

Saint Sabina Catholic Church

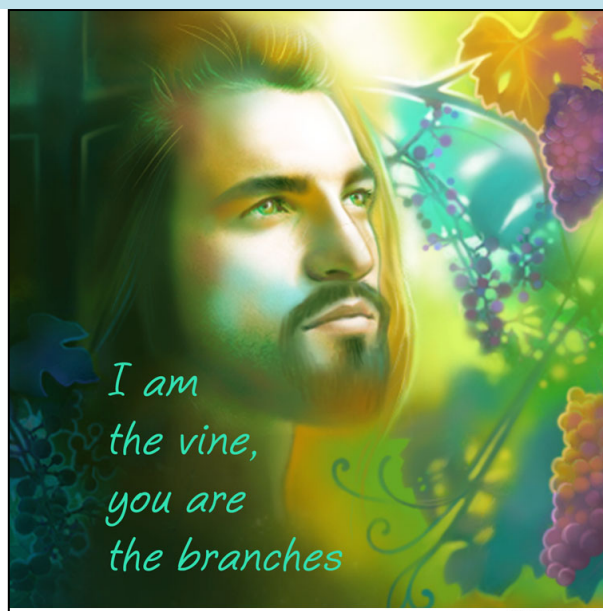
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Office Hours: 9:00am-5:00pm, Monday - Thursday and 9:00am-1:00pm, Friday



**Congratulations to our youth who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on
Monday, April 9!**



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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.**

Fifth Sunday of Easter

April 29, 2018

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Mass Intentions for the Week

Intentions for April 30-May 4, 2018

Mon.	Communion Service	
Tues.	6pm	†Fr. Ambrose Gregory Karels
Wed.	10:30am	†Enrique Tristani
		Intentions of Ivette Santana (Beautiful Savior)
Thurs.	8am	†Felix Suwito
		†Theo Suwito
Fri.	8am	†Nick Henning

Saturday, May 5, 2018

4:00pm †Jerry Mosakowski

Sunday, May 6, 2018

8:00am	†Carl Foltz
10:30am	Intentions of the Parish Family
	†Justin Chrane
12:30pm Spanish	†Carmen Cedillo
	†Joel Perez Lopez

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

- †Nicki Chandler, daughter of Terri Standley
- †Henry Hermreck, uncle of Kathy Spencer
- †Mary Jean Wasleski, mother of Steve Wasleski
- †Jerry Mosakowski, husband of Nina Mosakowski
- †Carl Foltz, brother of Jan Stella
- †Jacob Gleason, grandson of Nancy and Dale Amfahr
- †Cathy Davis, mother of Karen Joyner, Ron Davis and Chuck Davis
- †Porfirio Escobar, padre de Heidy, Hada, e Hiris Escobar



Calendar/Parish Happenings

Sunday, April 29 - Domingo, 29 de Abril

Donut Sunday

- 7:30am Knights Family Rosary
- 9:00am PSR/Parents Lounge
- 11:00am Ensayo del Coro Hispano
- 11:00am Escuela de Religión
- 2:00pm Ensayo—Día de las Madres
- 6:00pm Cub Scout Annual Planning Meeting

Monday, April 30 - Lunes, 30 de Abril

- 4:00pm Uplift
- 7:00pm Boy Scouts
- 7:00pm Talleres de Oración y Vida

Tuesday, May 1 - Martes, 1 de Mayo

- 7:00pm ESL/Inglés Como Segunda Lengua
- 7:00pm Living Stones
- 7:00pm Pequeñas Comunidades Cristianas

Wednesday, May 2 - Miércoles, 2 de Mayo

- 9:00am Legion of Mary
- 10:30am Mass at Beautiful Savior
- 6:00pm Finance Council Meeting
- 7:00pm Choir Practice (4:00 & 10:30 groups)
- 7:00pm Junior High Youth Group
- 7:00pm Knights Business Meeting
- 7:00pm Formation Offering: The Resurrection Narratives

Thursday, May 3 - Jueves, 3 de Mayo

- 6:55am High School Youth Prayer Breakfast
- 9:30am Quilters
- 10:00am Formation Offering: The Resurrection Narratives

Friday, May 4 - Viernes, 4 de Mayo

- 8:30am Adoration
- 9:00am Altar Society Church Cleaning

Saturday, May 5 - Sábado, 5 de Mayo

- Altar Society Sale
- 9:00am Manos Amigas VBS Craft Project
- 3:00pm Confessions

