

Saint Sabina Catholic Church

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



Pictured above, Margaret Vargo, Jim Ruffini, Bob and Mary Kottenbrock, and Becky Irick work on Mardi Gras Trivia at the Over 55 Luncheon on February 23rd.

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

Formation of a Care Team

St. Sabina's Project Love Thy Neighbor is recruiting volunteers to serve on a care team. Duties would include delivering meals and cards to parishioners in need. If you are interested in serving in this ministry, please contact Bridget Hernandez at 816-979-3159 or bridget@stsabina-parish.org.

First Sunday of Lent

March 5, 2017

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Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Intentions for March 6-10, 2017

Mon.	8am	COMMUNION SERVICE
Tues.	6pm	COMMUNION SERVICE
Wed.	10am	COMMUNION SERVICE (Rehab Center of Raymore)
Thurs.	8am	COMMUNION SERVICE
Fri.	8am	COMMUNION SERVICE

Saturday, March 11, 2017

4:00pm	†Terry Jewell
6:00pm	†Sabas Valle (Romero Mass)

Sunday, March 12, 2017

8:00am	Intentions of the Parish Family
	†Pamela Lara
10:30am	†Melville Menseh Goswell
12:30pm Spanish	†Aurelio Arenivas

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

†Aurelio Arenivas, padre de Gerardo Arenivas

†Rosemarie Kreutzer, Brookdale Hospice

†Mary Ann Getty, daughter of John and Jerrie Holden



Calendar/Parish Information

Sunday, March 5 - Domingo, 5 de Marzo

Donut Sunday—5th Grade

9:00am PSR/Parents Lounge

11:00am Escuela de Religión

11:00am Ensayo del Coro Hispano

7:00pm High School and Confirmation

Monday, March 6 - Lunes, 6 de Marzo

7:00pm Boy Scouts/Cub Scouts

7:00pm Talleres de Oración y Vida

Tuesday, March 7 - Martes, 7 de Marzo

7:00am Youth Prayer Group

6:00pm Healthy Lifestyle Class

6:30pm Catholic Spiritual Care for the End of Life

7:00pm Adult Faith Formation Offering—Reformation

7:00pm Single Hearted for God

Wednesday, March 8 - Miércoles, 8 de Marzo

9:00am Legion of Mary

10:00am Communion Service at Rehab Center of Raymore

10:00am Adult Faith Formation Offering—Reformation

7:00pm Love Thy Neighbor Meeting

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

7:00pm Junior High Youth Group

7:00pm SINE

Thursday, March 9 - Jueves, 9 de Marzo

9:30am Quilters

7:00pm RCIA/RICA

7:00pm Baptism Prep

Friday, March 10 - Viernes, 10 de Marzo

12:15pm Stations of the Cross

5:00pm Fish Fry

7:00pm Vía Crucis

Saturday, March 11 - Sábado, 11 de Marzo

10:00am Platicas Pre-bautismales

3:00pm Confessions

6:00pm Romero Mass & Celebration/Misa y Celebración Romero

Sunday, March 12 - Domingo, 12 de Marzo

9:00am PSR/Parents Lounge

11:00am Escuela de Religión

11:00am Ensayo del Coro Hispano

Romero Celebration-March 11th-6:00pm

On Saturday, March 11 our Salvadoran Community will host our parish's annual celebration in honor of Blessed Bishop Oscar Romero. Mass will begin at 6:00pm and **Fr. José Angel Renderos will celebrate the Mass. Bishop James Johnston will be in attendance.**

Fr. Angel is the pastor of the parish of Santa Ana in San Salvador. He is also the director of Centro Escolar Católico Santa Ana and he is a co-founder of the Bishop Romero Association in El Salvador. He was ordained on March 9, 1986. Padre Angel visited St. Sabina in 2012 and celebrated Mass in honor of Mons. Oscar Romero. We are delighted to have him return.

Blessed 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.

"Single-Hearted for God" is a new program at St. Sabina for unmarried adults. This program is to aid unmarried Catholics of all ages to discern ways to serve Christ and the Church as a single adult. An unmarried vocation is unique and we will explore many ways to go forward with purpose. All men and women who are single, widowed, and divorced are welcome. We will meet on Tuesday nights during Lent. Please sign up in the gathering space, or email the office or Deacon Mike at mikeg@stsabinaparish.org.

