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

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Remember, Renew, Rejoice...

Pictured are the confirmation candidates on their Search Retreat last weekend.

Mass Times

Saturday: 4:00pm in English

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

Confessions: Saturdays3:00-3:30pm

Visit our website for Holy Day and special Mass times.

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Intentions for March 11—15, 2019

Mon.	8am	Communion Service
Tues.	6pm	†Emily Frezza
Wed.	10am	†Charles & Cathy Davis (Redwood of Raymore)
Thurs.	8am	†Theo Suwito
Fri.	8am	†Duet Midgett

Saturday, March 16, 2019

4:00pm Intentions of Thomas James Coovert
†Lola Barrios

Sunday, March 17, 2019

8:00am †Beverly Little
10:30am Intentions of Our Parish Family
†Charles Ramsey Sr
12:30pm Spanish †Pablo José Zayas
†Joseph Francis

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

†Cecilia Imming, wife of Steve Imming

†Emily Frezza, sister of Anita Armstrong

†Stephen Schwarz, brother of Jean Hanover

†Pauline Bellm, mother of Cheryl Pardoe and Mike Jones

†Lena Matthews, Beautiful Savior

†Joseph Francis, esposo de Ana Silvia e yerno de Emilia Valle

†Rev. Dorothy "Dottie" Hoopes, Pastor Emeritus, Belton Presbyterian Church

Calendar/Information

Sunday, March 10 - Domingo, 10 de Marzo

9:00am	PSR/Parents Lounge
10:30am	Bible Study
11:00am	Ensayo del Coro Hispano
11:00am	Escuela de Religión
2:00pm	Protegiendo a los Niños de Dios
7:00pm	Confirmation and High School Youth Group

Monday, March 11 - Lunes, 11 de Marzo

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

Tuesday, March 12 - Martes, 12 de Marzo

10:00am	Grief Support Group
7:00pm	First Reconciliation Service
7:00pm	Green Team Meeting
7:00pm	Ladies Auxiliary Meeting
7:00pm	Living Stones
7:00pm	Pequeñas Comunidades Cristianas

Wednesday, March 13 - Miércoles, 13 de Marzo

9:00am	Legion of Mary
10:00am	Mass at Redwood of Raymore
6:00pm	Cantor Rehearsal
7:00pm	Choir Rehearsal (4:00 and 10:30 groups)
7:00pm	Faith Formation Offering: Pope Francis-Call to Holiness
7:00pm	Junior High Youth Group

Thursday, March 14 - Jueves, 14 de Marzo

6:55am	High School Youth Prayer Breakfast
9:30am	Piecemakers Quilting Group
10:00am	Faith Formation Offering: Pope Francis-Call to Holiness
7:00pm	Baptism Prep
7:00pm	RCIA/RICA
7:00pm	Cub Scout Committee Meeting

Friday, March 15 - Viernes, 15 de Marzo

5:00pm	Fish Fry
6:30pm	Stations of the Cross
7:00pm	Vía Crucis

Saturday, March 16 - Sábado, 16 de Marzo

9:00am	Living Stones Makeup
10:00am	Platicas Matrimoniales
3:00pm	Confessions
5:00pm	St. Joseph Table Blessing and Dinner
6:00pm	Wedding Rehearsal: Ibarra/Coakley

Sunday, March 17 - Domingo, 17 de Marzo

St. Joseph Table and Dinner/Mesa de San José y Comida

9:00am	PSR/Parents Lounge
11:00am	Ensayo del Coro Hispano
11:00am	Escuela de Religión
3:00pm	Wedding: Ibarra/Coakley

Over 55 Luncheon and Gathering

Save the date of March 26th for our next Over 55 Event. Details coming soon!

Holy Rosary Credit Union - March 10

Working together to create a world without poverty by providing economic opportunity.

Credit Union Representatives are coming to St. Sabina on **March 10th** and will be available after the 10:30 and 12:30 Masses in the gathering space. Holy Rosary Credit Union (HRCU) is a full-service financial institution available to all the parishes in the Diocese, with the closest branch to us located in Raytown. The credit union has a mission to live out the seven themes of Catholic Social Teaching and offers a complete array of banking products with electronic convenience, but with an added faith-based mission. Representatives will be available to answer questions and offer sign-up for the free products below:

Credit Check Plus: Credit score matters as you go about living your daily life. What is your score? Why is the score what it is? How can you build credit if you don't have any? If you don't like your score, how can you improve it? Your free no-obligation personal session will give you all these answers and more. You will leave with a personal plan to make your score the best it can be.

Solid Foundations: Do you need a path to home ownership? We are here to help you build a solid foundation to achieve your dream. With this free no-obligation personal session, you will leave with an action plan to achieve your dreams of home ownership. We have products that can help you with your dream.

Please stop by and visit HRCU representatives after Mass. You can sign-up for one of the sessions above or just ask about other products and services. Representatives would love to answer questions and share the mission to create a world without poverty by providing economic opportunity.

Ladies Evening Event

The St. Sabina Parents Lounge Ladies are hosting a "WOW" evening event on Friday, March 29, 7-10pm in the parish hall. All women of St. Sabina are invited to grab a girlfriend and join the fun. "WOW" means Work On Whatever. Bring a project you'd like to work on, such as: a craft, sewing project, scrapbooks, paint your nails, organize paperwork, photos or emails, etc. Let's get together as women of the parish and chat and work on whatever! If you don't have a project just come to chat. Feel free to bring a snack to share if you'd like. Can't get there right at 7pm? No worries come and go as you wish. All women and nursing babies are welcome (please no other kiddos at his event—Parents Lounge will try to host a full family event soon).