Sunday, May 6 - Domingo, 6 de Mayo

- Altar Society Sale
- 9:00am PSR/Parents Lounge
- 10:30am Bible Study
- 11:00am Ensayo del Coro Hispano
- 11:00am Escuela de Religión
- 1:30pm Celebración del 60 Aniversario de P. Miguel
- 2:00pm Ensayo—Día de las Madres

The Risen Christ: An Examination of the Resurrection Narratives

Wednesday Evenings – May 2, 9, 16 and 23, 2018 ~ 7-9 PM repeated on Thursday Mornings – May 3, 10, 17, and 24, 2018 ~ 10 AM to Noon

During the Easter Season we proclaim with great joy the resurrection story of Jesus. The resurrection accounts articulate the faith experience, meaning and significance that Jesus had for the community that produced the gospel. To unpack the resurrection accounts, it is important to know the mind and heart of the gospel community that produced them. These four two-hour sessions will examine the resurrection narratives of each of the four gospels, along with the significance that the Risen Christ had for Paul, as reflected in his letters. As we delve into the separate resurrection accounts, we will link them to the gospel as a whole, and to their meaning and significance for us today. These sessions are an ideal way to celebrate the Easter Season and deepen our understanding of and belief in the resurrection. Come, bring your Bibles and a friend and let us all reflect on these rich narratives which help us explore the deeper meaning of our baptismal call as disciples of the Lord. All churches and faith traditions are most welcomed. To register, either call 816-979-3153 or e-mail biagio@stsabinaparish.org (Biagio) or call 816-979-3151 or e-mail kris@stsabinaparish.org (Kris).

Update Your Membership Information

Does our Church database have your family membership record correct? It is time for us to update our database with any changes, additions, or deletions that may have occurred over the past year. Have you changed your phone number or moved? Are you preparing to move soon? Do you want your phone number published? If you haven't already informed the office about changes to your record, please let us know now so that the information in the Guide Book and Directory is correct. Please contact Bridget Hernandez at 816-979-3159 or bridget@stsabinaparish.org.

Altar Society Meeting - May 17

The Altar Society will have their next meeting on Thursday, May 17th at 7pm in classroom #8 in the education wing. Please plan on attending this important meeting in which the Altar Society will be planning their events for the coming year. For questions or more information, please contact Kathy Moorman at 913-484-3387.



Parish Happenings/Information

This Week's Do You Know Video:

As we continue our series on the History of the Mass, we note in this week's DYK video that the actions of Roman Emperor Constantine significantly impacted that development of the Mass. As more people became Christian under a legally recognized Christianity, larger spaces were needed for celebrations leading to gatherings for Mass in large buildings known as basilicas. The bishop's role changed from being overseer and minister of one community to administering many communities in a Roman plot of land known as a diocese. The communal and participative nature of Mass shifted to less participation on the part of the people, and more of the action directed and led by the clergy. These are issues that we still struggle with today. Make time to check out this week's video at www.stsabinaaparish.org and click on the Do You Know Series link.



Need Help with Your Home?



We are gearing up for our third annual **St. Sabina Helping Hands** work day. We are currently accepting applications for those who need help with minor home repairs and yard maintenance such as: some painting, gutter work, minor plumbing, etc. Applications and more information are available in the gathering space.

If you need help with your home, please look over the information provided in the gathering space, as this is not a complete list of what we can do. We also need help to do the work! If you are able to help us on our work day on Saturday, May 12, please sign up in the gathering space!

Now Hiring: SMA Facility Support

St. Michael the Archangel High School is seeking an Assistant for our Facility Manager. Hours are 40 hours per week.

The Diocese offers a comprehensive benefits program, including medical, dental and vision plans, STD/LTD fully paid by the employer, retirement plans including a 403b plan and a defined benefit pension plan. Paid time off includes generous Vacation and Sick leaves, plus paid Holidays. Please go to www.smacatholic.org/careers to find out more and to apply today!

