

Saint Sabina Catholic Church

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



Thank you Justin, Austin, Kirstie, and Trang for your help with Uplift on February 27th!

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**

Blood Drive—March 26

Community Blood Center is the primary supplier of blood for local hospitals and has been serving Missouri and Kansas hospitals for more than 50 years. Community Blood Center needs to collect 580 pints of blood every day and over 140,000 pints annually to meet the needs of our local hospitals. An individual within the area that Community Blood Center serves needs a blood transfusion every four minutes.

Please share your gift of life with local hospital patients who need it by donating at the next Community Blood Center blood drive. The blood drive will be held in the gym of our parish on Sunday, March 26, 8am-1pm. To make an appointment online, visit esavealifenow.org and use sponsor code: **saintsabina**.

Third Sunday of Lent

March 19, 2017

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Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Intentions for March 20-24, 2017

Mon.	8am	COMMUNION SERVICE
Tues.	6pm	†Jerry Keating
Wed.	11am	†Dodie Maurer (Carnegie Village)
Thurs.	8am	†Elmer Price
Fri.	8am	†Tom Sullivan

Saturday, March 25, 2017

4:00pm	†Gene McGraw Intentions of the Altar Society
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Sunday, March 26, 2017

8:00am	†Jerry Keating
10:30am	†Anna Marie and Mike Arnone
12:30pm Spanish	†Luis Alonso Rodriguez Intenciones de la Familia Parroquial

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

†Jerry Keating, husband of Marilyn Keating

†Dodie Maurer, mother of Kathy Muder and Patti Ledford



Calendar/Parish Information

Sunday, March 19 - Domingo, 19 de Marzo

9:00am	PSR/Parents Lounge
10:30am	First Scrutiny/Primer Escrutinio
11:00am	Escuela de Religión
11:00am	Ensayo del Coro Hispano
7:00pm	High School and Confirmation

Monday, March 20 - Lunes, 20 de Marzo

5:30pm	Marian Prayer Group
7:00pm	Boy Scouts/Cub Scouts
7:00pm	Getting to Know Your Faith
7:00pm	Talleres de Oración y Vida

Tuesday, March 21 - Martes, 21 de Marzo

7:00am	Youth Prayer Group
6:00pm	Healthy Lifestyle Class
7:00pm	ESL/Inglés Como Segunda Lengua
7:00pm	Lenten Reconciliation Service
7:00pm	Adult Faith Formation Offering—Reformation
7:00pm	Pequeñas Comunidades Cristianas

Wednesday, March 22 - Miércoles, 22 de Marzo

9:00am	Legion of Mary
10:00am	Adult Faith Formation Offering—Reformation
11:00am	Mass at Carnegie Village
6:30pm	Choir Practice
7:00pm	Junior High Youth

Thursday, March 23 - Jueves, 23 de Marzo

9:30am	Quilters
7:00pm	RCIA/RICA

Friday, March 24 - Viernes, 24 de Marzo

12:15pm	Stations of the Cross
5:00pm	Fish Fry
7:00pm	Vía Crucis

Saturday, March 25 - Sábado, 25 de Marzo

10:00am	Pláticas Pre-matrimoniales
3:00pm	Confessions

Sunday, March 26- Domingo, 26 de Marzo

8:00am	Blood Drive
9:00am	PSR/Parents Lounge
11:00am	Escuela de Religión
11:00am	Ensayo del Coro Hispano
12:30pm	Second Scrutiny/Segundo Escrutinio
1:30pm	Presentación: Conozca sus Derechos
5:00pm	Confirmation Rehearsal Dinner

Altar Society Religious Article Sale The Altar Society will be selling a beautiful selection of religious articles and jewelry after all Masses on the weekends of March 18/19 and April 1/2. Stop by the table and shop for Easter, First Communion, and Mother's Day gifts. All proceeds benefit St. Sabina Parish.

Parish Directory and Guidebook We are in the process of updating our annual Guide Book and Directory for the church. This book will contain everything pertinent to our church: the various ministries, organizations, committees, activities, functions and events plus a complete directory of all members. This book is being provided and direct-mailed to each family at no cost to our church, and it is again being subsidized by local business that advertise. If you own or manage a business and would like to find out about advertising in our book, please call the Church Office at 816-331-4713.

Update Your Membership Information

Does our Church have your family membership correct? If you have moved or changed your phone number recently, please update that information through your My Own Church account or contact Bridget Hernandez at bridget@stsabinaparish.org or 816-979-3159 to update your information.

Indoor Plant Care Volunteers Needed: We are seeking 2-3 individuals to help care for the plants in the church building. The job includes watering the green plants in church once or twice a month and seasonal flowers as needed. The day/time you water can be flexible according to your schedule. It doesn't take a lot of time and is a great way to contribute if you are one of those folks who desires to help, but doesn't like getting up in front of people. We really do need you! Please contact Susan Ratigan at susan@stsabinaparish.org or 816-979-3158. Thank you!

Community Garden Help Come play in the dirt and help feed the hungry in Belton and Raymore! The Community Garden needs volunteers with growing food and administration. Contact David Pierce at 816-392-1110 or Michelle Rose at 919-624-4407.