Marian Prayer Group

Marian Prayer Group will resume meeting on Monday, Mar. 13. We will meet in the Day Chapel (Cry Room) every Monday evening from 5:30 to 6:30. All are welcome to join us for Rosary and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy!

Baptism Prep - March 9 at 7pm

Baptism Preparation Class is scheduled for Thursday, March 9th at 7pm in the conference room of the parish hall. To register for this class, please contact Kris at 816-979-3151 for a baptism application, or download one from our website at <http://stsabinaparish.org/sacraments/>.



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

The fish fries continue on Fridays during Lent through April 7th.

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
Monday, April 3, 7pm at Visitation Parish
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.** Note that Bishop Johnston has dispensed all Catholics in the diocese from the requirement to abstain from meat on Friday, March 17, as this day is the commemoration of St. Patrick.

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.

Altar Society to Begin Providing Coffee

Our Altar Society will begin providing coffee after the 8am and 10:30am Masses after Easter. To make this possible, we need more people to join the Altar Society. This is a great way to meet and work with other women of the parish, and by providing coffee after Masses, this is a great way to meet other people in our parish family. To help, please contact Kathy Moorman at kcmoorman79@gmail.com or 913-491-6809.

The Reformation and its Impact on Current Christian Relations

This year, 2017, is the 500th anniversary of The Protestant Reformation. The Reformation is usually associated with Martin Luther and the posting of his 95 Theses on October 31, 1517. These sessions will explore the history of the Reformation, what led up to it, what resulted from it and how the Catholic Church responded to it. The four main Christian traditions that resulted will be briefly examined, along with the various groupings related to those main traditions. The sessions will further examine the key theological beliefs and practices of the traditions, ending with an examination of the history and present state of Ecumenism, the movement toward Christian Unity. Come, bring a friend and let us learn together the rich variety that exists within Christianity. This five week series will be offered at two different times if enough register. Tuesday Evenings, March 7, 14, 21, 28 and April 4, 2017: 7pm — 9pm and Wednesday Mornings, March 8, 15, 22, 29 and April 5, 2017: 10am — 12pm, noon. To register call Biagio at 816-979-3153.



Area Information

Contemporary Spirituality Speaker Series

Fear and Her Many Children: Dealing with Religious and Moral Fear

Fr. Ron Rolheiser, OMI

Saturday, March 18, 2017 – Bishop Miege High School, 9:00 am. – 4:00 pm

Ronald Rolheiser, Catholic priest and member of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate, is president of the Oblate School of Theology in San Antonio, Texas. With an M.A. from the University of San Francisco, an M.R.Sc. and PhD/STD from the University of Louvain, Belgium, he taught theology and philosophy at Newman Theological College (Edmonton), was Provincial Superior of his Oblate Province in Canada, and then served on the Oblate General Council in Rome. A community-builder, lecturer, and writer, his books have been translated into numerous languages and his newspaper column carried by more than 80 newspapers worldwide.

(Admission – including lunch: \$55)

Lenten Talk Series

The Exodus Experience, From Slavery to the Promised Land with Fr. Sunoj Thomas OSB.

Every Tuesday evening in March, 7pm.

St Catherine of Siena Catholic Church

4101 E. 105th Terr. KCMO

Call 816-761-5483 with questions.

Diocesan Mass for the Anointing of the Sick

The 21st Annual Joint Diocesan Mass for the Anointing of the Sick will be held on Saturday, March 11 at 10am at Cure of Ars Parish, 9401 Mission Rd, Leawood, KS. Bishop James V. Johnston, Jr. will be the Principal Celebrant with the Most Reverend James P. Keleher as Homilist in a communal Mass to administer the sacrament of the sick to Catholics of both Dioceses. Cure of Ars is especially accessible for those with handicaps. Prior to Mass, the Sacrament of reconciliation will be offered from 9 to 9:45am. Those wishing to receive the sacraments are asked to pre-register by sending your name and correct spelling to maltakansascity@gmail.com or call 816-974-3908.