PADRE MIGUEL

*Dear Friends,
Hello to you from Kansas City. I am retired and in touch with our Bolivian friends and mission efforts. I have just published a memoir of my experiences in the Bolivian mission. I would appreciate your help in getting the word out and keeping the conversation about global Catholic mission today alive and based on shared experience. It is a new time with Pope Francis and the world mission of followers of Jesus.*



A MEMOIR OF MY CATHOLIC MISSIONARY EXPERIENCE IN BOLIVIA AMIDST POSTCOLONIAL TRANSFORMATION OF CHURCH AND STATE

Book Signing

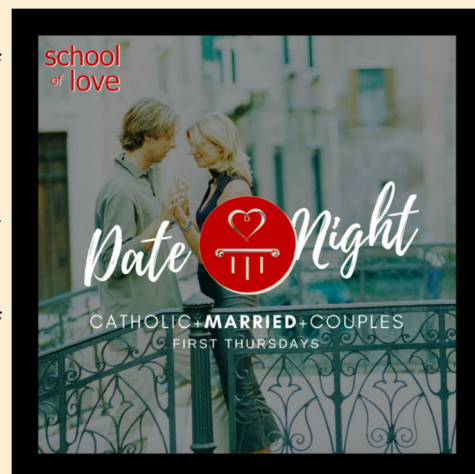
with Father Michael Gillgannon

May 2, 7 p.m. at Visitation Parish
Padre Miguel is available in print at amazon.com and in digital format at the Kindle store.

Date Night

Hundreds of couples, of all ages, from both KC dioceses have joined us (and now re-join us) for Date Night! We want you to do the same! We kick off your date with a happy (half) hour, appetizers, & a brief talk on faith, marriage, family...

then you go finish your date together alone. It's a great & meaningful (& fun) way to kick-start your date. Join us on the Plaza at Classic Cup (Cellar) on Thurs, May 3rd at 6:30-7:30pm to kick-off your Date Night! Date Night is a School of Love event. Check it out online: www.schooloflovekc.com/date-night



Information

Happy Anniversary

happy birthday

Mark and Mary Putman	67 Years!	5/5/1951
Joe and Anna Anderson	57 Years!	5/5/1961
John and Catherine Poynter	49 Years!	5/3/1969
Thomas and Judy Wolfe	45 Years!	5/4/1973
Anthony and Julie Lafata	37 Years!	5/1/1981
Joseph and Patricia Ledford	34 Years!	5/5/1984
Alejandro and Jeaulte Garcia	25 Years!	4/30/1993
Donald and Lisa Henry	25 Years!	5/1/1993
Paul and Marilyn Anderson	23 Years!	5/6/1995
William Guardado and Sonia Delgado	23 Years!	5/6/1995
Charles and Maria Wilbur	16 Years!	5/1/2002
Sean and Holly Madden	13 Years!	4/30/2005
Ryan and Kimberly Grantham	5 Years!	5/4/2013
Jacob and Paige Rewald	5 Years!	5/4/2013

Jessica Aguilar	José Garcia	Mary O'Brien
Yudith Amador	Gissell Garcia	Mina Oquendo
Ethan Ambrose	John Giaccone	Valeria Osuna
Jeremy Ambrose	Christy Gudenkauf	Kevin Overhaug
Lee Anderson	Gerzo Guerrero	Bailey Park
Yesika Anguiano	Robert Guezaraga	Hunter Perkins
Mark Arnold	Catalina Guillermo	Dianna Piña
Miguel Arreola	Saul Guzman	Josephine Pinon
Joselyn Arreola	Vaden Haddock	Judith Potts
Sahvannah Baldwin	Richard Hamilton	Rodrigo Pulido
Donny Barker	Jacob Haus	Thomas Ragsdale
Anthony Beecher	Allan Hermann	Jeiser Rascon
Eithan Bejarano	Maria Hernandez	Marquis Rickard
Brinley Bornheimer	Ismael Hinojos	Kevin Rodriguez
Jose Burciaga	David Iniguez	Lorenzo Sanchez
Angelica Calderon	Mama Jones	Ivette Santana
Luis Carrera	Catharina Jongenelen	Emmanuel Santillanes
Kendall Cooper	Anne Kennedy	Madison Smith
Chris Cornejo	Kevin Livingston	Maria Sosa
Zuleyka Coronado	Rutilo Lopez	Alcredo Velazco
Jordan Del Valle	Kenneth Lovelace	Avery Woodfine
Kelly Fadous	Patrick Madden	Lindsay Wooldridge
Sofia Fuentes	Michael Madrigal	Jeffery Yenzner
Julie Fuller	Cesar Mendoza	Charlotte Yonker
Beatriz Gallegos	Elvia Mora	

