

Saint Sabina Catholic Church

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



Students from our Parish School of Religion carried up the gifts at 10:30 Mass last Sunday.

Mass Times

Saturday: 4:00pm in English

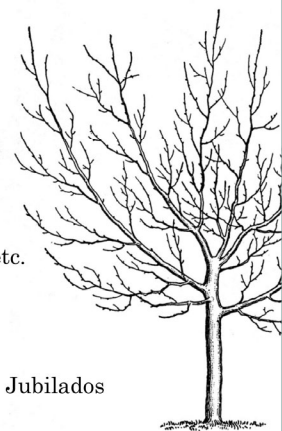
Sunday: 8:00am and 10:30am in English,
12:30pm in Spanish

Confessions: Saturdays
3:00-3:30pm

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

Jesse Tree Collections Colectas del Árbol de Jesé

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| Dec 1/2: | Toys
Juguetes |
| Dec 8/9: | Gloves, hats, socks, etc.
Guantes, gorros, calcetines, etc. |
| Dec 15/16: | Canned Food
Alimentos Enlatados |
| Dec 22/23: | Religious Retirement Appeal
Apelación para los Religiosos Jubilados |



Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 18, 2018

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Mass Intentions for the Week

Intentions for November 19-23, 2018

Mon.	8am	Communion Service
Tues.	6pm	†Bob Cummings
Wed.	10am	†Patricia Srader (Foxwood Springs)
Thurs.	9am	†Theo Suwito
Fri.		No Mass or Communion Service

Saturday, November 24, 2018

4:00pm	†Annie R Davis
	†Rita Miller

Sunday, November 25, 2018

8:00am	†Jack and Nancy Henning
10:30am	†Patricia Srader
12:30pm Spanish	Intenciones de Nuestra Familia Parroquial
	†Antonio Zavala Gonzalez
	†Esther Flores

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

†**Shirley Sullivan**, mother of James Sullivan, Mary Schmidt, Patricia Fontenot, Marjorie Winner, Terri Glano, Cecelia Sullivan, and Kathleen Newman

†**Patrick Davis**, son of Barbara Davis

†**Severiano Corrales**, tío de Raul Felix

†**Clarence Reynolds**, father of Stephanie Reynolds

†**Paul DeMar**, husband of Cherie DeMar



Calendar/Parish Happenings

Sunday, November 18 - Domingo, 18 de Noviembre

Altar Society Sale/Venta de la Sociedad del Altar

- 9:00am PSR/Parents Lounge
- 10:30am Taller de Como Hacer Piñatas
- 11:00am Ensayo del Coro Hispano
- 11:00am Escuela de Religión
- 2:00pm Ensayo para la Obra de Guadalupe
- 6:00pm Matachines
- 7:00pm Confirmation and High School Youth Group

Monday, November 19 - Lunes, 19 de Noviembre

- 6:30pm Cub Scout Pack Meeting
- 7:00pm Boy Scouts
- 7:00pm Talleres de Oración y Vida

Tuesday, November 20 - Martes, 20 de Noviembre

- 7:00pm Equipo de Pequeñas Comunidades Cristianas
- 7:00pm ESL/Inglés como Segunda Lengua
- 8:00pm Choir Practice (8:00 group)

Wednesday, November 21 - Miércoles, 21 de Noviembre

- 9:00am Church Decorating
- 9:00am Legion of Mary
- 10:00am Mass at Foxwood Springs
- 6:00pm Matachines
- 7:00pm Knights First Degree

Thursday, November 22 - Jueves, 22 de Noviembre

Thanksgiving Day/Office Closed

- 9:00am Thanksgiving Day Mass

Friday, November 23 - Viernes, 23 de Noviembre

- 5:00pm Ensayo de Quince Años—Wendy Duran

Saturday, November 24 - Sábado, 24 de Noviembre

- 8:00am Desierto de Talleres de Oración y Vida
- 9:00am Altar Society Church Cleaning
- 1:00pm Quince Años—Wendy Duran
- 3:00pm Confessions
- 6:00pm Ensayo para las Posadas

