

# Saint Sabina Catholic Church

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**Office Hours:** The parish office is currently open by appointment only.  
**Horarios de la Oficina:** En este momento la oficina parroquial está abierta solo con cita previa.



Pictured, parish families had fun at our drive thru Trunk or Treat event!

*¡En la foto, familias de la parroquia se divirtieron en nuestro evento Drive Thru de Trunk or Treat!*

## Mass Times

**In Person** (We request that you RSVP so that we have a list of attendees):

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

**Online** (via Facebook and parish website):

Saturdays at 6pm (English)  
Sundays at 10:30am (English)  
Sundays at 3pm (Spanish)

## Horarios de Misa

**En persona** (Le pedimos que confirme su asistencia para que tengamos una lista de asistentes):

Sábados a las 4pm (inglés)  
Domingos a las 8am y 10:30am (inglés)  
Domingos a las 12:30pm (español)

**En línea** (a través de Facebook y el sitio web de la parroquia):

Sábados a las 6pm (inglés)  
Domingos a las 10:30am (inglés)  
Domingos a las 3pm (español)

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**Wendy Mora Cedillo**

**Jeannine Midgett**

816-979-3090

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## Mass Intentions for the Week Peticiones de la Semana

### Intentions for November 17-20, 2020

|       |      |                                 |
|-------|------|---------------------------------|
| Tues. | 11am | Intentions of Catalina Avendaño |
| Wed.  | 8am  | †Anna Brossart                  |
| Thur. | 8am  | Open                            |
| Fri.  | 8am  | Open                            |

### Saturday, November 21, 2020

|        |                                 |
|--------|---------------------------------|
| 4:00pm | †Peggy Denzer                   |
|        | Intentions of Our Parish Family |

### Sunday, November 22, 2020

|                 |                         |
|-----------------|-------------------------|
| 8:00am          | Open                    |
| 10:30am         | Open                    |
| 12:30pm Spanish | †Alejandro Chavez       |
|                 | †Genoveva Garcia Romero |

We also remember the special intentions requested in our virtual prayer book on Facebook and our family and friends on the sick list.

*Recordamos tambien, las intenciones especiales en nuestro libro virtual de peticiones por Facebook, y nuestros amigos y familiares de nuestra lista de enfermos.*

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

- †**Peggy Bell**, aunt of Emma Beaver
- †**Richard Chappie**, nephew of Don Miller
- †**Carol Chappie**, niece of Don Miller
- †**Irene Sandoval**, hija de Joe y Guadalupe Tafoya
- †**T.E. "Sody" Geuy**, grandfather of Heather Thurston
- †**Marvin Henrich**, husband of Karen Henrich, father of Kelly Spiller and Christopher Henrich
- †**Jerry Ricke**, brother-in-law of Fr. Jeff
- †**Maximiliano Guevara**, tío de Jesús, Eduardo, Sandra y Ramiro Menjivar
- †**Ricardo López**, esposo de Graciela López Hernández, padre de José, Hugo, Ricardo, Alfredo, Adrián, María, Mónica Fernando y Lorena López
- †**Cory Smith**, son of Betty Berkley, dear friend of Gina Buice and the Katzer Family
- †**Carmen Esperanza Martinez**, madre de Adriana Miramontes



# Parish Information—Información Parroquial

## Sunday, November 15 - Domingo, 15 de Noviembre

9:00am PSR/Parents Lounge

10:30am RICA

11:00am Ensayo del Coro Hispano

## Monday, November 16 - Lunes, 16 de Noviembre

7:00pm Cub Scouts

7:00pm Boy Scouts

## Tuesday, November 17 - Martes, 17 de Noviembre

No Scheduled Events

## Wednesday, November 18 - Miércoles, 18 de Noviembre

6:30pm Rosary

7:00pm Knights First Degree

## Thursday, November 19 - Jueves, 19 de Noviembre

7:00pm RCIA (Zoom)

8:00pm Choir Practice (8am group)