SPIRITUALITY

Contemporary Spirituality

Speaker Series with

Rev. Dr. Mike Graves

Saturday, May 5, 2018
9:00 AM-12:00 PM

COUNTRY CLUB CHRISTIAN CHURCH
6101 WARD PARKWAY, KCMO 64113

Rethinking Communion and Community

What if I told you that when the earliest followers of Jesus gathered, it was primarily to eat, not worship? And what if I told you that when those earliest house churches started to grow, they made more room by converting the dining room into meeting space and the loss was more catastrophic than we ever could have imagined, moving churches from the kitchen to the sanctuary?

In some ways, we are not just 2,000 years removed from the first century but in many ways light years removed. Long before Catholics and Protestants developed doctrinal views on the Jesus meal, there were four traits that characterized their gatherings: intimacy, inclusion, joy, and participation.



Rev. Dr. Mike Graves is the Wm. K. McElvane Professor of Preaching and Worship at Saint Paul School of Theology and Scholar in Residence at Country Club Christian Church, both in Kansas City. He is the author of numerous books, including his latest from which these talks are taken (*Table Talk*, published by Cascade Books, 2017). Copies will be available for purchase and a book signing will take place that morning.

(Registration: \$15)

To register visit: <https://contemporaryspirituality.eventbrite.com>

For more information contact: Mike Matteuzzi at 913-253-2510

Blood Drive—May 20

Community Blood Center is the primary supplier of blood for local hospitals and has been servicing 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.



Celebration for the 50th Anniversary of Fr. Chuck Tobin's Ordination

You are invited to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Fr. Chuck Tobin's ordination on **Saturday May 26, 2018 at a 4PM Mass** at St. Sabina Parish, Belton, MO followed by a reception in the Parish Gym. Please reply to padrechuck@gmail.com if you'd like to attend.

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 on Sunday, May 20, 8am-1pm. To make an appointment online, visit esavealifenow.org and use **sponsor code:saintsabina**. For additional details contact Michael Dailey at 816-853-8386 or mгдаiley123@yahoo.com.



Pastoral Care

Nursing Home Mass Schedule

May 2	10:30am	Beautiful Savior
May 9	10:00am	Redwood of Raymore
May 16	10:00am	Foxwood Springs

Sunday Catholic Mass Online

Heart of the Nation televises Sunday Catholic Mass on KMCI channel 38 ("The Spot") at 7:00 a.m. on Sundays. This is a new time for the Mass. Please share the time and channel information with friends or family members who are unable to get to church because of age, illness, or other struggles. For online video of the Mass, visit www.HeartoftheNation.org.

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

NAMI - National Alliance on Mental Illness

816-931-0030 - Support, Education, Advocacy

Anointing of the Sick?

If you suffer from a chronic illness, the affect of advanced years or have an upcoming surgery and wish to receive this sacrament, let Fr Jeff know before the Mass you attend and he will be glad to anoint you after Mass. If you would like to schedule it in advance or make an appointment for a weekday, contact Marta Roper in the parish office at 816-979-3154.

Prayer Requests/Peticiones de Oración

Jim Agnew	Laverne Harlow	Jean Rehm-Coomer
Dick Armstrong	Cherie Hatfield	Patricia Rellihan
Steven Armstrong	Bob Heffernan	Clarence Reynolds
Marilyn Avalos	Beth Heide	Anna Ryan
Robert Baldwin	Baby Hendrix	Roger Schmidt
Teresa Baldwin	Chelsea Hendrix	Laurie Sigman
Pauline Bellm	Bart Henke	Emily Sigman
Beverly Bell	Rhonda Henke	Lois Simpson
John Bidondo	John Hirt	Shelline Smoot
Betty Bremekamp	John Holden	Jerry Stella
Maxine Bremer	Carol Huffman	Charles Stinger II
Ramon Caratachea	Terri Jackson	Marie Stinger
Alfredo Carrasco	Kathy Jongenelen	Jim Storm
Anna Clark	Beverly Little	Leo Storm
Debra Lynn Cline	Bill Locke	Marge Storm
Joseph Coots	Debbie Locke	Mary Jane Storm
Paul DeMar	Jo Locke	Jean Tate
Nolan Dickerson	Apolinar Luna	Ruth Tayler
Steven DiGeorge	Leonard Meiron	Angel Thomas
Frances DiGeorge	Lynn Morgan	Bruce Thompson
Paula Dull	Janet Moorman	Donna West
Terry Eppert	Sheila Moustakis	Mary Westfall
Joan Feedback	Joan Muench	Marie Wilburn
Dick Garnier	Bella Nouryeh	Jeannette Woolworth
Al Gebauer	Jane Nouryeh	Merle Woolworth
June Glunt	Thelma Palmer	Emy Yeater
Karen Grantham	Rita Pruitt	Carmitia Yust
Ginny Haينه	Dee Raya	Pablo Zayas

