

Saint Sabina Catholic Church

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



Danielle and Fred Yonker at our Parish Auction on Friday, April 27. See more pictures from the photo booth and auction on our Facebook page or website!

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. **PLEASE TURN IN YOUR**

APPLICATIONS THIS WEEKEND. They can be emailed to bridget@stsabinaparish.org. 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!

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.

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Mass Intentions for the Week

Intentions for May 7-11, 2018

Mon.	Communion Service
Tues.	6pm †Jacob Gleason
Wed.	10am †Esther Robertson (Redwood of Raymore)
Thurs.	8am †Felix Suwito
	†Theo Suwito
Fri.	8am Intentions of Melissa Frerking

Saturday, May 12, 2018

4:00pm	†Bill Dane
	†Olive Kasper

Sunday, May 13, 2018

8:00am	Intentions of the Parish Family
10:30am	†Carrie Carollo
12:30pm Spanish	†Elba Benitez Jaimes
	†Jose Cervantes Martinez

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

†**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

†**Pat Ninci**, sister of Karen Tierney

†**Robert Baldwin**, father of Tom Baldwin



Calendar/Parish Happenings

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

Monday, May 7 - Lunes, 7 de Mayo

- 7:00pm Boy Scouts/Cub Scouts
- 7:00pm Talleres de Oración y Vida

Tuesday, May 8 - Martes, 8 de Mayo

- 7:00pm ESL/Inglés Como Segunda Lengua
- 7:00pm Living Stones
- 7:00pm Green Team Meeting
- 7:00pm Ladies Auxiliary Meeting
- 7:00pm Pequeñas Comunidades Cristianas

Wednesday, May 9 - Miércoles, 9 de Mayo

- 9:00am Legion of Mary
- 10:00am Mass at Redwood of Raymore
- 7:00pm Choir Practice (4:00 & 10:30 groups)
- 7:00pm Love Thy Neighbor Meeting
- 7:00pm Formation Offering: The Resurrection Narratives

Thursday, May 10 - Jueves, 10 de Mayo

- 6:55am High School Youth Prayer Breakfast
- 9:30am Quilters
- 10:00am Formation Offering: The Resurrection Narratives
- 7:00pm Baptism Prep
- 8:00pm Choir Practice (8:00 group)

Friday, May 11 - Viernes, 11 de Mayo

- 6:00pm Wedding Rehearsal: Hanson-Cartagena

Saturday, May 12 - Sábado, 12 de Mayo

- Knights Baby Bottle Campaign
- Helping Hands Work Day
- 10:00am Platicas pre-bautismales
- 1:00pm Wedding: Hanson-Cartagena
- 3:00pm Confessions

Sunday, May 13 - Domingo, 13 de Mayo

- Ascension Sunday/Mother's Day
- Knights Baby Bottle Campaign
- 11:00am Ensayo del Coro Hispano
- 2:00pm Concierto—Día de las Madres

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.

Life Line Screenings - Jun 15

Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings will be in our community on **Friday, June 15, 2018** at St Sabina Catholic Church. Ultrasound screenings to identify risk factors for Cardiovascular disease include; **Carotid Artery** (plaque buildup—a leading cause of stroke), **Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm** (an enlargement or weak area in the main blood vessel that carries blood from the heart to the rest of the body), **Peripheral Arterial Disease** (hardening of the arteries in the legs), a **Heart Rhythm Screening** (an EKG to detect Atrial Fibrillation—irregular heartbeat) and an **Osteoporosis Risk Assessment** for men and women. Being proactive about your health by knowing your risks helps you and your doctor address problems early. **Register online TODAY at www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle and receive your "Community Circle" discount and your Preferred Appointment!**

Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass

A Mass honoring all couples in the diocese celebrating 50 years of marriage in the year 2018 will be celebrated by Bishop Johnston at **2:00pm on Sunday, June 10** at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, located at 11th and Broadway, downtown. The liturgy will be followed with a dessert reception at the Catholic Center, 20 W 9th St, KCMO. This celebration will include all couples who have celebrated or will be celebrating their Golden Wedding Anniversary between January 1, 2018 and December 31, 2018. If you were married in 1968, please call Kris in the parish office at 816-979-3151 so that you can be acknowledged. You can be acknowledged even if you cannot attend this special Mass. Couples celebrating their 50th anniversary are listed below. If you are celebrating your 50th anniversary in 2018 and your name is not listed, please contact the parish office so we can correct our records.

