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*Congratulations to the new Eagle Scouts of Scout Troop 111, which meets at St. Sabina.
Felicitaciones a los nuevos Eagle Scouts de Scout Troop 111, que se reúne en Sta. Sabina.*

Weekend Masses

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

Daily Masses (English)

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

Confessions

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

Eucharistic Adoration

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

Online Masses

Saturdays at 4pm & Sundays at 8am (Facebook-live)
Posted to website immediately after
Sundays at 12:30pm (Spanish-Facebook-live)
Posted to website immediately after

Misas Dominicales

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

Misas Diarias (Inglés)

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

Confesiones

Sábado de 3:00-3:30pm
O con cita

Adoración Eucarística

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

Misas en Línea

Sábado a las 4pm y Domingo a las 8am (inglés-Facebook)
Publicado en nuestro sitio web después
Domingo a las 12:30pm (español-Facebook)
Publicado en nuestro sitio web después

Second Sunday of Advent—Segundo Domingo de Adviento

December 4, 2022



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Child Safety

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combatting sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you observe or suspect sexual abuse:

1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and
2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and
3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult to the Ombudsman, Joe Crayon, at 816.812.2500 or crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph.

The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact Whitney True-Francis, Victim Assistance Coordinator, at 816.392.0011 or true.francis@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

All volunteers with youth and children must attend one Protecting God's Children workshop, submit to a background check and sign the policy on Ethics and Integrity in Ministry, (EIM). More info at <https://kcsj catholic.org/the-office-of-child-and-youth-protection/>.

Mass Intentions for the Week Peticiones de la Semana

Intentions for December 6-9, 2022

Tues.	11am	Open
Wed.	8am	Open
Thur.	8am	†Terry Henry
Fri.	8am	†Henry Hiesberger

Saturday, December 10, 2022

4:00pm For those who promote the sanctity of all life

Sunday, December 11, 2022

8:00am	Intentions of Our Parish Family
10:30am	Open
12:30pm Spanish	†Ramona Jaimes García

Special Remembrances/Conmemoraciones Especiales:

†Leonard Meiron, †Griselda Gonzalez Sanchez, †Irene Varela

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

†**Raquel Ortiz**, madre de Maria Gaby Bueno

†**Hector Duarte Menelio**, esposo de Orbelina Duarte, padre de Edwin, Hector y Abel Duarte

†**JP Shanahan**, husband of Cindy Shanahan

†**Barry Sellmeyer**, brother of Chuck Sellmeyer, uncle of Bill Sellmeyer, Johnny Sellmeyer, Krissy Berkovich and Lizzy Hall

†**Doris Deschenes**, wife of Richard Deschenes, mother of James Deschenes, Elaine Christopher, Janice McDougal, Donna Johnston, Bonnie Kennedy, and Kristie Michiels



Sunday, December 4 - Domingo, 4 de Diciembre

9:00am	PSR/Parents Lounge
11:00am	Escuela de Religión
11:00am	Ensayo del Coro Hispano
1:30pm	Novena a Nuestra Señora/Guadalupe Novena
2:30pm	Ensayo para la Obra de Guadalupe
2:30pm	Reunión de Planeación de Guadalupe
6:00pm	Ensayo de Matachines

Monday, December 5 - Lunes, 5 de Diciembre

7:00pm	Novena a Nuestra Señora/Guadalupe Novena
7:00pm	Boy Scouts
7:00pm	Cub Scouts

Tuesday, December 6 - Martes, 6 de Diciembre

7:00pm	Confirmation and High School Youth Group
7:00pm	Novena a Nuestra Señora/Guadalupe Novena
8:00pm	Ensayo de Matachines

Wednesday, December 7 - Miércoles, 7 de Diciembre

9:00am	Legion of Mary
6:00pm	Immaculate Conception Vigil Mass
7:00pm	Choir Rehearsal (4:00 and 10:30 groups)
7:00pm	Junior High Youth Group
7:00pm	Novena a Nuestra Señora/Guadalupe Novena
7:00pm	Knights Council Meeting

Thursday, December 8 - Jueves, 8 de Diciembre

8:00am	Immaculate Conception Mass
9:30am	Piecemakers Quilt Group
6:30pm	Altar Society Meeting
7:00pm	Green Team Meeting
7:00pm	RCIA/RICA
7:00pm	Novena a Nuestra Señora/Guadalupe Novena
8:00pm	Choir Rehearsal (8:00 group)

Friday, December 9 - Viernes, 9 de Diciembre

9:00am	Altar Society Church Cleaning
7:00pm	Novena a Nuestra Señora/Guadalupe Novena

Saturday, December 10 - Sábado, 10 de Diciembre

10:00am	Pláticas Pre-bautismales
3:00pm	Confessions
7:00pm	Novena a Nuestra Señora/Guadalupe Novena