Marian Conference

When: June 23 at 5:15pm, June 24 at 7am-4:30pm

Masses Friday at 7:30pm, Saturday at 7am and 5pm

Where: St. Robert Bellarmine, 4314 S. State Rt. 7 in Blue Springs

Who: Speakers include Fr. William Casey, Deacon Patrick O'Toole, Sr. Doris Engeman, Tim Francis, Donald Hartley and Elise Brion

More Info: robertbellarmine.org/mc3 or [facebook.com/marianconference](https://www.facebook.com/marianconference)

What: Adoration, Confessions, Relics, Music, Food, Resources, and more

happy birthday

Joyce Abrams	Stanley Hilger	Elena Ostrom
Johann Aguilar	John Hirt	Donna Owings
Daniel Almendarez	Jennifer Hooper	Ramiro Palomares
Clara Antillon	Matthew Hooper	Mia Perez
Joy Banks-Wilson	Natalia Iniguez	Nicholas Persaud
Jony Barrios	Ashley Jara	Evelyn Portillo
Jessica Basurto	Anaid Jimenez	Greg Pruitt
Eric Bautista	Katherine Juarez	Rodrigo Pulido
Barbara Benavides	Grace Kathol	Werner Ramirez
Gabrielle Biondo	Anna Kelsey	Yoselin Ramirez
Joselin Cartagena	Ivy Kelsey	Terry Richards
Theresa Cervantes	Ayva Leuschen	Benita Rodriguez
Ashley Cisetti	Megan Loch	Roselia Rojo
Helen Cook	Sherry Lopez	Diego Ruiz
Valiant Croux	Cristian Martinez	Deysi Sanchez
Joseph Cummings	Marisol Martinez	Sofia Serrano
Kenneth Daire	Ernest McDougal	William Skeens
Nancy Daire	Luis Mendoza	Michelle Soto
John Driscoll	Karen Moore	Jesus Tinoco
Stephanie Fowler	Donn Mosman	Evelyn Varela
Manuel Garcia	Thomas Murphy	Xavier Varela
Joyce Giacone	Ethan Muzic	Josefina Varillas
Alessa Goldsmith	Noemi Napoles-Gnad	Karlos Vasquez
Alma Gonzalez	Cheryl Nichols	Logan Vasquez
JoAnna Gonzalez	Rafael Nieves	Aaron Vazquez
Joaquin Gonzalez	Felicia Oakes	Yanira Vazquez
Emily Hanover	Pat Ohnemus	Donald Verhaalen
Laverne Harlow	Genesis Olguin	Mary Westfall
Karen Henrich	Carina Olivares	Staci Wilson
Juan Hernandez	Sherrie Ortiz	

Happy Anniversary

John and Chris Ryan	44 Years!	03-10-1973
Russell and Susan Sirocka	34 Years!	03-10-1983
Victor and Araceli Lopez	18 Years!	03-12-1999
Manuel and Cristina Garcia	17 Years!	03-09-2000
Edgar and Maria Negrete	13 Years!	03-12-2004
Luis and Edith Caldera	12 Years!	03-11-2005
Jose Guardado and Ana Flores	9 Years!	03-08-2008
Alberto Viveros and Marisela Aguilar	5 Years!	03-07-2012



Pastoral Care

Have you ever thought about end-of-life care for you, a spouse or a parent? What would it look like? Would your faith play a role?

Catholic Community Hospice and St. Sabina invite you to a thought-provoking presentation to look at these questions and more.

CATHOLIC SPIRITUAL CARE FOR THE END OF LIFE: The Importance of Decision-Making

Tuesday, March 7th

6:30-8:00 pm

Presented by Catholic Community Hospice including Dr. Catherine Powers, Medical Director; Donda McLaughlin, LMSW, LCSW, Parish Liaison; and Brent Doster, LMSW, Bereavement Coordinator

It's scary to learn that you or a loved one have a life-limiting illness. What does that mean when it comes to medical care? And what do you want spiritually at the end of life? It's a difficult discussion, but planning helps ensure that your wishes are honored. It also makes it easier on loved ones who may be asked to make those hard decisions about your care.



About Dr. Catherine Powers



Dr. Powers, a member of Church of the Nativity Parish, serves as Medical Director for Catholic Community Hospice. She is honored to help patients and their families with end-of-life issues, decisions and symptom management. She feels blessed to work with this Catholic, faith-based organization under the auspices of Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas and Archbishop Naumann.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

WHEN: Tuesday, March 7th
6:30-8:00 pm

WHERE: St. Sabina
700 Trevis Ave.
Belton, MO 64012

COST: FREE!