Wellness Center

Did you know falls present a major problem in the health and independence of elders over 65? The Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) states that more than one third of older adults fall each year. Of these, 20-30% will result in hospitalization from head injury or hip fracture. Many will need to spend at least a year recovering in a long-term facility and some never return to their homes. Most falls are preventable.

As we age our balance and speed of gait decrease. When we walk too fast or when we don't pick up our toes we put ourselves at risk. Some senior citizens have assistive devices such as canes or walkers that they do not use. Some elders get very limited exercise.

The most important preventative practice, to reduce the risk of falls, is to be active and keep moving. Take an exercise class in the St. Sabina Wellness Center or at a nearby gym. Lift weights, take a Yoga or Stretch and Strength class. These activities will improve your balance and self-confidence. Get your four-legged friend out for a walk.

Be active, be energized and reduce your risk for falls.



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 Circuit Training 6-7pm
Wednesday:	Intermediate Yoga 1-2pm Gentle Yoga 2-3pm Restorative Yoga 6-7pm
Thursday:	Stretch & Strength 1-2pm Gentle Stretch & Strength 2-3pm Yoga 6-7pm
Friday:	Intermediate Yoga 1-2pm Gentle Yoga 2-3pm ReFit® 6-7pm

Stewardship

"Children, let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth. Now this is how we shall know that we belong to the truth and reassure our hearts before him in whatever our hearts condemn, for God is greater than our hearts and knows everything."

John 10: 11, 17-18

St. John captures the essence of what kind of love is expected from us toward our neighbor and those in need as he opens our Second Reading with "Let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth." Jesus made that point several times in His own teachings. It follows the old adage that "Actions speak louder than words." Being a good steward requires action. It may be easy for us come to an understanding of what it means to love one another, and additionally, we may speak of doing it. But the true measure is what we do, how we live our lives. The best examples of stewardship that we may be aware of in our parishes and community involve what we see and experience in others. That is the most effective way to be taught, and it is the best way to teach others. Do it and live it. — See more at www.catholicsteward.com/blog/

Giving from Your IRA

Giving from one's IRA account is one of the smartest ways to make a real impact for your parish. In late 2015, Congress made this method permanent:

* **What You Can Give.** Contributions from traditional IRAs.

* **Age Requirement.** You must be 70 1/2 years old or older when the distribution is made.

* **Directly to the Charity.** Distributions must be made directly from your IRA account to charity. Use the diocesan Request Form.

* **Professional Advice.** Please consult with your tax or legal professional.

Who benefits from this type of giving?

* Individuals who take required minimum withdrawals and want to avoid paying tax on the distribution. Give your Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) directly to a qualified charity without having to report it as taxable income. Contact your IRA administrator to learn the amount of your RMD.

* Taxpayers who don't itemize their deductions. An IRA charitable transfer most benefits the nearly two-thirds of Americans who do not itemize deductions on their tax returns and therefore do not receive a tax benefit for giving to charity.

* Itemizing taxpayers who've reached the charitable giving limit. Donors who itemize their taxes are prohibited from deducting more than 50 percent of their adjusted gross income as charitable donations. Donations from an IRA are excluded from this percentage limit, allowing individuals who have reached the 50 percent threshold to give more.

To learn more, please contact Laura Gray at 816-714-2363 or gray@diocesekcsj.org.

Contributions for April 22

Envelopes/Sobres:	\$11,349.50
Plate/Canasta:	\$ 1,724.76
Maintenance-Upkeep:	\$ 692.00

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

Community Garden Thanks

The Community Garden thanks Andrew Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. Patterson, Boy Scout Troop 32 and Dennis Squires for building and filling 5 raised beds for Andrew's Eagle Scout Project. The raised beds make growing food for the needy much easier.