Getting to Know Your Faith: A Walk Through the Mass This month's topic in our Getting to Know Your Faith Series will focus on an explanation of the Mass with special attention to what we do at Mass, its various parts, how the Mass developed, along with some of its history and the changes that came about as a result of Vatican II. So come join us on Monday evening, March 20 from 7-8:30 PM for an interesting and fascinating walk through the Mass. The session is facilitated by Biagio Mazza, Pastoral Associate, St. Sabina Parish.



Lenten and Parish Happenings



Friday Fish Fries

Our Knights of Columbus are hosting their famous fish fries again this Lenten season. Menu includes fried fish, baked fish, hush puppies, French fries, corn on the cob, garlic potatoes, coleslaw and meatless spaghetti. Desserts will be provided by our Ladies Auxiliary. Prices are:

Adults (12 and older)	\$10.00
Seniors (55 and older)	\$ 9.00
Children (ages 5-11)	\$ 6.00
Family (immediate family living under the same roof)	\$30.00

Bring 5 canned goods to save \$1 on your meal! The fish fries continue on Fridays during Lent through April 7th, 5 -7pm.

Stations of the Cross

This year our weekly Stations of the Cross will be a little different. The St. Francis Homeschool Co-op will be leading the Stations on Fridays at 12:15pm in English. We will continue to have Spanish Stations at 7pm on Fridays. Please note that on March 31st we will have the opportunity to see a special performance of Stations by Theatre at Vis at 7pm. This performance will be in English and will replace our Spanish Stations that evening. More details below.

Stations—March 31

The musical dramaturgy STATIONS will be performed in the sanctuary of our church on Friday, March 31st, at 7pm. All are invited to attend and be a part of a unique Lenten worship experience. STATIONS is presented by THEATRE AT VIS, a ministry of Visitation Church. The theatre group has toured the show throughout the diocese and regionally for many years and has received wide acceptance and acclaim. STATIONS was written by Paul Novosel and Father Robert Murphy, a Kansas City/St. Joseph diocesan priest. Admission is free and all ages are encouraged to attend. Doors will open 30 minutes prior to the performance.

Area Lenten Reconciliation Services

Tuesday, March 21, 7pm at St. Sabina Parish

Sunday, March 26, 2pm at St. Thomas More Parish

Tuesday, March 28, 7pm at St. Regis

Thursday, March 30, 7pm at Our Lady of Lourdes, Raytown

Monday, April 3, 7pm at Visitation Parish

Tuesday, April 4, 7pm at St. Catherine

Wednesday, April 5, 5:30pm at St. Elizabeth Parish

Sunday, April 9, 2pm at St. Peter Parish

Sunday, April 9, 7:30pm at Church of the Nativity

Guidelines for Fast and Abstinence During Lent

Abstinence: Abstinence is a penitential practice consisting of refraining from the consumption of meat and is to be observed by all Catholics who are 14 years of age and older. **Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and the Fridays during Lent are days of abstinence.**

Fast and Abstinence: In addition to abstinence, fasting is to be observed by all Catholics between the ages of 18-59 years (inclusive). On days of fasting, one full meal is allowed. Two smaller meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids are allowed. Note: If a person is unable to observe the above regulations due to ill health or other serious reasons, they are urged to practice other forms of self-denial that are suitable to their condition. **Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of Fasting.**

Lenten Practices—prayer, fasting, almsgiving

During the season of Lent, we traditionally focus on the three practices of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Reflection booklets and other resources to aid your Lenten prayer are available in the gathering space. Take what you feel will be helpful, and please consider donating a dollar for each resource you take.

To help you with the practice of almsgiving, there are Rice Bowls from the Catholic Relief Services available in the gathering space as well. Following the calendar and reading the stories provided help us to connect how our sacrifice and donations can impact the lives of others.

Stations by the Parents Lounge

On Friday, April 7, the Parents Lounge will be presenting a Family Guided Stations of the Cross at 6pm. All are welcome to participate.

DACA RENEWALS

Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) must be renewed every two years. If you have DACA status, please be aware that the renewal process takes about 7 months. Please refer to the following timeline to ensure that you renew your DACA on time:

1. Check the expiration date on your work permit
2. Gather proof of presence in the United States since applying for DACA
3. Save money for the filing fee and for an attorney

Processing a DACA renewal takes approximately 6 months. To ensure timely renewal, 7 months prior to your DACA expiration you should begin the renewal process.



Area Information

Contemporary Spirituality Speaker Series

A Quaker Spirituality of Listening

Kathryn Damiano

Saturday, April 8 – at Avila University 9:00 am – 12:00 noon



Kathryn Damiano, a Quaker and lifelong contemplative, is a teacher of in-depth spiritual life studies and retreat leader who sees her ministry as working for peace and justice through spiritual formation. She has served as spiritual director at Pendle Hill, a Quaker center for study and contemplation. She co-founded the School of the Spirit, a two-year offering in spiritual formation. She received a Master of Divinity from United Theological Seminary (United Methodist), a Masters in counseling psychology, an internship in spiritual direction at the Jesuit Renewal Center, and a Ph.D. in spiritual theology.

(Admission: \$15)

Married Couples: It's spring training time. Play ball with your spouse and sign up to hit a home run at a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekend in Kansas City is April 28-30, 2017 For more information or to apply, please visit our website: www.wwme4youandme.org or call Tony & Barb Zimmerman, 816-741-4066 or email tonybarbz@prodigy.net.