Victor and Rosita Reyes	May 25, 1968
Philip and Joyce Brokaw	June 8, 1968
Terry and Mary Eppert	December 21, 1968



Parish Happenings/Information

New DACA Information

Last week, another federal judge ruled that Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) protections must stay in place and that the government must resume accepting new applications. Judge John D. Bates of Federal District Court for the District of Columbia said that the administration's decision to terminate the program, DACA, was based on the "virtually unexplained" grounds that the program was "unlawful." The judge stayed his decision for 90 days and gave the Department of Homeland Security, which administers the program, the opportunity to better explain its reasoning for canceling it. If the department fails to do so, it "must accept and process new as well as renewal DACA applications."

During the 90 days, the Secretary of Homeland Security or her delegate may reissue a memorandum rescinding DACA, this time providing a fuller explanation for the determination that the program lacks statutory and constitutional authority. Should the Department fail to issue such a memorandum within 90 days, however, the previous decision to end DACA known as the "Rescission Memo" will be vacated in its entirety, and the original DACA program will be restored in full. This means, among other things, that the agency will be required to resume accepting initial DACA applications and applications for advanced parole.

What Does This Ruling Mean?

- The judge believes the administration did not have grounds to end DACA;
- He ruled that not only should USCIS accept renewals but also new applications and advance parole applications.

What Is This About A 90 Day Stay? I am a New DACA Applicant, May I Apply Now?

- The judge is putting his decision on hold for 90 days;
- The judge is giving DHS 90 days from April 24 to give an explanation for cancelling the program;
- New applications and advance parole applications should not be sent until the judge says so in 90 days.

What Happens In 90 Days?

- If DHS does not give a better reason for cancelling the program or DHS does not respond, then the judge's order will go into effect.
- New applications and advance parole applications should not be sent until the judge says so in 90 days.
- It is not clear what happens if DHS responds and gives a good reason for cancelling the program.

**I am a renewal applicant for DACA, can I apply?
YES!**

Here's a reminder on renewals:

- Individuals who were previously granted deferred action under DACA may request a renewal with the appropriate fee or approved fee exemption request.
- If you previously received DACA and your DACA expired on or after Sept. 5, 2016, you may still file your DACA request as a renewal request.
- If you previously received DACA and your DACA expired before Sept. 5, 2016, or your DACA was previously terminated at any time, you cannot request DACA as a renewal but may nonetheless file a new initial DACA request in accordance with instructions. Please list the date your prior DACA expired or was terminated on Part 1 of the Form I-821D, if available.
- USCIS at this time is not accepting requests from individuals who have never before been granted deferred action under DACA.
- USCIS at this time will not accept or approve advance parole requests from DACA recipients.

I Never Applied For DACA But I Am Eligible, What Should I Do?

- Do not send anything to USCIS if you are a new applicant for DACA. At the present time USCIS is not accepting DACA applications from people who have not applied for DACA previously.
- Talk to a lawyer or BIA accredited Representative;
- Begin gathering eligibility information: See here <https://www.ilrc.org/what-documents-will-i-need-apply-daca>
- Check back in 90 days to see if you can apply as a new applicant.

I Want To Travel, May I Apply for Advance Parole?

- Not at this time;
- Do Not Travel outside the United States;
- USCIS at this time will not accept or approve advance parole requests from DACA recipients.
- Wait 90 days and then check with a lawyer before sending an application for advance parole or traveling.