Prayer Requests/Peticiones de Oración

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

"There is no better way to leave this world than in an environment where all the comforts of our Catholic faith are available to us and we are surrounded by the people we love."
— Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann, D.D.



Nursing Home Mass Schedule

Mar 8	10:00am	Rehab. Ctr of Raymore (Communion Service)
Mar 15	10:00am	Foxwood Springs
Mar 22	11:00am	Carnegie Village

Wellness Center

Food labels: What's real? What's deceiving?

Label: "GOOD SOURCE OF ANTIOXIDANTS"

What's real? Packaged foods need to contain only 10 percent of your daily intake of antioxidants, like vitamins A, C, and E, to be considered a "good source," according to the Food and Drug Administration. Instead, consume a full spectrum of anti-oxidants from natural source like fruits and vegetables. One small carrot provides more than twice the amount of vitamin A than a full serving of one antioxidant-enriched cereal does. Aim for four servings of fruits and five servings of veggies per day-the more colorful they are, the higher the antioxidant levels.

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 March 16th, 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 March 15th. Contact Berenice Zayas in the parish office for more information or to sign up. Phone: 816-979-3150 or email: berenice@stsabinaparish.org.

High School and Confirmation Youth!

Your next meetings will be March 5th and 19th at 7pm. Confirmation Sponsor Night will be March 15th at 7pm.

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.

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.

Junior High Youth!

Your next meetings will be March 8th and 22nd at 7pm.

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.

Tour of the Church Night! March 14th, 6:30-8:30. All children preparing for the sacrament of First Communion are asked to attend this special, fun night. Kids will go on a "tour" in the church with Fr. Jeff, make banners, bake altar bread to take home and share with their families and enjoy fine dining of hot dogs. Each child is asked to please bring a 10x12 piece of felt, any embellishments from home that they would like to use for their banner and one parent. Extra hotdogs will be given to parents who stay 15 minutes after the event ends to help put up tables and chairs.



Stewardship

"In conclusion, just as through one transgression condemnation came upon all, so, through one righteous act, acquittal and life came to all. For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so, through the obedience of the one, the many will be made righteous."

Romans 5: 18-19

For our Lenten missions, the issue of "temptation" would seem to have numerous facets which should influence us. Clearly we need to pray, and often, for God's help as we try to avoid sin, and attempt to change our lives during this time. Also, we must consider the importance of recognizing and confessing our sins in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. These should be part of our Lenten plans; living lives of stewardship might help us continue these efforts beyond Lent and throughout our lives. — See more at www.catholicsteward.com/blog/

February 19th Contributions

Envelopes/Sobres:	\$14,475.50
Plate/Canasta:	\$ 837.30
Maintenance-Upkeep:	\$ 766.00
CCEAA:	\$ 1,796.00

February 26th Contributions

Envelopes/Sobres:	\$12,000.89
Plate/Canasta:	\$ 728.50
Maintenance-Upkeep:	\$ 921.18

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.stsabina-parish.org, click the "Online Giving" button in the top right section and fill out the online contribution form.

Leave a Legacy

Prepare or amend your living will or living trust, naming charities that have made a difference in your life.

"I give, devise, and bequeath to St. Sabina Parish, 700 Travis Avenue, Belton, MO 64012 ___% of my estate or \$___ sum of money, or "described" property to be used for its general purposes, as part of the Catholic Diocese of Kansas City/St. Joseph."

Encounter Innovation

We encounter the Singh family in India, where a mother and father are using innovative farming techniques to feed their family amidst a flood. How is God inviting us to think outside the box in service to others this Lent? Visit crsricebowl.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.stsabina-parish.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 piercehobbitts@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.

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!

Reflection on the Readings



Lent is the liturgical season that asks us to reflect on our baptismal call. At our baptism, we affirm that we no longer

choose to live according to our own standards, but according to God's standards, as modeled for us by Jesus. To do this well, we need to be consistently aware of those tendencies in our lives which call us back to live according to our standards, and not God's. This is what ashes, almsgiving, prayer, fasting and reflection make us conscious of – that we are not our own masters – that we are not in control – rather God is.

