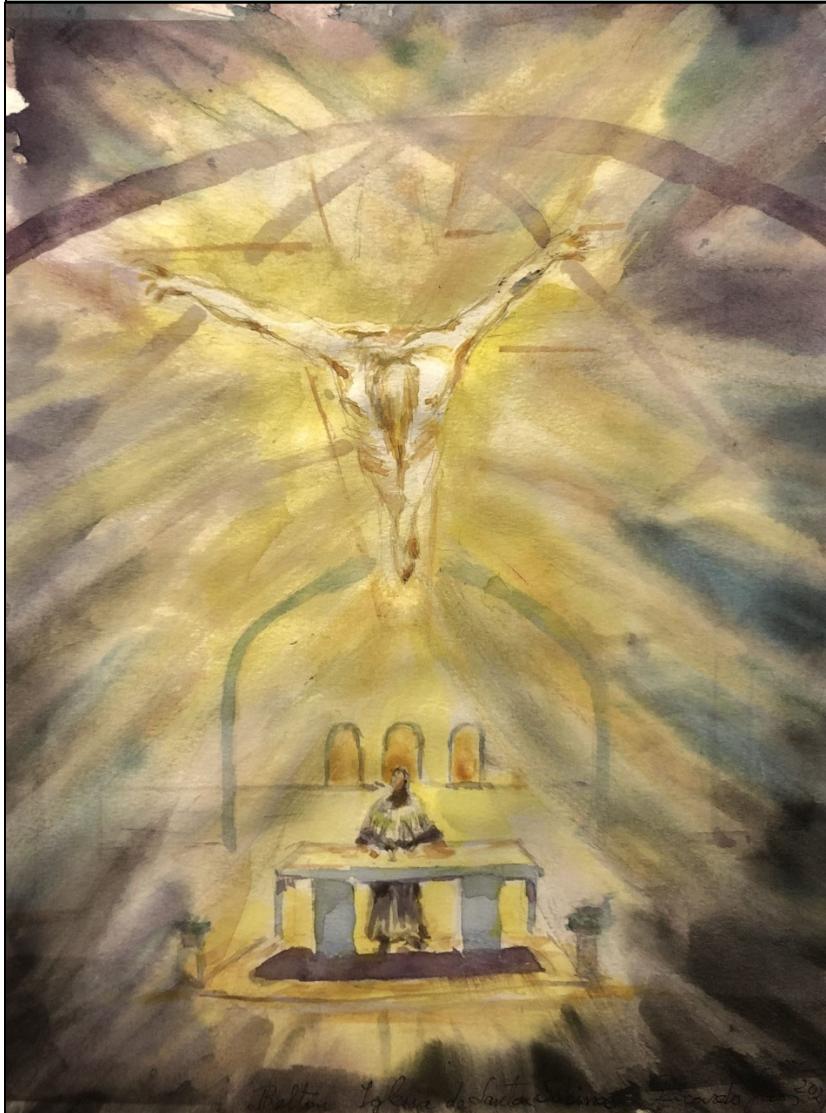


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Thank you to Ricardo Laos, uncle of parishioner Kathy Sotomayor, who has gifted us with another piece that he has created of our parish!

¡Gracias a Ricardo Laos, tío de la feligresa Kathy Sotomayor, quien nos ha regalado otra pieza que ha creado de nuestra parroquia!

Mass Times

In Person: Saturdays at 4pm (English)
Sundays at 8am and 10:30am (English)
Sundays at 12:30pm (Spanish)

Online: Saturdays at 4pm (Facebook-live)
Posted to website immediately after
Sundays at 8am (Facebook-live)
Posted to website immediately after
Sundays at 12:30pm (Spanish-Facebook-live)
Posted to website immediately after

Horarios de Misa

En persona: Sábados a las 4pm (inglés)
Domingos a las 8am y 10:30am (inglés)
Domingos a las 12:30pm (español)

En línea: Sábados a las 4pm (inglés-Facebook-en vivo)
Publicado en nuestro sitio web inmediatamente después
Domingos a las 8am (inglés-Facebook-en vivo)
Publicado en nuestro sitio web inmediatamente después
Domingos a las 12:30pm (español-Facebook-en vivo)
Publicado en nuestro sitio web inmediatamente después

Hearing Assistance Available

Asistencia auditiva a su disposición
Aide à l'audition



This facility is equipped with a hearing assistance system.
Please ask for a receiver.

Este establecimiento está equipado con un sistema de asistencia auditiva. Por favor solicite un receptor.

Cet établissement est équipé d'un système d'aide à l'audition. S'il vous plaît demandez un récepteur.