**DACA recipients:
Please read!**

Information

Happy Anniversary

Frank and Helen Barberis	57 Years!	5/13/1961
Ted and Sandy Fiocati	57 Years!	5/13/1961
Michael and Karen Tierney	31 Years!	5/9/1987
Doug and Pauline Pritchett	29 Years!	5/13/1989
Nicholas and Sheila Biondo	26 Years!	5/9/1992
Doug and Pamela Thurman	26 Years!	5/9/1992
Robert and Jamie Shipley	13 Years!	5/13/2005
Matthew and Erhren Mittsdarffer	9 Years!	5/9/2009
Luis Rojas and Patricia Gomez	8 Years!	5/8/2010
Jack and Melissa Bondon	7 Years!	5/7/2011
Werner Ramirez and Martha Garzon	7 Years!	5/7/2011

Blood Drive—May 20

Blood is a precious commodity with a limited shelf life. Red blood cells must be used within 42 days. Platelets must be used within five days. Plasma can be frozen and stored for up to one year.

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 mgdailey123@yahoo.com.

Keeping College Youth Connected to the Church

Do you have a child, grandchild, niece, nephew, friend etc. who is going to college this fall? College is often a difficult time for young Catholic students who do not meet and socialize with other likeminded Catholics. The **Newman Connection Project** is designed to help young men and women who are leaving home for the first time to meet people with similar beliefs and principles. It is endorsed by Bishop James V. Johnston. All we need from you is the **Student's Name, University or College Name** and **City/State** the student will attend. The Serra Club of Southeast Kansas City, MO is promoting this program. Contact Homer Radford at 816-560-2992 or email to hradford2@comcast.net with questions or ask for assistance. Newman Connection teams will help your student(s) keep connected with their faith!

Kansas City Catholic Homeschool Conference

Registration is now open for the 2018 Kansas City Catholic Homeschool Conference. The Conference will take place on Friday, June 1st & Saturday, June 2nd, 2018 at The Church of the Ascension, Overland Park, KS. Please visit our website to see a list of speakers and to register today. Early registration lasts through May 11, 2018. <http://kccatholichomeschooler.org>.

Knights of Columbus Baby Bottle Campaign

The Knights of Columbus Baby Bottle Campaign is a drive to collect funds to support culture of life initiatives at a local level. So what does the baby bottle do? Your pocket change for two weeks, placed into the baby bottle, goes towards the purchase of an ultrasound machine. These machines are purchased for alternatives to abortion clinics who will provide free pregnancy ultrasounds, encouraging pregnant women to choose alternatives to abortion. The Knights of Columbus will be passing out baby bottles next weekend and encourage you to take one home, fill it with change and bring it back on the weekend of May 26 and 27. Thank you!



happy birthday

Tonanci Aguilera	Javier Grado	Jean Rieder
Maria Anderson	Sheila Hamilton	Joselyn Rivera
Anita Armstrong	Jeffery Hartnett	Rodolfo Rivero
Juan Ayala	Kala Hille	Elijah Rodriguez
Angel Barajas	Raymond Huffman	Isabella Rugerio
Zachary Brown	Claire Humke	Mark Scali
Alden Caldwell	Patrick Jacobs	Emily Simms
Jose Cartagena	Veronica Jaimes	Scott Theobald
Luis Castillo	Jadyn Knoll	Eric Torres
Deborah Catron	Mikayla Laughlin	Nicolasa Trejo
Juan Chavez	Sofia Leynez	Rosalie Urrutia
Samantha Como	Michael Madrigal	Maria Varela
Samantha Cretel	Diego Mancha	Ann Vargas
Teresa Davis	Austin McGuire	Silvano Vargas
Gary Dean	Wendy Miranda	Alejandro Vergara
Michael Eastham	Sadie Mitsdarffer	Diego Villegas
Katherine Fields	Maria Moreno	Josephine Walter
Juanita Franco	Keaton Niemeyer	Steve Wasleski
Irene French	Esai Oquendo	Christine Watkins
Jennifer Fuller	Ellen Pauley	Hudson Weeks
Sherri Gallick	Juan Perez	Sarah Wheeler
Ismael Garcia	Maricela Pinon	Linda Whitsell
Leilany Garcia	Alberta Priewe	Kathleen Wilson
Stephanie Gonzalez	Arsenio Ramirez	Mildred Wolfe
Santiago Gonzalez	Rene Ramos	Karen Wooldridge
Mary Goswell	Brandon Rayos	

Altar Society Sale This Weekend!

