

Saint Sabina Catholic Church

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



Congratulations to Aiden Mauricio, son of Gilber and Karen, and one of the newest members of our parish family who was baptized on July 23rd!

Mass Times

Saturday: 4:00pm in English

Sunday: 8:00am and 10:30am in English,
12:30pm in Spanish

Confessions: Saturdays, 3:00-3:30pm

Visit our website for Holy Day and special Mass times.

Altar Society Sale

The Altar Society will be selling religious articles the weekend of August 6th. All proceeds will benefit the liturgical needs of our parish.

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Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Intentions for July 31-August 4, 2017

Mon.	8am	COMMUNION SERVICE
Tues.	6pm	†Robert J. Lewis
Wed.	10:30am	†Neal Patterson (Beautiful Savior)
Thurs.	8am	†Candida Tristani
Fri.	8am	†Glen Callahan

Saturday, August 5, 2017

4:00pm †August Weber

Sunday, August 6, 2017

8:00am	Intentions of the Altar Society
10:30am	†Tyson Burgin Intentions of the Parish Family
12:30pm Spanish	†Diego Estrada Gonzalez †Juana Calderon Lozada

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

†Neal Patterson, husband of Jeanne Patterson

†Candida Tristani, sister of Priscilla Tristani

†Charlie Morales Hernandez, son of Carlos Morales and Yolanda Hernandez

†Simone Clements, sister of Dick Deschenes

†Luis Franco, son of Luis Franco and Delia Lopez, sobrino de Javier Franco

†Glen Lewis, father of Jim (Estelle) Lewis

†José Juan Alvarez, esposo de Berta Martinez



Calendar/Parish Happenings

Sunday, July 30 - Domingo, 30 de Julio

- 7:30am Family Rosary
8:00am Knights Corporate Mass and Breakfast
11:00am Ensayo del Coro Hispano
2:00pm Junta del Ministerio Hispano

Monday, July 31- Lunes, 31 de Julio

- 5:30pm Marian Prayer Group
7:00pm Boy Scouts

Tuesday, August 1 - Martes, 1 de Agosto

- 7:00pm Pequeñas Comunidades Cristianas
7:00pm Young Adult Cooking Class

Wednesday, August 2 - Miércoles, 2 de Agosto

- 9:00am Legion of Mary
10:30am Mass at Beautiful Savior
7:00pm Knights Business Meeting

Thursday, August 3 - Jueves, 3 de Agosto

- 9:30am Quilters
6:00pm Head to Toe Event
8:00pm Choir Practice (8:00 group)

Friday, August 4 - Viernes, 4 de Agosto

- 5:00pm Ensayo de Quince Años—Nallely Martinez
6:00pm El Charro y la Mayrita

Saturday, August 5 - Sábado, 5 de Agosto

- 11:00am Wedding
1:00pm Quinceañera—Nallely Martinez
3:00pm Confessions

Sunday, August 6 - Domingo, 6 de Agosto

- 10:00am Talleres de Oración y Vida
11:00am Ensayo del Coro Hispano
2:00pm Formación de Ujieres

Foundations for Living Stones – A Faith Formation Program for Interested Adults

“Come to him, a living stone...chosen and precious in the sight of God, and, like living stones, let yourself be built into a spiritual house...” (1 Peter 2:4-5)

St. Sabina, a Catholic faith community committed to total and lifelong faith formation, offers an adult faith formation program titled, Foundations for Living Stones. The program explores in greater depth and knowledge the basics of our faith. All the sessions focus on the ministry that we are called to in and through our baptism. Communication skills, group development, leadership skills, bible study, church history, prayer and sacraments are some of the many areas explored and examined in depth. Adult methods of learning and reflection are employed throughout. The sessions are scheduled on Tuesday evenings, from 7-9:30 PM, beginning in early September and ending in early June. This is a 9-month commitment to deepen one's skills and knowledge so as to become a more effective and engaged disciple and minister. We work collaboratively with neighboring parishes, inviting them to be part of this mutual learning process. For a brochure or more information, please call or e-mail either Kris or Biagio at: Biagio Mazza 816-979-3153; e-mail biagio@stsabinaparish.org or Kris Larkey 816-979-3151; e-mail kris@stsabinaparish.org.



Wedding Congratulations

Congratulations to Alex Berkovich and Krissy Sellmeyer who were married on Saturday, July 29th!

Baptism Congratulations

Cerena Elise, daughter of Jesús and Ashley Villareal



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Parish Happenings

Reserving Space for Parish Programs

As we prepare to begin a new year of programming this fall, please remember that space needs to be reserved. If you are a leader of a parish ministry group, please contact Kris via email at kris@stsabinaparish.org to request space.