Ladies of Charity of Metropolitan Kansas City Special Event April 25th

The Ladies of Charity of Metropolitan KC will host a private showing of the 2017 Symphony Designers' Showhouse on Monday, April 25 from 10:30 am – 1:30 pm. Located on a hill overlooking a park just east of Gillham Road at 816 Gleed Terrace in Kansas City, MO, the 3-story home built in 1908 is listed on the National Register of Historic Homes. It features many original architectural details inside and out. Come join us and tour this stately 108-year-old home, enjoy a boxed lunch, raffle and shop at the unique KCSA boutique. Invite friends and family and make it a special day! The cost is \$30/person and helps support our beneficiaries: Duchesne Clinic, Seton Center and Villa St. Francis. To register, mail your check payable to "Ladies of Charity" before April 15 to Karen Camarata, 5508 W. 129th St., Overland Park, KS 66209. For more information contact, Marnie Robinett (913) 451-2484.

happy birthday

Elvia Abarca	Margaret Fuss	Felicia Moss
Maria Abarca	Ana Garcia	Giovani Nunez
Hilda Abundiz	Brandon Garcia	Jonathan Olguin
Anthony Arenivas	Mike Gardiner	Helen Panebianco
Phillip Baird	Jose Gonzalez	Serena Persaud
Araceli Benitez	Noelia Gonzalez	Jaime Pimentel
Guadalupe Benitez	Sergio Guevara	Alan Pitallo
Roger Brown	Alberto Guzman	Payton Rayos
Rebeca Buendia	Melissa Hadley	Leonel Reyes
Carlee Cano	Jill Heinerikson	Mahlia Rigby
Patty Carbaugh	Quin Henry	William Rodelo
Miguel Cervantes	Guerrero Hinojos	Oscar Rodriguez
Mary Cocetti	Ramon Hinojos	Marcos Rosales
Robert Cocetti	Fabian Ledesma	Jose Salas
Eva Corchado	Amy Lee	Francisco Salinas
Andrew Cornejo	Daxton Leuschen	Gabriela Sanchez
Jocelyn Corral	Victoria Lynn	Erik Sanjuan
James Cox	Clemencia Marquez	Isabela Santiago
Jessica Cruz	Silvia Marquez	Derek Strobe
Cathy Davis	Angel Martinez	Devin Taylor
Michael Davis	Sophia McClish	Nefthaly Torres
Antonio Enriques	Sofia Meakins	Karin Valle
Pat Feller	Magali Mendoza	Hayden VanSickle
Maria Fiallos	Irma Meza	Grecia Vega
Destiny Franco	Michelle Molina	

Happy Anniversary

Vidal and Lupe Barrera	48 Years!	03-22-1969
David and Sharon Faust	35 Years!	03-20-1982
Christopher and Maureen Gilkey	31 Years!	03-22-1986
Gary and Traci Pratt	27 Years!	03-24-1990
Irving and Ofelia Juarez	18 Years!	03-26-1999
Edward and Teresa Caesar	13 Years!	03-20-2004

Baptism Congratulations

Congratulations to Milo Lee Noble, son of Derek and Sarah Noble, who will be baptized on Sunday, March 19th!!



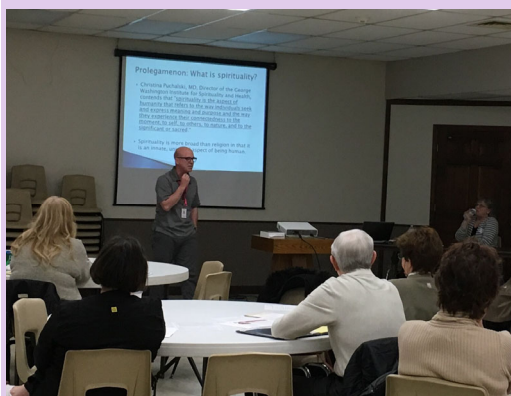
Pastoral Care

Nursing Home Mass Schedule

Mar 22	11:00am	Carnegie Village
Mar 29	8:00am	St. Sabina, 5th Wed.
Apr 5	10:30am	Beautiful Savior

Join Us For Wednesday Mass

Each month Fr. Jeff celebrates Wednesday Mass at a different Senior Living Center or long term care facility (see the above schedule). You are always welcome to join us at any of these Masses. If you need more information contact Marta Roper in the parish office.



Thank you to Brent Doster from Catholic Community Hospice who came to speak to our parishioners about end-of-life decision making on March 7.