Information

This Week's Do You Know Video:

As we continues our series on the Christian Creed, this week's DYK video looks at the four marks of the church, namely the church as "one, holy, catholic and apostolic," along with the link between baptism and the forgiveness of sins. Previous to Vatican II (1962-1965), these marks were understood in a predominantly exclusive manner. The one church was understood to be the Catholic church only, who claimed to be holy, pure and spotless. Catholic with a capital "C" referred to the denominational separateness of the church, along with the apostolic claim of being the only Christian church with an unbroken line of succession from the apostles. With Vatican II, the four marks came to be understood in a much more inclusive and ecumenical manner, including all Christians, along with the entire human family. Oneness is now understood in terms of our oneness in Christ in unity with the whole human family with whom we all strive to be holy, namely to take on the mind and heart of Christ in our words and actions. Catholic with a small "c" means universal, welcoming and accepting of all as God's family, and apostolic focuses on fidelity to Christ's values and life style in building up the reign of God for the sake of all. Make time to view this week's DYK video to learn more about the four marks of the Church and their meaning and significance.

Photography for Pictorial Directory

Our Parish Directory is due for an update and we need YOU to make it complete! Help us preserve this very special moment in time as we celebrate 75 years of our parish family with a special edition coffee table book/ pictorial directory. Our goal is to include everyone! Photography sessions will be held in the parish hall in early April. You may make an appointment for your family's photo session on our parish website, or in person after Mass the weekend of March 9/10 and in the gym with our St. Joseph's Table the weekend of March 16/17. All who participate will receive a free 8x10 and copy of the book. All those that book an appointment for photography by March 17th will be entered into a drawing to win a $100 gift certificate from LifeTouch.

Green Team Tip of the Week

Discover ways to reduce your use of plastic **www.lessplastic.co.uk**

happy birthday

Joyce Abrams
Johann Aguilar
Blanca Ayala de Melendez
Jessica Basurto
Eric Bautista
Abraham Benavides
Gabrielle Biondo
Joseph Blair
Emily Bornheimer
Philip Brokaw
Elsa Cantu
John Caoile
Jacqueline Cartagena
John Clark
Katie Dvergsten
Alfredo Galvez
Stephany Garcia
Georgina Garcia
Patricia Gomez
Alma Gonzalez
Yesica Gracia
Kathy Griggs
Laverne Harlow
Steven Henke
Hermelinda Hernandez
Leslie Herrera
Stanley Hilger
John Hirt
Keegan Jordan
Irving Juarez
Jack Kille
Doris Martinez
Wayne McDougal
Connor McDowell
Daniela Menjivar
Luke Mittelstadt
Cheryl Nichols
Victor Novoa
Manuel Novoa
Patrick O'Hanlon
Genesis Olguin
Janet Oliveros
Mario Ortiz
Anthony Ortiz
Elvis Palomares
Mia Perez
Evelyn Portillo
Dulce Rios
Huganda Rios
Diego Ruiz
Robert Shipley
Rita Stout
Aimar Torres
Florencia Trejo
Karlos Vasquez
Logan Vasquez
Transito Vides
Jason Weeks
Irene Zarco

Happy Anniversary

Larry and Kathy Spencer	36 Years!	3/14/1983
Nicholas and Janis Macias	29 Years!	3/17/1990

Altar Society Meeting

Our next Altar Society Meeting will be held on Thursday, March 21st at 7pm in the conference room. All current and new members are invited to attend.

Altar Society 75th Anniversary Sales

The Altar Society will be taking orders for 75th Anniversary items and apparel after Masses on March 30-31 and April 6-7. All funds raised from these sales will be used to purchase items for the liturgical needs of the parish.

Career and Business Showcase

The Belton Chamber of Commerce (www.beltonmochamber.org) and the Grandview Chamber of Commerce (www.grandview.org/chamber) have teamed up to bring businesses and job seekers together at the **2019 Career & Business Showcase** on Saturday, April 6. This year's event will be held at The View in Grandview. Plan to attend for B2B networking and fill your employment needs! Vendor space is limited! For more information, contact Diane Huckshorn at 816-331-2420.

Parish Information

Romero Celebration - March 23 - 6pm

On Saturday, March 23 our Salvadoran Community will host our parish's annual celebration in honor of Saint Oscar Romero. Mass will begin at 6:00pm and **Fr. Estefan Turcios will celebrate the Mass.**

Padre Estefan Turcios is a diocesan priest of the Archdiocese of San Salvador. He has been a priest for 32 years and is the pastor of the parish of San Antonio in Soyapango. Padre Estefan met Saint Oscar Romero while studying at San José de la Montaña Seminary in 1968, as Monseñor Romero's office was at the seminary. Due to the level of violence and persecution, Mons. Romero sent Padre Estefan to study in Ecuador, and Padre Estefan was in Ecuador when Mons. Romero was murdered. Since that time, Padre Estefan has worked to promote the sanctity and exemplariness of Mons. Romero, always believing that one day Mons. Oscar Romero would be declared a saint. Padre Estefan has served as vicar of the Mons. Romero Foundation, has been involved in the Pastoral Profética and Evangelization departments of his diocese, as well as serving as the diocesan director of missionary work. He is a member of the National Council of Missions, CONAMI, and a member of the Municipal Council of Security and Citizen Coexistence of Soyapango (CONSECOSOY).

