de noviembre.



grupo de jóvenes. No hay costo para esta actividad. tenga en cuenta que este evento es solo para nuestro conductores. Todos deben tener un permiso y por favor con Kirstie Roberts para que se inscriban como evento. Se pide a los padres que se pongan en contacto ayuda de los padres para conducirlos hacia y desde el como algunos juegos fluorescentes. Necesitaremos la hotdogs, s'mores, chocolate y un laberinto silvestre, así Sta. Sabina a las 7pm y regresaremos a las 9pm. Habrá terreno de un feligres para una fogata! Saliremos de octubre reuniremos al grupo de jóvenes y nos iremos al **Fogata para los jóvenes de la High School!** El 20 de

**Noticias de los jóvenes**

noviembre! Si su hijo se está preparando para su Primera Reconciliación serán el 10 de noviembre a las 9:30 am en inglés y 11:30 am en español. A los padres se les dará materiales e información sobre nuestro programa. Comunidad, ¡necesita estar registrado antes del 10 de



decorados! Entregaremos premios por los maleteros mejor maletero, ¡comuníquese con Kirstie Roberts! decorados este año! Si está interesado en registrar su maletero, el domingo 27 de octubre a las 6pm. **Trunk-or-Treat!** Organizaremos otro Trunk-or-Treat este año, el domingo 27 de octubre a las 6pm.

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

El evangelio para el 29º domingo del tiempo ordinario, año C, es una parábola de la vida y el juez injusto, exclusivo del evangelio de Lucas. Mientras Lucas enmarca la parábola en el contexto de la persistencia en la oración, una mejor manera de examinar la parábola es enfocarse en qué personaje representa mejor a Dios. Un juez injusto que no se preocupa por Dios ni por los humanos y, sin embargo, teme a una vida impotente no es una imagen apropiada para Dios. La vida vulnerable e impotente que busca justicia continuamente es la imagen ideal de Dios. Así, el juez injusto somos nosotros, que a menudo actuamos injustamente, mientras que la vida representa a Dios, quien continuamente solicita y exige que actuemos con justicia en todo lo que decimos y hacemos. Tómese un momento para ver el video ¿Sabes? de esta semana y aprender la lección de discípulado de Jesús que transmite la parábola de Lucas.



### Felicidades Por Su Bautismo

**Bryson Mateo Martinez y Jayden Ray Martinez**, los hijos de Yovannie Martinez y Lisa Martin

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### ¿Por Qué Tenemos un Área de Commemoración en Sta. Sabina?

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