The Altar Society will be selling Religious Articles after all Masses on the weekend of May 5th and 6th. Stop by and select an inspirational gift for Mother's Day. Cash, check and credit card are accepted. All proceeds benefit St. Sabina Parish.



Pastoral Care

Nursing Home Mass Schedule

May 9	10:00am	Redwood of Raymore
May 16	10:00am	Foxwood Springs
May 23	11:00am	Carnegie Village

Prayer Requests/Peticiones de Oración

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

Beginning Experience Weekend: June 22-24

A Weekend Away for a Lifetime of Change: Serving the Widowed, Separated and Divorced who are suffering the loss of a love relationship and may feel uneasy around married friends, unsure of themselves and uncertain about their futures. BE helps grieving persons focus on their experience, deal with the natural grief process and offers an opportunity to turn the pain of loss into an experience of positive growth emerging from the darkness of grief into the light of a new beginning. The next Beginning Experience Weekend is June 22-24, at Precious Blood Center, 2140 St Gaspar Way, Liberty, 64068. For more information visit: www.beginningexperiencekc.org, email: register.bekc@gmail.com, or contact Lori 913.980.7966.

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

Sunday Catholic Mass Online

Heart of the Nation televises Sunday Catholic Mass on KMCI channel 38 ("The Spot") at 7:00am on Sundays. Please share this with friends or family members who are unable to get to church because of age, illness, or other struggles.

Wellness Center

Did you know the latest research shows exercise is one of the best things you can do for your brain? Cognitive decline is not inevitable, the brain continually makes new neurons and fine-tunes neural connections throughout life. Aerobic exercise jumpstarts that process. "It reduces the level of brain loss and keeps cognitive abilities sharp," says John Medina, affiliate professor of bioengineering at the University of Washington School of Medicine and author of Brain Rules. "It also slashes your lifetime risk of Alzheimer's in half and your risk of general dementia by 60 percent."

Exercise boosts the flow of blood to the brain spurring the release of brain-derived neurotrophic factor (BDNF). This chemical stimulates the formation of new neurons in the hippocampus, the area involved in memory, learning and the ability to plan and make decisions. BDNF also repairs cell damage and strengthens synapses, which connect brain cells. Doctors who specialize in the aging brain say that dementia is not inevitable, even in very old age. A growing number of studies are showing that a regimen of good nutrition, physical exercise, and mental stimulation plays a major role in preventing Alzheimer's and other types of dementia.

In general, anything that is good for your heart is great for your brain. Join us and let's exercise your brain and heart!!!

Annual Health Assessments- We look forward to seeing you for your Annual Health Assessment. Call or stop in to schedule your appointment, 816 979-3090. St. Sabina Wellness Center is open Mon-Fri 8:30am to 4:30pm for appointments.



Stewardship

"When Peter entered, Cornelius met him and, falling at his feet, paid him homage. Peter, however, raised him up, saying, 'Get up. I myself am also a human being.' Then Peter proceeded to speak and said, 'In truth, I see that God shows no partiality. Rather, in every nation whoever fears him and acts uprightly is acceptable to him.'"