Sunday, December 11 - Domingo, 11 de Diciembre

9:00am	PSR/Parents Lounge
11:00am	Escuela de Religión
11:00am	Ensayo del Coro Hispano
2:00pm	Ensayo para la Obra de Guadalupe

happy birthday

Israel Amador	Emmie Lenz
Anna Anderson	Alexandra Limon
Brenda Arenivas	Leocadio Lopez
Luisa Arreola	Irene López
Steve Ayers	Carter Mackay
Mark Barrera	Ángel Madrid
Fatima Bretado-Picasso	Maria Madrid
Apolinar Canchola	Esmeralda Madrid
Damarius Caratachea Zaragoza	Kevin Madrid
Anthony Carlock	Jimena Martinez
John Carrell	Ana Mata Franco
Paul Castonguay	Nicholas McGurn
Miranda Como	Camila Mejia
Holly Dechant	Valeria Mejia
Breckin Embry	Erandy Melendez
Andrea Emerick	Andy Melendez
Jose Escalante	Teodoro Mendoza
Dora Estrada	Patrick Mittelstadt
Julian Estrella	Casey Morgan
Alex Flores	Christine Morris
Sandy Flynn	Kathy Muder
Deb Freisthler	Isham Nelson
Jose Garcia	Ellie O'Rourke
Madalynn Gill	Ailyn Palomares
Christopher Gnad	Brittany Parker
Emily Goffoy	Gabriel Pinon
Missy Goffoy	Zayden Priewe
Jessica Gonzalez-Smith	Alexa Robledo
Angel Gracida	Joanna Rodelo
Edgar Guzman	Roman Sanchez
John Hagemann	Jean Sanchez
Sarah Hagemann	Brenda Stoddard
Jessica Hernandez	Rodney Stoverink
Alfredo Hernandez	Sergio Valenzuela
Daniel Hinojos	Carol VanBebber
Ron Hoffman	Jennessys Vargas
Steve Imming	Leticia Villa
Sam Incorvia	Danielle Weeks
Renee Kerckhoff	Lucas Weeks
Whitney Kirchhoff	Tim White
Bob Kottenbrock	Barry Wolff
Diane Lang	Mariana Zavala
Von Leapai	Patty Zeitelhack

Happy Anniversary

Bill and Sheila Birkner	45 Years!	12/10/1977
Bob and Mary Lee Piepho	41 Years!	12/10/1981
Brian and Caroline Niemeyer	24 Years!	12/5/1998
Mark and Melissa Adams	20 Years!	12/9/2002
Garrett and Jimi Huntsman	4 Years!	12/10/2018
Jeremy and Lindsey Fiette	3 Years!	12/7/2019

Career Roundtable Job Club

The Catholic Career Roundtable (CCR) job club hosts weekly workshops on Saturdays from 8:30 AM to 9:30 AM at Good Shepherd Catholic Church, 12800 W. 75th St. in Shawnee, Kansas. This is an informal meeting to help and support people in their searches for meaningful work. In these workshops, attendees discuss the fundamentals of transitioning to new careers and techniques to find new jobs in today's business climate. For more information, send an email to: catholiccareerroundtablekc@gmail.com, or call Sam Incorvia 913-669-7386. Our website, www.catholiccareerroundtable.com, will have updated information.

Baptism Congratulations

Leo Mario Martinez, son of Jose Martinez and Abby Cummings

Pictured right: On November 27 the members of our RCIA and RICA programs celebrated the Rite of Welcome at our 10:30am Mass. Congratulations!

En la foto a la derecha: El 27 de noviembre los miembros de nuestros programas RCIA y RICA celebraron el Rito de Bienvenida en nuestra Misa de las 10:30am. ¡Felicidades!



Platicas Pre-Bautismales - 10 de Diciembre

Normalmente cada segundo Sábado del mes de las 10am a la 1pm. (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.



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Wellness Center

Did You Know- Following a healthy diet doesn't mean you have to stay away from fast food. An occasional stop for fast food can fit into a healthy diet — if you're careful about what you order. Consider these tips.

1. **Keep portion sizes small-** If the fast-food restaurant offers several sandwich sizes, pick the smallest. Bypass hamburgers with two or three patties, which can be close to 800 calories. Choose a regular, or children's-sized hamburger, which has about 250 calories.
2. **Choose healthier side dishes-** Take advantage of the healthy side dishes offered at many fast-food restaurants. For example, instead of french fries choose a side salad with low-fat dressing. Other healthy choices include apple or orange slices, corn on the cob, steamed rice, or baked potato chips.
3. **Go green-** Choose an entree salad with grilled chicken, shrimp or vegetables. Choose a dressing you like, but be cautious with the amount. Use half the package or keep the salad dressing on the side to control the number of calories from added fat and other unwanted ingredients, such as added salt and sugar.
4. **Select grilled items-** Fried and breaded foods, such as crispy chicken sandwiches and breaded fish fillets, are high in fat and calories. Select grilled or roasted lean meats — such as turkey or chicken breast, lean ham, or lean roast beef.



Nursing Home Mass Schedule

December 14	10:30am	Benton House
December 21	10:00am	Foxwood Springs
January 11	10:30am	Benton House

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.
- 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.