Prayer Requests/Peticiones de Oración

Perry Allen	Devin Thomas Harley	Gary Palmer
Marilyn Avalos	Laverne Harlow	Thelma Palmer
Polleth Bautista	Amber Hartenbower	Justin Putnam
Nikki Barrett	Cherie Hatfield	Patricia Rellihan
John Bidondo	Bart Henke	Yvonne Salmon
Allie Biondo	Rhonda Henke	Shelline Smoot
Rick Castenada	Joyce Huffman	Jim Storm
Shirley Castor	Essie Humbird	Leo Storm
Anna Clark	Bertha Kramer	Mary Jane Storm
Barbara Clark	Kelsey Krum	Jean Tate
Kristen Conner	Glen Lewis	Ruth Tayler
Joseph Coots	Beverly Little	Angel Thomas
Paul DeMar	Debbie Locke	Nancy Torres
Nolan Dickerson	Jo Locke	Senny Vigil
Frances DiGeorge	Denise Mehlo	Rose Wall
Terry Eppert	Leonard Meiron	Mary Westfall
Butch Ford	Alice Miller	Marie Wilburn
Emily Frezza	Joan Muench	Merle Woolworth
Dick Garnier	Mona Neighbors	Truly Wright
William Glenn	Bella Nouryeh	Carmitia Yust
June Glunt	Jane Nouryeh	Pablo Zayas
Karen Grantham	Rick Orey	

Wellness Center

How About Breakfast?

Two recent studies, published in The American Journal of Clinical Nutrition, seem to upend what we've long believed about breakfast: that those who eat it gain less weight than those who don't. The studies found that skipping the meal didn't result in extra pounds. This finding comes with a caveat: In one study, breakfast eaters tended to have more stable glucose levels as well as a slight increase in insulin sensitivity. (Over time, low insulin sensitivity can lead to a host of health problems, including heart disease and type 2 diabetes.) So, what to do? Probably the best advice is to keep eating breakfast, it *may not* help you lose weight, but you'll be healthier overall.



Wellness Center Class Schedule

Monday:	Intermediate Yoga 1-2pm Gentle Yoga 2-3pm Yoga 6-7pm
Tuesday:	Stretch & Strength 1-2pm Gentle Stretch & Strength 2-3pm
Wednesday:	Intermediate Yoga 1-2pm Gentle Yoga 2-3pm Strength & Restore 6-7pm
Thursday:	Stretch & Strength 1-2pm Gentle Stretch & Strength 2-3pm Circuit Training 6-7pm
Friday:	Intermediate Yoga 1-2pm Gentle Yoga 2-3pm



School of Religion/Youth Ministry

Volunteer Opportunities

Uplift Org. If you would like to bring meals to the homeless on the 4th or 5th Monday of any month, please contact Kirstie Roberts! This ministry is open to all parishioners age 14 and older. Volunteers must report to the Uplift Warehouse by 5pm and will be finished around 9:30pm.

Uplift Cooks! Anyone who would like to help prepare a meal for the homeless is welcome to join our team on the 4th Monday of each month at 10am in the gym. We recommend that you bring a good cutting knife, vegetable peeler and can opener. Our next cooking date is March 27th

Harvesters! This local food bank provides food to needy families around the KC area. Volunteers are needed to help sort food donations and pack weekend food bags for kids in our community. We will be taking a group of 5 people on the third Thursday of each month. Our next date is April 20th, 6-8pm. If you would like to volunteer, call or email Kirstie in the Youth Office.

Community Meals Lord of Love Lutheran Church offers a free meal to the community each Wednesday. Every third Wednesday of the month St. Sabina volunteers help prepare, serve and clean up in an effort to work together with other Christians to carry out Christ's work. Our next volunteer date is April 19th. Contact Berenice Zayas in the parish office for more information or to sign up. Phone: 816-979-3150 or email: berenice@stsabinaparish.org.

Confirmation Rehearsal Dinner! Our confirmation candidates and sponsors will gather for a rehearsal on Sunday, March 26th at 5pm in the church followed by a potluck dinner in the gym. Girls are to bring side dishes like potatoes, rice, beans, salads etc... and boys are to bring desserts. Each dish should be enough to feed 15 servings. The Youth Office will provide a main dish and beverages. You are welcome to bring family. Please give Kirstie Roberts your number of people coming at the next Sponsor Night on March 15th.

Junior High Youth! Your next meetings will be March 22nd and April 5th at 7pm.

Confirmation Mass! Our class is finally to be confirmed on Monday, March 27th at a 7pm Mass with Bishop Johnston. All candidates and sponsors are to arrive by 5:30pm for a meeting with Bishop Johnston before Mass. A cake and punch reception will follow in the gym immediately after Mass.

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.**

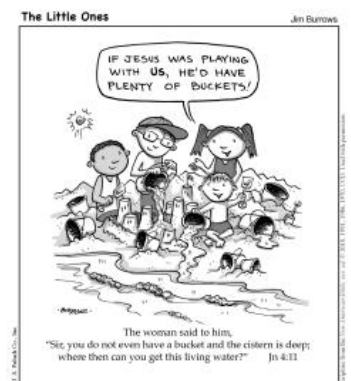
The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact Victim Advocate, Kathleen Chastain, at 816.392.0011 or chastain@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

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/>

Junior High Lock In Rescheduled!! Pack your water wings and plan to join the Junior High youth on Saturday, March 25th! We will leave the church at 8pm and return at 6am on Sunday the 26th. We will go first to St. Margaret's for a youth Mass and then travel next door to Legacy Park. There will be swimming, volleyball, basketball, racket ball, quidditch (you must bring your own flying broom), board games, movies and pizza! Parent drivers are needed to help get the kids to and from the Lock In! Friends are welcome as long as they have a permission slip! Call Kirstie if you have any questions! Permission slips are available on the parish web site and in the Youth Office.