To volunteer for the Community Garden contact David

Pierce 816-392-1111 or Michelle Rose 919-624-4407.



Green Team Tip of the Week

High School students and recent grads can apply to attend the High School Institute for Environmental Summer Camp in July. Financial Aid available <https://insideclimatenews.org/institute-for-environmental-journalism/>



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, May 28th.**

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 May 16th.** Contact Berenice Zayas for more information or to sign up at 816-979-3150 or berenice@stsabinaparish.org.

April is Child Abuse Prevention Month

In recognition of **April as Child Abuse Prevention Month**, our diocese has provided the following information to increase awareness about the prevention of child abuse.

- **There are behavioral warning signs of child abusers.** Training and education help adults recognize grooming techniques that are precursors to abuse. Some abusers isolate a potential victim by giving him or her undue attention or lavish gifts. Another common grooming technique is to allow young people to participate in activities which their parents or guardians would not approve, such as watching pornography, drinking alcohol, using drugs, and excessive touching, which includes wrestling and tickling. It is also critical to be wary of age-inappropriate relationships, seen, for example, in the adult who is more comfortable with children than fellow adults.
- **People can be taught to identify grooming behavior.** Grooming behavior are the actions which abusers take to project the image that they are kind, generous, caring people, while their intent is to lure a minor into an inappropriate relationship. An abuser may develop a relationship with the family to increase his credibility. Abusers might show attention to the child by talking to him/her, being friendly, sharing alcohol with a minor and giving the child status by insinuating that the child is their favorite or special person. Offenders can be patient and may groom their victim, his or her family, or community for years.

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/>

PSR News

Last Day of PSR! Our last day of PSR will be next Sunday, May 6. Stay tuned for details on our upcoming Vacation Bible School, which will be the evenings of July 15-19.

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!

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.



Reflection on the Readings

During this Easter season, we continue to look at the Sunday readings through the lens of the psalm verses and refrain. **Psalm 22, the responsorial psalm for this Sunday, is a perfect example of a lament psalm.** All the elements of lament are present: the cry to God, the complaint, description of the illness and the enemies, the expression of trust and the song of thanksgiving. **The psalm can be divided into four parts with two parts devoted to lament (verses 2-12 & 13-22) and two to thanksgiving (verses 23-27 & 28-32).**

The first verse is Jesus' cry from the cross in the passion narrative: "My God, My God, why have you abandoned me?" The psalm is used on Palm Sunday, and it is the common psalm for Holy Week. The only other time that the psalm is used in the Sunday lectionary cycles is on this Fifth Sunday of Easter in year B. **It seems paradoxical that the psalm is used for Holy Week as well as the Easter season but such is the nature of the Paschal reality we celebrate during these days.**

While the psalm refrain for Holy Week is the cry of Jesus from the cross, the refrain for Easter is: "I will praise you Lord in the assembly of your people." **In other words, the Easter season highlights the thanksgiving portions of the psalm, while Holy Week highlights the lament portions.** The verses selected for this Sunday all come from the thanksgiving portion of the psalm. **They constitute an individual's hymn of thanksgiving to God after having been delivered from distress.**

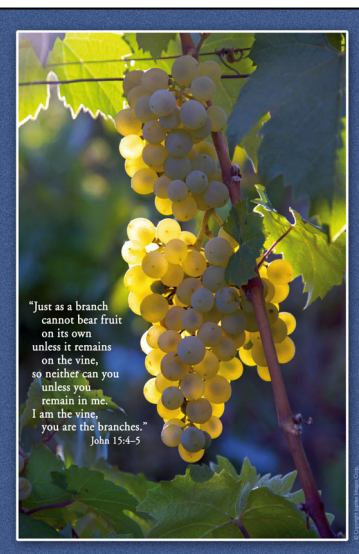
In verse 26, the one delivered fulfills the vow made to God, and does so in the midst of the believing assembly, encouraging them to thank God for God's wondrous deeds of deliverance. The encouragement to give thanks moves out from the circle of believers to all the ends of the earth and all the families of nations. God's bounty, providence and care knows no bounds, and leaves no one out. **Verse 30 widens the circle of God's blessedness to "all who sleep in the earth."** Even the dead bless and bow down to the Lord, acknowledging God's great marvels. The psalmist extends such acknowledgment and praise of God to include "my descendants," as well as the "coming generations" (verses 31-32). **These verses end with the exhortation to hand down to future generations the story of God's**

unbounded goodness and graciousness.