Estando de Luto Durante los Festivos

- Permítase sentir sus emociones en ese día especial, no sienta que necesita "superarlo". Quizás quiere escribir sus sentimientos.
- Tómese un tiempo con familiares y amigos y comparta los recuerdos de su ser querido que murió.
- Encienda una vela en honor a su ser querido fallecido. Ponga una foto de él y cuente historias de su vida.
- No evite las tradiciones antiguas. Los niños a menudo encuentran consuelo en ellos. Por otro lado, las nuevas tradiciones muestran que siguen siendo una familia.
- Esté abierto a las buenas experiencias que puedan traer los días festivos.

Prayer Requests/Peticiones de Oración

Dick Armstrong
Steve Ayers
Joy Banks
Mary Bardwell
Bill Beaver
Emma Beaver
Dennis Berg
Jean Berg
Marion Biondo
Mary Pat Biondo
Betty Bremenkamp
John Bremenkamp
Veronica Burks
Leona Bybee
Joyce Callahan
Pat Carr
Par Castaneda
Jeremy Cikan
Steve Circo
Georgiana Cobb
Lena Collins
Bob Coomer
Marianne Crooks
Donna Dailey
Jack Davis
Harold Dawes
Irene Down
Jeannine Edmonds
Terry Eppert
Mary Jo Fischer
Larry Foster
John Frezza
Al Gebauer
Daniel Haake
Ginny Hainey
Keith Hall

Diane Hansen
Cherie Hatfield
Jack Henningsen
Marilyn Henningsen
Santa Ibarra
Baby Kelley
Denise Kelley
Bob Kottenbrock
Don Kueck
Susan Lager
Winnie Mayerchack
Terry McDaniel
Gene McEwen
Nancy Meiron
Norabel Molina
Jack Obermeier
Jennifer O'Reilly
Ron Parker
Lois Pusateri
Lidia Amanda Quiroz Lugo
Abigail Ragsdale

Erika Rimmer
Agustin Rivera
Alfonso Rivera
Anna Ryan
Larry Scali
Mary Margaret Schmidt
Rudy Schmidt
Deryl Sellmeyer
Barry Sellmeyer
Mary Spear
Dani Stinger
Richard Sweaney
Omar Valdez Quiroz
Rosario Angelica Valdez
Denise Vargo Wallace
Valerie Verhaalen
Helen Vonderohe
Donna West
Ron West
Mary Wickstrum

Bulletin Prayer Request List

Parishioners who are ill or who have a loved one who is ill may request to have the person remembered on the Prayer Request list. Names will remain on the list for 2 months, but may be resubmitted upon request. Please remember, permission must be given by the individual before a name can be published. To add or remove a name, please contact the parish office at 816-331-4713.

Lista de Peticiones de Oración en el Boletín

Los feligreses que están enfermos o que tienen un ser querido que está enfermo pueden solicitar que se recuerde a la persona en la lista de Peticiones de Oración. Los nombres permanecerán en la lista durante 2 meses, pero se pueden volver a agregar si se solicita. Recuerde, la persona debe dar permiso antes de que se pueda publicar un nombre. Para agregar o eliminar un nombre, comuníquese con la oficina parroquial.

Advent is a season of joyful expectation and anticipation, focused on preparation for God's coming into our lives in the person of Jesus. God, in Jesus, came as a full human person over two thousand years ago. God will come again at the end of time. **Advent prepares and attunes us to God's presence in all our daily comings and goings.** Preparation demands much work from us if it is ever to lead to fulfillment in the coming of Jesus. **Today's readings remind us once again of the work that needs to be done if we are to make Christ fully present to all.**

Christ has indeed come and is already present among us. The joyful work of Advent challenges us to make real Christ's presence in our words and deeds. **The first reading from Isaiah proclaims that the anticipated messiah will teach us "how to judge the poor with justice and decide aright for the land's afflicted."** The messiah will model a lifestyle that will result in a world containing "no harm or ruin...for the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the Lord, as water covers the sea."

We believe that Jesus, the messiah, came and modeled such a life style for us to imitate. **In desiring peace for all, Jesus treated all with justice.** Every time we act in similar fashion, we make Christ more clearly present for others to see. Jesus taught us that if we desire peace, it is essential that we work for justice. **How do you work for justice towards the poor and the afflicted in your interactions with others?**

Responsorial Psalm 72 loudly affirms that "Justice shall flourish in his time and fullness of peace forever." This royal psalm speaks of the work of the king who represents God to the people. Christ is our God-representative who models justice work. **Advent's preparatory work should ultimately lead to the flourishing of justice in our time, and to fullness of peace forever.** The psalm specifies the particulars of such work: "rescue the poor... and the afflicted...have pity for the lowly and the poor." **How will you do such preparatory work with joy and anticipation of making Christ more present than ever in your family and work environment?**

The second reading from Paul's letter to the Romans challenges us to do Advent work by welcoming "one another...as Christ welcomed you." The work of hospitality at its best and most inclusive captures the entire reason for the Advent season. By being welcoming, hospitable and inclusive of all, we make everyone feel valued, honored and respected. **This is especially true whenever we welcome the stranger, the outcast, the oppressed, the asylum seeker, and the foreigner as honored members of God's family.** In so doing, all will come to experience the presence of Christ in deed and in truth.