Sunday, November 25 - Domingo, 25 de Noviembre

- 10:30am Bible Study
- 11:00am Ensayo del Coro Hispano
- 2:00pm Ensayo para la Obra de Guadalupe
- 6:00pm Matachines
- 6:00pm Ensayo para las Posadas

Upcoming Altar Society Sales

After all Masses on November 17/18 and December 1/2, the Altar Society will be offering you an opportunity to purchase beautiful imported hand-made Italian, Mexican, and Holy Land rosaries, as well as a large variety of Catholic medals, crucifix necklaces, bracelets, and other faith-inspired necklaces. Advent wreaths, candles, and calendars will also be available. The proceeds from this sale support the needs of St. Sabina's Altar, Sanctuary, and Sacristy. Thank you for your support!

Over 55 Christmas Luncheon

Save the date for our Over 55 Christmas Luncheon which will be held on Tuesday, December 11th. More details to come.

Area of Remembrance

Thank you to all who brought pictures in for our Area of Remembrance. It was a lovely display this year and a great reminder of our connection to the Communion of Saints.

We honor your loved ones and continue to keep them in prayer. As November comes to a close, the Area of Remembrance will be concluded. Please plan to take your pictures home the weekend of November 24/25. Thank you.

Thanksgiving Day Mass will be celebrated on Thursday, November 22th at 9:00 AM. You may bring a food item that you will share at your Thanksgiving meal to be blessed during Mass. Items brought to Mass can be placed on the table in church and will be blessed at the end of Mass. You can pick your item up after Mass to bring home for your meal. The church offers this blessing as a way for us to offer thanks to God for the blessings He bestows on us and to connect our prayer at Mass to our family celebration that day.



Parish Happenings/Information

This Week's Do You Know Video:

As we bring our Liturgical year to a close during the month of November, this week's DYK video examines our Catholic understanding of the Last Things, namely, Death, Judgment, Heaven and Hell. The lectionary readings for the end and the beginning of the Liturgical year draw our attention to the End Times, the time of completion upon the return of Jesus. We have inherited many traditional explanations of these last things in images and symbols. Many of these images no longer speak effectively regarding our understanding of the world and our image of God based on Scripture, theological reflection and the teachings of Vatican II. Much rethinking has gone on in our understanding of the Last Things, especially in light of our image of God. We believe God creates us out of love and calls us into relationship from the moment of our conception. As we grow and mature, we are called to respond to God's love. The choices that we freely make ultimately determine the direction of our lives, either in loving response to God's love offer, or in rejection of that love. All this has implications for how we understand the Last Things. Make time to view this week's DYK video and learn more of the current approach toward the Last Things and their implications for us as we make choices in our lives.



happy birthday

Julissa Arreola	Jason Giacone	Joseph Palomares
Tom Baldwin	Daniel Guzman	Alexandra Perez
Tammy Barnes	Virginia Hainey	Joshua Perez
George Barrios	Gil Hernandez	Michael Pierce
Pauline Bellm	Juan Hernandez	Frances Prendergast
Debbie Borgman	Shannon Herndon	Maria Reyes
George Bremer	Kathleen Huffman	Stephanie Reynolds
Gina Buice	Diane Keith	Adalberto Rivera
Ilene Burns	Denise Kelley	Maribel Rocha
Cynthia Circo	Jessica Knight	Jean Paul Rodriguez
Misael Clemente	Gene Krein	Luis Rojas
Allison Contreras	Silvia Landa	Caleb Scott
Bob Coshun	Yareliz Lopez-Alvarado	Bentley Stegner
Darlene Davila - Carlock	Antonia Martinez	Kayla Stone
Jack Davis	Eder Mauro Parra	Jonathan Torres
Genevieve DeMay	Helen McBride	Yair Trejo
Ximena Duran	Paige McLain	Jose Villa Lagos
Genoveva Garcia	Perla Molina	Sharon Wiglesworth
Leticia Garcia	Yamileth Morales	Yadira Zarco
Gloria Garcia	Aiden Muder	
Mariana Garza	Jeffrey Overhaug	

March for Life Pilgrimage - January 2019

Registration is now open for the 2019 March for Life Pilgrimage to Washington DC, January 17-19. This three-day trip will include Mass each day, rally on the National Mall and participation in the 2019 March for Life. Registration will be open through December 12th. The cost is \$315. To learn more, please visit www.respectlifekcsj.org.