Psalm 22 underlies the passion narratives of the gospel, as well as the reality of the resurrection event. The early Christian community recognized Psalm 22 as an ideal way of understanding the suffering and resurrection victory of Jesus. **The community placed this psalm on Jesus' lips as the one experiencing both terrible suffering, (the Holy Week emphasis), as well as the victory over death resulting in jubilant thanksgiving, (the Easter emphasis).** The psalm's message is that, contrary to all evidence, the believer places total trust in God, and that trust is rewarded beyond imagining.

God does not abandon us in our struggle. With the psalmist and the whole community of faith, let us joyfully sing the psalm refrain, "I will praise you Lord, in the assembly of your people." **Like the vine and branches symbol in today's gospel from John, those united in trust and confidence with Jesus, bear rich fruit. The opening verse from the second reading from 1 John also challenges us to bear rich fruit: "Children, let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth."** May this Easter season be a source of new life in the Risen Christ, leading us to bear much fruit. **Allow the Risen Christ to be your source of joy, praise and thanksgiving to God for all the marvelous deeds that God has done for us.**

Biagio Mazza
Pastoral Associate



Readings



Bible Study

Sunday, April 29

1st Reading: Acts 9:26-31

Psalm: Psalm 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32 (26a)

2nd Reading: 1 John 3:18-24

Gospel: John 15:1-8

Sunday, May 6

1st Reading: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48

Psalm: Psalm 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 (2b)

2nd Reading: 1 John 4:7-10

Gospel: John 15:9-17

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 May 6 and 20 at 10:30am in the conference room.** All are welcome; bring a Bible. To register, call Biagio at 816-979-3153.



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Reflexión Sobre las Lecturas

Durante esta temporada de Pascua, seguiremos observando las lecturas dominicales a través del lente de los versos y el estribillo del Salmo. **El Salmo 21, el salmo responsorial para este domingo, es un ejemplo perfecto de un salmo de lamentación.** Todos los elementos de lamentación están presentes: el clamor a Dios, la queja, la descripción de la enfermedad y los enemigos, la expresión de confianza y el canto de acción de gracias. **El salmo se puede dividir en cuatro partes con dos partes dedicadas al lamento (versos 2-12 y 13-22) y dos a la acción de gracias (versos 23-27 y 28-32).**

El primer verso es el grito de Jesús desde la cruz en la narración de su pasión: "Dios mío, Dios mío, ¿por qué me has abandonado?" El salmo se usa el Domingo de Ramos, y es el salmo común de la Semana Santa. La única otra ocasión en que se usa el salmo en el ciclo leccionario dominical es el quinto domingo de Pascua en el año "B". **Parece paradójico que el salmo se use tanto para la Semana Santa como para la Pascua, pero tal es la naturaleza de la realidad Pascual que celebramos durante estos días.**

palabra; amemos de verdad y con las obras". Que esta temporada pascual sea una fuente de vida nueva en el Cristo resucitado, lo que nos lleva a dar mucho fruto. Permítame que el Cristo Resucitado sea su fuente de alegría, alabanza y acción de gracias a Dios por todas las acciones maravillosas que Dios ha hecho por nosotros.

Biagio Mazza,
Asociado Pastoral

Mientras que el estribillo de la Semana Santa es el grito de Jesús desde la cruz, el estribillo de la Pascua es: "El Señor es mi alabanza en la gran asamblea". En otras palabras, la temporada de Pascua resalta las porciones de acción de gracias del salmo, mientras que la Semana Santa resalta las porciones de lamentación. Los versos seleccionados para este domingo provienen de la porción de acción de gracias del salmo. **Constituyen un himno de acción de gracias a Dios de un individuo después de haber sido liberado de la angustia.**

En el verso 26, el entregado cumple el voto hecho a Dios, y lo hace entre la asamblea creyente, animándola a agradecer a Dios por las maravillosas obras de liberación de Dios. El estímulo para dar gracias se mueve desde el círculo de creyentes a todos los confines de la tierra y a todas las familias de las naciones. La bondad, la providencia y el cuidado de Dios no conocen límites, y no dejan a nadie afuera. **El verso 30 amplía el círculo de la bendición de Dios a "las cenizas de la tumba".** Incluso los muertos bendicen e inclinan ante el Señor, reconociendo las grandes maravillas de Dios. El salmista extiende tal reconocimiento y alabanza a Dios para incluir a "mi descendencia", así como a las "generación futura" (vv. 31-32). **Estos versos terminan con la exhortación de transmitir a las generaciones futuras la historia de la bondad y la gracia sin límites de Dios.**

