

Saint Sabina Catholic Church

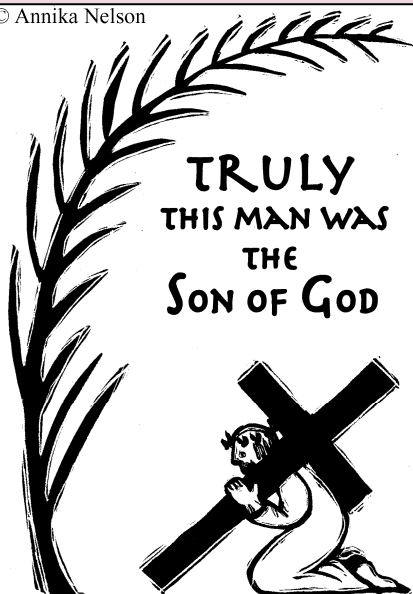
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Office Hours: 9:00am-5:00pm, Monday - Thursday and 9:00am-1:00pm, Friday



Our Fish Fries this Lent were another success! Thank you to all who came out for food and fellowship for any or all of the Fridays during Lent.

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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.**

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

March 25, 2018

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Mass Intentions for the Week

Intentions for March 26-30, 2018

Mon.	8am	Communion Service
Tues.	6pm	†Mary Ann Bays
Wed.	11am	†Elaine Amfahr (Carnegie Village)
Thurs.	7pm	†Felix Suwito
Fri.	7pm	Good Friday Service

Saturday, March 31, 2018

8:00pm Intentions of the Parish Family

Sunday, April 1, 2018

8:00am	†Nick Henning
10:30am	†Joel Perez Lopez
	†Santiago Lopez
12:30pm Spanish	†Santiago Lopez
	†Luis Alonzo Rodriguez

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

†Olive Belter, mother of Lynn Hillebrand

†Elaine Amfahr, step-mother of Dale Amfahr

†Theo Suwito, husband of Ursula Suwito

†Mary Ann Bays, wife of Valmer Bays, mother of Teresa Cable, Mark Bays, Donald Bays, Martin Bays and Karl Bays



Calendar/Parish Happenings

Sunday, March 25 - Domingo, 25 de Marzo

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

11:00am Ensayo del Coro Hispano

Monday, March 26 - Lunes, 26 de Marzo

10:00am Uplift Cooking

4:00pm Uplift

7:00pm Boy Scouts

7:00pm Talleres de Oración y Vida

Tuesday, March 27 - Martes, 27 de Marzo

7:00pm ESL/Inglés Como Segunda Lengua

7:00pm Living Stones

7:00pm Pequeñas Comunidades Cristianas

Wednesday, March 28 - Miércoles, 28 de Marzo

9:00am Legion of Mary

11:00am Mass at Carnegie Village

7:00pm Choir Practice (4:00 & 10:30 groups)

Thursday, March 29 - Jueves, 29 de Marzo

6:55am High School Youth Prayer Breakfast

9:00am Decorating the Church

9:30am Quilters

7:00pm Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper
Jueves Santo Misa de la Cena del Señor

8:00pm Adoration/Adoración

8:00pm RCIA Seder Meal/Comida Séder de RICA

Friday, March 30 - Viernes, 30 de Marzo

Holy Land Collection

9:00am Decorating the Church

7:00pm Good Friday Service/Servicio de Viernes Santo

8:00pm Decorating the Church

Saturday, March 31 - Sábado, 31 de Marzo

8:30am Choir Practice (8:00 group)

8:00pm Easter Vigil Mass

Sunday, April 1 - Domingo, 1 de Abril

Easter Sunday

11:00am Ensayo del Coro Hispano



Parish Happenings

CRS Rice Bowls—Encounter Our Neighbors

We encounter Jesus this week in Jerusalem, a community he knew well. We prayerfully enter our own communities too, encountering those who are hungry and thirsty, those who need our help. How does our Lenten journey motivate us to serve those we meet in our daily lives? Visit crsricebowl.org for more.