Saint Óscar Arnulfo Romero (August 15, 1917 - March 24, 1980) was a prominent Roman Catholic priest in El Salvador during the 1960s and 1970s, becoming Archbishop of San Salvador in 1977. After witnessing numerous violations of human rights, he began to speak out on behalf of the poor and the victims of repression. This led to numerous conflicts, both with the government in El Salvador and within the Catholic Church. After speaking out against U.S. military support for the government of El Salvador, and calling for soldiers to disobey orders to fire on innocent civilians, Archbishop Romero was shot dead while celebrating Mass at the small chapel of the cancer hospital where he lived. Saint Oscar Romero was canonized on October 14, 2018 and his feast day is celebrated annually on March 24th.

An Evening with Fr. Estefan Turcios - Mar 21

You are invited to an evening with Fr. Estefan Turcios. Fr. Estefan will speak to us about the situation in El Salvador, and how St. Oscar Romero's message can speak to the country's present concerns.

Thursday, March 21, 2019
7:00pm - St. Sabina Parish Hall

Fr. Estefan will speak to us in Spanish. There will be an interpreter for those that speak English.

St. Sabina 2019 Lenten Faith Formation Sessions:

Lent is a time to renew and immerse ourselves in our Baptismal call and commitment. The call to holiness, to take on the mind and heart of Christ in all our words and actions, is at the heart of our baptismal commitment as the Lord's disciples. This call and commitment continually spurs us on to deepen our awareness of and response to our God who invites us into a loving relationship from the first moment of our existence.

During Lent, St. Sabina will offer five sessions designed to familiarize ourselves with Pope Francis' Apostolic Exhortation, *Rejoice and Be Glad (Gaudete et Exsultate): On the Call to Holiness in Today's World.* The document is reader-friendly and a true and sure guide on how we are called to exercise our baptismal commitment in our daily living. Francis clearly reminds us that it is in those small things of life that holiness is cultivated and embraced.

The sessions are scheduled for Wednesday evenings from 7-9 PM beginning March 13 and ending on April 10. The sessions will be repeated on Thursday mornings from 10 AM -12 PM beginning March 14 and ending on April 11. All are welcomed to make time this Lent to enter more deeply into our Baptismal call to holiness. More information and registration is available in the gathering space.

Friday Activities—Fish Fries and Stations

Our Knights of Columbus are once again hosting fish fries on Fridays, 5-7pm, during Lent. Menu will include: fried fish, lemon butter baked fish, Cajun baked fish, hush puppies, green beans, garlic potatoes, French fries, cole slaw, meatless spaghetti, bread, and a dessert table. Prices: Adults $11, Seniors $10, Children $6, Family $36 $1 off a meal if 5 or more canned food items are donated.

Stations of the Cross will be prayed in English at 6:30pm and Spanish at 7pm each Friday during Lent. Please join us!

Blessing of Seeds—Lenten Reflection

It is a tradition of the church to celebrate the Blessing of Seeds at planting time. The tradition comes from farmers seeking blessing on their crops. Whether or not we live in rural communities, we may wish to ask God's protection for seeds (or seedlings) in our fields and gardens. Seeds represent a microcosm of all life. By our prayers, we acknowledge God's control over creation and our stewardship of it. This year, our diocese has designated March 16 as a day of Prayer At Seedtime.

Our parish will celebrate the Blessing of Seeds at all Masses the weekend of March 16/17. Seeds to be planted in our Community Garden will be blessed, and, seeds donated by the St. Sabina Green Team will be blessed for you to take home and plant. You may also choose to bring in seeds you will plant in your home gardens to be blessed. As we celebrate Lent in this 75th Anniversary year of our parish, we encourage you to participate in a special Lenten reflection to help us all "Remember, Renew and Rejoice." Plant the seeds and watch them grow. The reflections provided can guide your prayer and stimulate inner growth during this Lent, so that we might produce good fruit as a parish family. Please take a packet of seeds and a Lenten Reflection sheet with you after Masses on March 16/17.

Pastoral Care

Nursing Home Mass Schedule

Mar 13	10:00am	Redwood of Raymore
Mar 20	10:00am	Foxwood Springs
Mar 27	11:00am	Carnegie Village

Adult Self-Help Grief Recovery Group

Grief and loss are a vital part of being alive. If you love, sooner or later you will lose, and you will grieve. St. Sabina Grief Ministry will offer an Adult Mutual Self-Help Group beginning Tuesday, March 12 from 10-11:30am. This group will meet for six consecutive Tuesdays. The group encourages grieving people to honestly express their feelings, encourages grievers to pay attention to their grief and helps grieving individuals recognize and process their feelings. Advance registration is required Confidentiality is expected. Registration deadline has passed but if you are interested please contact Marta Roper at 816-979-3154 or marta@stsabinaparish.org.

PYX—Sign Out Sheet We try to keep pyx available in the sacristy in the event you forget to bring yours and need to take the Blessed Sacrament to the sick or homebound. We have placed a sign out/in sheet on a clipboard in the sacristy. Please help us keep cost down by signing the Pyx "out" when you borrow one and "in" once you have returned it. Thank you for your help!