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Mass Intentions for the Week Peticiones de la Semana

Intentions for June 15-18, 2021

Tues.	11am	Open
Wed.	8am	Open
Thur.	8am	†Cecilia Imming
Fri.	8am	Open

Saturday, June 19, 2021

4:00pm †Barbara and Jean Coomer
 †Bill Maedge
 †Nancy Ruffini

Sunday, June 20, 2021

8:00am †Darrell Littler
 Intentions of Our Parish Family
 10:30am †Martha Velazquez Calix
 12:30pm Spanish †Jacinto Garcia
 †Emilio Placencia Lopez
 †Rutilio Candia

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

†**Ramona Jaimes Garcia**, abuela de Ramona y Evelinda Benitez Jaimes

†**Carmitia Yust**, wife of Ray Yust

†**Nancy Ruffini**, mother of Andy, Alec, Jamie Ruffini and Kirstie Roberts

†**Gilberto Gutierrez**, esposo de Eva Hernandez de Gutierrez, padre de Crystal, Gabriella y Gilberto Gutierrez

†**Bobby Brown**, mother of Joyce Greenstreet, Bob, Jane and Jim Brown, grandmother of Hannah Coover, Abbi and Zach Brown



Parish Information—Información Parroquial

Sunday, June 13 - Domingo, 13 de Junio

- 11:00am Ensayo del Coro Hispano
 1:00pm Second Dose Vaccine Clinic
 Clínica de la Segunda Dosis de la Vacuna
 5:30pm Vacation Bible School/Escuela Bíblica

Monday, June 14 - Lunes, 14 de Junio

- 5:30pm Vacation Bible School/Escuela Bíblica
 7:00pm Boy Scouts

Tuesday, June 15 - Martes, 15 de Junio

- 5:30pm Vacation Bible School/Escuela Bíblica

Wednesday, June 16 - Miércoles, 16 de Junio

- 5:30pm Vacation Bible School/Escuela Bíblica
 6:30pm Weekly Rosary
 7:00pm Knights Installation of Officers

Thursday, June 17 - Jueves, 17 de Junio

- 9:30am Piecemakers Quilt Group
 5:30pm Vacation Bible School/Escuela Bíblica
 8:00pm Choir Rehearsal (8:00 group)

Friday, June 18 - Viernes, 18 de Junio

- 5:00pm Ensayo de Quince Años: Emily Ramirez

Saturday, June 19 - Sábado, 19 de Junio

- 1:00pm Quince Años: Emily Ramirez

Sunday, June 20 - Domingo, 20 de Junio

- 11:00am Ensayo del Coro Hispano

happy birthday

Douglas Ambrose
 Stephanie Arroyo
 Thomas Breier
 Jim Burdick
 Maurice Burgin
 Litzy Castillo
 Maria Cervantes
 Rafael Chavez
 Leonardo Curls
 Hervin Dionicio
 Miriam Fernandez
 Allan Fuentes
 Roberto Garcia
 Marissa Goldsmith
 Enrique Gonzalez
 Humberto Guardado
 Kathryn Guezuraga
 Payton Hadley
 Dallas Hall
 Kelsey Heckman
 Asencion Hernandez
 Edgar Hernandez
 Juan Hinojos
 Ismael Hinojos
 Chris Hintz
 Mary Hoffman
 Belinda Jaimes
 Miles Jergensen
 Luke Kille

Rita Lopez
 Mia Lopez
 Yailet Lopez-Alvarado
 Spencer Lueckenotto
 Joshua Mackall
 Brandon Mansur
 Darleth Martinez
 Eddie Martinez
 Ana McEwen
 Jacob McLain
 Harlan Miederhoff
 John Noel
 Maria Pulido
 Jose Reyes
 Manuel Robledo
 Samantha Robledo
 Daniel Rocha
 Abigail Rocha
 Ivan Rodelo
 Ayleen Rodriguez
 Antonio Romero
 Maria Rosales
 Kathy Shields
 Amanda Trujillo
 Sheyla Varela
 Jose Vasquez
 Alexander Velazquez
 Astrid Zarco

Happy Anniversary

Robert and Diane Lang	42 Years!	6/16/1979
Doug and Janice McDougal	41 Years!	6/14/1980
Larry and Kathy Spencer	38 Years!	6/14/1983
Gary and Cyndi Lueckenotto	31 Years!	6/16/1990
Jose and Marta Serrano	29 Years!	6/19/1992
Mario Lopez and Vilma Figueroa	29 Years!	6/20/1992
Douglas and Jessica Wink	28 Years!	6/19/1993
Michael and Theresa Humke	21 Years!	6/17/2000
Dean Lenz and Tiffany Mayerchack	14 Years!	6/15/2007
Collin and Melissa Kelch	14 Years!	6/16/2007
Tim and Theresa Cervantes	12 Years!	6/20/2009
Sheldon and Taylor McClish	6 Years!	6/20/2015
Russel and Allie Comley	5 Years!	6/18/2016
Tommy and Hannah Coover	5 Years!	6/18/2016

Felicidades Por Su Bautismo

Valery Camila Mendoza Castillo, la hija de Jorge Mendoza y Litzy Castillo



Information

This Week's Do You Know Video:

From the earliest times, the church's position stood against cremation because it was seen as a pagan practice that

disrespected the body as the temple of the Holy Spirit and as a denial of the Christian belief in the resurrection of the body. The church has always stressed the need for the body to be present at the vigil and funeral services with consequent burial. It was only in 1963 that Pope Paul VI lifted the Catholic ban on cremation and in 1969 priests were allowed to officiate at cremation ceremonies either at the crematorium or the burial site. However, cremation was permitted only after and not before a vigil or funeral service with the body present and no cremains were permitted in church services. In 1989, the Revised Funeral Rite, stressed a preference for traditional burial practices but if cremation occurred before the funeral, then the priest performed first a committal service at the burial site followed by a memorial mass in church. No cremains were permitted in the church. In 1997, with the popularity of cremation increasing primarily due to various reasons primarily the cost of funerals. the US bishops asked Rome for an exception allowing cremains in the church for a funeral service. The Vatican permitted the US bishops this exception with numerous conditions. Make time to view this week's DYK video and learn more about the church's view and position regarding cremation.