Help needed for Holy Week and Easter Preparations:

We need volunteers to help prepare the church for the celebrations of Holy Week and Easter. Preparations include hanging decorations, placing needed liturgical items and organizing spaces used in the special liturgies of the season. There is no heavy lifting, just a need for help with lots of details. Please sign up in the gathering space or contact Susan Ratigan (susan@stsabinaparish.org or 816-979-3158) if you would like to help one or all of these dates. Thank you!

Preparation for Holy Thursday: Thursday, March 29 at 9:00 AM

Preparation for Good Friday: Friday, March 30 at 9:00 AM

Preparation for Easter Season: After Good Friday Service, March 30 about 8:00 PM
(We need most volunteers at this time)

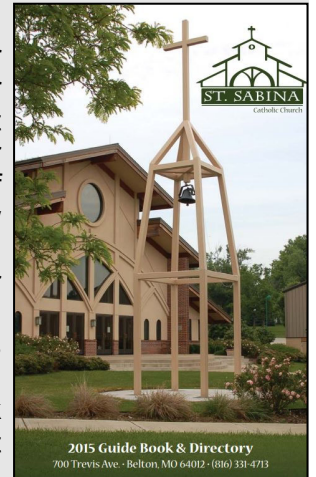


Apostolic Blessing of the Holy Father

Couples celebrating anniversaries of a special nature (such as 25th, 50th, 60th) and individuals celebrating milestone birthdays (80th or 90th) may request an Apostolic Blessing from the Vatican for a cost of approximately \$45. The time required for receiving the papal blessing on parchment is approximately two months. For more information, please contact Kris in the parish office. kris@stsabinaparish.org.

Guide Book and Directory Advertising

We have partnered with Guide Book Publishing to provide a Guide Book and Directory for our congregation that we will update and publish annually. This book is delivered directly to every member at no cost to our congregation. Local businesses are being solicited to advertise in the book, but we want to make sure our members have first access to prime locations in this directory. This is a great opportunity for your business because our members prefer to support businesses that support our congregation. Recent results of a survey taken by GBP show that 92.1% of families would rather patronize an advertiser over a non-advertiser and 70.9% consciously look to see who is advertising. If you are interested in advertising in our Guide Book and Directory, please call Kris at 816-979-3151.



Green Team Tip of the Week

Buy outdoor and landscape light fixtures that are certified by the International Dark Sky Association lighting to prevent light pollution and help night pollinators. <http://www.darksky.org/fsa/fsa-products/>

Holy Week Schedule

March 24/25 Usual Mass Schedule

March 29 7:00 PM
8 PM - Midnight

March 30 7:00 PM
8:00 PM

March 31 8:00 PM

April 1 8:00 AM, 10:30 AM
12:30 PM

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord—procession at the beginning of 4:00 Sat, 10:30 and 12:30 Sun Masses

Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Good Friday Service of the Passion of the Lord
Volunteers needed to help decorate for Easter

The Easter Vigil Mass

Easter Sunday Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord
Misa de Domingo de Pascua de la Resurrección Del Señor

Pastoral Care

Nursing Home Mass Schedule

Mar 28	11:00am	Carnegie Village
Apr 4	10:30am	Beautiful Savior
Apr 11	10:00am	Redwood of Raymore

TV Mass for the Homebound

Is someone you love unable to join us at church during this holy time of Lent and Easter? For the faithful at home or in healthcare settings, the Heart of the Nation Sunday TV Mass brings spiritual comfort and the blessings of joy-filled hope in our Risen Savior. Please invite anyone you know who cannot get out to church to tune in to Catholic Mass on TV or watch online:

EASTER TV MASS
KMCI channel 38 (The Spot) at 7:00 a.m.

ONLINE VIDEO
www.HeartoftheNation.org

For those who can get to church, the TV or online liturgy does not fulfill the Sunday Mass obligation.