GLTB Catholics: A 25 year existing group called HOPE of gay and lesbian Catholics that meets regularly on the third Sunday of the month, welcomes new members. Its mission is: Providing a safe, supportive and affirming environment for integrating sexuality and spirituality. Regular activities, along with monthly conversation, are a yearly retreat, providing meals for persons in hospice and AIDS centers, worshipping together in local parishes, hosting speakers and interacting with other local groups. Parents and guests are always welcome. For info contact:

Dean at 913-748-7433 or

Sr. Donna Ryan RSM at 816-304-7913

Happy Anniversary

Al and Nancy Minnis	58 Years!	11/19/1960
Paul and Mary O'Brien	51 Years!	11/25/1967
Don and Marilyn Grieb	49 Years!	11/22/1969
Brad and Jill Votava	30 Years!	11/19/1988
Maurice and Monica Burgin	28 Years!	11/24/1990
Gerardo and Maura Arenivas	26 Years!	11/21/1992
Brent and Jeanne Hermsmeier	23 Years!	11/25/1995
Franklin and Maria Lopez	18 Years!	11/25/2000
Blair and Jennifer Parker	11 Years!	11/24/2007
Javier Aguirre and Brenda Chavez	2 Years!	11/19/2016

Guardian for a Day: (Available dates found online)

St. Michael the Archangel is excited to offer an opportunity for students who are interested in attending SMA to experience everything our school has to offer. We invite you to be our guest and to follow a current SMA student throughout the school day. Open to current 8-12th grade students. Find a date that works for you and sign up at: smacatholic.org/shadow.

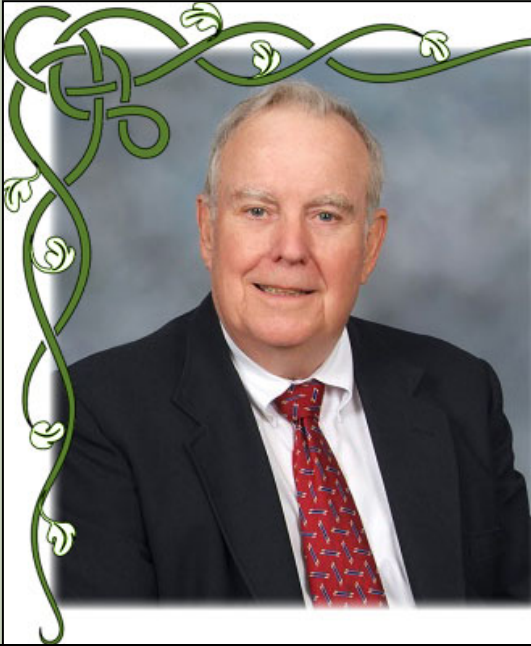


Information

75th Anniversary Coffee Table Book and Pictorial Directory

2019 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



James "Jim" Mzara
1933-2014
Beloved father and
grandfather.

May the road rise up to meet you.
May the wind be always at your back.
May the sun shine warm upon your face;
the rains fall soft upon your fields
and until we meet again,
may God hold you in the palm of His
hand.

Saint Sabina Parish

Invites you and your family to our parish celebration in honor of

Our Lady of Guadalupe

Wednesday, December 12, 2018



6:00pm:

Re-enactment of the apparition of Our Lady of Guadalupe to Juan Diego

6:45pm:

Matachines dancers

7:00pm

Mass in Honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe

8:00pm:

Fiesta/Party



Pastoral Care

Nursing Home Mass Schedule

Nov 21	10:00am	Foxwood Springs
Nov 28	11:00am	Carnegie Village
Dec 5	10:30am	Beautiful Savior

Grieving a Loss Through the Holidays

- Allow yourself to feel your emotions on that special day, don't feel that you need to just "get over it." You may want to write your feelings down in a journal or write a letter to your loved one or God.
- Take time with family and friends and share memories of your loved one that died.
- Light a candle in honor of your deceased loved one. Set a picture out and tell stories of his or her life.
- Don't avoid long-standing traditions. Children often find comfort in them. On the other hand, new traditions say you are still a family.
- Be open to good experiences that the holidays may bring.