Prayer Requests/Peticiones de Oración

Anna Anderson
Dick Armstrong
Beverly Bell
John Bidondo
George Bremer
Maxine Bremer
Roger Brown
Sheila Brown
Joyce Callahan
John Caoile
John Cikan
Cindy Circo
Joseph Coots
Rikki DeVaul
Nolan Dickerson
Marcia DiGeorge
Steven DiGeorge
Jim Dillon
Kelly Dirks
Lois Dull
Paula Dull
Judy Giannini
Kelly Hall
Emily Emke-Hayes
Terry Eppert
Jean Frank
Cheryl Frezza
Jim Frezza
Sergio Gallardo
Al Gebauer
Ginny Hainey
Cathy Hall
Laverne Harlow
Connie Harper
Cherie Hatfield
Beth Heide
Rhonda Henke
Morgan Hilliard
Shayla Hoffman
John Holden
Gale Holsman
Lisa January
Araceli Jimenez
John Jongenelen
Kathy Keary
Sophia Kille
Don Kueck
Darrell Littler
Ray Malisos
Angela Maria
Jamie Martinez
Leslie McDowell
Janet Moorman
Harry Muench
Joan Muench
Bella Nouryeh
Ezequil Olarte
Thelma Palmer
George Panebianco
Harry Peckham
Juanita Peckham
David Pierce
Gary Prendergast
Doug Pritchett
Rita Pruitt
Larry Rhodes
Amy Ritchie
Jim Ruffini
Anna Ryan
Ron Schock
Barry Sellmeyer
Brenda Sheppard
Brian Sheppard
Jaxton Shipley
Lois Simpson
Michelle Soto
Baby Stone
Kayla Stone
Rita Stout
Svoboda Family
Jean Tate
Joe Taylor
Angel Thomas
Bruce Thompson
Priscilla Tristani
Mary Westfall
Marie Wilburn
Mary Wickstrum
Travis Woods
Jeanette Woolworth
Carmitia Yust
Debra Zayas

Wellness Center

Did you know Greek Yogurt is loaded with protein, calcium and probiotics while also being thick, creamy and satisfying? Yogurt sundaes are a great substitution for a healthier dessert option. You can create tasty treats without the added calories or sugar.

Here are a few creations you can try. Start with plain Greek Yogurt and mix in—

- Pistachios, dried cranberries and honey
- Ground flax, walnuts, maple syrup, and cinnamon
- Pear, grated fresh (frozen) ginger and honey
- Kiwi, grated frozen strawberry, pine nuts and the tiniest bit of honey
- Mandarin oranges and sunflower seeds, no honey needed

Plain Greek Yogurt is a healthy alternative to a sweet treat. Plain yes, but as you can see it will never be boring!

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HEALTHE COMMUNITIES

Annual Health Assessments- We look forward to seeing you for your Annual Health Assessment. Call or stop in to schedule your appointment 816-979-3090. St. Sabina Wellness Center is open Mon-Fri 8:30am to 7:00pm for appointments, fitness classes and drop in services.

Stewardship

Contributions for February 24

Envelopes/Sobres	$11,618.00
Plate/Canasta	$ 1,338.43
Maintenance-Upkeep	$ 955.00

Contributions for March 3

Envelopes/Sobres	$13,106.00
Plate/Canasta	$ 416.60
Maintenance-Upkeep	$ 1,773.00

Attention Gardeners

Do you have an interest in keeping our church grounds neat and attractive? Spring is coming and we have 15 garden beds, including two rose gardens. There is a sign up sheet in the gathering space for people who are willing to adopt a garden or just want help by trimming bristles/roses. If you have any questions, contact Jim Bornheimer at 816-331-6824.

CRS Rice Bowls—Encounter Norma

In Guatemala, we encounter Norma, who as a young mother supports her family and shares her skills with her community. Reflect on the importance of family in your life. How can you contribute to support families in your community? Visit **crsricebowl.org** for more information.

Delegation to El Salvador

In July of 2019 we plan to take a delegation to El Salvador to participate in the annual scholarship retreat. Along with our students in Cinquera, 17 other municipalities in El Salvador have students receiving scholarships to attend either high school or university. At the scholarship retreat, there will be 2-3 students from each municipality come together to share their experiences. Our travel dates will be July 8-15, 2019. Please contact Kris if you are interested in attending or would like more information. kris@stsabinaparish.org or 816-979-3151.

Contribution Statements for the Year 2018

Contribution statements for the year 2018 have been either mailed or emailed to those who have previously indicated they wish to receive them that way. If you would like to receive your statement by mail or email, please contact Jeff Shields in the parish office. Otherwise, statements can be downloaded online using the "My Own Church" feature. You can find "My Own Church" in the "About Us" section of our parish website (www.stsabinaparish.org). To register a user name, click "new user" under the login boxes and fill out the form. Once submitted, we will be notified that a new user has registered, and once you have been confirmed, a temporary password will be emailed to the email address that you provided. You can choose your own password when you login the first time. Once logged in, click "My Offering" and then "Giving History." You can choose the year and then click the green download button to the right to download your statement. If you forgot your user name or password or have any questions regarding My Own Church or contribution statements, please contact Jeff Shields in the parish office: 816-979-3152, jeffshields@stsabinaparish.org.

"Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the desert for forty days, to be tempted by the devil. He ate nothing during those days, and when they were over he was hungry. The devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become bread.' Jesus answered him, 'It is written, *One does not live on bread alone*.'"
Luke 4: 1-4

We must turn to the Holy Spirit and ask Him to show us where we need to grow, and then rely on the Holy Spirit for strength and guidance throughout these 40 days of growth. Perhaps we will be led to take on a spiritual reading program, or a daily time of meditation on the Scriptures. Maybe we'll be inspired to fast from our favorite food or social media fix and find a project that serves the poor in this community. If these spiritual exercises hurt a little, that means we are doing them right! At the end of this season, we will be prepared to enter into the grace-filled days of the Triduum and we will, through the power of the Holy Spirit, be resurrected as a new creation with our Lord come Easter. — See more at www.catholicsteward.com/blog/

Youth Ministry

Youth News

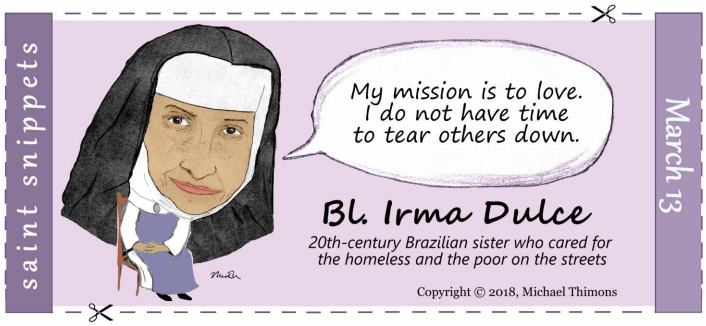
Thursday Morning Donuts! Every Thursday that Belton High School is in session, Kirstie will have donuts and a little prayer for High School youth heading to school. The Youth Office doors will open at 6:55am for kids to stop in on their way to school.

Confirmation Candidates! All youth enrolled in the Confirmation program must have a Sponsor to join them on the journey to the sacrament of Confirmation. There will be once a month meetings which are listed on the Youth Calendar which is available on the parish website. A sponsor is an adult Catholic who is confirmed, in good standing with the Catholic church and who is available to attend the meetings with the youth. It is not recommended that a parent serve as a sponsor. Our next Sponsor Night will be March 20th from 7-8:30pm in the Parish Hall. If you have any questions, please contact Kirstie Roberts.

PSR News

Tour of the Church Night! Our First Communion kids and their parents are invited to join together on March 26 for an evening of fun, fellowship and preparation for the sacrament of Communion. Kids will get a backstage pass to the inner parts of the church with one of our sacristans, bake altar bread to share with their families, create a unique banner that's all about them and have a hot dog dinner with their classmates and family. The night begins at 6:30pm and ends at 8:30pm. Please arrive early so we can get the groups all set and have a little prayer to start our night off right. This is not a drop off event. At least one parent/guardian must accompany each student.

First Reconciliation! We have rescheduled the Reconciliation service for March 12th at 7pm in the church. Please check in with Kirstie Roberts or a teacher when you arrive.



Child Safety

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

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

The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact Victim Advocate, Kathleen Chastain, at 816.392.0011 or chastain@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

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

The Little Ones Jim Burrows

Reflection on the Readings

The season of Lent originally focused on immediate baptismal preparation of catechumens for full initiation at the Easter Vigil. When adult catechumens were few and infant baptisms became the norm, the Lenten focus shifted to the already baptized, and their need to deepen their conversion to Christ by means of penitential practices and devotions. **Ashes, Stations of the Cross, fasting, abstinence, giving up things, doing without – were all intended to facilitate a deeper awareness of God and a continued conversion to Christ.**

With Vatican II's restoration of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, Lent's baptismal focus has resurfaced while the penitential focus has shifted towards doing things that manifest care and concern for others. The Lenten Sunday Lectionary readings help us pay attention to both aspects of this rich liturgical season.

The first Sunday of Lent always proclaims the temptation of Jesus according to the gospel for that particular liturgical year. This lectionary year C we proclaim the temptation narrative from Luke. It is appropriate that the first Sunday of Lent begin with the reality of temptation. Living out our baptismal call and promises is fraught with difficulties and temptations, posing significant challenges to living our faith lives properly or confessing our faith publically. **Catechumens (those desiring baptism) struggle with these same temptations as they seek to commit themselves completely to Christ.**

The refrain from Responsorial Psalm 91 sets the Lenten theme by inviting us to call upon God to "Be with me Lord, when I am in trouble." **If we are trying to be faithful to God's ways, we will encounter difficulty and temptations.** Lent calls us to reaffirm who we are and what we are about in our baptismal journey of continual conversion into Christ. **It challenges catechumens to focus on what is important on their pilgrimage to Christ. This Sunday's readings challenge us to affirm and confess what we believe, affirming our true identity as both baptized and soon to be baptized children of God.**

The first reading from Deuteronomy invites the community to confess ritually all that the Lord has done, remembering and celebrating God's gracious actions, past and present. God has been with us in the past and continues to be our help and support in the present. The narrative creed proclaimed in this passage should be a model helping us remember and trust God's gracious love as we celebrate God's loving presence on our faith journey.