Mental Health Resource Numbers

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline
1-800-273-TALK (8255) Available 24/7

ACI Mental Health Crisis Hotline
1-888-279-8188 Available 24/7, Multilingual

Prayer Requests/Peticiones de Oración

Jim Agnew	Bob Heffernan	Patricia Rellihan
Dick Armstrong	Beth Heide	Clarence Reynolds
Steven Armstrong	Baby Hendrix	Anna Ryan
Marilyn Avalos	Chelsea Hendrix	Yvonne Salmon
Teresa Baldwin	Bart Henke	Roger Schmidt
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Joseph Coots	Leeland Kinslow	Marge Storm
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Paul DeMar	Albert Leal	Jean Tate
Nolan Dickerson	Beverly Little	Ruth Tayler
Steven DiGeorge	Bill Locke	Angel Thomas
Frances DiGeorge	Debbie Locke	Bruce Thompson
Paula Dull	Jo Locke	Priscilla Tristani
Argentina Meza Dubon	Bonita Mackedanz	Rhonda VanDyne
Brian Effertz	Leonard Meiron	William VanDyne
Terry Eppert	Lynn Morgan	Rubi Velazquez
Joan Feedback	Janet Moorman	Sunny Vigil
Dick Garnier	Sheila Moustakis	Donna West
Al Gebauer	Harry Muench	Mary Westfall
June Glunt	Joan Muench	Marie Wilburn
Michael Gnefkow	Bella Nouryeh	Jeannette Woolworth
Karen Grantham	Jane Nouryeh	Merle Woolworth
Laverne Harlow	Thelma Palmer	Carmitia Yust
Cherie Hatfield	Dee Raya	Pablo Zayas

Wellness Center

Did you know regularly challenging yourself with brain games, mental exercises and new activities keeps your mind running on all four cylinders?

A recent study found that adults who play a mentally challenging brain game every day for several weeks can dramatically improve their memory. Go play!!

1. Name your colors Challenge your ability to stay focused: Quickly read out loud the color that each word is printed in—not the word itself. Try it repeatedly to see if you can improve.
2. In just 7 words- Test your creativity with this verbal challenge. Write a short story—and use only seven words to tell your tale.
3. Count backward- Try these three exercises in simple subtraction to keep your brain on track:
 - *Beginning at 200, count backward, subtracting 5 each time (200, 195, 190.....)
 - *Beginning at 150, count backward, subtracting 7 each time (150, 143, 136.....)
 - *Beginning at 100, count backward, subtracting 3 each time (100, 97, 94,

BLACK

BLUE

GREEN

RED

YELLOW

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Stewardship

“Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God something to be grasped. Rather, he emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, coming in human likeness; and found human in appearance, he humbled himself, becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.”

Philippians 2: 6-8

Jesus gave much up to be the Son of Man. At this point in our Lenten journey, we need to grasp that He gave up His life so that we might have life. That is what should be on our minds as we hear the Passion today and as we continue and complete our own preparation for Christ's resurrection on Easter. Have you ever heard someone say about someone else “He (or she) is so full of himself (or herself)?” Jesus was not “full of Himself.” He emptied Himself, and that is something we, too, must strive to do to be His disciple. — See more at www.catholicsteward.com/blog/

Ladies Auxiliary Fundraiser

The Ladies Auxiliary is hosting a Pampered Chef fundraiser through the end of April. They will receive 15% of the proceeds from sales purchased through this link:

<https://www.pamperedchef.com/pws/dmeiron/guest-landing/9125161286811>

Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land

The continued existence of programs that support Christians in the Holy Land depends on the faithful financial support received from our brothers and sisters in Christ. Your donation helps maintain the holiest of shrines and provides charitable activities for the poorest of people in that area. Holy Land Franciscans also provide education to children, run parishes and provide liturgical, ecumenical and communications programs. Please be generous at this special collection for the Holy Land which will be taken up on Good Friday.



Contributions for March 18

Due to an early bulletin deadline, the March 18 contributions will be listed in the April 1 bulletin.

St. Sabina 2nd Annual Benefit Auction

Wear your best Hawaiian shirt or sun dress and please join us for an adult evening of dinner, drinks, and fun, competitive bidding!

Friday, April 27, 2018

- **Auction Opens at 6:00 pm**
- **Dinner is served at 6:30 pm**
- **LIVE Auction begins at 8:00 pm**

Tickets are \$30 Single Tickets, \$50 Couple Tickets, Table for 8 \$300

Ticket price includes buffet dinner, open bar, and access to the auction. Must be 21 to attend.