Finally, Matthew offers us the modeling of John the Baptist, the ultimate example of the challenge and hard work required in preparing the way for experiencing God's presence. John stresses that making Christ truly present involves the heavy work of repentance, leading to the producing of good fruit. **We cannot presume that familiarity with God will lead to ultimate intimacy with God.** Some Jews thought so, as do some people in various faith traditions today. Matthew warns us through John's words that intimacy with God is only and truly manifested by doing good works that lead to justice. **Justice happens when all are treated with dignity, respect and have what they need for a full life.** Only in this fashion will we cultivate the lived context for making Christ fully and truly present.

Advent work is arduous yet full of joy and anticipation, for it will lead to the fullness of Christ's presence among us. The readings today offer multiple ways in which we are to go about doing Advent work. What will you do to ensure that Christ becomes truly and fully present for all those you encounter this Advent? **How can we work together as a nation to ensure that justice, hospitality and inclusion of all continue to flourish in our land and be the hallmark of our national identity?**

Biagio Mazza, Pastoral Associate

Readings



Sunday, December 4

1st Reading: Isaiah 11:1-10

Psalm: Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 (7)

2nd Reading: Romans 15:4-9

Gospel: Matthew 3:1-12

Sunday, December 11

1st Reading: Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10

Psalm: Psalm 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10 (Isaiah 35:4)

2nd Reading: James 5:7-10

Gospel: Matthew 11:2-11

El Adviento es una temporada de gozosa expectativa y anticipación, enfocada en la preparación para la llegada de Dios a nuestras vidas en la persona de Jesús. Dios, en Jesús, vino como una persona completamente humana hace más de dos mil años. Dios vendrá nuevamente al final de los tiempos. **Adviento nos prepara y nos sintoniza con la presencia de Dios en todas nuestras idas y venidas cotidianas.** La preparación nos exige mucho trabajo si alguna vez nos lleva a la realización en la llegada de Jesús. **Las lecturas de hoy nos recuerdan una vez más el trabajo que se debe hacer para que Cristo esté completamente presente para todos.**

Cristo ciertamente ha venido y ya está presente entre nosotros. El gozoso trabajo de Adviento nos reta a hacer realidad la presencia de Cristo en nuestras palabras y obras. **La primera lectura de Isaías proclama que el mesías anticipado nos enseñará cómo “defender con justicia al desamparado y con equidad dar sentencia al pobre”.** El mesías modelará un estilo de vida que dará como resultado un mundo que no contiene ningún “daño ni estrago...porque así como las aguas colman el mar, así está lleno el país de la ciencia del Señor”.

Creemos que Jesús, el mesías, vino y modeló ese estilo de vida para que lo imitemos. **Al desear la paz para todos, Jesús trató a todos con justicia.** Cada vez que actuamos de manera similar, hacemos que Cristo esté más claramente presente para que otros lo vean. Jesús nos enseñó que si deseamos la paz, es esencial que trabajemos por la justicia. **¿Cómo trabaja por la justicia hacia los pobres y los desamparados en sus interacciones con los demás?**

El Salmo responsorial 71 afirma en voz alta “que en sus días florezca la justicia, y la paz abunde eternamente”. Este salmo real habla de la obra del rey quien representa a Dios ante el pueblo. Cristo es nuestro representante de Dios que modela el trabajo de la justicia. **El trabajo preparatorio de Adviento debería conducir finalmente al florecimiento de la justicia en nuestro tiempo y a la plenitud de la paz para siempre.** El salmo especifica los detalles de tal trabajo: “librará al pobre... al afligido... se apiadará del pobre y del indigente”. **¿Cómo va a hacer con alegría y anticipación tal trabajo preparatorio de hacer a Cristo más presente que nunca en su entorno familiar y laboral?**

La segunda lectura de la carta de Pablo a los romanos nos reta a hacer el trabajo de Adviento al acogernos “los unos a los otros, como Cristo los acogió a ustedes”. El trabajo de hospitalidad en su mejor y más inclusivo captura toda la razón de la temporada de Adviento. Al ser acogedores, hospitalarios e inclusivos con todos, hacemos que todos se sientan valorados, honrados y respetados. **Esto es especialmente cierto cuando acogemos al desconocido, al marginado, al oprimido, al solicitante de asilo y al extranjero como miembros honrados de la familia de Dios.** Al hacerlo, todos llegarán a experimentar la presencia de Cristo en hecho y en verdad.

Finalmente, Mateo nos ofrece el modelo de Juan el Bautista, el ejemplo principal del desafío y el arduo trabajo requerido para preparar el camino para experimentar la presencia de Dios. Juan enfatiza que hacer que Cristo esté realmente presente implica el arduo trabajo del arrepentimiento, que conduce a la producción de buenos frutos. **No podemos presumir que la familiaridad con Dios conducirá a una intimidad con Dios.** Algunos judíos pensaban eso, al igual que algunas personas en las diversas tradiciones de fe de hoy. Mateo nos advierte a través de las palabras de Juan que la intimidad con Dios se manifiesta única y verdaderamente al hacer buenas obras que conducen a la justicia. **La justicia ocurre cuando todos son tratados con dignidad, respeto y tienen lo que necesitan para una vida plena.** Solo de esta manera cultivaremos el contexto vivido para hacer que Cristo esté plena y verdaderamente presente.