Información

En Nuestro Video ¿Sabes...? de Esta Semana:

Desde los primeros tiempos, la posición de la iglesia se opuso a la cremación porque era vista como una práctica pagana que no respetaba el cuerpo como templo del Espíritu Santo y como una negación de la creencia cristiana en la resurrección del cuerpo. La iglesia siempre ha enfatizado la necesidad de que el cuerpo esté presente en los servicios de vigilia y funeral con el consiguiente entierro. Fue a penas en 1963 que el Papa Pablo VI levantó la prohibición católica de la cremación y en 1969 se permitió a los sacerdotes oficiar en las ceremonias de cremación, ya sea en el crematorio o en el lugar del entierro. Sin embargo, la cremación se permitió solo después y no antes de una vigilia o servicio funerario con el cuerpo presente y no se permitieron cremaciones en los servicios de la iglesia. En 1989, el Rito Funerario Revisado, enfatizó una preferencia por las prácticas tradicionales de entierro, pero si la cremación ocurrió antes del funeral, entonces el sacerdote realizó primero un servicio de entierro seguido de una Misa conmemorativa en la iglesia. No se permitieron cenizas en la iglesia. En 1997, con la popularidad de la cremación aumentando debido a varias razones, principalmente el costo de los funerales, los obispos estadounidenses pidieron a Roma una excepción que permita cenizas en la iglesia para un servicio fúnebre. El Vaticano permitió a los obispos estadounidenses esta excepción con numerosas condiciones. Tómese un tiempo para ver el video ¿Sabes? de esta semana y aprender más sobre la opinión y posición de la iglesia con respecto a la cremación.

Over 55

New Theatre Restaurant

Our first show back at the New Theatre Restaurant will be *The King in Concert* on Thursday, September 9 at 6:30pm. Tickets will be \$52 each. If you would like to go, please contact Bridget Hernandez at 816-979-3159 with the number of tickets you will need by Monday, August 2nd.

Green Team Tip of the Week

The EPA estimates that 5 ounces of the greenhouse gas Carbon Dioxide are released to make 1 ounce of PET plastic such as a water bottle.

Pláticas Pre-Bautismales - 10 de Julio

Normalmente cada segundo Sábado del mes de las 10 am a las 11am. (Sólo para niños de 0-6 años.) Salón Parroquial. Para niños mayores de 7 años requerirán una formación especial. **No se ofrece cuidado de niños.**

PRÓXIMOS BAUTISMOS: llamar a Kris al 816-979-3151. Favor de llenar su aplicación para asistir a las pláticas con anterioridad.

Felicidades Por Su Quinceañera

¡Felicidades a Cintia Soriano, la hija de Rene y Yessenia Soriano, que celebró su Quinceañera el 12 de Junio.

Consejo de la Semana del Equipo de Ecología

La Agencia de Protección Ambiental estima que se emite 5 onzas de dióxido de carbono, un gas de efecto invernadero, para producir 1 onza de plástico PET, como una botella de agua.

Information—Información

Covid-19 Vaccine Info

Vaccines are now available for individuals ages 12 and older.

Walgreens has begun to have vaccines available at certain locations. Visit <https://www.walgreens.com/> to find out more information.

Walgreens and CVS offer same day appointments. Call your local Walgreens or CVS to find out the most convenient place that they are available for you.

Hy-Vee: To see if appointments are available, go to <https://www.hy-vee.com/my-pharmacy/covid-vaccine-consent>.

Cosentino's Price Choppers are offering vaccines at some of their stores. To check availability, please visit: <https://www.cosentinos.com/covid-vaccine>.

Text your ZIP code to 438829 - or text "VACUNA" for Spanish - and you'll find your local options for the Covid-19 vaccines.

Información sobre la vacuna Covid-19

Las vacunas ahora están disponibles para personas mayores de 12 años.

Walgreens ha comenzado a tener vacunas disponibles en ciertos lugares. Visite <https://www.walgreens.com/> para obtener más información.

Walgreens y CVS ofrecen citas el mismo día. Llame a su Walgreens o CVS local para averiguar cuál es el lugar más conveniente para usted.

Hy-Vee: para ver si hay citas disponibles, vaya a <https://www.hy-vee.com/my-pharmacy/covid-vaccine-consent>.

Price Choppers de Cosentino ofrece vacunas en algunas de sus tiendas. Para verificar la disponibilidad, visite: <https://www.cosentinos.com/covid-vaccine>.

Envíe un mensaje de texto con "VACUNA" al 438829 y encontrará sus opciones locales para las vacunas contra el Covid-19.



Wellness Center



Do You Know—These 5 tips for Summer Wellbeing:

1. **Sun** – Sunshine is so important to our wellbeing. Sunlight can boost your immune system, help with depression, increase oxygen in your blood, and even lower blood pressure and cholesterol among many other things.
2. **Water** – Drinking water is one of the easiest ways to improve your health! Water flushes out toxins, improves skin and digestion, and aids in weight loss!
3. **Exercise** – Exercise comes in many different forms – walking, running, bike riding, dancing, aerobics, sports and more! Get out and move to see numerous benefits.
4. **Diet** – Your diet can make a huge difference in your overall wellbeing. Eating fruits, vegetables, whole grains and lean meats vs. fatty meat, sugar and processed foods are the difference of night and day in your overall health.
5. **Down Time** – Downtime is one of the best ways to nurture your spirit. Creating space in your everyday schedule will create space in your mind for good things. Having a full schedule can create more chaos and stress in your life. Be mindful of what you say YES to adding in each day. Make sure that it's something you can easily take on and that will not overwhelm you. Schedule time each day for quiet to calm and regroup.