****Proceeds benefit the Community Garden, Youth Group, PSR, and technology upgrades.****

Register early for exclusive access to Preview Night on April 26th, and a chance to win a ‘Tailgate Party Basket’ (value \$200).

Go online to purchase tickets:

WWW.AUCTRIA.COM/AUCTION/2ANNUALSTSABINA

Information

Seminar for Divorced Catholics

What: Six Keys to Healing: An Evening for Divorced Catholics with Lisa Duffy

When: Friday & Saturday April 20

Where: 20 West 9th Street, Kansas City, Missouri Free parking garage available -The Catholic Center

Join acclaimed author, Lisa Duffy, for this free seminar discussing many common issues divorced Catholics face and discover how our Catholic faith stands ready to offer support, healing, and new life. If you are a divorced Catholic or have a loved one facing this difficulty, you won't want to miss this event!

For more information, please contact the Family Life Office: 816.714.2373 family@diocesekcsj.org

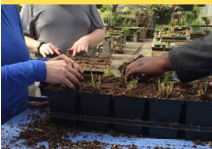


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OF CARE

Support the horticultural therapy program of Cornerstones of Care!



Your purchase supports our horticultural therapy program, giving youth the opportunity to spend time in a greenhouse nurturing living plants, gaining work experience, and achieving a sense of accomplishment as they watch their plants flourish.



Friday, April 27 from 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

and

Saturday, April 28 from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Cornerstones of Care — Ozanam Campus
Sims Greenhouse
421 E 137th St, Kansas City, MO

Free to attend and open to the public!

Questions? Contact Stefanie at stefanie.lindsay@cornerstonesofcare.org
or learn more at cornerstonesofcare.org/plantsale.

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- Herbs
- Vegetables
- Teacher Gifts
- Mother's Day Gifts

Cash, checks, and credit cards accepted.

This Week's Do You Know Video:

Our DYK video this week is another in a series on how Christianity evolved from Judaism. Once Christianity was legitimized in the Roman Empire, significant changes occurred both in Church structure, leadership and rituals. This DYK video addresses some of these significant changes regarding leadership structures, the Church's identity and mission, along with how and where worship was celebrated. These changes set the church on a path that would continue into the 20th century. Again, do make some time to check out this week's video at www.stsabinaparish.org and click on the Do You Know Series link.



happy birthday

Alexis Abrego	Angeline Herrera	Taylor Romero
Emerson Alas	Javier Hinojos	Edgar Ruiz
Teresa Alvarez	Brittney Jacoway	Scott Sadaro
Marlyn Anderson	Kris Larkey	Stephen Salazar
Roberto Arellano	Shannon Lautner	Noemi SanJuan
Phillip Baird	Fabian Ledesma	Isabela Santiago
Kimberly Baird	Eric Lopez	Matthew Scali
Marion Biondo	Ruben Lopez	Jacob Schumacher
Jill Brake	Valeria Lopez	Noah Schwarz
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Malcolm Goswell	Karen Ratterree	Berenice Zarco
Derek Harshner	Mahlia Rigby	Pablo Zayas
Quin Henry	Manuel Robledo	
Bridget Hernandez	Brooklyn Roe	

Happy Anniversary

Irving Juarez and Ofelia Hidalgo 19 Years!	3/26/1999
Jorge Castro and Judith Carrera 19 Years!	3/28/1999
Cody and Chelsea Hendrix 3 Years!	4/1/2015

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, 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 Monday, March 26th.**

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 18th.** Contact Berenice Zayas for more information or to sign up at 816-979-3150 or berenice@stsabinaparish.org.



Thank you to Daniel, Sandy Katzer and Blaine, who helped at the Community Meal on February 21!

PSR News

Donut Sunday! The PSR Fifth and Sixth Grade classes will be hosting Donuts in the gathering space after the 8am & 10:30am Masses on April 29. Please stop by their table to say hello!



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.