Lecturas



Domingo, 4 de Diciembre

Primera Lectura: Isaías 11:1-10

Salmo: Salmo 71:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17

Segunda Lectura: Romanos 15:4-9

Evangelio: Mateo 3:1-12

Domingo, 11 de Diciembre

Primera Lectura: Isaías 35:1-6a, 10

Salmo: Salmo 145:6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10

Segunda Lectura: Santiago 5:7-10

Evangelio: Mateo 11:2-11

El trabajo de Adviento es arduo pero lleno de alegría y anticipación, ya que conducirá a la plenitud de la presencia de Cristo entre nosotros. Las lecturas de hoy ofrecen varias formas en que debemos hacer el trabajo de Adviento. **¿Qué hará para asegurarse de que Cristo esté verdaderamente presente para todos aquellos con quienes se encuentre este Adviento? ¿Cómo podemos trabajar juntos como nación para asegurar que la justicia, la hospitalidad y la inclusión de todos continúen floreciendo en nuestra tierra y sean el sello distintivo de nuestra identidad nacional?**

Biagio Mazza
Asociado Pastoral

In God's Image -A Peace and Justice Column On Human Trafficking

Human Trafficking is modern-day slavery and is a problem on every continent of the world. With nearly 25 million victims worldwide, there are more slaves today than at any time in history. (Catholic Relief Services, crs.org)

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 2414, states:

The seventh commandment forbids acts or enterprises that for any reason – selfish or ideological, commercial, or totalitarian – lead to the *enslavement of human beings, to their being bought, sold and exchanged like merchandise, in disregard for their personal dignity. It is a sin against the dignity of persons and their fundamental rights to reduce them by violence to their productive value or to a source of profit. St. Paul directed a Christian master to treat his Christian slave “no longer as a slave but more than a slave, as a beloved brother,... both in flesh and in the Lord.” (Philemon 16)*

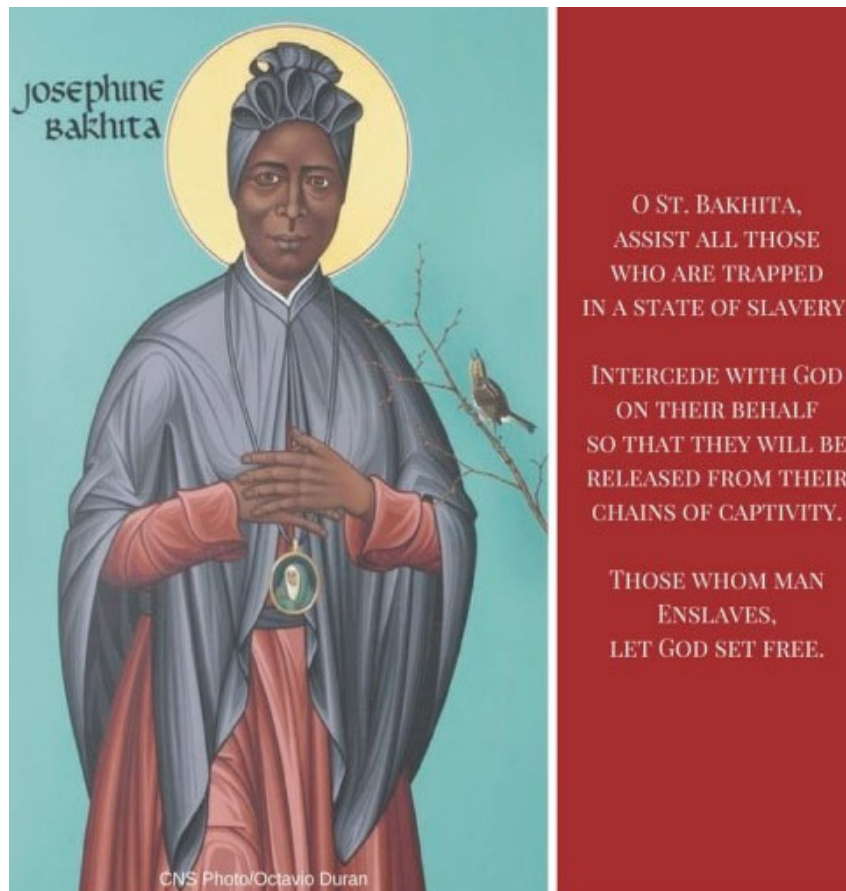
Catholic Relief Services defines human trafficking:

Human trafficking is the act of recruiting, harboring, transporting, providing or obtaining a person for compelled labor or commercial sex acts through the use of force, fraud or coercion. It's important to note... that human trafficking... does not require movement. You can be a victim of human trafficking in your hometown. At the heart of **human trafficking** is the traffickers' goal of exploitation and enslavement.

The causes of human trafficking are complex and include economic, social and political factors; other factors include: corruption, civil unrest, a weak government, lack of access to education or jobs, family disruption or dysfunction, lack of human rights, or economic disruptions. (Catholic Relief Services) Victims and survivors, as well as traffickers “span all racial, ethnic, and gender demographics” (National Human Trafficking Hotline).