High School and Confirmation Youth!

Your next meetings will be March 19th April 2nd at 7pm.



Stewardship

"Jesus answered and said to her, 'Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again; but whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst; the water I shall give will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life.'"

John 4: 13-14

At that time some spring water was carbonated and it seemed "alive" as it bubbled up from the ground, so it was called "living water." Jesus meant that the water He offered was alive in a different way because it could both give life and quench spiritual thirst. Although the whole situation is amazing to the woman, she is particularly struck by how much Jesus knows about her. She reports to her fellow Samaritans "He told me everything I ever did." That is not what she found so surprising though. What truly astonished her was that in spite of that knowledge, Jesus still loved her. Jesus loves us as well, despite our many shortcomings and sins. — See more at www.catholicsteward.com/blog/

March 12th Contributions

Envelopes/Sobres:	\$12,831.29
Plate/Canasta:	\$ 1,132.57
Maintenance-Upkeep:	\$ 835.37
Romero Mass:	\$ 597.80

Online Giving

St. Sabina offers an online giving option for parishioners and visitors. This is an easy, safe and secure way to make contributions online. To set up a one-time or recurring contribution: go to our parish website at www.stsabinaparish.org, click the "Online Giving" button in the top right section and fill out the online contribution form.

Are you 70 and ½ or older?

Do you want to save federal and state income taxes?

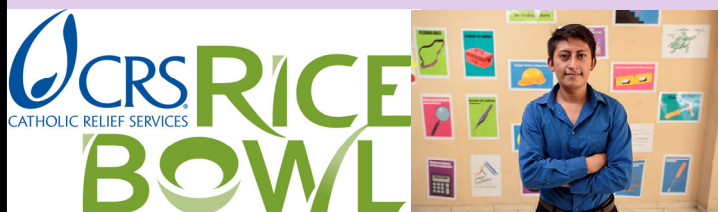
Giving directly from your IRA to a qualified charity like your parish, school, Annual Catholic Appeal, diocesan or parish ministry can be a tax-wise strategy. Please consult your legal or tax adviser or Greg Vranicar at 816-714-2363 or vranicar@diocesekcsj.org at the Office of Stewardship and Development. Gifts of this type satisfy your "required minimum distribution (rmd)" and will help you avoid paying income tax on whatever amount you transfer directly to charity.

Manos Amigas Needs Diabetes Supplies

Manos Amigas, our Mission in Anapra, Mexico is in need of Diabetes supplies. A box is available in the gathering space for you to place your donations of clean and sealed test strips, blood sugar testing devices, lancet devices & lancets, and therapeutic shoes or inserts. Please note that we cannot take medications!

Encounter Opportunity

We encounter Fernando in El Salvador where, despite a lack of economic opportunity, youth are pursuing their dreams of building businesses to better the lives of their families. How have you worked to better the lives of others this Lent? Visit csricebowl.org for more.



Register Now for Tickets to our Auction - Apr 21

You may register for tickets now through the link on our parish website, www.stsabinaparish.org, for our auction which will be held on Friday, April 21st beginning at 6pm. We will have a Silent and LIVE Auction, and Dinner, emceed by Kansas City's favorite, Larry Moore. Tickets are \$30 each, or a couple is \$50. We are asking the community to donate their time, talent, or treasure to make this auction a success! We need assistance in procuring donations for the auction such as vacation time shares, event tickets, goods and services, loaded gift baskets, and one-of-a-kind experiences. To donate an item, please call David Pierce at 816-392-1110, or email David at piercehobbits@sbcglobal.net. We would like to get all donations turned in by April 7th. Most of all, we need you! We need talented individuals to make this auction a success: procurement, set-up, decorating, check-out, bar tending, and clean-up. To volunteer, please contact Laura Pierce at 816-797-9371, or email her at piercelauram@gmail.com.

Attention Gardeners!

Do you have an interest in keeping our church grounds neat and attractive? Spring is coming, and we have 15 garden beds to maintain. This year we are again promoting an "Adopt a Garden Bed" program. There is a sign up sheet in the gathering space for people who wish to adopt a garden or just want to help by trimming bushes, spreading mulch, etc. Please consider helping in this way. If you have any questions contact Jim Bornheimer at 816-331-6824.

Green Team Tip of the Week

Eat Local + Organic Expo March 25th 10am-2pm
JCCC www.eatlocalkc.com

Reflection on the Readings



In the early church, Lent was primarily a forty day period of immediate and intense preparation for those who were going to be baptized or fully initiated at the Easter Vigil. These catechumens, now called the "Elect", had been in preparation for a number of years, and were drawing near to their fully incorporation into Christ. With the Vatican II restoration of the catechumenate, Lent once again takes this intense and primary focus. Parishes preparing catechumens and candidates for full communion enter Lent with a focus on our communal baptismal journey, both for those already baptized as well as for those about to be baptized.

Baptism is the symbol of our commitment to take on the mind and heart of Christ. Whether done as an infant or as an adult, the same commitment is made by all. In living our lives, we discover many obstacles and difficulties in living out our commitment to be like Christ. We come to realize our need for help and support in living out that commitment. Community and prayer are crucial in helping us stay on the right track. This is why the third, fourth and fifth Sundays of Lent are called Scrutiny Sundays. While focused primarily on catechumens, these Sundays are also intended for all the baptized to recommit themselves to their baptismal promises.