## Friday, November 20 - Viernes, 20 de Noviembre

No Scheduled Events

## Saturday, November 21 - Sábado, 21 de Noviembre

No Scheduled Events

## Sunday, November 22 - Domingo, 22 de Noviembre

8:00am Blood Drive—Donaciones de Sangre

9:00am PSR/Parents Lounge

10:30am RICA

11:00am Ensayo del Coro Hispano

# happy birthday

Edgar Alvarado-Hernandez

Jacob Armstrong

Julissa Arreola

Tammy Barnes

Jil Brown

Everly Brown

Gina Buice

Ilene Burns

Elizabeth Cedillo

Cynthia Circo

Cathy Ciseti

Misael Clemente

Bob Coshun

Darlene Davila-Carlock

Jack Davis

Karen Donnelly

Adriana Garcia

Leticia Garcia

Keyla Gonzalez

Israel Gress

Gerardo Gutierrez

Daniel Guzman

Ginny Hainey

Marisela Hernandez

Sandra Hernandez

Gil Hernandez

Shannon Herndon

Lisa Janner

Joseph Jonas

Diane Keith

Denise Kelley

Silvia Landa

Yareliz Lopez-Alvarado

Antonia Martinez

Eder Mauro Parra

Paige McLain

Perla Molina

Aiden Muder

Caroline Niemeyer

Ismael Olvera-Zarco

Ruben Ortiz

Ethan Ortiz

Jeffrey Overhaug

Joseph Palomares

Alexandra Perez

Katherine Phillips

Adalberto Rivera

Maribel Rocha

Jean Paul Rodriguez

Luis Rojas

Taylor Romstad

Linda Ryan

Frank Schockey

Caleb Scott

Scarlet Solis

Cintia Soriano

Kayla Stone

Jonathan Torres

Ruth Vilcinskas

Jose Villa Lagos

Maura Walter

Yadira Zarco

# Happy Anniversary

Al and Nancy Minnis

60 Years!

11/19/1960

Brad and Jill Votava

32 Years!

11/19/1988

Gerardo and Maura Arenivas

28 Years!

11/21/1992

Jose and Jenny Lopez

27 Years!

11/17/1993

Javier Aguirre and Brenda Chavez

4 Years!

11/19/2016

Miguel Perez and Claudia Hinojos

3 Years!

11/18/2017

Eduardo Menjivar and Flor Alvarado

2 Years!

11/18/2018

## New Girl Scout Troop

A new Girl Scout troop is forming and will meet at St Sabina every other Sunday at 1pm in the gym. For more information, please contact at Tracy Coyle at [tfroggie81@yahoo.com](mailto:tfroggie81@yahoo.com).





### This Week's Do You Know Video:

Each year, the First Sunday of Advent begins a new liturgical year which always ends on the Thirty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary



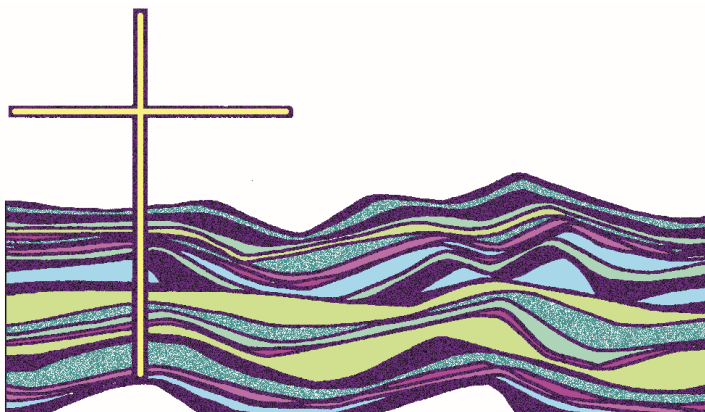
Time, commonly known as the Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. Each liturgical year invites us to delve deeper into Christ's Paschal Mystery, his life and ministry, along with his passion, death and resurrection. During each liturgical year we are asked to come to know Jesus better and to model our lives on his, especially his willingness to give of himself completely for others. The liturgical year structure interweaves the season of Ordinary Time with two festal seasons, Easter and Christmas. The heart of the liturgical year is the Triduum, Holy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil, three days that celebrate the Paschal Mystery as the key model of discipleship. We prepare for Triduum with the forty days of Lent and we celebrate the Easter joy with the fifty days of the Easter season, which ends with Pentecost. We prepare for Christmas with the four Sundays of Advent and celebrate it till the feast of the Baptism of the Lord, typically the Sunday after Epiphany. Intertwined between these two festal seasons is the season of Ordinary Time with its thirty-four Sundays calling us to deepen our relationship to Christ by modeling our discipleship on his life and mission. Make time to view this week's DYK video to explore further the meaning and significance of each new liturgical year.