If the symbols of this season surface this essential reality to our consciousness, then Lent will have accomplished its key task. All the symbols, the lectionary readings, the rituals, the scrutinies, the Triduum – culminate in the Easter Vigil, in which we celebrate new life in and through the journey of death. Such is the challenge to our Baptismal call which Lent surfaces.

During this season we, as the Christian faithful, are to scrutinize our very thoughts, words and actions, to see if we are being truly faithful to the relationship with Jesus and the gospel values we assumed at our baptism. The Lenten readings help us enter and face the realities of our baptismal faith journey. Each week offers us challenges and opportunities to deepen our own self-awareness and our relationship to God and others by modeling ourselves on Jesus.

The First Sunday of Lent starts at the beginning with Adam and Eve. We are invited

to explore how they, symbolic of all humanity, responded to the gracious love relationship that God had initiated with them. Were they going to trust God by following the advice they were given concerning their limitations and the things that they could not have, or were they going to have it their own way? We know that they chose what they felt attracted to rather than trusting or responding in kind to God's gracious love and desire for them. We refer to this as "original sin," meaning not only the first sin but the source or template of all human sinfulness. When we choose ourselves at the expense of others, we repeat the pattern of "original sin."

Their temptation and final choice is contrasted with Matthew's account of Jesus' temptations in the desert and the stark difference between Adam and Jesus as recounted in Paul's letter to the Romans. In his struggles with his own inner demons to have things his own way, Jesus consistently chooses to be attuned to God's way. God's gracious love provides Jesus with all that he needs to overcome Satan. By trusting in God and relying on God's word, Jesus overcomes the temptations to go at it alone, thus providing a model for us to imitate. That modeling restores for all humanity the path back to God. Unfortunately, it is a path that we often lose, get diverted from or just simply forget.

The second reading from Paul's letter to the Romans contrasts our way of responding to God, symbolically represented by Adam and Eve, and Jesus' response. Paul continually points out the stark difference between Jesus' response to God's gracious love and ours. During Lent, we are challenged to renew ourselves by responding not in our usual pattern but in the pattern modeled for us by Jesus.

The refrain from Responsorial Psalm 51 provides us with the Lenten mantra that should be continually on our lips: Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned. Daily, we become aware of how easy it is to want it our way and not pay attention to God's way. Lent is the time to discover that path once more, and to model ourselves on Jesus, who fought and struggled mightily to stay on God's path. The journey is not easy, but Jesus, one of us in all things but sin, has forged the path for us, breaking the yoke of sin, evil and death forever.

Name one thing that you will do this Lent to help you get back in tune with God's way and path. What role will prayer, fasting and almsgiving play in your Lenten journey this year?

Biagio Mazza,
Pastoral Associate

Readings



Sunday, March 5

1st Reading: Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7

Psalm: Psalm 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17 (3a)

2nd Reading: Romans 5:12-19

Gospel: Matthew 4:1-11

Sunday, March 12

1st Reading: Genesis 12:1-4a

Psalm: Psalm 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 (22)

2nd Reading: 2 Timothy 1:8b-10

Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9

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 12th and 26th 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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Reflexión Sobre las Lecturas



La Cuaresma es la temporada litúrgica que nos pide que reflexionemos sobre nuestra llamada bautismal. En nuestro bautismo, afirmamos que ya no elegimos vivir de acuerdo con nuestros propios estándares, sino conforme a los estándares de Dios, tal como fueron modelados para nosotros por Jesús. Para hacer esto bien,

necesitamos ser constantemente conscientes de las tendencias en nuestras vidas que nos llaman de nuevo a vivir de acuerdo con nuestros estándares, y no los de Dios. De esto nos hacen conscientes la ceniza, la limosna, la oración, el ayuno y la reflexión - que no somos nuestros amos, que no tenemos el control - sino Dios lo tiene.

Si los símbolos de esta temporada exponen esta realidad esencial a nuestra conciencia, entonces la Cuaresma habrá cumplido su tarea clave. Todos los símbolos, las lecturas, los rituales, los escrutinios, el Triduo, culminan en la Vigilia Pascual, en la que celebramos la nueva vida en y por el camino de la muerte. Tal es el desafío a nuestra llamada bautismal que surge la Cuaresma.