Scrutiny Sundays challenge all of us to scrutinize or examine ourselves for those areas in our lives that prevent us from fully living out Jesus' life style and values. The catechumens, now called the Elect, as well as all of the baptized, are asked to surface, name and acknowledge those obstacles. In so doing, all ask God's help and that of the community to rid ourselves of them so that God's light and life may shine through.

The Scrutiny Sunday readings from Year A are chosen to help us in this very process. Today's gospel reading from John speaks of Jesus as the "living water come down from heaven" meant to slake all of our thirsts. Jesus' revealing encounter with the Samaritan woman at the well is a model for our daily encounter with Jesus.

Just as the Samaritan woman slowly comes to deepen her awareness of and her relationship to Jesus, so we too are called to that same task. Just as the Samaritan woman leaves all behind to announce to her fellow villagers the good news she has discovered in Jesus, so we too are missioned to proclaim to all we encounter the good news that we have found in Jesus. Like the Samaritan woman, our testimony of our intimate encounter with Jesus will lead others to Jesus, hopefully to encounter him with the same intimacy and intensity we have found in Jesus.

This is what baptism does for us. It invites, it challenges, it missions, it calls us to greater and greater involvement with Christ, the world and one another. Baptism plunges us into the very heart of Jesus, continually challenging us to seek the living water that only Jesus can provide. We thirst for many things in our lives. Often those thirsts become obstacles in our relationship to Jesus and others.

This Lent, refine your thirst for the living water which only Jesus can provide. Seek Jesus out and ask him to help you remove anything that keeps you separated from him. Join in singing with great meaning and significance the refrain of Responsorial Psalm 95, "If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts." Ask that your heart may be continually opened to God's ways and not ours. During the next three Sundays, scrutinize your life, family, community and world and ask God to help you live your baptismal commitment more fully.

Biagio Mazza,
Pastoral Associate

Readings



Sunday, March 19

1st Reading: Exodus 17:3-7

Psalm: Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)

2nd Reading: Romans 5:1-2, 5-8

Gospel: John 4:5-42

Sunday, March 26

1st Reading: 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a

Psalm: Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)

2nd Reading: Ephesians 5:8-14

Gospel: John 9:1-41

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 are offering study sessions that will provide an opportunity to read, to study background to the readings, and to reflect on how to apply the readings to our lives. **We will gather on March 26th and April 9th at 10:30am.** All are welcome. Bring a Bible and a friend. To register for these sessions, please call Biagio at 816-979-3153.



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En la iglesia primitiva, la Cuaresma fue principalmente un período de cuarenta días de preparación inmediata e intensa para aquellos que iban a ser bautizados o completamente iniciados en la Vigilia Pascual. Estos catecúmenos, ahora llamados los "elegidos", habían estado en preparación durante varios años, y se acercaban a su plena incorporación a Cristo. Con la restauración del Vaticano II del catecumenado, la Cuaresma vuelve a tomar este enfoque intenso y primario. Las parroquias que preparan a los catecúmenos y los candidatos a la comunión plena entran en la Cuaresma con un enfoque en nuestro viaje bautismal comunitario, tanto para los bautizados como para los que están a punto de ser bautizados.

El bautismo es el símbolo de nuestro compromiso de asumir la mente y el corazón de Cristo. Ya sea bautizado como un bebé o como un adulto, el mismo compromiso es hecho por todos. Al vivir nuestras vidas, descubrimos muchos obstáculos y dificultades para vivir nuestro compromiso de ser como Cristo. Llegamos a darnos cuenta de nuestra necesidad de ayuda y apoyo para vivir ese compromiso. La comunidad y la oración son cruciales para ayudarnos a seguir el camino correcto. Es por eso que el tercer, cuarto y quinto domingos de la Cuaresma se llaman los Domingos de Escrutinio. Si bien se centran principalmente en los catecúmenos, estos domingos también están destinados a todos los bautizados a comprometerse de nuevo a sus promesas de bautismo.

Los Domingos de Escrutinio nos desafían a escudriñarnos o examinarnos a nosotros mismos en aquellas áreas de nuestras vidas que nos impiden vivir plenamente el estilo de vida y los valores de Jesús. Se les pide a los catecúmenos, ahora llamados los elegidos, así como a todos los bautizados, que den a conocer y reconozcan esos obstáculos. Al hacerlo, todos piden la ayuda de Dios y la de la comunidad que nos libremos de ellos para que la luz y la vida de Dios puedan brillar.

Las lecturas del Domingo de Escrutinio del Año A se eligieron para ayudarnos en este mismo proceso. La lectura del evangelio de hoy habla de Jesús como el "agua viva que desciende del cielo" destinada a saciar todas nuestras sed. El encuentro revelador de Jesús con la mujer samaritana en el pozo es un modelo para nuestro encuentro diario con Jesús. Así como la mujer samaritana lentamente llega a profundizar su conciencia y su relación con Jesús, así también nosotros estamos llamados a esa misma tarea.