### Green Team Tip of the Week

November 15 is America Recycles Day sponsored by Keep America Beautiful. Learn more and sign up at <https://americarecyclesday.org/>.

### Baptism Congratulations

**Pearl Jean Shillings**, daughter of Kyle and Emily Shillings



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

Cada año, el Primer Domingo de Adviento comienza un nuevo año litúrgico que siempre termina el Trigésimo Cuarto



Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario, comúnmente conocido como la Fiesta de Nuestro Señor Jesucristo, Rey del Universo. Cada año litúrgico nos invita a profundizar en el misterio pascual de Cristo, su vida y ministerio, junto con su pasión, muerte y resurrección. Durante cada año litúrgico se nos pide que lleguemos a conocer mejor a Jesús y a modelar nuestra vida en la suya, especialmente en su disposición a entregarse completamente por los demás. La estructura del año litúrgico entrelaza la temporada del Tiempo Ordinario con dos temporadas festivas, Pascua y Navidad. El corazón del año litúrgico es el Triduo, el Jueves Santo, el Viernes Santo y la Vigilia Pascual, tres días que celebran el Misterio Pascual como modelo clave del discipulado. Nos preparamos para el Triduo con los cuarenta días de Cuaresma y celebramos la alegría pascual con los cincuenta días del tiempo pascual, que termina con Pentecostés. Nos preparamos para la Navidad con los cuatro domingos de Adviento y la celebramos hasta la fiesta del Bautismo del Señor, típicamente el domingo después de la Epifanía. Entrelazada entre estas dos temporadas festivas está la temporada del Tiempo Ordinario con sus treinta y cuatro domingos que nos llama a profundizar nuestra relación con Cristo modelando nuestro discipulado en su vida y misión. Tómese un momento para ver el video ¿Sabes? de esta semana para explorar más el significado y la importancia de cada nuevo año litúrgico.

### Platicas Pre-Bautismales - 12 de Diciembre

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.**

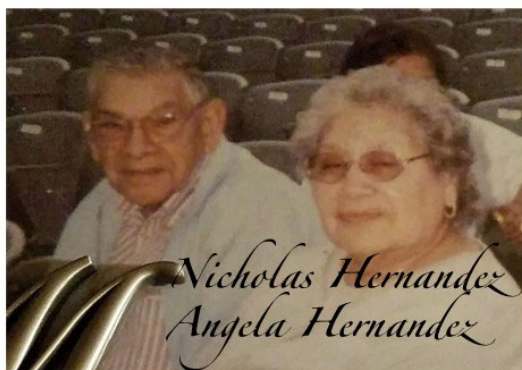
**PRÓXIMOS BAUTISMOS:** llamar a Kris al 816-979-3151. Favor de llenar su aplicación para asistir a las platicas con anterioridad.

### Felicidades Por Su Bautismo

**Roberto Carlos Saenz Espinoza, Jr.**, el hijo de Roberto Carlos Saenz y Guadalupe Espinoza

**Delanie Garcia Maravilla**, la hija de Sebastián Axel Garcia y Esmeralda Maravilla Navarro

**Sofia Santa Eguade y Ernesto Salvador Eguade**, hijos de Adrián y Karla Eguade



*Rose Solo*

*Shirley Siebert*

*Martha Velazquez Calix*

*Jim Ruffini*

*Pablo José Zayas*

*Peggy Dodd*

*Anne Meara*

*Lynn Wohlberg Morgan*

*Jerry Ricke*

*Marv Henrich*

All are invited to submit names for our Book of the Names of the Dead. Contact the parish office or submit a name through our virtual Book on Facebook.

*Todos están invitados a enviar nombres para nuestro Libro de los Nombres de los Muertos. Póngase en contacto con la oficina parroquial o envíe un nombre a través de nuestro Libro virtual en Facebook.*

## Youth News

## Ministerio Juvenil

### Quarantined from School?

If your child is quarantined from school, please contact Kirstie to be added to the zoom email each week for PSR and youth meetings.



### ¿En cuarentena de la escuela?

Si su hijo está en cuarentena de la escuela, comuníquese con Kirstie para que lo agreguen al correo electrónico de zoom cada semana para reuniones de jóvenes y Escuela de Religión.



### 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.

*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/>.*



## Wellness Center



### Staying Mindful This Autumn

It's the time of harvest festivals, brightly colored leaves and bonfires. Like any season, the joys of Autumn can pass us by all too quickly if we don't pay attention. There are of course many reasons to dislike the season too – it's getting colder and the evenings are getting steadily darker. However, whether we enjoy Autumn or not, it provides opportunities to come back into the moment and experience it fully.