Deaf Interpreted Sunday Mass

November 25 at St. Joseph the Worker Parish, Independence, MO at 9:30 a.m.

Prayer for the Sick: Lord Jesus, who went about doing good and healing all, we ask you to bless (name) who is sick. Give them strength in body, courage in spirit, and patience in pain. Let them recover their health, so that, restored to the community, they may joyfully praise your name, for you live and reign for ever and ever. Amen.

Prayer Requests/Peticiones de Oración

Anna Anderson	Laverne Harlow	Larry Rhodes
Dick Armstrong	Allyson Harkins	Anna Ryan
Marilyn Avalos	Connie Harper	Ron Schock
Barry Ballenger	Cherie Hatfield	Brenda Sheppard
Pauline Bellm	Beth Heide	Brian Sheppard
John Bidondo	Rhonda Henke	Doris Shields
Peter Bowen	John Hirt	Kathy Shields
Betty Bremenkamp	Shayla Hoffman	Lois Simpson
Maxine Bremer	John Holden	Michelle Soto
Joyce Callahan	Cecilia Imming	Charles Stinger II
John Caoile	Araceli Jimenez	Marie Stinger
Alfredo Carrasco	Don Kueck	Ursula Suwito
Joseph Coots	Darrell Littler	Svoboda Family
JR Deeter	Ellen Lovelace	Jean Tate
Rikki DeVaul	Ray Malisos	Faith Taylor
Nolan Dickerson	Angela Maria	Angel Thomas
Pete DiGeorge	Jamie Martinez	Bruce Thompson
Steven DiGeorge	Lynn Morgan	Karen Tomlinson
Jim Dillon	Janet Moorman	Priscilla Tristani
Kelly Dirks	Harry Muench	Robert VanMeter
Paula Dull	Joan Muench	Jim Wall
Emily Emke-Hayes	Bella Nouryeh	Donna West
Terry Eppert	Ezequil Olarte	Mary Westfall
Cheryl Frezza	Thelma Palmer	Marie Wilburn
Jim Frezza	George Panebianco	Travis Woods
Sergio Gallardo	David Pierce	Carmitia Yust
Al Gebauer	Gary Prendergast	Debra Zayas
Judy Giannini	Rita Pruitt	Pablo Zayas
Ginny Hainey	Earl Puls	
Kelly Hall	Thelma Putnam	

Wellness Center



Did you know that the secret ingredient for a great meal is YOU and YOUR family being together?

Data suggests that family mealtime has a wealth of health benefits, especially for children. Kids who spend time with families preparing meals and eating at the family table were more open to trying new foods and ate less junk food. Teens who ate at the family table were more likely to show fewer signs of depression and feel that their family was more supportive, compared with teens who dined less often at home.

Spending family time together may provide a platform allowing parents and children to interact and for parents to teach children healthy habits. AND the most item to share at your table is a spirit of THANK-full-ness.

So here's a recipe for your next meal—

- 1 family table
 - Ample amounts of family members and friends
 - Generous servings of fruits, vegetables, fiber and calcium-rich foods
 - Conversation sprinkled throughout the meal
- Combine all ingredients and serve in large portions!

"For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them."
Matthew 18:20



Stewardship/Information

"Jesus said to his disciples: 'In those days after that tribulation the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from the sky, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see "the Son of Man coming in the clouds" with great power and glory, and then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the end of the earth to the end of the sky.'"