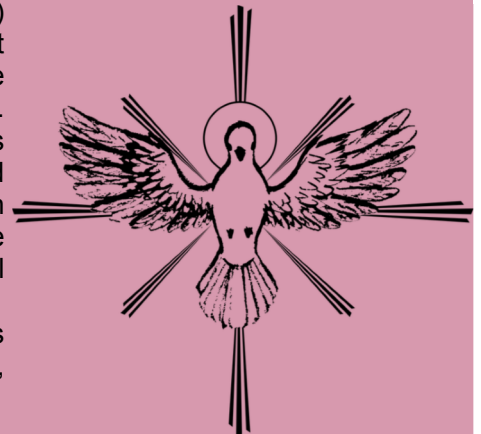
All volunteers with youth and children must attend one Protecting God's Children workshop, submit to a background check and sign the policy on Ethics and Integrity in Ministry, (EIM). More info at <https://kcsj catholic.org/the-office-of-child-and-youth-protection/>

Youth News

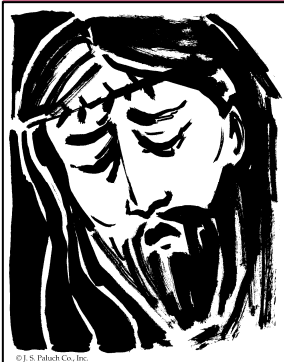
Thursday Morning Donuts! Every Thursday that Belton High School is in session, Kirstie will have donuts and a little prayer for High School youth heading to school. The Youth Office doors will open at 6:55am for kids to stop in on their way to school.

The Final Confirmation Sponsor Night will be on April 4th, 7-8:30pm in the Parish Hall. All Confirmation Candidates (youth) and their adult Sponsor are expected to attend. If the Sponsor is unable to attend the meeting with the youth, the youth should still attend.

Confirmation Mass will be on Monday, April 9 at 7pm.



Reflection on the Readings



The refrain from Responsorial Psalm 22, “My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?” offers an important focus to today’s readings. The first two readings and the responsorial psalm are the same each lectionary year while the gospel shifts to the passion account according to each of the synoptic gospels. This Lectionary Year B we focus on the passion

according to Mark.

Mark’s gospel portrays Jesus as the suffering servant of God who came “to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many.” For Mark, Jesus is the Son of God who comes to establish God’s reign by battling the forces of evil while breaking down boundaries and establishing community. **In the process, Jesus gathers followers and instructs them in the ways of discipleship.**

Battling the forces of evil is never an easy or pain-free process. Throughout his ministry, Mark’s Jesus is besieged by opponents who feel threatened by his message and mission. Early in his ministry, they conspire to kill him and rid themselves of the one who threatens their position, power and authority. **Even his own followers seem to misunderstand what he is about.**

Jesus speaks plainly about the suffering and rejection that his mission entails. Yet his followers misunderstand the stark reality of his message and minimize or deny the suffering that results from being faithful to God’s values and desires. **Today’s readings emphasize the suffering that Jesus willingly and freely accepted in his mission to establish God’s kingdom.**

The first reading from Isaiah offers comfort to the exiles in Babylonia that their suffering will soon end. God has heard their cry and will come to save them. Isaiah describes a mysterious figure, a servant called by God, whose suffering will bring life for others. The servant can be Israel, a prophet, or someone yet to come. **The servant is attentive to God and willingly chooses to serve and to suffer for the sake of**

others. For Christians, Jesus is that suffering servant of God who models what fidelity to God entails.

Both Paul’s letter to the Philippians and the passion according to Mark detail the depth of Jesus’ love and commitment towards humanity. Paul stresses Jesus’ desire to empty himself of divinity so as to be fully and completely human in order to model for us what discipleship is all about. Jesus takes on humanity fully and completely, with all its limitations, vulnerability and insecurities. As a full human being, Jesus combats the forces of evil, leaving him open to denial, betrayal, abandonment, torture, mockery, and ultimately crucifixion. **Mark’s passion story is one of total abandonment of Jesus to forces that he has spent his life and ministry combating.** Mark’s passion story is one of unrelenting cruelty, dishonesty, abuse of power, failure of those who know better and even utter silence on the part of God.

Yet, Jesus remains fully committed in his love for all and his desire to suffer so that others could live. **It is that commitment to the end, that willingness to give all, that enables others to perceive Jesus’ true identity as the Son of God.** Because of this complete dedication to service, and giving of self for others, God raises Jesus up, making him the ultimate model of discipleship in building up the kingdom of God. As Paul states, God “greatly exalted” Jesus, because of his obedience and willingness to empty himself out for others. **We are saved not through power and might but through thorough self-emptying for the sake of others.**

This Palm Sunday, ask God for the strength and courage to imitate the depth of love and self-emptying that Jesus manifests.