**A Chill in the Air**-There's no denying it – summer is definitely over. Although many of us probably take the time to be mindful of the summer sun on our skin, how many of us give the colder weather the same attention? We tend to notice and appreciate things we like in life and begrudge those that we believe we hate.

Instead of just thinking 'Oh, I hate the cold!', why not try using it to become more present in your body? Notice the chill on your face, how the wind ruffles your hair. You don't have to enjoy it, but being mindful of it may bring new feelings and sensations. As well as the weather, we can enjoy the warmth and softness of our scarf, the snugness of our coat or the comfort of a hot cup of tea when we return home.

**The Coming of Winter** -While there are many things to enjoy about Autumn, for some of us it may be a worrying time. Depression can worsen due to the dark mornings and evenings, and we may feel more socially isolated, stuck in our homes away from the cold. We all go through our own personal seasons, times of light and sunshine, and then times of dark and cold. We're not separate from nature in this way. The seasons change, just as we change. If we can accept the changing weather, we might take one step closer to accepting our own changeability. Just as winter will again become spring, our darkest moments also pass.





## Pastoral Care

### 4 Tips to Help Manage BURNOUT—Mental Health First Aid

1. Recognize how you're **feeling**.
2. Understand your **wellness** domains.
3. Create a **self-care** plan.
4. Talk to someone you **trust**.

### Mental Health Resource Numbers

**National Suicide Prevention Lifeline**

1-800-273-TALK (8255) Available 24/7

**ACI Mental Health Crisis Hotline**

1-888-279-8188 Available 24/7, Multilingual

### Send Some Sunshine!

Would you like to brighten someone's day? Could you send someone a card or message of encouragement? Our area nursing homes and assisted living facilities have been closed to visitors for since March. It's hard on families but harder on the resident to be cut off from their loved ones and the volunteers that brighten their day. If you would like to participate please contact Marta Roper in the parish office at 816-979-3154 or [marta@stsabinaparish.org](mailto:marta@stsabinaparish.org).



## Cuidado Pastoral

### 4 Consejos para Ayudar a Controlar AGOTAMIENTO: Primeros Auxilios de Salud Mental

1. Reconozca cómo se **siente**.
2. Comprenda sus dominios de **bienestar**.
3. Cree un plan de **cuidado personal**.
4. Hable con alguien con quien tiene **confianza**.

### Números de Recursos de Salud Mental

**Línea de Vida Nacional para la Prevención del Suicidio**

1-800-273-TALK (8255) Disponible 24/7

**Línea de Crisis de Salud Mental de ACI**

1-888-279-8188 Disponible 24/7, multilingüe

### ¡Envíe un Rayito de Sol!

¿Le gustaría alegrarle el día a alguien? ¿Podría enviarle a alguien una tarjeta o un mensaje de aliento? Nuestras residencias de ancianos e instalaciones de vida asistida del área han estado cerradas a los visitantes desde marzo. Es difícil para las familias, pero más difícil para el residente estar aislado de sus seres queridos y los voluntarios que alegran sus días. Si desea participar, comuníquese con Marta Roper en la oficina parroquial al 816-979-3154 o [marta@stsabinaparish.org](mailto:marta@stsabinaparish.org).

## Prayer Requests/Peticiones de Oración

Christina Albarez  
Juanita Becerra  
Dennis Berg  
John Bidondo  
Mary Pat Biondo  
Betty Bremenkamp  
Maxine Bremer  
Ruth Brown  
Veronica Burks  
Joyce Callahan  
Angel Cedillo  
Javier Cedillo  
John Cikan  
Steve Circo  
Harrison Cummings  
Mark DeLuca  
Mark Deterding  
Marcia DiGeorge  
Lois Dull  
Paula Dull  
Denise English  
Terry Eppert  
Rosa Escobedo  
Joe Evans  
Maria Luisa Flores  
Larry Foster  
Jean Frank  
Jim Frezza