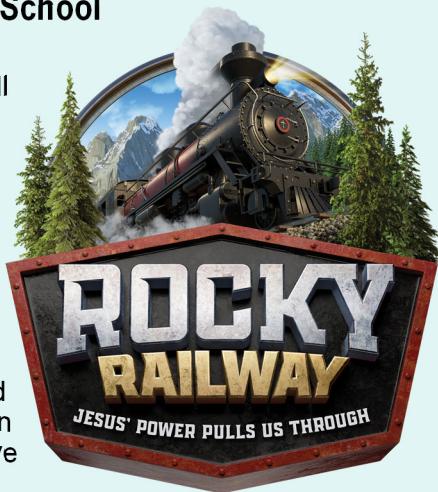
Make better choices for a guaranteed better tomorrow!



Vacation Bible School

Returns!!

Kids will be All Aboard on Rocky Railway where Jesus' power pulls us through! Our VBS adventure begins June 13 and runs through the 17th from 5:30pm to 8:30pm. If you haven't registered your child yet, you can do so when you arrive at the station!



Summer Basketball Camp at St Michael's

Summer basketball camp will be held on July 10th and 11th at Saint Michael's the Archangel High School located at 2901 NW Lee's Summit Rd in Lee's Summit, MO for grades 2nd-9th grade. Boys and Girls. The camp will run from 9am-11am for grades 2nd-5th grade and for grades 6th-9th grade from 11am-1pm on Saturday. The camp will run on Sunday from 12:00pm-2:00pm for grades 2nd-5th and 2pm-4pm for grades 6th-9th grade. The camp will focus on the following drills: ball handling, shooting, passing and defense. We expect the camp to fill up fast so please register soon. The cost is only 50.00 dollars per camper. Discounts available for multiple children in the same household. We will raffle off NBA jerseys and other items. Please register at <https://campscui.active.com/orgs/BillWarisBluejaysBasketballClub>.

¡Vuelve la Escuela Bíblica de Verano!

Los niños estarán todos a bordo en Rocky Railway, donde el poder de Jesús nos ayuda! Nuestra aventura de la Escuela Bíblica comienza el 13 de junio y termina el 17, de 5:30pm a 8:30pm. Si aún no ha registrado a su hijo, puede hacerlo cuando llegue a la estación.

Campamento de Baloncesto de Verano en St Michael

El campamento de baloncesto de verano se llevará a cabo el 10 y 11 de julio en Saint Michael's the Archangel High School ubicada en 2901 NW Lee's Summit Rd en Lee's Summit, MO para los grados 2 a 9. Niños y niñas. El campamento se llevará a cabo de 9am a 11am para los grados 2 a 5 y para los grados 6 a 9, de 11am a 1pm el sábado. El campamento se llevará a cabo el domingo de 12:00pm a 2:00pm para los grados 2 a 5 y de 2:00pm a 4:00pm para los grados 6 a 9. El campamento se centrará en los siguientes ejercicios: manejo del balón, tiro, pase y defensa. Esperamos que el campamento se llene rápido, así que regístrate pronto. El costo es de solo 50.00 dólares por campista. Descuentos disponibles para varios niños en el mismo hogar. Rifaremos camisetas de la NBA y otros artículos. Regístrate en <https://campscui.active.com/orgs/BillWarisBluejaysBasketballClub>.



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, Joe Crayon, at 816.812.2500 or crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org, 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 the Victim Advocate at 816.392.0011 or victimadvocate@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://kcsjcatholic.org/the-office-of-child-and-youth-protection/>.

Pastoral Care

Nursing Home Mass Schedule

June 23 11:00am Carnegie Village Chapel
We have resumed monthly Mass at Carnegie Village; parishioners are welcome; please wear a mask and check in at the front desk for temperature check.

**Are you looking for a ministry to join?
Something that serves the greater community
of Belton, Raymore and Peculiar? Eucharistic
Ministers to the Sick & Homebound are Needed**

St. Sabina Parish has one hospital, five long-term care and assisted living facilities and homebound parishioners that we serve. Many hands are needed. This is a vital ministry that keeps our parishioners and Catholics in area care centers connected with the Church and the Sacraments. Training will be provided. If you are considering how to serve your community, if you have an extra two hours per week and would like to serve the aged, ill and those confined to home, please contact Marta Roper at 816-979-3154 or marta@stsabinaparish.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

Cuidado Pastoral

Horario de Misas en Hogares de Ancianos

23 de Junio 11:00am Carnegie Village Chapel
Hemos reanudado la misa mensual en Carnegie Village; los feligreses son bienvenidos; por favor use cubre boca y regístrese en la recepción para checar su temperatura.