Mark 13: 24-27

When we firmly establish for ourselves as individuals, as a family and as a parish that we will give to God the first and best portion of our Time, Talent, and Treasure, the warnings we read in the Scriptures today should be no cause for alarm. In fact, we can view these words as encouragement. One of the blessings of a stewardship way of life is that in challenging times, whether in our homes or workplaces or even our beloved Church itself, we can take great comfort in knowing we have a concrete plan to keep our priorities in right order. And, when we put God first in all aspects of our lives, we will experience the peace that He gives that surpasses all understanding. — See more at www.catholicsteward.com/blog/.



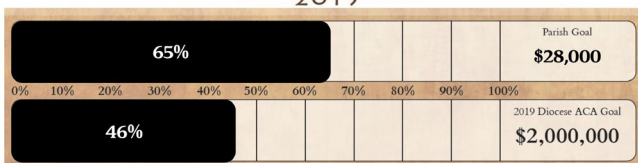
Thank you to Miles, Lilly and Erin, who all did a great job reading at Mass last Sunday!

Contributions for November 11

Envelopes/Sobres:	\$10,827.00
Plate/Canasta:	\$ 786.25
Maintenance-Upkeep:	\$ 794.00

Parish and Diocesan Annual Appeals

As the holidays approach, we give thanks to God for all His blessings to us and our families. We especially thank the families who have contributed or pledged to contribute to our annual stewardship renewal and towards our parish's goal for the Annual Catholic Appeal. If you have not already done so, please prayerfully consider joining our efforts. No gift is too small.



Green Team Tip of the Week

Consider giving kids books about the environment <https://www.sierraclub.org/sierra/cool-schools-2018/how-talk-kids-about-climate-change>.

Is St. Sabina on Your Christmas Gift List?

We are officially in the Christmas shopping season. Please remember our parish as you prepare your Christmas gifts and finish your giving for the end of the year. Your gifts to our parish help pay the utilities to keep it running, provide necessary supplies for our programs and ministries, allow us to create fellowship opportunities for our parish family, pay our staff who keep things running smoothly, and cover unexpected repair and maintenance expenses. The livelihood of our parish depends on the gifts of all members of our parish family. Please prayerfully consider making a special Christmas and year end gift in addition to your regular tithing. Remember that in order to get a tax deduction for your 2018 gifts, they must be delivered or post-marked by December 31, 2018!



Youth Ministry/Young Adults

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.



Junior High Youth Group! We will be going to Aaron's Family Fun Center for bowling on Wednesday, November 28 at 6:45pm. Cost will be \$10 and includes shoes. Permission slips can be found online or in the parish youth office.

Confirmation and High School Youth! We will not have a meeting on November 18th as Kirstie will not be back from vacation yet. Have a wonderful and blessed Thanksgiving surrounded by family and loved ones. Looking forward to resuming our schedule after the turkey and pie!

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 December 5th from 7-8:30pm in the Parish Hall. If you have any questions, please contact Kirstie Roberts.

PSR News

We will not have classes on Sunday, November 25. Happy Thanksgiving!



Breakfast with Santa! The second grade PSR class will be hosting Breakfast with Santa on Sunday, December 9, 8:30am-noon. Come enjoy a breakfast of biscuits and gravy, eggs, bacon, sausage and pancakes, and get your wish list in to Santa! Adults are \$10 each, Families are \$20 each. Age 2 and under are free. Funds will help the second grade class purchase Christmas gifts for a family in need.

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://kcsj catholic.org/the-office-of-child-and-youth-protection/>

Save the Date! We will have a family Christmas party for all PSR and Junior High families on Wednesday, December 19 at 7pm. The fun will include sing-a-long Christmas music and a cookie exchange! More info to come.



City on a Hill Gala - December 6

Please join City on a Hill for Mass, inspirational speakers, silent auction, bar, live jazz band and swing dancing at their 2nd Annual Gala on December 6th. Mass will be celebrated at 6pm at Our Lady of Sorrows followed by the dinner and fundraiser at 7:30pm at Vox Theater, 1405 Southwest Blvd, Kansas City, KS. Register before November 10th for the ticket price of \$85. For more information, visit kansascityonahill.org. City on a hill is the Catholic Young Adult Ministry at our diocese.