To get help or to report a suspected human trafficking situation,

- Call the National Human Trafficking Hotline at 1-888-373-7888, or text “BEFREE” to 233733.
- Locally, Restoration House of Greater Kansas City is located in Harrisonville, MO and offers many services for victims and survivors, as well as resources and opportunities in the anti-trafficking field. Phone: 816-793-0500. <http://restorationhousekc.org/>.
- In Kansas, Veronica's Voice is similar to above. Phone: 913-214-1401. <http://www.veronicasvoice.org/>.



A Imagen de Dios -Una Columna de Paz y Justicia Sobre la Trata de Personas

La trata de personas es la esclavitud moderna y es un problema en todos los continentes del mundo. Con casi 25 millones de víctimas en todo el mundo, hay más esclavos hoy que en cualquier otro momento de la historia. (Catholic Relief Services, crsespanol.org)

El *Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica*, 2414, dice:

El séptimo mandamiento proscribe los actos o empresas que, por una u otra razón, egoísta o ideológica, mercantil o totalitaria, conducen a esclavizar seres humanos, a menospreciar su dignidad personal, a comprarlos, a venderlos y a cambiarlos como mercancía. Es un pecado contra la dignidad de las personas y sus derechos fundamentales reducirlos por la violencia a la condición de objeto de consumo o a una fuente de beneficio. San Pablo ordenaba a un amo cristiano que tratase a su esclavo cristiano “no como esclavo, sino [...] como un hermano [...] en el Señor” (Flm 16).

Catholic Relief Services define la trata de personas:

La trata de personas es el acto de reclutar, albergar, transportar, proporcionar u obtener una persona para el trabajo forzado o actos sexuales comerciales mediante el uso de la fuerza, el fraude o la coacción. Sin embargo, es importante señalar que esta práctica puede incluir, pero no requiere, movimiento. Cualquier persona puede ser víctima de este tipo de traficante en su ciudad natal. El objetivo de los traficantes es simplemente beneficiarse económicamente de la explotación y esclavización de otros seres humanos.

Las causas de la trata de personas son complejas e incluyen factores económicos, sociales y políticos; otros factores incluyen: corrupción, disturbios civiles, un gobierno débil, falta de acceso a la educación o al trabajo, desintegración o disfunción familiar, falta de derechos humanos o desorganización económica. (Catholic Relief Services) Las víctimas y los sobrevivientes, así como los traficantes, “abarcan todos los grupos demográficos raciales, étnicos y de género” (Línea directa nacional contra la trata de personas).

Para obtener ayuda o denunciar una situación sospechosa de trata de personas,

- Llame a la Línea Nacional Contra la Trata de Personas al 1-888-373-7888 o envíe un mensaje de texto al 233733.
- A nivel local, Restoration House of Greater Kansas City está ubicada en Harrisonville, MO y ofrece muchos servicios para víctimas y sobrevivientes, así como recursos y oportunidades en el campo contra la trata. Teléfono: 816-793-0500. <http://restorationhousekc.org/> (inglés).
- En Kansas, Veronica's Voice es similar a la anterior. Teléfono: 913-214-1401. <http://www.veronicasvoice.org/> (inglés).



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This Week's Do You Know Video:

Six Black Catholics in the United States are on the path to sainthood. Knowing who they are and how they modeled Catholic Christian living fits perfectly into our exploration of November as Black Catholic History Month. The six include three "Servants of God": Mother Mary Lange (1784-1882), Julia Greeley (1848-1918), Sister Thea Bowman (1937-1990) and three "Venerables": Pierre Toussant (1776-1853), Henriette Delille (1813-1862), Fr. Augustus Tolton (1854-1897).



Venerable Pierre Toussant, Henriette Delille and Fr. Augustus Tolton were so titled after the Pope verified that they each lived lives of "heroic virtue," the second step on the path to sainthood. Pierre Toussant was born a slave in Haiti, was brought to New York City by his owner and there eventually became a wealthy person who used his money to care for the poor, orphans and homeless. Henriette Delille was born to a racially mixed Creole Catholic family in New Orleans who turned her life to God in her twenties and eventually founded one of the earliest black women religious orders, the Sisters of the Holy Family. Fr. Augustus Tolton, the son of a slave woman was the first publically known Black priest in the US, who ministered in Quincy, IL and in Chicago, establishing the first National Black Parishes, St. Monica. Make time to view this week's DYK video and learn more about the lives of "heroic virtue" lived by these three US Black Catholics on the path to sainthood.

Christmas Light Recycling

The St. Sabina Green Team is offering the opportunity for parishioners to recycle their old Christmas lights again this year. They will accept your non-working lights on the following dates: December 3/4, January 7/8 and 14/15.

Novena to Our Lady of Guadalupe

Our Hispanic community will lead us in prayer through December 10 leading up to the celebration of the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe on December 12. The rosary will be led in Spanish, but all are welcome to come and pray in their native tongue.