Gary Gallup  
Karen Grantham  
Manuel Miramontes Gonzalez  
Miquel Angel Salinas Gonzalez  
Ginny Hainey  
Jackie Hamilton  
Rita Ann Hand  
Bob Harman  
Karen Harman  
Jeanette Hart  
Bonnie Haskins  
Cherie Hatfield  
Martha Healy  
Ted Henry  
Rhonda Henke  
Bob Henningsen  
Marilyn Henningsen  
Ann Heinzler  
Jeff Hemmen  
Jennifer Huffman  
Richard Huffman  
Rick Johnson  
Kenneth Jones  
John Jongenelen  
Michael Kempster  
John Key  
Jack King  
Todd Kudron

Don Kueck  
Susan Lager  
Dale Lammer  
Ellen Lilek  
Emmy Long  
Alyson Lopez  
Bienvenido Martinez  
Leslie McDowell  
Leonard Meiron  
Melba Mercier  
Karen Muelbach  
Joan Nowak  
Jerry Nowak  
Laura Oresteen  
Zenaida Ortiz  
Diane Quinn  
Larry Rhodes  
Alfonso Rivera  
Agustin Rivera  
Michelle Rose  
Fran Rosenhan  
Anna Ryan  
Ron Schock  
Mary Schwartz  
Peter Shea  
Jaxton Shipley  
Shellie Smoot  
Rachael Smith

Lois Stogsdill  
Rita Stout  
Jessica Svoda  
Jean Tate  
Joel Taylor  
Priscilla Tristani  
Debbie Wagner  
Denise Vargo Wallace  
Bob Watts  
Donna West  
Ron West  
Mary Westfall  
Sarah Wheeler  
Mary Wickstrum  
Veryl Dean Wickstrum  
Marie Wilburn  
Carmitia Yust



## Reflection on the Readings

One more Sunday and our liturgical year comes to a close. **The focus for these last few Sundays of the Liturgical year is the end times, the final encounter between God and humanity in which a final assessment of one's life and actions will take place.** Traditionally we have made this part of God's job description. Today's readings remind us rather clearly that we take a very active part in the final encounter with God.

**The fear of the Lord seems to dominate the readings.** Psalm 128 focuses our thoughts with its refrain, "Blessed are those who fear the Lord." **The fear of the Lord is not one of dread or trembling but rather one of awe, reverence, respect and majesty.** Such fear is affirmed as the "beginning of wisdom."

The first reading from the book of Proverbs praises and blesses a woman for her role as a worthy wife, but most especially for her ability to "fear the Lord." Why such praise? **Because anyone who "fears the Lord" acknowledges the mystery, grandeur and majesty of God.** With humility and reverence, such people seek to know, understand and gain wisdom into the meaning and purpose of life, the purpose for which we were created. **For all human beings, such wisdom leads to a recognition of God's many blessings to us, most especially in terms of work and family.**

**Paul in his First Letter to the Thessalonians reminds us that often we are worried about many things that we can do nothing about.** This leads to stress, confusion and misunderstanding of what is really important in life. In Christ, we have become "children of the light and children of the day." **By focusing on Christ and living in his light, we gain the wisdom we need to focus on what is important in our relationship to God and others.** We will remain "alert and sober" always attuned to God's desires and intentions, and doing what needs to be done so that even more light can be cultivated.

Matthew's parable of the talents can be interpreted in many ways. **The original intent of the parable as taught by Jesus during his public ministry addressed the injustice and oppression of the poor by the rich.** It was understood that the rich got richer by oppressing and stealing from the poor. The first two servants act as retainers, assisting the rich in oppressing others by gaining more wealth for the master, thus cooperating in the rampant economic injustice.

**The third servant refuses to oppress others by not cooperating in this unjust system.** By boldly questioning his master's greed, oppression and injustice, the third servant returns to his master what

was his to begin with and nothing more. For this he is severely reprimanded and punished. Such is the fate of any person who dares to question injustice and oppression, especially in the realm of economics and the bottom line. **Read this way, the parable severely challenges our current economic system and all those who cooperate in getting rich by oppressing the poor.**

**Matthew, sixty years after Jesus, refashions this parable into an allegory about the end times.** In light of the end times, it takes on a different meaning than it had during the ministry of Jesus. The parable fashions the master as God who entrusts us with gifts to be used for building up God's people. **The praised disciples are those who use their gifts wisely, boldly and faithfully, willing to take risks and be creative in the use of their gifts for building up God's people.**

Such disciples are willing to reach out to others, even when inconvenient, challenging or costly, in order that God's care and love can be manifested. **Such disciples are prophetic, willing to challenge the status quo so that justice and right relationship prevail.** Such disciples do not bury their gifts or hold on blindly to custom or tradition for fear of not getting it right. Rather they trust enough in God's wisdom and light to be willing to take risks for God and others.