Acts 10: 25-26, 34-35

The First Reading from Acts begins with Cornelius falling at Peter's feet. Peter lifts him up and says, "In truth, I see that God shows no partiality. Rather, in every nation whoever fears him and acts uprightly is acceptable to him." Cornelius was likely the inspiration for that statement. St. Cornelius is a significant person in the Acts of the Apostles. A documented centurion in the Cohors Italia, he is considered by most Bible researchers as being one of the first Gentiles converted to Christianity. The message, however, applies to all of us, as most of us are indeed Gentiles. It is made clear that Cornelius was a holy and generous man. However, he did not receive the Holy Spirit until he had heard the Gospel from Peter and responded to it. That is what each of us is called to do as well. If we allow the Lord to be an important part of our lives, God will do everything for those who are willing to receive Him. — See more at www.catholicsteward.com/blog/

*** 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.

Thank you from Catholic Charities

Dear Parishioners,

Your recent donation of \$2,335.77 to the Catholic Charities Emergency Assistance Appeal means that you understand just how valuable it is to provide hope to those who have little reason to hope. Although the basics of life may seem small, you know that they are not. That's why you gave, and why we and the people we serve are full of gratitude for your generosity. Donors like you make emergency assistance to those in crisis possible. You allow us to assist them on their journey as they work their way out of crisis toward stability. God bless,

Susan Walker, Executive Director, Catholic Charities Foundation of Kansas City-St. Joseph.

Thank You David and Laura Pierce

A huge thank you to David and Laura Pierce, who chaired our parish auction again this year. We greatly appreciate all of the time and energy you put into making the auction a success!

Green Team Tip of the Week

Meet monthly with others to discuss various environmental and green topics with Green Drinks KC. Learn more on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/Green-Drinks-KC-290766664679184/>

Contributions for April 29

Envelopes/Sobres:	\$10,074.28
Plate/Canasta:	\$ 731.06
Maintenance-Upkeep:	\$ 342.00

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

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.



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.

PSR News

Last Day of PSR! This is our last week of PSR. Have a great summer and we'll see you at VBS!

Vacation Bible School is coming in July! Volunteer and children's registrations will be available in the back of church and on the parish website. Our theme this year is Shipwrecked! Rescued by Jesus! All creative people who want to help create a desert island in the Parish Hall should contact Kirstie Roberts in the Youth Office. This week of fun and discovery will be July 15th through the 19th from 5:30pm to 8:30pm.

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.



Family Bowling Night

The Parents Lounge wants to invite all families of the parish to join in for a family night out at Aaron's Family Fun Center in Belton on Friday, May 11th at 6pm. It will be at a reduced rate and it's a great chance to get out and do something as a family. We hope you can make it!!

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/>



Congratulations to those who received their first communion on Sunday, April 22!



Reflection on the Readings

The Easter season is rich in its use of the psalms to sing and celebrate the risen presence of Jesus in the world. This Sunday's responsorial Psalm 98 is a song celebrating God as king over all creation. The psalm context is the sung temple liturgy in which the assembly is invited to sing a new song to the Lord who has done marvelous deeds on behalf of the people. God is imaged as the warrior king who has kept promises made long ago, and has come to the people's rescue with a strong right hand and a mighty outstretched arm. The refrain focuses the psalm: "The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power."

The verses chosen for this Sunday emphasize the witnessing by all of God's saving actions. This is the reason for a new song. God has kept the covenant promises, caring for the people before the eyes of all nations. God's covenant love (hesed) and the faithfulness (emunah) characterize God's relationship to the people. This new victory witnessed by all is a source of blessing to Israel and through Israel, to all the nations. These select verses twice summon the assembly to praise God by singing exuberantly a new song.

What is the essence of this new song to God? The psalm clues us in and the other readings expand on it, namely that God is the God of all, and that God's mighty deeds are for all people. We realize, along with Israel, that God's plan of salvation extends beyond the boundaries of any particular group of people to include all.

Peter, in the reading from Acts, is astounded at seeing the Spirit come down upon Gentiles. In dealing with Cornelius, the Gentile Roman centurion, Peter, the Jew, comes to the insight that "in truth, I see that God shows no partiality." This awesome statement made by Peter should be the mantra of every group who proffers their own religious worldview at the expense of another.

Vatican II expresses this insight well when it states that God has a universal will and desire to save all people, and God will figure out ways to do that. Our concern should focus on working out our own salvation wherever we are planted. Both Cornelius and Peter have a

right to sing a new song to the Lord, for the marvelous deeds God's has done.