Lista de Peticiones de Oración para el Boletín

Los feligreses que están enfermos, o que tienen un ser querido que está enfermo, pueden solicitar que se recuerde a la persona en la lista de Peticiones de Oración publicada en nuestro boletín. Los nombres permanecerán en la lista durante dos meses, pero se pueden volver a agregar a la lista. Recuerde que la persona debe dar permiso antes de que se pueda publicar el nombre. Para agregar o eliminar un nombre de la lista, comuníquese con Marta Roper, en la oficina parroquial 816-979-3154 o marta@stsabinaparish.org.

Números de Recursos de Salud Mental

Línea Nacional de Prevención del

Suicidio

1-800-273-TALK (8255) Disponible 24/7

Línea Directa de Crisis de Salud

Mental ACI

1-888-279-8188 Disponible 24/7,
multilingüe



Prayer Requests/Peticiones de Oración

Jim Agnew
Peg Agnew
Randy Andrews
Chris Armstrong
Dick Armstrong
Zachary Baylor
Bill Beaver
Emma Beaver
Dennis Berg
Marion Biondo
Mary Pat Biondo
Betty Bremenkamp
Maxine Bremer
Veronica Burks
Joyce Callahan
Patty Carr
Steve Circo
Mary Ann Crooks
Harold Dawes
Mark DeLuca
Marcia DiGeorge
Randy Dyck
Terry Eppert
Maria Esperanza Castillo
Pat Falcon

Lili Flores
Maria Luisa Flores
Larry Foster
Jean Frank
John Frezza
Sherry Fuller
Gary Gallup
Bettianne Gardiner
Karen Grantham
Jackie Hamilton
Cherie Hatfield
Bob Henderson
Darlene Henderson
Rhonda Henke
Bob Henningsen
Marilyn Henningsen
Jeff Hemmen
Ernestine Iseman
Sharon Houshman
Alan Hughes
Sue Huwar
Ruth Davila Johnston
Kenneth Jones
John Jongenelen
Jack King

Todd Kudron
Susan Lager
Mary Lewis
Ellen Lilek
Alex Martinez
Pam May
Bill McDaniel
Axel Martinez
Raul Cedillo
Emanuel Juarez Meza
Kathy Moore
Joan Muench
Carmen Munguia
Patrick Nelson
Jerry Nowak
Joan Nowak
Jack Obermeier
JoAnn Obermeier
Gary Prendergast
Rita Pruitt
Abigail Ragsdale
Chuck Ramsey
Anna Reinhardt
Larry Rhodes
Dennis Ritchie

Agustin Rivera
Alfonso Rivera
Rene Angel Rosa Zelaya
Michelle Rose
Anna Ryan
Zoila Angelica Salguero
Ron Schock
Arturo Solis
Lori Stangl
Stephen Stinger
Dani Stinger
Lois Stogsdill
Rita Stout
Jean Tate
Joel Taylor
Ronda VanDyne
William VanDyne
Robert VanMeter
Deb Wagner
Denise Vargo Wallace
Mary Westfall
Mary Wickstrum
Millie Wolfe
John Wooldridge
Karen Wooldridge



Reflection on the Readings

Since the celebration of Pentecost, we re-entered the season of Ordinary or numbered Sundays that began with the feast of the Baptism of Jesus and was interrupted by the great ninety days of Lent-Easter-Pentecost. Both the feasts of The Most Holy Trinity Sunday and The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ are part of Ordinary Time, even though we use their festal name and not their numbered name. This week we pick up the numbered or ordered Sundays as we reflect on the Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Responsorial Psalm 92 clues us in to the theme for this Sunday, that of thanksgiving to God. We are invited to sing the refrain, "Lord, it is good to give thanks to you." The verses specify why thanksgiving is in order. **God's faithful covenant love is always there, always sustaining us in both good and bad. Planted or rooted in the Lord assures the just that they shall flourish and grow as tall and majestic as the cedars of Lebanon.** Even when old age strips us of vitality and energy, still the Lord will cause the just to be vigorous and sturdy. **The Lord can be relied on for life and growth.**

The first reading from Ezekiel is intended as a hopeful message to a dejected and lifeless Israel, destroyed and exiled in Babylonia. Through the prophet, God assures Israel that from this lifeless state, new growth and life will come. God will choose a tender shoot, and plant it on Israel's mountain heights, causing it to grow into a great majestic cedar. It will thus provide hospitality to all, and all will be amazed at its majesty and splendor. **God lifts up the lowly and brings down the mighty. All this is the Lord's doing. Nothing can prevent it from happening.**

The second reading from Paul's Second letter to the Corinthians acknowledges that in life, we "walk by faith and not by sight," since we are already connected to the Lord. Our desire is to be fully connected to the Lord. Since we are not there yet, the best way to fulfill that desire is to "aspire to please" the Lord always and everywhere. One day we will be with the Lord, and will be held accountable for all that we did. **Therefore, if we desire full union with the Lord, let us live in ways that manifest such ardent desire.**



Mark's gospel consists of two parables concerning God's reign. **Parables are stories taken from everyday life experiences, intended to stretch people's imaginations, helping them arrive at connections that they would not ordinarily make.** The two parables speak of insignificant seeds that are sown, which grow mysteriously and provide growth, life, hospitality and abundance. This is what the reign of God is all about.