**Both interpretations of the parable uphold Jesus Jewish values which always favor justice and concern for all, most especially the poor, marginalized and the powerless.** How is justice for the oppressed and powerless an integral part of how you live out your baptismal call? **This week, reflect on how you put these values into practice as you prepare for God's coming at the end times.**

**Biagio Mazza**  
Pastoral Associate

### Readings



#### Sunday, November 15

**1st Reading:** Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31

**Psalm:** Psalm 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 (1a)

**2nd Reading:** 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6

**Gospel:** Matthew 25:14-30

#### Sunday, November 22

**1st Reading:** Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17

**Psalm:** Psalm 23:1-2, 2-3, 5-6 (1)

**2nd Reading:** 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28

**Gospel:** Matthew 25:31-46



## Reflexión Sobre las Lecturas

Un domingo más y nuestro año litúrgico llega a su fin. **El enfoque para estos últimos domingos del año litúrgico es el final de los tiempos, el encuentro final entre Dios y la humanidad en el que tendrá lugar una evaluación final de la vida y las acciones de uno.** Tradicionalmente hemos hecho esta parte de la descripción del trabajo de Dios. Las lecturas de hoy nos recuerdan bastante claramente que tomamos una parte muy activa en el encuentro final con Dios.

**El temor del Señor parece dominar las lecturas.** El Salmo 127 enfoca nuestros pensamientos con su estribillo: "Dichoso el que teme al Señor". **El temor de Dios no es de terror ni de temblar de miedo, sino más bien es un temor reverencial, de respeto y majestad.** Tal temor se afirma como el "comienzo de la sabiduría".

La primera lectura del libro de Proverbios alaba y bendice a una mujer por su papel de esposa digna, pero especialmente por su capacidad de "temer al Señor". ¿Por qué tal alabanza? **Porque cualquiera que "teme al Señor" reconoce el misterio, la grandeza y la majestad de Dios.** Tales personas buscan conocer, comprender y ganar sabiduría en el significado y el propósito de la vida, el propósito para el cual fuimos creados. **Para todos los seres humanos, tal sabiduría conduce a un reconocimiento de las muchas bendiciones de Dios para nosotros, especialmente en términos de trabajo y familia.**

**Pablo en su Primera Carta a los Tesalonicenses nos recuerda que muchas veces estamos preocupados por muchas cosas de las que no podemos hacer nada.** Esto lleva al estrés, la confusión y la incompreensión de lo que es realmente importante en la vida. En Cristo, nos hemos convertido en "hijos de la luz e hijos del día". **Al centramos en Cristo y vivir en su luz, obtenemos la sabiduría que necesitamos para**

**enfocarnos en lo que es importante en nuestra relación con Dios y con los demás.** Permaneceremos "despiertos y sobrios" siempre en sintonía con los deseos e intenciones de Dios, y con lo que se necesita hacer para que se pueda cultivar aún más luz.

La parábola de los talentos de Mateo se puede interpretar de muchas maneras. **El propósito original de la parábola como lo enseñó Jesús durante su ministerio público abordó la injusticia y la opresión de los pobres por los ricos.** Se entendía que los ricos se enriquecían oprimiendo y robando a los pobres. Los primeros dos sirvientes actúan como criados, ayudando a los ricos a oprimir a otros al ganar más riqueza para el amo, cooperando así en la injusticia económica desenfrenada.

**El tercer sirviente se niega a oprimir a los demás al no cooperar en este sistema injusto.** Al cuestionar audazmente la avaricia, la opresión y la injusticia de su amo, el tercer sirviente devuelve a su maestro lo que era suyo desde el comienzo y nada más. Por esto, es severamente reprendido y castigado. Tal es el destino de cualquier persona que se atreva a cuestionar la injusticia y la opresión, especialmente en el ámbito de la economía y el resultado final. **Leído de esta manera, la parábola desafía severamente a nuestro sistema económico actual y a todos aquellos que cooperan para enriquecerse oprimiendo a los pobres.**

**Mateo, sesenta años después de Jesús, reconfigura esta parábola en una alegoría sobre el fin de los tiempos.** A la luz de los tiempos finales, adquiere un significado diferente al que tuvo durante el ministerio de Jesús. La parábola modela al maestro como Dios que nos confía los dones para ser usados para construir al pueblo de Dios. **Los**