Both the second reading from 1 John and the gospel reading from John focus on the love of God, vividly expressed in Jesus. Jesus came to show us how to love so that we might have life to the full and joy that is total. Jesus compares his love for us with God's love for him. In other words, God's love shows no partiality and neither should ours. God's love breaks down boundaries, calls us friends, puts Gentiles on the same level as Jews, treats Catholics and Protestants alike, affirms that Jews, Christians and Muslims worship the same God, and so on.

The modeling that Jesus offers in being willing to lay down his life so that boundaries might be torn down becomes our baptismal call. God's love manifested in Jesus transforms and challenges us to model ourselves on that love. Our vocation is to eliminate all that divides and separates, inviting all to the table and treating all with equal dignity and respect. The Christian community is one where loving inclusivity is the hallmark of its lived reality.

Today, let us commit ourselves to such loving inclusivity. Let us measure all that we do and say, including our participation in our political system on behalf of the poor, the powerless, the immigrant and the stranger, with this primary gospel criteria. This week strive to be more inclusive in both words and actions.

Biagio Mazza
Pastoral Associate



Readings



Bible Study

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

Sunday, May 13

1st Reading: Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26

Psalm: Psalm 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20 (19a)

2nd Reading: 1 John 4:11-16

Gospel: John 17:11b-19

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

La temporada de Pascua es rica en el uso de los salmos para cantar y celebrar la presencia resucitada de Jesús en el mundo. El Salmo responsorial 97 de este domingo es una canción que celebra a Dios como rey sobre toda la creación. El contexto del salmo es la liturgia cantada del templo en el cual se invita a la asamblea a cantar una nueva canción al Señor que ha hecho obras maravillosas en nombre del pueblo. Dios es representado como el rey guerrero que ha cumplido las promesas hechas hace mucho tiempo, y ha venido al rescate del pueblo con una mano derecha fuerte y un brazo extendido y poderoso. **El estribillo centra el salmo: "El Señor ha revelado a las naciones su salvación".**

Los versos elegidos para este domingo enfatizan el testimonio de todos de las acciones de salvación de Dios. Esta es la razón de una nueva canción. Dios ha guardado las promesas del pacto, cuidando a la gente ante los ojos de todas las naciones. El amor del pacto de Dios (hesed) y la fidelidad (emunah) caracterizan la relación de Dios con la gente. Esta nueva victoria atestiguada por todos es una fuente de bendición para Israel y a través de Israel, para todas las naciones. **Estos versos selectos convocan dos veces a la asamblea para alabar a Dios cantando exuberantemente una nueva canción.**

¿Cuál es la esencia de esta nueva canción para Dios? **El salmo nos da pistas y las otras lecturas las amplían, es decir, que Dios es el Dios de todos, y que las obras poderosas de Dios son para todas las personas. Nos damos cuenta, junto con Israel, que el plan de salvación de Dios se extiende más allá de los límites de cualquier grupo particular de personas para incluir a todos.**

Pedro, en la lectura de los Hechos, se asombra al ver que el Espíritu descendió sobre los gentiles. Al tratar con Cornelio, el centurión romano gentil, Pedro, el judío, llega a la conclusión de que "ahora caigo en la cuenta de que Dios no hace distinción de personas". Esta asombrosa declaración hecha por Pedro debería ser el mantra de cada grupo que ofrece su propio cosmovisión religiosa a expensas de otro.

El Vaticano II expresa bien esta idea cuando afirma que Dios tiene una voluntad y un deseo universal de salvar a todas las personas, y Dios descubrirá maneras de hacerlo. Nuestra preocupación debe enfocarse en encontrar nuestra propia salvación donde sea que estemos plantados. Tanto Cornelio como

Pedro tienen derecho a cantar una nueva canción al Señor, por las obras maravillosas que Dios hizo.