Biagio Mazza, Pastoral Associate

Readings



Bible Study

Sunday, March 25

Gospel at the Procession: Mark 11:1-10

1st Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7

Psalm: Psalm 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 (2a)

2nd Reading: Philippians 2:6-11

Gospel: Mark 14:1—15:47

Sunday, April 1

1st Reading: Acts 10:34a, 37-43

Psalm: Psalm 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 (24)

2nd Reading: Colossians 3:1-4

Gospel: John 20:1-9

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 April 8 and 22 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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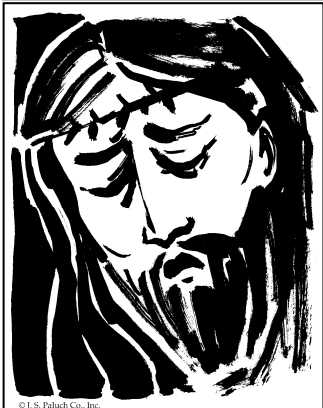
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Reflexión Sobre las Lecturas



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Año Leccionario B nos enfocamos en la pasión según San Marcos.

El evangelio de Marcos describe a Jesús como el siervo sufriente de Dios que vino a "servir y dar su vida en rescate por muchos". Para Marcos, Jesús es el Hijo de Dios que viene a establecer el reino de Dios luchando contra las fuerzas del mal mientras derriba los límites y establece la comunidad. **En el proceso, Jesús reúne seguidores y los instruye en los caminos del discipulado.**

Luchar contra las fuerzas del mal nunca es un proceso fácil ni sin dolor. A lo largo de su ministerio, el Jesús de Marcos está asediado por oponentes que se sienten amenazados por su mensaje y su misión. Al principio de su ministerio, conspiran para matarlo y deshacerse de aquel que amenaza su posición, poder y autoridad. **Incluso sus propios seguidores parecen no entender de lo que se trata.**

Jesús habla claramente sobre el sufrimiento y el rechazo que conlleva su misión. Sin embargo, sus seguidores malinterpretan la cruda realidad de su mensaje y minimizan o niegan el sufrimiento que resulta de ser fieles a los valores y deseos de Dios. **Las lecturas de hoy enfatizan el sufrimiento que Jesús aceptó voluntariamente y libremente en su misión de establecer el reino de Dios.**

La primera lectura de Isaías ofrece consuelo a los exiliados en Babilonia de que su sufrimiento pronto terminará. Dios ha escuchado su clamor y vendrá a salvarlos. Isaías describe una figura misteriosa, un siervo llamado por Dios, cuyo sufrimiento traerá vida a los demás. El siervo puede ser Israel, un profeta o alguien por venir. **El siervo está atento a Dios y voluntariamente elige servir y sufrir por el bien de los demás. Para los cristianos, Jesús es ese siervo sufriente de Dios que modela lo que implica la fidelidad a Dios.**

Tanto la carta de Pablo a los filipenses como la pasión según Marcos detallan la profundidad del amor y el compromiso de Jesús con la humanidad. Pablo enfatiza el deseo de Jesús de vaciarse de la divinidad para ser totalmente y completamente humano a fin de modelar para nosotros de qué se trata el discipulado. Jesús asume a la humanidad totalmente y completamente, con todas sus limitaciones, vulnerabilidad e inseguridades. Como ser humano completo, Jesús combate las fuerzas del mal, dejándolo abierto a la negación, la traición, el abandono, la tortura, la burla y finalmente la crucifixión. **La historia de la pasión de Marcos es una del abandono total de Jesús a las fuerzas que él ha pasado su vida y ministerio combatiendo.** La historia de la pasión de Marcos es una de implacable crueldad, deshonestidad, abuso de poder, fracaso de los que saben mejor e incluso un absoluto silencio por parte de Dios.