Así como la mujer samaritana deja todo atrás para anunciar a sus compatriotas la buena nueva que ha descubierto en Jesús, también nosotros somos misioneros a proclamar a todos que encontramos las buenas nuevas que hemos encontrado en Jesús. Como la mujer samaritana, nuestro testimonio de nuestro encuentro íntimo con Jesús guiará a otros a Jesús, con la esperanza de encontrarle con la misma intimidad e intensidad que hemos encontrado en Jesús.

Esto es lo que el bautismo hace por nosotros. Invita, desafía, misiona, y nos llama a un compromiso cada vez mayor con Cristo, el mundo y uno al otro. El bautismo nos sumerge en el mismo corazón de Jesús, continuamente desafiándonos a buscar el agua viva que sólo Jesús puede proporcionar. Tenemos sed de muchas cosas en nuestras vidas. Muchas veces esas sed se convierten en obstáculos en nuestra relación con Jesús y los demás.

Esta Cuaresma, mejore su sed de agua viva que sólo Jesús puede proveer. Busque a Jesús y pídale que le ayude a eliminar cualquier cosa que le mantenga separado de Él. Únase a cantar con gran significado el estribillo del Salmo Responsorial 94: "¡Ojalá escuchen hoy su voz 'No endurezcan el corazón'". Pida que su corazón se abra continuamente a la voluntad de Dios y no a la nuestra. Durante los próximos tres domingos, escudriñe su vida, familia, comunidad y ayude a vivir su compromiso bautismal más plenamente.

Biagio Mazza, Asociado Pastoral



Lecturas



Lecturas del Domingo, 19 de Marzo

Primera Lectura: Éxodo 17:3-7

Salmo: Salmo 94:1-2, 6-7, 8-9

Segunda Lectura: Romanos 5:1-2, 5-8

Evangelio: Juan 4:5-42

Lecturas del Domingo, 26 de Marzo

Primera Lectura: 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a

Salmo: Salmo 22:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6

Segunda Lectura: Efesios 5:8-14

Evangelio: Juan 9:1-41



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 o recurrente: visite nuestro sitio web de la parroquia en www.stsabinaaparish.org, haga clic en el botón "Online Giving" en la parte superior derecha y llene el formulario de contribución en línea.

Un Encuentro con las Oportunidades

Nos encontramos con Fernando en El Salvador, donde, a pesar de la falta de oportunidades económicas, los jóvenes están llevando a cabo sus sueños de crear empresas para mejorar la vida de sus familias. ¿Cómo ha trabajado para mejorar las vidas de los demás durante esta Cuaresma? Visite crsplatodearroz.org para más información.



Reserve la Fecha para Nuestra Subasta Parroquial—21 de Abril



Reserve la fecha para la Subasta Benéfica anual de Sta. Sabina, 21 de abril de 2017, a las 6pm. Habrá una subasta silenciosa y una abierta, y la cena, dirigida por un favorito de Kansas City, Larry Moore. Entradas cuestan \$30 cada uno, o \$50 por una pareja. ¡Estamos pidiendo a la comunidad donar su tiempo, talento o tesoro para que esta subasta sea un éxito! Necesitamos asistencia en la adquisición de donaciones para la subasta, tales como vacaciones de tiempo compartido, boletos para eventos, bienes y servicios, canastas de regalo cargadas y experiencias únicas. Para donar un artículo, por favor llame a David Pierce al 816-392-1110, o envíe un correo electrónico a David a piercehobbits@sbcglobal.net. Pedimos que todas las donaciones sean entregadas antes del 7 de abril. ¡Sobre todo, le necesitamos a usted! Necesitamos personas talentosas para hacer esta subasta un éxito: adquisición, preparación, decoración, check-out, bartending y limpieza. Para ser voluntario, por favor comuníquese con Laura Pierce al 816-797-9371, o por correo electrónico a pierceauram@gmail.com.

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, o 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), y
- 2) Póngase en contacto con su departamento de policía local o llame al 911, y
- 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, Jennifer Valenti, al 816.812.2500 o a su correo electrónico, jennifervalenti@att.net, si el abuso implica a un sacerdote, diácono, 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 o niños de nuestra parroquia deben atender a un taller llamado "Protegiendo a los Niños de Dios, también necesitarán firmar la póliza sobre Éticas e Integridad en el Ministerio (EIM). Más información en <https://kcsj catholic.org/the-office-of-child-and-youth-protection/>

¡Jóvenes de Junior High! Sus próximas reuniones serán los días 5 y 19 de abril a las 7pm.

¡Jóvenes de High School y Confirmación! Sus próximas reuniones serán los días 19 de marzo y 2 de abril a las 7pm.

Noche de Deportes de la Junior High Reprogramada! ¡Empaca tus alas de agua y planea acompañarnos el sábado, 25 de marzo! Saliremos de la iglesia a las 8pm y regresaremos a las 6am el domingo 26. ¡Iremos primero a St. Margaret para una Misa de jóvenes y luego viajaremos al lado al Parque Legacy. Habrá natación, voleibol, baloncesto, ráquetbol, quidditch (debe traer su propia escoba voladora), juegos de mesa, películas y pizaa! Necesitamos padres conductores para ayudar a llevar los niños al Parque y de regreso. ¡Los amigos son bienvenidos siempre y cuando tengan una hoja de permiso! ¡Llama a Kirstie al 816-979-3155 si tienes alguna pregunta! Las hojas de permiso están disponibles en el sitio web de la parroquia y en la Oficina de la Juventud.