Jesus came to preach and model the reign of God, inviting others to imitate and live God's values and life style. As disciples, we do our best to plant and sow our own insignificant seeds – our words, our actions, our lives – trusting that God will cause life, growth, and abundance to happen. **Often, God's reign is realized in the most unexpected and insignificant persons, times, places and events.** The poor, the oppressed, the immigrant, the stranger, the marginalized and those suffering become mediums or vehicles, the fertile ground of God's abundant life-giving growth and harvest. **This is the essential mystery of God's reign.**

As we "walk by faith and not by sight" we are invited to be part of building up God's reign. Jesus tells us that God's reign is assured. Paul invites us to do our own insignificant part in making that reign a reality. We know and trust that God will do the rest, and that nothing will stop that from happening.

This Sunday, reflect on how you cooperate with God in building up God's reign, no matter where you are planted. **How do you plant those insignificant seeds that God causes to sprout into majestic cedars, offering life, nourishment, shelter and security to all?** How attuned are you to God working in and through those whom we might view as insignificant and of no value? Ask God for help and strength to do all you can do make God's reign real and active today.

Biagio Mazza, Pastoral Associate

Readings



Sunday, June 13

1st Reading: Ezekiel 17:22-24

Psalm: Psalm 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 (2a)

2nd Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:6-10

Gospel: Mark 4:26-34

Sunday, June 20

1st Reading: Job 38:1, 8-11

Psalm: Psalm 107:23-24, 25-26, 28-29, 30-31 (1b)

2nd Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:14-17

Gospel: Mark 4:35-41

Reflexión Sobre las Lecturas

Desde la celebración de Pentecostés, volvimos a entrar en la temporada de los domingos ordinarios o numerados que comenzó con la fiesta del Bautismo de Jesús y fue interrumpida por los grandes noventa días de Cuaresma, Pascua y Pentecostés. Tanto el Domingo de la Trinidad como la fiesta del Cuerpo y la Sangre de Cristo son parte del Tiempo Ordinario, aunque usamos su nombre festivo y no su numero. Esta semana volvimos a los domingos numerados u ordenados y reflexionamos sobre el Undécimo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario.

El Salmo responorial 91 nos indica el tema de este domingo, el de la acción de gracias a Dios. Estamos invitados a cantar el estribillo, "Es bueno dar gracias al Señor". Los versos especifican por qué la acción de gracias está en orden. **El fiel amor de pacto de Dios siempre está presente, siempre nos sostiene tanto en lo bueno como en lo malo. Plantado o arraigado en el Señor asegura al justo que florecerán y crecerán tan altos y majestuosos como los cedros del Líbano.** Incluso cuando la vejez nos despoja de vitalidad y energía, el Señor hará que los justos sean vigorosos y fuertes. **Se puede confiar en el Señor para la vida y el crecimiento.**

La primera lectura de Ezequiel pretende ser un mensaje de esperanza para un Israel desanimado y sin vida, destruido y exiliado en Babilonia. A través del profeta, Dios le asegura a Israel que desde este estado sin vida, vendrá un nuevo crecimiento y una vida. Dios elegirá un brote tierno y lo plantará en las alturas de las montañas de Israel, haciendo que crezca hasta convertirse en un gran cedro majestuoso. Por lo tanto, proporcionará hospitalidad a todos, y todos se sorprenderán de su majestuosidad y esplendor. **Dios levanta a los humildes y derriba a los poderosos. Todo esto es obra del Señor. Nada puede evitar que suceda.**

La segunda lectura de la Segunda carta de Pablo a los Corintios reconoce que en la vida, "caminamos guiados por la fe, sin ver todavía", ya que estamos conectados con el Señor. Nuestro deseo es estar completamente conectado con el Señor. Como todavía no lo estamos, la mejor manera de cumplir ese deseo es "procurar agradarle" al Señor siempre y en todas partes. Algun día estaremos con el Señor y seremos responsables de todo lo que hicimos. **Por lo tanto, si deseamos la unión plena con el Señor, vivamos en formas que manifiesten ese ardiente deseo.**

El evangelio de Marcos consiste en dos parábolas sobre el reino de Dios. **Las parábolas son historias tomadas de experiencias de la vida cotidiana con la intención de darle alas a la imaginación de las personas, ayudándolas a llegar a conexiones que normalmente no harían.** Las dos parábolas hablan de semillas insignificantes que se siembran, que crecen misteriosamente y proporcionan crecimiento, vida, hospitalidad y abundancia. De esto se trata el reino de Dios.

Jesús vino a predicar y modelar el reino de Dios, invitando a otros a imitar y vivir los valores y el estilo de vida de Dios. Como discípulos, hacemos nuestro mejor esfuerzo para plantar y sembrar nuestras semillas insignificantes, nuestras palabras, nuestras acciones, nuestras vidas, confiando en que Dios hará que la vida, el crecimiento y la abundancia sucedan. **Muchas veces, el reinado de Dios se realiza en las personas, tiempos, lugares y eventos más inesperados e insignificantes.** Los pobres, los oprimidos, los marginados y los que sufren se convierten en medios o vehículos, el terreno fértil, del crecimiento y la cosecha abundante y vivificante de Dios. **Este es el misterio esencial del reino de Dios.**

Mientras "caminamos guiados por la fe, sin ver todavía", se nos invita a ser parte de la construcción del reino de Dios. Jesús nos dice que el reino de Dios está asegurado. Pablo nos invita a hacer nuestra parte insignificante para hacer que ese reinado se haga realidad. Sabemos y confiamos en que Dios hará lo demás, y que nada impedirá que eso suceda.