Sin embargo, Jesús permanece completamente comprometido en su amor por todos y su deseo de sufrir para que otros puedan vivir. **Es ese compromiso hasta el fin, esa voluntad de dar todo, que permite a los demás percibir la verdadera identidad de Jesús como el Hijo de Dios.** Debido a esta completa dedicación al servicio y entrega de sí mismo para los demás, Dios resucita a Jesús, convirtiéndolo en el modelo supremo del discipulado para edificar el reino de Dios. Como dice Pablo, Dios "lo exaltó sobre todas las cosas" a Jesús, por su obediencia y disposición a vaciarse por los demás. **Estamos salvados, no a través del poder y la fuerza, sino a través de un completo auto-vaciamiento por el bien de los demás.**

Este Domingo de Ramos, pídale a Dios la fuerza y el valor para imitar la profundidad del amor y del auto-vaciamiento que Jesús manifiesta.

Biagio Mazza, Asociado Pastoral

Lecturas



Lecturas del Domingo, 25 de Marzo

Evangelio: Marcos 11:1-10

Primera Lectura: Isaías 50:4-7

Salmo: Salmo 21:8-9, 17-18a, 19-20, 23-24

Segunda Lectura: Filipenses 2:6-11

Evangelio: Marcos 14:1—15:47

Lecturas del Domingo, 1 de Abril

Primera Lectura: Hechos 10:34a, 37-43

Salmo: Salmo 117:1-2, 16-17, 22-23

Segunda Lectura: Colosenses 3:1-4

Evangelio: Juan 20:1-9

Oportunidades para Voluntarios

Uplift Org. Si le gustaría llevar comida a las personas sin hogar en el 4º o 5º Lunes de cada mes, por favor, póngase en contacto con Kirstie Roberts! Este ministerio está abierto a todos los feligreses mayores de 14 años. Los voluntarios deben reportarse a la bodega de Uplift a las 5pm y se terminan a las 9:30pm.

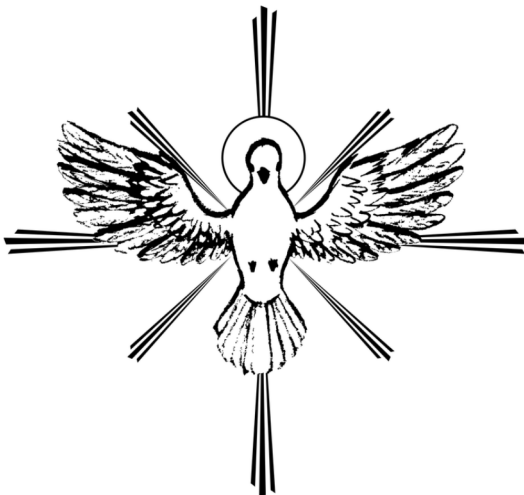
Cocineros de Uplift! Cualquier persona que le gustaría ayudar a preparar una comida para las personas sin hogar está bienvenido a unirse a nuestro equipo en el 4º Lunes de cada mes a las 10am en el gimnasio. Le recomendamos que traiga un cuchillo y pelador de verduras buenos. El próximo día de cocinar es el 26 de marzo.

Comidas Comunitarias La Iglesia Luterana Lord of Love ofrece una comida gratis a la comunidad cada miércoles a la cual usted está invitado. Cada tercer miércoles del mes voluntarios de Sta. Sabina ayudan a preparar, servir y limpiar en un esfuerzo de trabajar junto con otros cristianos para llevar a cabo la obra de Cristo. Nuestra próxima fecha como voluntarios es el 18 de abril. Contacte a Berenice Zayas en la oficina parroquial para más información. 816-979-3150.

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 6:55am para que los jóvenes pasen antes de la escuela.

La Última Noche de Padrinos para la Confirmación es el 4 de abril, 7-8:30pm en el Salón Parroquial. Se espera que todos los candidatos a la confirmación (jóvenes) y sus padrinos adultos asistan a esta reunión. Si el padrino no puede asistir con el joven, el joven todavía debe asistir. La Misa de confirmación será el lunes, 9 de abril a las 7pm.



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.