-  Saturday, December 3 at 7pm
-  Sunday, December 4 at 1:30pm
-  Monday, December 5 at 7pm
-  Tuesday, December 6 at 7pm
-  Wednesday, December 7 at 7pm
-  Thursday, December 8 at 7pm
-  Friday, December 9 at 7pm
-  Saturday, December 10 at 7pm

Reciclaje de Luces Navideñas

El Equipo de Ecología de Sta. Sabina está ofreciendo la oportunidad, otra vez este año, para que los feligreses puedan reciclar sus luces navideñas descompuestas. Aceptarán sus luces descompuestas en las siguientes

fechas:

3/4 de diciembre

7/8 de enero

14/15 de enero

Felicidades por su Boda

Felicidades a Kevin Ward y Maribel Perez que celebraron la bendición de su matrimonio el 27 de Noviembre.

Felicidades por su Bautismo

Valente Vargas, el hijo de Jesús Manuel Vargas Vega y Janet Gutierrez Peralta

Bella Jayleen Tejada Garcia, la hija de Nubia Garcia

Jesse Tree Collections Colectas del Árbol de Jesé

- Nov 26/27: Toys
Juguetes
- Dec 3/4: Gloves, hats, socks, etc.
Guantes, gorros, calcetines, etc.
- Dec 10/11: Canned Food/Hygiene Items
Alimentos Enlatados/Artículos de Higiene
- Dec 17/18: Religious Retirement Appeal
Apelación para los Religiosos Jubilados



Novena a Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe

DEL 02 AL 10 DE DICIEMBRE, 2022
NORMALMENTE A LAS 7:00 PM

Por favor note que algunos días el horario o lugar donde se hará el rosario puede variar, puede llamar al 816-331-4713 para información.



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Thank You from Manos Amigas!

A big THANK YOU to St Sabina parishioners from Manos Amigas. Your prayers were received and returned from the families and "abuelos" in Anapra/Poleo. Your donations help provide warmth and food for many. I delivered a new electric heater to Esperanza and her response was "God loves me". I delivered firewood to 3 "abuelos" with one of our college students and a family member. I met and broke bread with many families. All send their love and gratitude and many blessings to you and your families. Dios los bendiga!

-Sandy Katzer

Leaving a Planned Gift

Put your life-long, hard earned assets to work for the Lord. A planned gift to the Lord acknowledges that we are simply stewards of all that God has provided. We are managers of His blessings upon us. Just as we sacrificially give throughout our lives, we give our final gift at the end of our lives here on earth. By naming the parish the beneficiary of assets like retirement plans, our charity does not end when we are gone. Contact Kris for more information. 816-979-3151, kris@stsabinaparish.org.

Meet Our Scholarship Students in El Salvador

Major: Agro ecological Engineering
School: Salvadoran Lutheran University
Expected Graduation: 2025



**Boni
Espinoza**
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Echeverria,
Cinquera

Boni lives with her mother, sister, and grandmother. None of them have work outside the home. The greatest obstacle that Boni faces is the insecurity in El Salvador. Many people who go missing end up murdered. There are many robberies, and women often face sexual harassment. All of these factors create fear while Boni travels to and from the university. After graduation, Boni plans to work with farmers, providing training about how to grow crops organically.

Green Team Tip of the Week

As you prepare for Christmas, think about the true meaning of Christmas. Do you need to purchase new ornaments, over spend on gifts and food or is it more important to have a simple holiday gathering with your family and friends. Having a smaller celebration will help ease stress and be more sustainable.

¡Gracias de Manos Amigas!

Muchas GRACIAS a los feligreses de Santa Sabina de parte de Manos Amigas. Sus oraciones fueron recibidas y respondidas por las familias y "abuelos" en Anapra/Poleo. Sus donaciones ayudan a brindar calefacción y alimentos a muchos. Le entregué un calentador eléctrico nuevo a Esperanza y su respuesta fue "Dios me ama".



Entregué leña a 3 abuelos con uno de nuestros universitarios y un familiar. Conocí y partí el pan con muchas familias. Todos envían su amor y gratitud y muchas bendiciones para ustedes y sus familias. Dios los bendiga!

-Sandy Katzer

LA IGLESIA SANTA SABINA

Le invita a usted y su familia a nuestra celebración parroquial en honor a

Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe

Lunes, 12 de Diciembre del 2022



6:00-6:40pm	Obra de Teatro de las Apariciones Guadalupeanas
6:40-7:00pm	Danza de los Matachines
7:00-8:00pm	Misa en Su Honor
8:00-10:00pm	Celebración de Nuestra Virgen de Guadalupe



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Consejo de la Semana del Equipo de Ecología

Mientras se prepara para la Navidad, piense en el verdadero significado de la Navidad. ¿Necesita comprar nuevos adornos, gastar más en regalos y comida o es más importante tener una simple reunión festiva con su familia y amigos? Tener una celebración más pequeña ayudará a aliviar el estrés y será más sostenible.

"John the Baptist appeared, preaching in the desert of Judea and saying, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!' It was of him that the prophet Isaiah had spoken when he said: 'A voice of one crying out in the desert, Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths.'"