Tanto la segunda lectura de 1 Juan como la lectura del evangelio de Juan se centran en el amor de Dios, expresado vívidamente en Jesús. Jesús vino a mostrarnos cómo amar para que podamos tener vida plena y alegría total. Jesús compara su amor por nosotros con el amor de Dios por él. En otras palabras, el amor de Dios no muestra parcialidad y tampoco debería el nuestro. **El amor de Dios rompe fronteras, nos llama amigos, pone a los gentiles al mismo nivel que los judíos, trata tanto a los católicos como a los protestantes, afirma que los judíos, los cristianos y los musulmanes adoran al mismo Dios, y así sucesivamente.**

El modelo que Jesús ofrece al estar dispuesto a dar su vida para que se puedan derribar los límites, se convierte en nuestro llamado bautismal. El amor de Dios manifestado en Jesús nos transforma y nos desafía a modelarnos en ese amor. Nuestra vocación es eliminar todo lo que divide y separa, invitando a todos a la mesa y tratando a todos con igual dignidad y respeto. **La comunidad cristiana es una en que la inclusividad amorosa es el sello distintivo de su realidad vivida.**

Hoy, comprometámonos a esa inclusividad amorosa. Midamos todo lo que hacemos y decimos, incluida nuestra participación en nuestro sistema político en nombre de los pobres, los impotentes, los inmigrantes y los extranjeros, con este criterio primario del Evangelio. **Esta semana luche por ser más inclusivo tanto en palabras como en acciones.**

**Biagio Mazza,
Asociado Pastoral**

Lecturas



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

Lecturas del Domingo, 13 de Mayo

Primera Lectura: Hechos 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26

Salmo: Salmo 102:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab

Segunda Lectura: 1 Juan 4:11-16

Evangelio: Juan 17:11b-19

Noticias de la Escuela de Religión!

Ultimo día de clases! Hoy es el ultimo 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.

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.**

Evento de Donación de Sangre—20 de Mayo

La sangre es un bien precioso con una vida útil limitada. Los glóbulos rojos deben usarse dentro de los 42 días. Las plaquetas deben usarse dentro de los cinco días. El plasma se puede congelar y almacenar hasta por un año.

Comparta su regalo de vida con los pacientes de hospitales locales que lo necesiten mediante el próximo evento de donación de sangre del Community Blood Center. El evento se realizará en el gimnasio el domingo, 20 de mayo, de 8am. A 1pm. **IMPORTANTE:** HABRAN INTERPRETES DE ESPAÑOL! Para hacer una cita en línea, visite esavealifenow.org y use el código de patrocinador (Sponsor code): saintsabina.

Campaña de Biberones

La Campaña de Biberones de los Caballeros de Colón es una colecta para recaudar fondos para apoyar a las iniciativas de una cultura de vida a nivel local. Entonces, ¿qué hace el biberón? El cambio de su bolsillo durante dos semanas, colocado en el biberón, se destina a la compra de una máquina de ultrasonido. Estas máquinas se compran para clínicas de alternativas al aborto que proporcionarán ultrasonidos de embarazo gratuitos, alentando a las mujeres embarazadas a elegir alternativas al aborto. Los Caballeros de Colón repartirán biberones el próximo fin de semana y le invitan a que se lleve uno a casa, lo llene con cambio y lo traiga de nuevo el fin de semana del 26 y 27 de mayo. ¡Gracias!

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

Oportunidades para Voluntarios

Uplift Org. Si le gustaría llevar comida a las personas sin hogar en el 4° o 5° 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 4° 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 28 de mayo.

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 16 de mayo. Contacte a Berenice Zayas en la oficina parroquial para más información. 816-979-3150.



Nueva información de DACA

La semana pasada, otro juez federal dictaminó que las medidas de la Acción Diferida (DACA, por sus siglas en inglés) deben permanecer vigentes y que el gobierno debe reanudar la aceptación de nuevas solicitudes. El juez John D. Bates del Tribunal Federal de Distrito para el Distrito de Columbia dijo que la decisión de la administración de dar por terminado el programa, DACA, se basó en motivos "virtualmente inexplicables" de que el programa era "ilegal". El juez suspendió su decisión por 90 días y le dio al Departamento de Seguridad Nacional (DHS), que administra el programa, la oportunidad de explicar mejor su razonamiento para cancelarlo. Si el departamento no lo hace, debe "aceptar y procesar nuevas aplicaciones y renovaciones de DACA".