Paul's letter to the Romans affirms God's saving action in Christ, who breaks down boundaries between Greek and Jew and welcomes all to experience God's love and salvation. We acknowledge God's love by drawing near to God's word, articulating it with our mouths as it dwells deeply in our hearts.

Luke's gospel proclaims that, like Jesus, being fully human means we are continually caught up in the temptation to use what we have for our own good and benefit, and not care for the good and benefit of others. It is the perennial temptation of the Garden of Eden, continually played out in our everyday lives. Jesus models our response to temptation by allowing the word of God to guide and direct his life, identity and mission. **By affirming that only God can be trusted to give full meaning to our lives, Jesus relativizes the significance of goods, wealth and power. These things are to be used to help us draw closer to God and others, and not merely to satisfy our own desires**.

Every day offers us another opportunity to counter the temptations that would lead us away from God. **Lent focuses and highlights that struggle for us, inviting us to practice the spiritual disciplines of prayer, fasting and almsgiving as a way of managing that struggle, while drawing near to God's word and calling upon God for help and guidance.** The Lenten season is the template for our continual conversion process of dying to self and rising to new life in Christ. **This Lent, reflect on how you will make this process of conversion a reality in your life. What will you do to show care and concern for yourself and others?** Blessed Lenten Journeying to us all.

Biagio Mazza, Pastoral Associate

Readings

Sunday, March 10

1st Reading: Deuteronomy 26:4-10
Psalm: Psalm 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 (see 15b)
2nd Reading: Romans 10:8-13
Gospel: Luke 4:1-13

Sunday, March 17

1st Reading: Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18
Psalm: Psalm 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14 (1a)
2nd Reading: Philippians 3:17-4:1
Gospel: Luke 9:28b-36

Bible Study

Catholics are mostly exposed to the Bible through the Sunday Lectionary Readings. In order to help us all enter into the Bible through the Sunday readings, we offer study sessions that provide an opportunity to read, to study background to the readings, and to reflect on how to apply the readings to our lives. **Our next Bible Study dates are March 10 and 24 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

La temporada de Cuaresma originalmente se enfocó en la preparación bautismal inmediata de catecúmenos para la iniciación completa en la Vigilia Pascual. Cuando los catecúmenos adultos eran pocos y los bautismos infantiles se convirtieron en la norma, el enfoque de la Cuaresma cambió a los ya bautizados, y su necesidad de profundizar su conversión a Cristo por medio de prácticas penitenciales y devociones. **Las cenizas, el Vía Crucis, el ayuno, la abstinencia, el abandono de las cosas, tenían la intención de facilitar una conciencia más profunda de Dios y una continua conversión a Cristo.**

Con la restauración por el Vaticano II del Rito de Iniciación Cristiana de Adultos, el enfoque bautismal de la Cuaresma ha resurgido, mientras que el enfoque penitencial se ha orientado hacia hacer cosas que manifiestan cuidado y preocupación por los demás. Las lecturas Cuaresmales del Leccionario dominical nos ayudan a prestar atención a ambos aspectos de esta rica temporada litúrgica.

El primer domingo de Cuaresma siempre proclama la tentación de Jesús según el Evangelio para ese año litúrgico particular. Este año del leccionario C proclamamos la narración de la tentación según San Lucas. Es apropiado que el primer domingo de Cuaresma comience con la realidad de la tentación. Vivir nuestro llamado y nuestras promesas bautismales está plagado de dificultades y tentaciones, lo que plantea desafíos significativos para vivir nuestras vidas de fe adecuadamente o confesar nuestra fe públicamente. **Los catecúmenos (los que desean el bautismo) luchan con estas mismas tentaciones cuando tratan de comprometerse completamente con Cristo.**

El estribillo del Salmo responsorial 91 establece el tema de la Cuaresma al invitarnos a pedir a Dios: "Está conmigo, Señor, en la tribulación". **Si estamos tratando de ser fieles a la voluntad de Dios, encontraremos dificultades y tentaciones.** La Cuaresma nos llama a reafirmar quiénes somos y de qué tratamos en nuestro viaje bautismal de conversión continua en Cristo. **Es un desafío para los catecúmenos centrarse en lo que es importante en su peregrinación a Cristo. Las lecturas de este domingo nos desafían a afirmar y confesar lo que creemos, afirmando nuestra verdadera identidad tanto a los bautizados como a los por ser bautizados hijos de Dios.**

La primera lectura de Deuteronomio invita a la comunidad a confesar ritualmente todo lo que el Señor ha hecho, recordando y celebrando las acciones de Dios, pasadas y presentes. Dios ha estado con nosotros en el pasado y continúa siendo nuestra ayuda y apoyo en el presente. El credo narrativo proclamado en este pasaje debe ser un modelo que nos ayude a recordar y confiar en el amor bondadoso de Dios al celebrar la presencia amorosa de Dios en nuestro viaje de fe.

La carta de Pablo a los romanos afirma la acción salvadora de Dios en Cristo, que rompe los límites entre los griegos y los judíos y da la bienvenida a todos para que experimenten el amor y la salvación de Dios. Reconocemos el amor de Dios al acercarnos a la palabra de Dios, articulándola con nuestras bocas, ya que mora profundamente en nuestros corazones.