Durante esta temporada, como fieles cristianos, debemos escudriñar nuestros propios pensamientos, palabras y acciones, para ver si somos verdaderamente fieles a la relación con Jesús y los valores evangélicos que asumimos en nuestro bautismo. Las lecturas Cuaresmales nos ayudan a entrar y enfrentar las realidades de nuestro viaje bautismal de fe. Cada semana nos ofrece desafíos y oportunidades para profundizar nuestra propia conciencia de sí mismo y nuestra relación con Dios y los demás, modelándonos en Jesús.

El primer domingo de Cuaresma comienza al principio con Adán y Eva. Estamos invitados a explorar cómo ellos, simbólicos de toda la humanidad, respondieron a la relación misericordiosa de amor que Dios había iniciado con ellos. ¿Acaso iban a confiar en Dios siguiendo los consejos que les dio acerca de sus limitaciones y las cosas que no podían tener, o iban a tener su propio camino? Sabemos que eligieron a lo que se sentían atraídos en lugar de confiar o responder del mismo modo al amor misericordioso y deseo de Dios por ellos. Nos referimos a esto como "pecado original", que significa no sólo el primer pecado sino la fuente o plantilla de todo pecado humano. Cuando nos elegimos a nosotros mismos a la expensa de los demás, repetimos el patrón del "pecado original".

Su tentación y su elección final se contrasta con el relato de Mateo sobre las tentaciones de Jesús en el

desierto y la diferencia entre Adán y Jesús, tal como se narra en la carta de Pablo a los romanos. En sus luchas con sus propios demonios internos para tener las cosas a su manera, Jesús constantemente elige estar en sintonía con el camino de Dios. El amor misericordioso de Dios provee a Jesús con todo lo que necesita para vencer a Satanás. Confiando en Dios y confiando en la Palabra de Dios, Jesús vence las tentaciones de ir solo, proporcionando así un modelo para que imitemos. Ese modelo restaura para toda la humanidad el camino de regreso hacia a Dios. Desafortunadamente, es un camino que muchas veces perdemos, nos desviamos o simplemente olvidamos.

La segunda lectura de la carta de Pablo a los romanos contrasta nuestra manera de responder a Dios, representada simbólicamente por Adán y Eva, y la respuesta de Jesús. Pablo señala continuamente la diferencia entre la respuesta de Jesús al amor misericordioso de Dios y la nuestra. Durante la Cuaresma, estamos desafiados a renovarnos a nosotros mismos respondiendo no en nuestro patrón habitual, sino en el modelo de Jesús.

El refrán del Salmo responsorial 50 nos proporciona el mantra Cuaresmal que debe estar continuamente en nuestros labios: "Misericordia, Señor, hemos pecado". Diariamente, nos damos cuenta de lo fácil que es querer nuestra voluntad y no prestar atención a la voluntad de Dios. La Cuaresma es el momento de descubrir ese camino una vez más, y de modelarnos a Jesús, que luchó poderosamente para permanecer en el camino de Dios. El viaje no es fácil, pero Jesús, uno de nosotros en todas formas excepto el pecado, ha forjado el camino para nosotros, rompiendo el yugo del pecado, el mal y la muerte para siempre.

Nombre una cosa que usted hará esta Cuaresma para ayudarle a volver en sintonía con el camino y la voluntad de Dios. ¿Qué papel desempeñará la oración, el ayuno y la limosna en su viaje cuaresmal este año?

Biagio Mazza, Asociado Pastoral

Lecturas



Lecturas del Domingo, 5 de Marzo

Primera Lectura: Génesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7

Salmo: Salmo 50:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 y 17

Segunda Lectura: Romanos 5:12-19

Evangelio: Mateo 4:1-11

Lecturas del Domingo, 12 de Marzo

Primera Lectura: Génesis 12:1-4a

Salmo: Salmo 32:4-5, 18-19, 20 y 22

Segunda Lectura: 2 Timoteo 1:8b-10

Evangelio: Mateo 17:1-9

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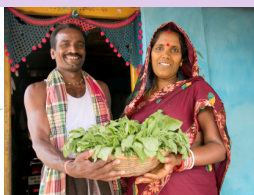
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Un Encuentro con la Innovación

Nos encontramos con la familia Singh en India, donde una madre y un padre están usando técnicas de cultivo innovadoras para alimentar a su familia en medio de una inundación. ¿Cómo es que Dios nos invita a pensar fuera de la caja en servicio a los demás en esta Cuaresma? Visite crsplatodearroz.org para más información.