Reflection on the Readings

As we near the end of the liturgical year, the readings help us focus on the end times, the time of the completion of all creation, when Christ will return again in glory. The end times are viewed through the lens of the apocalyptic literary style which was strongly evident several centuries before and after Jesus. The apocalyptic mindset evidenced in today's readings arises out of the persecution and oppression experienced by God's people for their beliefs and practices.

The context of the first reading from Daniel centers on the persecution of the Jewish people by the oppressive Greek king, Antiochus IV Epiphanus in 165 BCE. Antiochus demanded that the Jews worship his statue that he erected in the Jewish temple, and to violate their Jewish practices, especially their dietary regulations. Mark's gospel context revolves around the persecution and martyrdom of Jesus' followers by the Romans.

Such persecution contexts lead the faithful to call upon God to intervene on their behalf. The prayer for divine intervention is offered with the awareness that God's intervention will result in a great deal of tension and conflict with the forces of evil. The evil powers will resist such intervention while the faithful ones will welcome it with hope for their rescue and their final union with God. The image used by Mark's Jesus is of the "Son of Man coming in the clouds" to "gather his elect from the four winds."

In order to be ready for God's intervention, Mark's Jesus warns his followers to learn the signs of God's coming and be ready to receive God. No one knows "that day or hour," thus requiring that God's faithful ones be ever ready and learn to read the signs of the times correctly.

What is the response of the faithful to this action on the part of God?

Responsorial Psalm 16 and the first reading from Daniel stress the confidence and trust that the faithful need to cultivate in the presence of persecution and suffering. No matter what happens, those who are faithful have absolutely nothing to fear from the end time realities. Their confidence is in a God who distinguishes right from wrong, and who vindicates

those who have been faithful, even if in this life they appear to have been defeated or destroyed.

No matter what happens in life, the righteous can sing gloriously with the psalmist, "You are my inheritance, O Lord." The first reading presents a powerful affirmation of the just ones in that wonderful proclamation that "those who lead the many to justice shall be like the stars forever." The second reading from Hebrews affirms the reality that Jesus' love and actions on our behalf have claimed us for God forever. The enemies of love will ultimately be vanquished and the faithful will be with God forever.

As we bring the liturgical year to a close next Sunday with the celebration of the feast of Christ the King, the readings offer all of us a significant challenge. That challenge centers on whether we, as disciples of the Lord, really believe the message of these readings or not.

Do we really believe that no matter what misfortunes come our way in life, God is forever faithful, and will enable us to shine, "like the stars forever?" Do we place our constant hope and faith in God, who is ever ready to intervene on our behalf? God is ever ready to love, care and support us in all our needs and concerns. Nothing can separate us from the love of God. How do you respond to God's ever present and constant love?

Biagio Mazza
Pastoral Associate



Readings



Bible Study

Sunday, November 18

1st Reading: Daniel 12:1-3

Psalm: Psalm 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 (1)

2nd Reading: Hebrews 10:11-14, 18

Gospel: Mark 13:24-32

Sunday, November 25

1st Reading: 7:13-14

Psalm: Psalm 93:1, 1-2, 5 (1a)

2nd Reading: Revelation 1:5-8

Gospel: John 18:33b-37

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 Nov 25 and Dec 9 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

Ya que nos acercamos al final del año litúrgico, las lecturas nos ayudan a enfocarnos en los tiempos finales, el tiempo de la finalización de toda la creación, cuando Cristo volverá otra vez en gloria. Los tiempos finales se ven a través de la lente del estilo literario apocalíptico, que fue muy evidente varios siglos antes y después de Jesús. La mentalidad apocalíptica evidenciada en las lecturas de hoy surge de la persecución y opresión experimentada por el pueblo de Dios por sus creencias y prácticas.

El contexto de la primera lectura de Daniel se centra en la persecución del pueblo judío por el opresivo rey griego, Antíoco IV Epifano, en el año 165 AEC. Antíoco exigió que los judíos adoraran su estatua que erigió en el templo judío y que violaran sus prácticas judías, especialmente sus regulaciones dietéticas. El contexto del evangelio de Marcos se centra en la persecución y el martirio de los seguidores de Jesús por parte de los romanos.