El evangelio de Lucas proclama que, como Jesús, ser completamente humano significa que estamos continuamente atrapados en la tentación de usar lo que tenemos para nuestro propio bien, y no preocuparnos por el bien de los demás. Es la tentación perenne del Jardín del Edén, que se desarrolla continuamente en nuestra vida cotidiana. Jesús modela nuestra respuesta a la tentación al permitir que la palabra de Dios guíe y dirija su vida, identidad y misión. **Al afirmar que solo se puede confiar en Dios para dar un sentido completo a nuestras vidas, Jesús relativiza el significado de los bienes, la riqueza y el poder. Estas cosas deben usarse para ayudarnos a acercarnos más a Dios y a los demás, y no simplemente para satisfacer nuestros propios deseos.**

Cada día nos ofrece otra oportunidad para contrarrestar las tentaciones que nos alejarán de Dios. **La Cuaresma enfoca y resalta para nosotros, esa lucha, invitándonos a practicar las disciplinas espirituales de la oración, el ayuno y la limosna como una forma de manejar esa lucha, mientras nos acercamos a la palabra de Dios y pedimos ayuda y guía a Dios.** La temporada de Cuaresma es la plantilla para nuestro proceso continuo de conversión de morir a nosotros mismos y resucitarnos a una nueva vida en Cristo. **Esta Cuaresma, reflexione sobre cómo convertirá este proceso de conversión en una realidad en su vida. ¿Qué hará para mostrar cuidado y preocupación por si mismo y por los demás?** Les deseo un bendito viaje Cuaresmal a todos.

Biagio Mazza, Asociado Pastoral

Lecturas

Lecturas del Domingo, 10 de Marzo
Primera Lectura: Deuteronomio 26:4-10
Salmo: Salmo 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15
Segunda Lectura: Romanos 10:8-13
Evangelio: Lucas 4:1-13

Lecturas del Domingo, 17 de Marzo
Primera Lectura: Génesis 15:5-12, 17-18
Salmo: Salmo 27:1, 7-8a, 8b-9abc, 13-14
Segunda Lectura: Filipenses 3:17—4:1
Evangelio: Lucas 9:28-36

Ministerio Juvenil/Información

Noticias Juveniles

Donas los Jueves por la Mañana! Cada jueves que Belton High School tiene clases, Kirstie tendrá donas y hará oraciones con los jóvenes de High School antes de ir a la escuela. Las puertas de la Oficina de la Juventud se abrirán a las 6:45am para que los jóvenes pasen antes de la escuela.

Candidatos de la Confirmación! La próximo noche de Padrinos para la Confirmación será el 20 de marzo, 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

Recorrido de la Iglesia! Nuestros niños de la Primera Comunión y sus padres están invitados a acompañarnos el 26 de marzo para una noche de diversión, compañerismo y preparación para el sacramento de la Comunión. Los niños obtendrán un 'pase al detrás de escena' a las partes internas de la iglesia con uno de nuestros sacristanes, hornearán pan de altar para compartir con sus familias, crearán una bandera única la cual es sobre ellos y tendrán una cena de hot dog con sus compañeros de clase y sus familias. La noche comienza a las 6:30 pm y termina a las 8:30 pm. Llegue temprano para que podamos organizar todos los grupos y orar para comenzar bien la noche. Este no es un evento de dejar los niños. Al menos un padre/tutor debe acompañar a cada estudiante.

Primera Reconciliación! Hemos reprogramado el servicio de Reconciliación para el 12 de marzo a las 7 pm en la iglesia. Por favor, pasen con Kirstie Roberts o un maestro cuando lleguen.

Seguridad Infantil

La Diócesis de Kansas City-St. Joseph esta comprometida a luchar contra el abuso sexual en la Iglesia. Si usted es victima de abuso sexual, ó si usted observa o sospecha de abuso sexual, por favor:

1) Llame a línea directa de Abuso Infantil en Missouri al 1.800.392.3738 (si la victima tiene menos de 18 años de edad).
2) Póngase en contacto con su departamento de policía local o llame al 911.
3) Después de informarle a las autoridades de la orden civil y de leyes, reporte el abuso sexual del menor o del adulto vulnerable al Defensor del Pueblo Diocesano, Jenifer Valenti, al 816.812.2500 o a su correo electrónico, jennifervalenti@att.net, si el abuso implica a un sacerdote, diacono, empleado o voluntario de la Diócesis de Kansas City-St. Joseph.

La Diócesis tiene un sincero compromiso con los recursos del cuidado y la curación para las victimas de abuso sexual y a sus familias. Por favor póngase en contacto con la Defensora de Victimas, Kathleen Chastain al 816.392.0011 o chastain@diocesekcsj.org para mas información.