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Prepare o modifique su testamento, nombrando organizaciones benéficas que han marcado una diferencia en su vida:

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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

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- 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 Victimias, 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/>

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¡Jóvenes de High School y Confirmación! Sus próximas reuniones serán los días 5 y 19 de marzo a las 7pm. La Noche de Padrinos para la Confirmación será el 15 de marzo a las 7pm.

Tour de la Iglesia! 14 de marzo, 6:30-8:30pm. A todos los niños que se preparan para el sacramento de la Primera Comunión se les pide que asistan a esta noche especial y divertida. Los niños irán a un "tour" en la iglesia con el P. Jeff, harán banderas, hornearán pan de altar para llevar a casa y compartir con sus familias, y disfrutar de una buena cena de hot dogs. A cada niño se le pide que traiga por favor un pedazo 10x12 de fieltro, cualquier adorno que quisieran utilizar para su bandera y un padre. Los hot dogs adicionales se darán a los padres que se quedan 15 minutos después del evento para ayudar a guardar mesas y sillas.

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Información Cuaresmal y Parroquial



Las Comidas de Pescado Comienzan el 3 de Marzo

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Las Comidas de Pescado continúan los viernes durante la Cuaresma hasta el 7 de abril.

Vía Crucis

Este año, haremos el Vía Crucis en Inglés de manera diferente. La Cooperativa de Homeschool St. Francis dirigirá el Vía Crucis los viernes a las 12:15pm en Inglés. Continuaremos haciendo el Vía 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 Vía Crucis en Español esa noche. Más detalles a continuación.

Stations (Vía 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 cuaresmal 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, pero habrán programas en Español. Ese día no haremos el Vía Crucis en Español.

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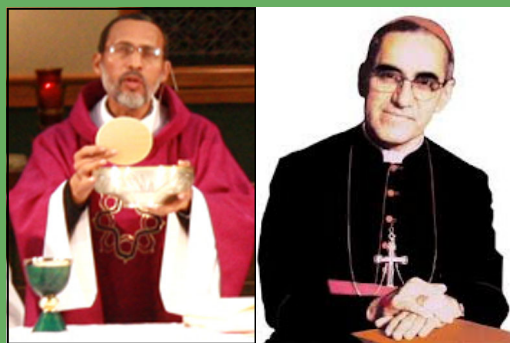
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Lunes, 3 de abril, 7pm en Visitation
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Domingo, 9 de abril, 2pm en San Peter
Domingo, 9 de abril, 7:30 pm en la Iglesia de la Natividad

Celebración Romero - 11 de Marzo - 6pm

El sábado, 11 de Marzo nuestra comunidad Salvadoreña será la anfitriona de la celebración anual de nuestra parroquia en honor del Beato Obispo Oscar Romero. La Misa comenzará a las 6pm y **el Padre José Angel Renderos celebrará la Misa. Nuestro Obispo Santiago Johnston asistirá.**

El P. Angel es el párroco de la parroquia de Sta. Ana en San Salvador. También es director del Centro Escolar Católico Santa Ana y cofundador de la Asociación Obispo Romero en El Salvador. Fue ordenado el 9 de marzo de 1986. El Padre Ángel visitó Sta. Sabina en 2012 y celebró la Misa en honor de Mons. Oscar Romero. Estamos encantados de tenerlo de regreso.

El Beato Óscar Arnulfo Romero (15 de Agosto, 1917 a 24 de Marzo, 1980) fue un prominente sacerdote católico en El Salvador durante los años 1960 y 1970, llegando a ser Arzobispo de San Salvador, en 1977. Después de ser testigo de numerosas violaciones de los derechos humanos, empezó a hablar en nombre de los pobres y las víctimas de la represión. Esto dio lugar a numerosos conflictos, tanto con el gobierno de El Salvador y dentro de la Iglesia Católica. Después de hablar en contra del apoyo militar de los EE.UU. al gobierno de El Salvador, y llamando a los soldados a desobedecer las órdenes de disparar contra civiles inocentes, el Arzobispo Romero fue asesinado mientras celebraba Misa en la pequeña capilla del hospital de cáncer donde vivía.



Platicas Pre-Bautismales-11 de Marzo

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

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Primer Domingo de Cuaresma

5 de Marzo del 2017