Este domingo, reflexiona sobre cómo coopera con Dios para edificar el reino de Dios, sin importar dónde esté plantado. **¿Cómo planta esas semillas insignificantes que Dios hace brotar en majestuosos cedros, ofreciendo vida, alimento, refugio y seguridad a todos?** Pídale a Dios ayuda y fuerza para hacer todo lo que pueda hacer para que el reino de Dios sea real y activo hoy.

Biagio Mazza
Asociado Pastoral

Lecturas



Lecturas del Domingo, 13 de Junio

Primera Lectura: Ezequiel 17:22-24

Salmo: Salmo 91:2-3, 13-14, 15-16

Segunda Lectura: 2 Corintios 5:6-10

Evangelio: Marcos 4:26-34

Lecturas del Domingo, 20 de Junio

Primera Lectura: Job 38:1, 8-11

Salmo: Salmo 106:23-24, 25-26, 28-29, 30-31

Segunda Lectura: 2 Corintios 5:14-17

Evangelio: Marcos 4:35-41



Stewardship

"Thus says the Lord GOD: I, too, will take from the crest of the cedar, from its topmost branches tear off a tender shoot, and plant it on a high and lofty mountain; on the mountain heights of Israel I will plant it. It shall put forth branches and bear fruit, and become a majestic cedar.

Ezekiel 17:22-23

In our First Reading, the prophet Ezekiel foretells the coming of the Kingdom of God. We can see that Jesus is the cedar that will become refuge for all people. He will humble the proud, lift up the lowly and produce good fruit in the weakened. It is God who does the wondrous works. We often go through life wanting to be in control. We try to solve all our problems, as we think, "I can do it myself." We cling to our own ideas by putting certain events, future plans or even day-to-day moments into a perfect little box, "This is the way I want it." We can even push back in moments of suffering by trying to find every possible way to get out of it. We are "in control." Imagine what life would be like if we surrendered a little more. It is easier said than done — but, oh, how freeing it would be. What if we opened our clenched hands to God and said, "Thy will be done"? We would become free from attachment and more blessed than we could ever imagine.

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Contributions for the Week of May 30

Envelopes/Sobres:	\$9,407.00
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Corresponsabilidad

"Esto dice el Señor Dios: "Yo tomaré un renuevo de la copa de un gran cedro, de su más alta rama cortaré un retoño. Lo plantaré en la cima de un monte exelso y sublime. Lo plantaré en la montaña más alta de Israel. Echará ramas, dará fruto y se convertirá en un cedro magnífico."

Ezequiel 17:22-23

En nuestra primera lectura, el profeta Ezequiel predice la venida del Reino de Dios. Podemos ver que Jesús es el cedro que se convertirá en refugio para todas las personas. Humillará a los soberbios, ensalzará a los humildes y producirá buenos frutos en los debilitados. Es Dios quien hace las maravillas. A menudo pasamos por la vida deseando tener el control. Tratamos de resolver todos nuestros problemas, ya que pensamos: "Puedo hacerlo yo mismo". Nos aferramos a nuestras propias ideas poniendo ciertos eventos, planes futuros o incluso momentos del día a día en una cajita perfecta, "Así es como lo quiero". Incluso podemos retroceder en momentos de sufrimiento tratando de encontrar todas las formas posibles de salir de él. Estamos "en control". Imagínese cómo sería la vida si nos rindiéramos un poco más. Es más fácil decirlo que hacerlo, pero qué liberador sería. ¿Qué pasaría si abriéramos nuestras manos cerradas a Dios y dijéramos: "Hágase tu voluntad"? Nos liberaríamos del apego y seríamos más bendecidos de lo que jamás podríamos imaginar.

— Vea mas en www.catholicsteward.com/blog/.

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Sta. Sabina ofrece una opción de donar en línea para los feligreses y visitantes. Esta es una manera fácil, y segura de contribuir por internet. Para establecer una contribución única ó recurrente: escanee el código QR o visite nuestro sitio web de la parroquia en www.stsabinaparish.org, haga clic en el botón "Online Giving" en la parte superior derecha. Se abrirá una ventana nueva que lo llevará a otro sitio seguro.

¡Apoya a Nuestra Parroquia al Comprar por Internet!

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Stewardship

Help Needed Baking for Funeral Lunches

Our Funeral Luncheon team is looking to update their list of those willing to provide side dishes, salads and desserts for funeral luncheons. If you would like to be added to our listing, please contact Kris at 816-979-3151 or at kris@stsabinaparish.org.

Donor Advised Funds

Making a Donor Advised Fund isn't difficult. Having one lets you create an ongoing way to support your faith through your parish. Please be a good steward of all the Lord has given you. Contact Kris at kris@stsabinaparish.org or contact Jeremy Lillig, lillig@diocesekcsj.org at the Diocese to learn more.

Catholic Communication Campaign

Next week our special collection supports the Catholic Communication Campaign. This campaign connects people with Christ and builds Catholic communities in the United States and developing countries using the internet, television, radio, and print media. Half of the money collected remains here in the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph to fund local communications efforts. Your support helps spread the Gospel message! To learn more, visit www.usccb.org/ccc.

Corresponsabilidad

Se Necesita Ayuda para Almuerzos Funerarios

Nuestro equipo de almuerzos funerarios está buscando actualizar su lista de aquellos que estén dispuestos a proporcionar los acompañantes del plato, ensaladas y postres para los almuerzos funerarios. Si desea ser agregado a nuestra lista, comuníquese con Kris al 816-979-3151 o al kris@stsabinaparish.org.