Tales contextos de persecución llevan a los fieles a pedir a Dios que intervenga en su favor. La oración por la intervención divina se ofrece con la conciencia de que la intervención de Dios resultará en una gran tensión y conflicto con las fuerzas del mal. Los poderes malignos resistirán tal intervención, mientras que los fieles la recibirán con esperanza para su rescate y su unión final con Dios. La imagen utilizada por el Jesús de Marcos es la del "Hijo del Hombre sobre las nubes" que viene para "congregar a sus elegidos desde los cuatro puntos cardinales".

Para estar listos para la intervención de Dios, el Jesús de Marcos advierte a sus seguidores que aprendan las señales de la venida de Dios y estén listos para recibir a Dios. "Nadie conoce el día ni la hora", lo que exige que los fieles de Dios estén siempre listos y aprendan a leer correctamente los signos de los tiempos.

¿Cuál es la respuesta de los fieles a esta acción por parte de Dios? El Salmo responsorial 15 y la primera lectura de Daniel destacan la confianza que los fieles necesitan para cultivar en presencia de persecución y sufrimiento. No importa lo que suceda, aquellos que son fieles no tienen absolutamente nada que temer de las realidades del tiempo del fin. Su confianza está en un Dios que distingue lo correcto de lo incorrecto, y que reivindica a aquellos que han sido fieles, incluso si en esta vida parecen haber sido derrotados o destruidos.

No importa lo que suceda en la vida, los justos pueden

cantar gloriosamente con el salmista: "Protégeme, Dios mío, que me refugio en ti". La primera lectura presenta una afirmación poderosa de los justos en esa maravillosa proclamación de que "los que enseñan a muchos la justicia resplandecerán como estrellas por toda la eternidad". La segunda lectura de Hebreos afirma la realidad de que el amor y las acciones de Jesús en nuestro nombre nos han reclamado para Dios para siempre. Los enemigos del amor finalmente serán vencidos y los fieles estarán con Dios para siempre.

Ya que finalizamos el año litúrgico el próximo domingo con la celebración de la fiesta de Cristo Rey, las lecturas nos ofrecen a todos un desafío significativo. Ese desafío se centra en si nosotros, como discípulos del Señor, realmente creemos en el mensaje de estas lecturas o no.

¿Realmente creemos que, sin importar las desgracias que se nos presenten en la vida, Dios es siempre fiel y nos permitirá brillar, "como las estrellas por toda la eternidad"? ¿Ponemos nuestra esperanza y fe constantes en Dios, que siempre está listo para intervenir en nuestro nombre? Dios siempre está listo para amarnos, cuidarnos y apoyarnos en todas nuestras necesidades y preocupaciones. Nada nos puede separar del amor de Dios. ¿Cómo responde al amor presente y constante de Dios?

Biagio Mazza, Asociado Pastoral



Lecturas



Lecturas del Domingo, 18 de Noviembre

Primera Lectura: Daniel 12:1-3

Salmo: Salmo 15:5, 8, 9-10, 11

Segunda Lectura: Hebreos 10:11-14, 18

Evangelio: Marcos 13:24-32

Lecturas del Domingo, 25 de Noviembre

Primera Lectura: Daniel 7:13-14

Salmo: Salmo 92:1ab, 1c-2, 5

Segunda Lectura: Apocalipsis 1:5-8

Evangelio: Juan 18:33b-37

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.

¡Grupo de Jóvenes de 7º y 8º Grados! Iremos al Aaron's Family Fun Center para jugar bolos el miércoles 28 de noviembre a las 6:45 pm. El costo será de \$10 e incluye la renta de zapatos. Las hojas de permiso se pueden encontrar en línea o en la oficina juvenil de la parroquia.

¡Jóvenes de la High School y Confirmación! No tendremos una reunión el 18 de noviembre, ya que Kirstie no regresará de vacaciones todavía. Tengan un maravilloso y bendecido Día de Acción de Gracias rodeado de familiares y seres queridos. ¡Reanudaremos nuestro horario después del pavo y tarta!