**discípulos elogiados son aquellos que usan sus dones de manera sabia, audaz y fiel, dispuestos a tomar riesgos y ser creativos en el uso de sus dones para construir al pueblo de Dios.**

Tales discípulos están dispuestos a acercarse a los demás, incluso cuando es inconveniente, desafiante o costoso, para que el cuidado y el amor de Dios puedan manifestarse. **Tales discípulos son proféticos, dispuestos a desafiar las cosas como están para que la justicia y la relación correcta prevalezcan.** Tales discípulos no entierran sus dones ni se aferran ciegamente a la costumbre o la tradición por temor a no hacerlo bien. Por el contrario, confían lo suficiente en la sabiduría y la luz de Dios como para estar dispuestos a correr riesgos para Dios y los demás.

**Ambas interpretaciones de la parábola sostienen los valores judíos de Jesús que siempre favorecen la justicia y la preocupación por todos, especialmente los pobres, marginados e impotentes.** ¿De qué manera es la justicia para los oprimidos e impotentes una parte integral de cómo se vive su llamada bautismal? **Esta semana, reflexione sobre cómo pone estos valores en práctica mientras se prepara para la venida de Dios en el fin de los tiempos.**

Biagio Mazza  
Asociado Pastoral

### Lecturas



#### Lecturas del Domingo, 15 de Noviembre

Primera Lectura: Proverbios 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31  
Salmo: Salmo 127:1-2, 3, 4-5  
Segunda Lectura: 1 Tesalonicenses 5:1-6  
Evangelio: Mateo 25:14-30

#### Lecturas del Domingo, 22 de Noviembre

Primera Lectura: Ezequiel 34:11-12, 15-17  
Salmo: Salmo 22:1-2a, 2b-3, 5, 6  
Segunda Lectura: 1 Corintios 15:20-26, 28  
Evangelio: Mateo 25:31-46

## Stewardship

"Then the one who had received two talents also came forward and said, 'Master, you gave me two talents. See, I have made two more.' His master said to him, 'Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities. Come, share your master's joy.'"

Matthew 25: 22-23

While the first two servants immediately put the talents entrusted to them to good use, the third servant reacted to this responsibility with fear. He hid master's talent, burying it in the ground. He took the safe way, the easy way out. What a tragic response! This servant did not understand his master at all. He failed to see what a privilege he had been given. The master wanted to give all his servants the joy and satisfaction of helping him grow his kingdom. This is what our Heavenly Father wants for us, too — the incredible privilege of helping to advance the coming of the Kingdom of God. Let us embrace the stewardship way of life, using all the gifts entrusted to us — Time, Talents and Treasure — in such a way that at the end of our life on this earth, we will hear these words from our Father: "Well done, my good and faithful servant... Come, share your master's joy." — See more at [www.catholicsteward.com/blog/](http://www.catholicsteward.com/blog/).

## Corresponsabilidad

"Se acercó luego el que había recibido dos talentos y le dijo: 'Señor, dos talentos me dejaste; aquí tienes otros dos, que con ellos he ganado'. Su señor le dijo: 'Te felicito, siervo bueno y fiel. Puesto que has sido fiel en cosas de poco valor, te confiaré cosas de mucho valor. Entra a tomar parte en la alegría de tu señor'."

Mateo 25:22-23

Mientras que los dos primeros sirvientes inmediatamente hicieron buen uso de los talentos que se les habían confiado, el tercer sirviente reaccionó con temor ante esta responsabilidad. Escondió el talento del maestro, enterrándolo en el suelo. Tomó el camino seguro, el camino fácil. ¡Qué trágica respuesta! Este sirviente no entendió a su amo en absoluto. No pudo ver el privilegio que se le había otorgado. El amo quería darles a todos sus siervos la alegría y la satisfacción de ayudarlo a hacer crecer su reino. Esto es lo que nuestro Padre Celestial también quiere para nosotros: el increíble privilegio de ayudar a promover la venida del Reino de Dios. Adoptemos el estilo de vida de la corresponsabilidad, utilizando todos los dones que se nos han confiado - Tiempo, Talentos y Tesoros - de tal manera que al final de nuestra vida en esta tierra, escuchemos estas palabras de nuestro Padre: "Te felicito, mi siervo bueno y fiel... Entra a tomar parte en la alegría de tu señor". — Vea mas en [www.catholicsteward.com/blog/](http://www.catholicsteward.com/blog/).