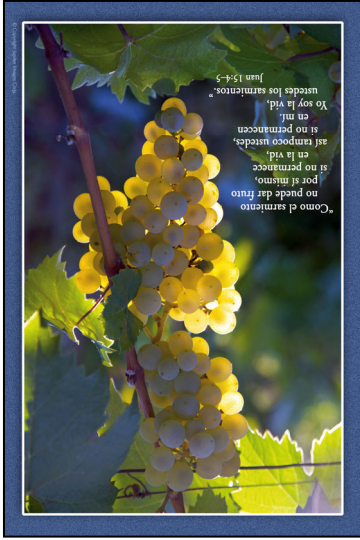
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Lecturas



Lecturas del Domingo, 29 de Abril
Primera Lectura: Hechos 9:26-31
Salmo: Salmo 21:26b-27, 28, y 30, 31-32
Segunda Lectura: 1 Juan 3:18-24
Evangelio: Juan 15:1-8

Lecturas del Domingo, 6 de Mayo
Primera Lectura: Hechos 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48
Salmo: Salmo 97:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4
Segunda Lectura: 1 Juan 4:7-10
Evangelio: Juan 15:9-17



Dios no nos abandona en nuestra lucha. Con el salmista y toda la comunidad de fe, cantemos con alegría el estribillo del salmo: "El Señor es mi alabanza en la gran asamblea". Como el símbolo de la vida y los sarmientos en el evangelio de hoy de Juan, aquellos unidos en confianza con Jesús, da frutos abundantes. El verso de apertura de la segunda lectura de 1 Juan también nos desafía a dar frutos abundantes: "Hijos míos: no amemos solamente de palabra; amemos de verdad y con las obras".

evangelio, así como a la realidad del evento de la resurrección. La comunidad cristiana primitiva reconoció el Salmo 21 como una forma ideal de entender el sufrimiento y la victoria de la resurrección de Jesús. La comunidad colocó este salmo en los labios de Jesús como aquel que experimenta tanto sufrimiento terrible (el énfasis de Semana Santa) como la victoria sobre la muerte que resulta en acción de gracias jubilosa (énfasis de Pascua). El mensaje del salmo es que, contrariamente a toda evidencia, el creyente confía totalmente en Dios, y esa confianza se recompensa más allá de lo imaginable.

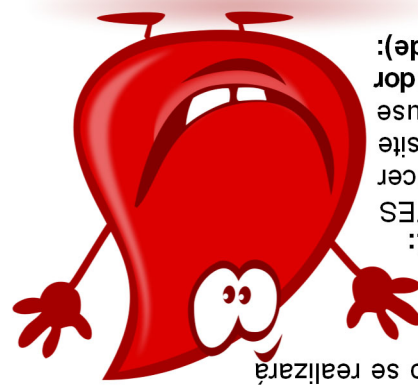
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 Último día de clases! El próximo domingo, 6 de mayo será el último domingo de clases. Próximamente más información sobre la Escuela Bíblica de Vacaciones, la cual se llevará a cabo en las tardes del 15-19 de julio.

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.

Platicas Pre-Bautismales - 12 de Mayo
 Normalmente cada segundo Sábado del mes de las 10am 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.
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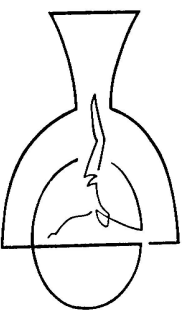
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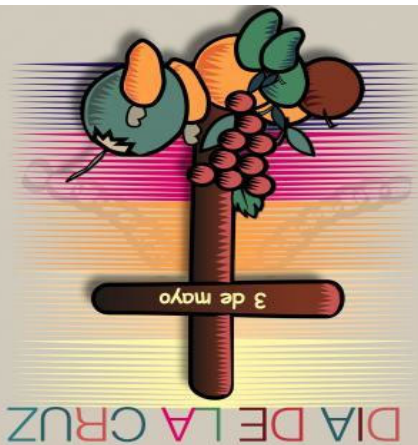
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