Comidas de Pescado los Viernes

Nuestros Caballeros de Colón están haciendo sus famosas comidas de pescado de nuevo esta temporada Cuarestral. El menú incluye pescado frito, pescado al horno, hush puppies, papas fritas, elotes, papas de ajo, ensalada de col y spaghetti sin carne. Los postres serán proporcionados por nuestras Damas Auxiliares. Los precios son:

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Traga 5 latas de alimento para ahorrar un dólar en su comida. Las Comidas de Pescado continúan los viernes durante la Cuarema hasta el 7 de abril, de 5-7pm.

Via Crucis

Este año, haremos el Via Crucis en Inglés de manera diferente. La Cooperativa de Homeschool St. Francis dirigirá el Via Crucis los viernes a las 12:15pm en Inglés. Continuaremos haciendo el Via Crucis en Español a las 7pm los viernes. Tenga en cuenta que el 31 de marzo tendremos la oportunidad de ver una actuación especial de Stations por Theatre at Vis a las 7pm. Esta actuación será en inglés y reemplazará el Via Crucis en Español esa noche. Más detalles a continuación.

Stations (Via Crucis) - 31 de Marzo

La dramaturgia musical STATIONS se realizará en el santuario de nuestra iglesia el viernes 31 de marzo a las 7pm. Todos están invitados a asistir y ser parte de una experiencia de adoración cuarestral única. STATIONS es presentado por THEATRE AT VIS, un ministerio de Visitation Church. El grupo de teatro ha recorrido el espectáculo a través de la diócesis y regionalmente durante muchos años y ha recibido una amplia aceptación y aclamación. STATIONS fue escrito por Paul Novosel y el Padre Robert Murphy, sacerdote diocesano de Kansas City/St. Joseph. La entrada es gratuita y se anima a todos, sin importar la edad, a asistir. Las puertas se abrirán 30 minutos antes de la actuación. Esta obra se presentará en Inglés. Ese día no haremos el Via Crucis en Español.

Servicios Cuarestrales de Reconciliación

Martes, 21 de marzo, 7pm en Sta. Sabina
Domingo, 26 de marzo, 2pm en San Thomas More
Martes, 28 de marzo, 7pm en San Regis
Jueves, 30 de marzo, 7pm en Our Lady of Lourdes (Raytown)
Lunes, 3 de abril, 7pm en Visitation
Martes, 4 de abril, 7pm en Sta. Catherine
Miércoles, 5 de abril, 5:30 pm en Sta. Elizabeth
Domingo, 9 de abril, 2pm en San Peter
Domingo, 9 de abril, 7:30 pm en la Iglesia de la Natividad

Platicas Pre-Bautismales-8 de Abril

Normalmente cada segundo Sábado del mes de las 10 am a 1 pm (Solo para Niños de 0-6 años) Salón de juntas. Sótano de la Parroquia. Para niños mayores de 7 años requerirán una formación especial. Infórmese 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.**

Directorio y Guía de la Parroquia

Estamos en el proceso de actualizar nuestra guía y directorio anual para la iglesia. Este libro contendrá todo lo pertinente a nuestra iglesia: los diversos ministerios, organizaciones, comités, actividades, funciones y eventos más un directorio completo de todos los miembros. Este libro está siendo proporcionado y enviado directamente a cada familia sin costo alguno para nuestra iglesia, y nuevamente está siendo subsidiado por negocios locales que anuncian. Si usted es dueño o administra un negocio y desea informarse sobre los anuncios en nuestro libro por favor llame a la Oficina de la Iglesia al 816-331-4713.

Actualice su Información de Membresía

?Nuestra Iglesia tiene su membresía familiar correcta? Si se ha mudado o cambiado su número de teléfono recientemente, actualice esa información a través de su cuenta de My Own Church o póngase en contacto con Bridget Hernández en bridget@stsabnaparish.org o 816-979-3159 para actualizar su información.

Renovaciones de DACA

La Acción Diferida para Llegadas de Niñez (DACA) debe renovarse cada dos años. Si tiene el estado DACA, tenga en cuenta que el proceso de renovación dura aproximadamente 7 meses. Consulte la siguiente cronología para asegurarse de renovar su DACA a tiempo:

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2. Reúna pruebas de presencia en los Estados Unidos desde que solicitó su DACA
3. Ahorre dinero para el gasto administrativo y para un abogado

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Horarios de Misa

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19 de Marzo del 2017

Se Necesitan Voluntarios para Cuidar las Plantas Interiores: Estamos buscando 2-3 individuos para ayudar a cuidar las plantas en el edificio de la iglesia. El trabajo incluye riego de las plantas verdes en la iglesia una o dos veces al mes y las flores de temporada según sea necesario. El día/hora que riega puede ser flexible de acuerdo con su horario. No toma mucho tiempo y es un gran manera de contribuir si usted es una de esas personas que desea ayudar, pero no le gusta estar en frente de la gente. ¡Realmente le necesitamos! Por favor, póngase en contacto con Susan Rattigan en susan@stsabina parish.org o 816-979-3158. ¡Gracias!