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## Stewardship

### Lector Workbooks

Lectors: The Workbook for Lectors for 2021 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!

### Appreciated Stock

A good steward uses his or her assets in a way that does the most good. Gifts of securities can help you avoid Capital Gains Tax! If you own appreciated stock, you may wish to consider giving the stock to the parish rather than cash. Depending on your tax situation, you may be able to deduct the full fair market value of the stock, avoid the capital gains tax and make a substantial gift to the parish. Contact Kris at kris@stsabinaparish.org with questions.

### Retreat for Women Considering Religious Life

Walking With God? Walk with us! The Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration in Clyde, Missouri, invite single women, ages 18 - 40 who are considering religious life, to attend a Virtual Monastic Experience via zoom Nov. 20-22, 2020. We hope to digitally show discerners around, introduce some of our Sisters, and share some tips on prayer and discernment. The experience will include one hour of input each day. There will also be an opportunity to connect with the vocation director one on one. There is no cost to attend. To learn more, please visit [www.benedictinesisters.org](http://www.benedictinesisters.org). To register, contact Sr. Maria Victoria at (660) 944-2221 ex. 127 or e-mail [vocation@benedictinesisters.org](mailto:vocation@benedictinesisters.org).

### Community Garden Update

This year the St Sabina Community Garden has reached its goal of growing and donating 2,000lbs, or one tone, of produce! It has also completed its final expansion! With the help of The Giving Grove, we have added 3 apple and 3 pear trees! This will nearly double our production of produce to help the needy in Belton, MO.

### Parents Lounge Thanksgiving Meals

This year has been so hard for so many families. So many families are needing assistance more than ever before and St. Sabina and our group, The Parents Lounge, have once again joined forces to help give families a Thanksgiving meal to enjoy. Things will look a little differently this year. We want recipient families to sign up from today until November 21st through St. Sabina's parish office. Donations will be accepted in the form of canned goods or perishable goods, ONLY the weekend of the 21st and 22nd and needs to be picked up by the families on Sunday, November 22nd. Monetary donations or gift cards can be collected throughout the month of November through the church's collections during Mass. Any questions can be directed towards Danielle Weeks at 660-424-3170 or through emailing the church. Please make this Thanksgiving a blessed one. We are all in this together!

## Corresponsabilidad

### Manuales para Proclamadores

Lectores: El Manual para Proclamadores de la Palabra para el 2021 está disponible para recogerlo en la sacristía. Por favor, lleve el libro con su nombre. Si puede hacer una donación de \$10 para ayudar a sufragar el costo de los libros, es muy apreciado, pero si no puede hacer la donación, por favor lleve un libro de todos modos. ¡Gracias!

### Actualización del jardín comunitario

¡Este año, el Jardín Comunitario de Santa Sabina ha alcanzado su objetivo de cultivar y donar 2,000 libras, o una tonelada, de productos! ¡También ha completado su expansión final! ¡Con la ayuda de The Giving Grove, hemos agregado 3 manzanos y 3 perales! Esto casi duplicará nuestra producción para ayudar a los necesitados en Belton, MO.

### Comidas de Acción de Gracias por el Parents Lounge

Este año ha sido muy duro para muchas familias. Muchas familias necesitan ayuda más que nunca y Sta. Sabina y nuestro grupo, The Parents Lounge, han unido fuerzas una vez más para ayudar a que las familias disfruten de una comida de Acción de Gracias. Las cosas se verán un poco diferentes este año. Queremos que las familias receptoras se registren desde hoy hasta el 21 de noviembre a través de la oficina parroquial de Santa Sabina. Se aceptarán donaciones en forma de comida enlatada o productos perecederos, SOLAMENTE el fin de semana del 21 y 22 y deben ser recogidas por las familias el domingo 22 de noviembre. Las donaciones monetarias o las tarjetas de regalo se pueden recolectar durante el mes de noviembre a través de las colectas de la iglesia durante la misa. Cualquier pregunta puede dirigirse a Danielle Weeks al 660-424-3170 o enviando un correo electrónico a la iglesia. Por favor, haga que este Día de Acción de Gracias sea bendecido. ¡Estamos todos juntos en esto!

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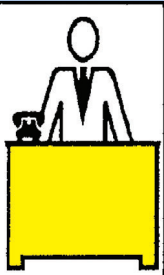
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