Todas las personas que son voluntarios con los jóvenes ó niños de nuestra parroquia deben atender a un taller llamado Protegiendo a los Niños de Dios, también necesitaran someterse a una verificación de antecedentes y deberán firmar la póliza sobre Éticas e Integridad en el Ministerio (EIM). Más información en https://kcsjcatholic.org/the-office-of-child-and-youth-protection/

Celebración Romero - 23 de marzo - 6pm

El sábado, 23 de marzo, nuestra comunidad salvadoreña será la sede de la celebración anual de nuestra parroquia en honor a San Óscar Romero. La Misa comenzará a las 6:00 pm y **el P. Estefan Turcios celebrará la Misa.**

El Padre Estefan Turcios es un sacerdote diocesano de la Arquidiócesis de San Salvador. Es sacerdote desde hace 32 años y es el pastor de la parroquia de San Antonio en Soyapango. El Padre Estefan conoció a San Oscar Romero mientras estudiaba en el Seminario de San José de la Montaña en 1968, ya que la oficina de Monseñor Romero estaba en el seminario. Debido al nivel de violencia y persecución, Mons. Romero envió al Padre Estefan a estudiar en Ecuador, y ahí estuvo cuando el Mons. Romero fue asesinado. Desde entonces, el Padre Estefan ha trabajado para promover la santidad y la ejemplaridad de Mons. Romero, creyendo siempre que un día el Mons. Oscar Romero sería declarado santo. El Padre Estefan ha servido como vicario de La Fundación Mons. Romero, ha estado involucrado en los departamentos de Pastoral Profética y Evangelización de su diócesis, además de servir como director diocesano del trabajo misionero. Es miembro del Consejo Nacional de Misiones, CONAMI, y miembro del Consejo Municipal de Seguridad y Convivencia Ciudadana de Soyapango (CONSECOSOY).

San Óscar Arnulfo Romero (15 de agosto de 1917 - 24 de marzo de 1980) fue un prominente sacerdote católico en El Salvador durante los años 60 y 70, se convirtió en Arzobispo de San Salvador en 1977. Después de presenciar numerosas violaciones de derechos humanos, comenzó a hablar en nombre de los pobres y de las víctimas de la represión. Esto llevó a numerosos conflictos, tanto con el gobierno en El Salvador como dentro de la Iglesia Católica. Después de hablar en contra del apoyo militar de los Estados Unidos al gobierno de El Salvador y de pedir a los soldados que desobedecieran las órdenes de disparar contra civiles inocentes, el Arzobispo Romero fue asesinado a tiros mientras celebraba la Misa en la pequeña capilla del hospital de cáncer donde vivía. San Oscar Romero fue canonizado el 14 de octubre de 2018 y su fiesta se celebra anualmente el 24 de marzo.

Corresponsabilidad/Información

Platicas Pre-Bautismales - 13 de abril

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.

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Holy Rosary Credit Union - 10 de marzo

Trabajando juntos para crear un mundo sin pobreza al proporcionar oportunidades económicas.

Representantes del Credit Union llegarán a Sta. Sabina el 10 de marzo y estarán disponibles después de las Misas de 10:30 y 12:30 en el espacio de reunión. Holy Rosary Credit Union (HRCU) es una institución financiera de servicio completo disponible para todas las parroquias de la Diócesis, con la sucursal más cercana a nosotros ubicada en Raytown. La cooperativa de crédito tiene la misión de vivir los siete temas de la enseñanza social católica y ofrece una gama completa de productos bancarios con conveniencia electrónica, pero con una misión adicional basada en la fe. Los representantes estarán disponibles para responder preguntas y ofrecer la inscripción para los productos gratuitos a continuación:

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Pase y visite a los representantes de HRCU después de la Misa. Puede inscribirse en una de las sesiones anteriores o simplemente preguntar sobre otros productos y servicios. A los representantes les encantaría responder preguntas y compartir la misión de crear un mundo sin pobreza brindando oportunidades económicas.

Una Tarde con el P. Estefan Turcios - 21 de Marzo

Está invitado a pasar una tarde con el P. Estefan Turcios. P. Estefan nos hablará sobre la situación en El Salvador y sobre cómo el mensaje de San Oscar Romero puede referirse a las preocupaciones actuales del país.

Jueves 21 de marzo de 2019.
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P. Estefan nos hablará en español. Habrá un intérprete para los que hablan inglés.

Eventos de los Viernes—Comidas de Pescado y Vía Crucis

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Bendición de Semillas - Reflexión Cuaresmal

Es una tradición de la iglesia celebrar la Bendición de las Semillas en la temporada de la siembra. La tradición proviene de los agricultores que buscan la bendición de sus cultivos. Ya sea que vivamos en comunidades rurales o no, podemos desear solicitar la protección de Dios para las semillas (o plantas de semillero) en nuestros campos y jardines. Las semillas representan un microcosmos de toda la vida. Por medio de nuestras oraciones, reconocemos el control de Dios sobre la creación y nuestra administración de la misma. Este año, nuestra diócesis ha designado el 16 de marzo como un día de oración en la temporada de la siembra.

Nuestra parroquia celebrará la Bendición de las Semillas en todas las Misas el fin de semana del 16/17 de marzo. Las semillas que se plantarán en nuestro Jardín Comunitario serán bendecidas, y semillas donadas por el Equipo de St. Sabina Green serán bendecidas para llevar a casa y sembrarlas. También puede optar por traer sus propias semillas que sembrará en su hogar para ser bendecidas. Al celebrar la Cuaresma en este año del 75 aniversario de nuestra parroquia, le animamos a participar en una reflexión especial de Cuaresma para ayudarnos a todos a "Recordar, Renovar y Regocijarse". Siembre las semillas y vea cómo crecen. Las reflexiones proporcionadas pueden guiar su oración y estimular su crecimiento interior durante esta Cuaresma, para que podamos producir buenos frutos como familia parroquial. Por favor llévese un paquete de semillas y una hoja de Reflexión Cuaresmal después de las Misas del 16/17 de marzo.

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