Durante los 90 días, la Secretaria de Seguridad Nacional o su delegado pueden volver a emitir un memorando que rescinde DACA, esta vez proporcionando una explicación más completa para la determinación de que el programa carece de autoridad legal y constitucional. En caso de que el Departamento no emita dicho memorando dentro de los 90 días, sin embargo, la decisión anterior de finalizar DACA, conocida como el "Memo de Rescisión" quedará vacante en su totalidad, y el programa original de DACA será restaurado en su totalidad. Esto significa, entre otras cosas, que se requerirá que la agencia reanude la aceptación de solicitudes iniciales de DACA y solicitudes anticipadas de libertad condicional (advanced parole).

¿Qué significa este dictamen?

- El juez cree que la administración no tenía motivos para terminar con DACA;
- Decidió que no solo el USCIS debería aceptar renovaciones, sino también nuevas aplicaciones y solicitudes anticipadas de libertad condicional.

¿De qué se trata esto de una suspensión de 90 días? Soy un nuevo solicitante de DACA, ¿puedo solicitar ahora?

- El juez suspendió su decisión por 90 días;
- El juez le está dando al DHS 90 días desde el 24 de abril para dar una explicación para cancelar el programa;
- Las solicitudes nuevas y las solicitudes anticipadas de libertad condicional no se deben enviar hasta que el juez lo indique en 90 días.

¿Qué sucede en 90 días?

- Si el DHS no da una razón mejor para cancelar el programa o el DHS no responde, entonces la orden del juez entrará en vigencia.
- Las solicitudes nuevas y las solicitudes anticipadas de libertad condicional no se deben enviar hasta

que el juez lo indique en 90 días.

- No está claro qué sucede si el DHS responde y da una buena razón para cancelar el programa.

Soy un solicitante de renovación de DACA, ¿puedo presentar una solicitud?

¡Sí!

Aquí hay un recordatorio sobre renovaciones:

- Las personas a las que previamente se les otorgó acción diferida bajo DACA pueden solicitar una renovación con la tarifa correspondiente o la solicitud de exención de tarifa aprobada.
- Si recibió DACA anteriormente y su DACA se venció el 5 de septiembre de 2016 o después, aún puede presentar su solicitud de DACA como una solicitud de renovación.
- Si recibió DACA anteriormente y su DACA se venció antes del 5 de septiembre de 2016, o su DACA fue cancelada previamente en cualquier momento, no puede solicitar DACA como una renovación, pero aún así puede presentar una nueva solicitud inicial de DACA de acuerdo con las instrucciones. Indique la fecha en que expiró su DACA anterior o en que fue cancelada en la Parte 1 del Formulario I-821D, si está disponible.
- En este momento, USCIS no está aceptando solicitudes de individuos que nunca antes habían recibido una acción diferida bajo DACA.
- En este momento, USCIS no aceptará ni aprobará las solicitudes anticipadas de libertad condicional de los beneficiarios de DACA.

Nunca solicité DACA pero soy elegible, ¿qué debo hacer?

- No envíe nada a USCIS si es un nuevo solicitante de DACA. En este momento, USCIS no acepta solicitudes de DACA de personas que no han solicitado DACA previamente.
- Hable con un abogado o un representante acreditado por BIA;
- Comience a recopilar información de elegibilidad: consulte aquí <https://www.ilrc.org/what-documents-will-i-need-apply-daca>
- Consulte con un abogado en 90 días para ver si puede postularse como nuevo solicitante.

Quiero viajar, ¿puedo solicitar la libertad condicional anticipada?

- No en este momento;
- No viaje fuera de los Estados Unidos;
- USCIS en este momento no aceptará ni aprobará las solicitudes anticipadas de libertad condicional de los beneficiarios de DACA.
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Sexto Domingo de Pascua

6 de Mayo del 2018