Matthew 3:1-3

"Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths." There is a definite connection between repentance and effective hospitality. So how can we make repentance a regular part of our everyday lives? We can make an "examination of conscience" a daily part of our prayers, thanking God for the times we said "yes" to Him, and asking forgiveness for the times we chose our own will. We can go to Confession this Advent. We can reach out to a family member or friend where there is distance or discord and make peace. As we "straighten the paths" of our own hearts and minds, we become more hospitable people, better stewards of God's grace and mercy, and far more open and ready to invite others into our lives, homes, and parish. This is preparation fitting for our merciful Savior.

— See more at www.catholicsteward.com/blog/.

"En aquel tiempo, comenzó Juan el Bautista a predicar en el desierto de Judea, diciendo: 'Arrepiéntanse, porque el Reino de los cielos está cerca'. Juan es aquel de quien el profeta Isaías hablaba, cuando dijo: 'Una voz clama en el desierto: Preparen el camino del Señor, enderecen sus senderos'."

Mateo 3:1-3

"Preparen el camino del Señor, enderecen sus senderos". Hay una conexión definida entre el arrepentimiento y la hospitalidad efectiva. Entonces, ¿cómo podemos hacer que el arrepentimiento sea una parte regular de nuestra vida diaria? Podemos hacer un "examen de conciencia" como parte de nuestras oraciones diarias, agradeciendo a Dios por las veces que le dijimos "sí" y pidiendo perdón por las veces que elegimos nuestra propia voluntad. Podemos confesarnos este Adviento. Podemos acercarnos a un familiar o amigo donde hay distancia o discordia y hacer las paces. A medida que "enderezamos los senderos" de nuestros propios corazones y mentes, nos convertimos en personas más hospitalarias, mejores administradores de la gracia y la misericordia de Dios, y mucho más abiertos y listos para invitar a otros a nuestras vidas, hogares y parroquias. Esta es una preparación adecuada para nuestro misericordioso Salvador.

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

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: scan the QR Code or go to our parish website at www.stsabina-parish.org and click the "Online Giving" button in the top right section. This will open a new window through our secure third party website.



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It's Holiday Shopping Season! Did you know that your Amazon purchases are likely eligible to provide a donation to our parish? Please keep this in mind while shopping online. Last quarter, we received donations based off of **over \$33,000** of your purchases and over \$297,900 of your purchases, cumulatively! To support us in this way, be sure to do your Amazon shopping through smile.amazon.com and select "St. Sabina Catholic Church, Belton" as your charity of choice. Thank you to the 132 shoppers that have chosen us as their charity!



Contributions for the Week of November 20

Envelopes/Sobres:	\$11,084.00
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Donaciones por Internet

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

¡Apoya a Nuestra Parroquia al Comprar por Internet!

¡Es la temporada de compras navideñas! ¿Sabía que es probable que sus compras en Amazon sean elegibles para proveer una donación para nuestra parroquia? Por favor, tenga esta en cuenta cuando hace sus compras por internet. El último trimestre, recibimos donaciones basadas en **más de \$33,000** de sus compras y más de \$297,900 de sus compras, ¡acumulativamente! Para apoyarnos de esta manera, asegúrese de hacer sus compras en Amazon a través de smile.amazon.com y seleccione "St. Sabina Catholic Church, Belton" como su organización benéfica preferida. ¡Gracias a los 132 compradores que nos han elegido como organización benéfica!

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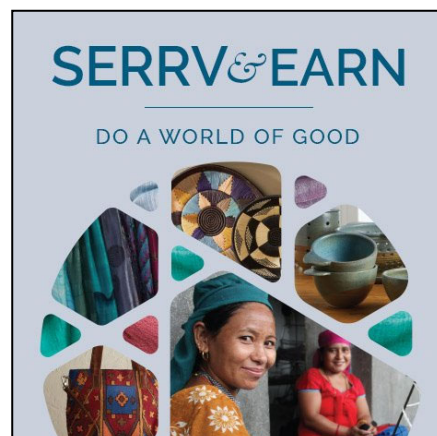
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Conozca a Nuestros Becados en El Salvador

Carrera: Ingeniería Agroecológica
Escuela: Universidad Luterana Salvadoreña
Año de Graduación: 2025



**Boni
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Boni vive con su madre, hermana y abuela. Ninguno de ellos tiene trabajo fuera del hogar. El mayor obstáculo que enfrenta Boni es la inseguridad en El Salvador. Muchas personas que desaparecen terminan asesinadas. Hay muchos robos, y las mujeres a menudo enfrentan acoso sexual. Todos estos factores crean miedo mientras Boni viaja hacia y desde la universidad. Después de graduarse, Boni planea trabajar con agricultores, brindándoles capacitación sobre cómo cultivar orgánicamente.

ST. SABINA PARISH

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

Our Lady of Guadalupe

Monday, December 12, 2022



6:00-6:40pm	Re-enactment of the Apparition of Our Lady of Guadalupe to Juan Diego
6:40-7:00pm	Matachines Dancers
7:00-8:00pm	Mass in Honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe
8:00-10:00pm	Our Lady of Guadalupe Celebration



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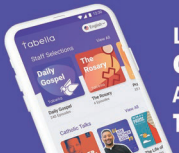
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