¡Candidatos de la Confirmación! La próxima noche de Padrinos para la Confirmación será el 5 de diciembre, 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.

Noticias de la Escuela de Religión

No tendremos clases el domingo 25 de noviembre. ¡Feliz Día de Acción de Gracias!

¡Guarde la fecha! Tendremos una fiesta familiar de Navidad para todas las familias de la Escuela de Religión y de los 7º y 8º grados el miércoles 19 de

Seguridad Infantil

La Diócesis de Kansas City-St. Joseph esta comprometida a luchar contra el abuso sexual en la Iglesia. Si usted es víctima 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 víctima 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 víctimas de abuso sexual y a sus familias. Por favor póngase en contacto con la Defensora de Víctimas, 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://kcsicatholic.org/the-office-of-child-and-youth-protection/>

diciembre a las 7 pm. ¡La diversión incluirá karaoke de música navideña y un intercambio de galletas! Más información por venir.

¡Desayuno con Santa Claus! La clase del segundo grado de la Escuela de Religión será la anfitriona de un Desayuno con Santa Claus el domingo, 9 de diciembre de las 8:30am-12:00pm. ¡Vengan a disfrutar de un desayuno de hot cakes y entreguen sus listas de deseos a Santa! Los adultos pagan \$10 cada uno, las familias pagan \$20 cada una. Niños de dos años o menos son gratis. Los fondos recaudados ayudarán a los niños a comprar regalos de Navidad para una familia necesitada.



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Platicas Pre-Bautismales - 8 de Diciembre

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**

Apelaciones Anuales de la Parroquia y Diócesis

Ya que se acercan los días festivos, damos gracias a Dios por todas sus bendiciones para nosotros y nuestras familias. Agradecemos especialmente a las familias que han contribuido o se han comprometido a contribuir a nuestra renovación anual de corresponsabilidad y hacia nuestra meta parroquial para la Apelación Católica Anual. Si aún no lo ha hecho, por favor considere unirse a nuestros esfuerzos. Ningún regalo es demasiado pequeño.

Felicidades Por Su Boda

Felicidades a **Eduardo Menjivar y Flor Alvarado**, que celebraron su boda el domingo, 18 de Noviembre.

La Iglesia Santa Sabina

Les invita a usted y su familia a nuestra celebración parroquial en honor de

Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe

Miércoles, 12 de Diciembre del 2018

6:00pm: Obra de Teatro de las Apariciones Guadalupanas
6:45pm: Danzas de los Matachines
7:00pm: Misa en su Honor
8:00pm: Fiesta



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Gracias a todos los que trajeron fotos para nuestra Área de Conmemoración. Fue una exhibición encantadora este año y un gran recordatorio de nuestra conexión con la Comunión de los Santos.

Honramos a sus seres queridos y los mantenemos en oración. A fines de noviembre, se concluirá el Área de Conmemoración. Por favor planee llevarse sus fotos a casa el fin de semana del 24/25 de noviembre. Gracias.

¿Está Sta. Sabina en Su Lista de Regalos de Navidad?

Estamos oficialmente en la temporada de compras navideñas. Por favor, recuerde nuestra parroquia mientras prepara sus regalos de Navidad y termina sus donaciones para el fin de año. Sus donaciones a nuestra parroquia ayudan a pagar los servicios públicos para mantenerlos en funcionamiento, proporcionar los suministros necesarios para nuestros programas y ministerios, permitarnos crear oportunidades de compañerismo para nuestra familia parroquial, pagar a nuestro personal que mantiene las cosas funcionando sin problemas y cubrir gastos inesperados de reparación y mantenimiento. El sustento de nuestra parroquia depende de los dones de todos los miembros de nuestra familia parroquial. Por favor, considere en oración hacer un regalo especial de Navidad y fin de año además de su diezmo regular. ¡Recuerde que para obtener una deducción de impuestos por sus regalos de 2018, deben enviarse antes del 31 de diciembre de 2018!



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Trigésimo Tercer Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

18 de Noviembre del 2018