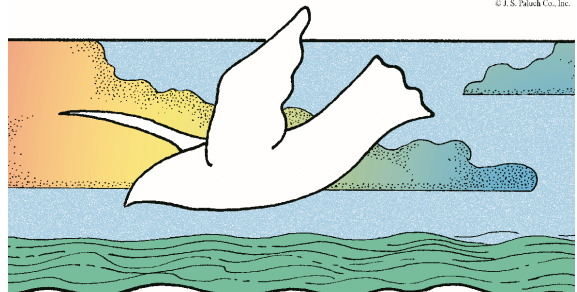
La Diócesis tiene un sincero compromiso con los recursos del cuidado y la curación para las victimas de abuso sexual y a sus familias. Por favor póngase en contacto con la Defensora de Victimas, Kathleen Chastain al 816.392.0011 o chastain@diocesekcsj.org para mas información.

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

Platicas Pre-Bautismales - 14 de Abril

Normalmente cada segundo Sábado del mes de las 10 am a la 1 pm (Sólo para niños de 0-6 años.) En el salón doble del área de la escuela. Para niños mayores de 7 años requerirán una formación especial.

PRÓXIMOS BAUTISMOS: Llamar a Kris al 816-979-3151. Favor de llenar su aplicación para asistir a las platicas con anterioridad. **No se ofrece cuidado de niños.**



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Información y Corresponsabilidad

Se Necesita Ayuda para las Preparaciones de Semana Santa y Pascua



Necesitamos voluntarios para ayudar a preparar la iglesia para las celebraciones de Semana Santa y Pascua. Los preparativos incluyen colgar adornos, colocar artículos litúrgicos necesarios y organizar

los espacios utilizados en las liturgias especiales de la temporada. No hay trabajo pesado, solo una necesidad de ayuda con muchos detalles. Regístrese en el espacio de reunión o comuníquese con Susan Ratigan (susan@stsabinaparish.org o 816-979-3158) si desea ayudar en una o todas estas fechas. ¡Gracias!

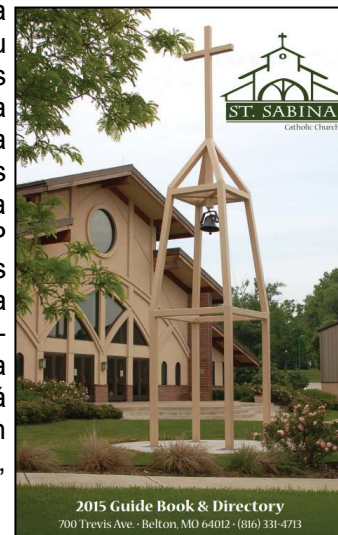
Preparación para el Jueves Santo: jueves 29 de marzo a las 9:00 a.m.

Preparación para el Viernes Santo: viernes 30 de marzo a las 9:00 a.m.

Preparación para la temporada de Pascua: después del servicio de Viernes Santo, el 31 de marzo a las 8:00 PM (Necesitamos la mayoría de los voluntarios en este momento)

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29 de marzo	7:00 PM 8:00 PM-medianoche	Jueves Santo Misa de la Cena del Señor Adoración del Santísimo Sacramento
30 de marzo	7:00 PM 8:00 PM	Viernes Santo Servicio de la Pasión del Señor Se necesitan voluntarios para ayudar a decorar para la Pascua
31 de marzo	8:00 PM	Misa de la Vigilia Pascual
1 de abril	8:00 AM, 10:30 AM 12:30 PM	Domingo de Pascua Misa de la Resurrección del Señor (Inglés) Misa de Domingo de Pascua de la Resurrección Del Señor (Español)



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Horarios de Misa

Sábado: 4:00pm en Ingles

Domingo: 8:00am y 10:30am en Ingles,
12:30pm en Español

Confesiones: Sábados, 3:00-3:30pm

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Platicas Matrimoniales - 7 y 14 de Abril

Las Platicas Matrimoniales se ofrecerán los sábados, 7 y 14 de Abril a las 10am-3pm en el salón de conferencias de la oficina parroquial. Todas las parejas necesitan asistir a las dos platicas. Para mas información, llame a Martina y Abelardo Arreola al 816-269-4956 o a Kris al 816-979-3151.

Domingo de Ramos en la Pasión del Señor

25 de Marzo del 2018