Fondos Asesorados por Donantes

Hacer un fondo asesorado por donantes no es difícil. Tener uno le permite crear una forma continua de apoyar su fe a través de su parroquia. Sea un buen administrador de todo lo que el Señor le ha dado. Comuníquese con Kris en kris@stsabinaparish.org.

Campaña Católica de la Comunicación

Nuestra colecta especial en la próxima semana apoya a la Campaña Católica de la Comunicación. Esta campaña conecta a las personas con Cristo y construye comunidades católicas en los Estados Unidos y en los países en desarrollo, utilizando la Internet, la televisión, la radio y los medios impresos. La mitad del dinero recaudado permanece aquí en la Diócesis de Kansas City-St. Joseph para financiar los esfuerzos locales de comunicación. ¡Tu apoyo ayuda a difundir el mensaje del Evangelio! Para informarte más, visita www.usccb.org/ccc.

Last weekend we celebrated Mass with our altar servers in all four Masses for the first time since last March!

¡El fin de semana pasado celebramos Misa con nuestros monaguillos en las cuatro Misas por primera vez desde el marzo pasado!



Parish Happenings/Acontecimientos Parroquiales



Pictured left, Diviana celebrates her fifteenth birthday reciting her act of thanksgiving after Mass on May 30.

En esta foto aparece, Diviana, recitando su acción de gracias por sus quince años después de la misa del 30 de mayo.

Pictured below is Stephanie, daughter of Jose and Isidora, who celebrated her fifteenth birthday on June 5th.

En la foto de abajo aparece Stephanie, hija de Jose e Isidora, quien celebró sus quince años el 5 de junio.



Information

Catholic Charities Services

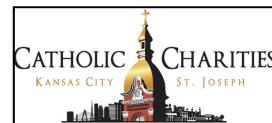
Catholic Charities KCSJ recently opened its first Food Pantry, "Lift Up—Kansas City" at our temporary site in St. Catherine of Siena Parish. The Pantry is available to anyone in our diocese and includes an online shopping portal for clients to choose groceries. Our plan is to have mobile outreach deliver food and emergency services across the diocese. We continue to seek capital support in the form of a building, shelving, box trucks, vans & forklifts and also search for a permanent home to serve the southern portion of our diocese and a location in our northern counties. If you have knowledge of or access to any of these items, please let us know. For more information, contact Jessica Gant at 816-882-4781 or jgant@ccharities.com. To volunteer, contact Linda Hopkins at 659-8205 or lhopkins@ccharities.com.

Catholic Charities KCSJ can help you prepare for a job search, find employment, and advance in your career. Part of our mission is to extend the tools and resources necessary to help vulnerable populations find and keep work. In our Job Skills classes, we provide employment preparation, resume development, job search strategies, interview coaching, networking opportunities/job leads, and bus passes (as needed). For more information, contact Brent Morris, Employment Specialist at 816-659-8232 or bmorris@ccharities.com.

Información

Servicios de Caridades Católicas

Catholic Charities KCSJ (Caridades Católicas) abrió recientemente su primera despensa de alimentos, "Lift Up — Kansas City" en nuestro sitio temporal en la parroquia de St. Catherine of Siena. The Pantry está disponible para cualquier persona en nuestra diócesis e incluye un portal de compras en línea para que los clientes elijan alimentos. Nuestro plan es que el alcance móvil brinde alimentos y servicios de emergencia en toda la diócesis. Continuamos buscando apoyo de capital en forma de edificio, estanterías, camionetas y montacargas y también buscamos un hogar permanente para servir a la parte sur de nuestra diócesis y una ubicación en nuestros condados del norte. Si tiene conocimiento o acceso a alguno de estos elementos, háganoslo saber. Para obtener más información, comuníquese con Jessica Gant al 816-882-4781 o jgant@ccharities.com. Para ser voluntario, comuníquese con Linda Hopkins al 659-8205 o lhopkins@ccharities.com.



An advertisement for the Catholic Charities Food Pantry. The central image shows a person's hands holding a brown cardboard box. On the box, the words "THE FOOD PANTRY" are written in large, white, serif capital letters. Above "FOOD PANTRY" is a small illustration of a fork and knife crossed. Below it, the words "CATHOLIC CHARITIES" are written in a smaller, sans-serif font, followed by "KANSAS CITY • ST. JOSEPH" in a smaller font. At the bottom of the box, the words "NOW OPEN!" are written in large, white, sans-serif capital letters. The background of the ad is a photograph of a person wearing a red sweatshirt, with their hands visible holding the box. The overall color scheme is warm, with reds and browns.



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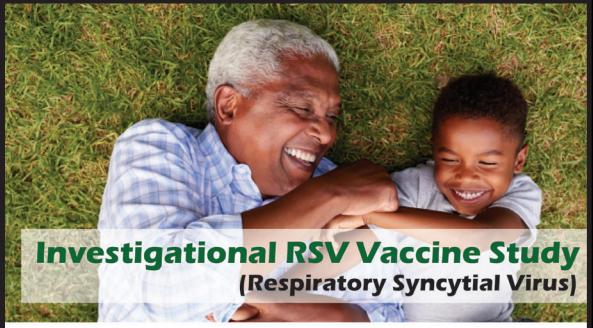
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