Mt. Olivet Cemetery Plot for Sale

A parishioner has a plot at Mt. Olivet for sale. For information, please contact Chris Scott at 719-593-9380.

Our New Guidebook & Directory is Here!

Our new Guidebook and Directory has been mailed to parishioners' homes.

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Please familiarize yourself with the ministries and organizations at our church located in the front of the book. An electronic PDF version of the Guide Section of the book which you can download to your computer, smart phone, or tablet is available for download at your convenience.

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Vacation Bible School



Stewardship

"The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant searching for fine pearls. When he finds a pearl of great price, he goes and sells all that he has and buys it."

Matthew 13: 44-46

According to most biblical scholars and theologians who study and draw conclusions on Jesus' teachings, in this particular parable, and those which follow, the field is the world. The man who values the treasure is not any of us because we do not have anything with which to purchase this treasure. The Man Who gave all to buy this field was Jesus Himself. And it is with joy that He gives all to buy the field, to save the world and each of us. What makes the treasure so wonderful that the Lord would give all, His very life? Each of us. In other words, each of you! Jesus gave everything to redeem the whole world to preserve a treasure it contains. He gave all because we His people are the treasure. — See more at www.catholicsteward.com/blog/

Contributions for July 23

Envelopes/Sobres:	\$9,523.00
Plate/Canasta:	\$ 882.09
Maintenance-Upkeep:	\$ 305.00

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

Community Garden Needs Your Help

"The harvest is great, but the workers are few." The community garden is harvesting over 50 lbs. of produce each week. We need more people to help us harvest, water and care for the garden. Please contact David Pierce 816-392-1110 or Michelle Rose 919-624-4407.



Delegation to El Salvador - January 2018



2016 Delegation to El Salvador

St. Sabina Parish currently sponsors 7 students in Cinquera, El Salvador. This past February we were honored to have Heydi Gomez, one of our students, visit us. Currently we are planning a trip to

El Salvador in January of 2018. During our visit to El Salvador we plan on visiting all of our students in Cinquera, as well as several historical places in San Salvador, including the chapel where Blessed Oscar Romero was murdered, his tomb, and also the Jesuit University, UCA. Delegates will have the opportunity to learn more about the reality of living in El Salvador by visiting several of our students in their homes and meeting their families. The cost for the trip is approximately \$750 plus airfare. The delegation fee covers all meals, transportation (excluding airfare) and hotels. It is not necessary to speak Spanish, as a translator will be provided. If you are interested, please contact Kris at 816-979-3151 or via email at kris@stsabinaparish.org.



Calvin and Sandy received a special blessing last weekend, as they prepared for their mission trip to Anapra, Mexico this week with Manos Amigas.

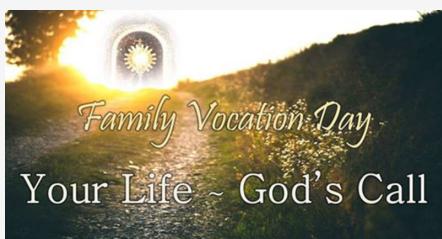
Green Team Tip of the Week

9.3 million Metric tons of methane escape from natural gas and oil wells, pipelines and storage facilities. According to the Environmental Defense Fund, Methane accounts for 25% of climate change.



Area Information

Family Vocation Day - August 19



Your Life ~ God's Call

KCMO. All ages can attend. Tracks for young adults, parents, children by age group, as well as child care for kids ages 2-4, will be offered. Come and be inspired. Experience prayer, learn more about the consecrated life, ask questions and have fun. For the complete schedule and registration information, please contact the Family Life Office at 816-714-2373 or www.kcpriest.org. \$5 per person or \$30 per family. Child care \$5 per child.

KC Royals Faith and Family Night - Aug 5



The Kansas City Royals will host their annual Faith & Family Night presented by Hobby Lobby on Saturday, August 5 when the Seattle Mariners come to The K. The event will feature a post-game appearance and speech from select players and/or executives, as well as Scott Dawson of Safe at Home, and a post-game concert by Newsboys. For tickets please visit Royals.com/Faith. For orders of 20 or more, please call 816-504-4040, Option 4.

Printery House Inventory Reduction Sale

The Printery House, located at Conception Abbey, 37112 State Hwy VV, is holding their 2nd annual summer sale on August 4 from 7am-7pm and on August 5 from 8am-Noon. The stock-on-hand is limited and some items have very limited quantities, so be sure to shop early for items such as inspirational home décor, stationery and Christmas items. For more information, contact Helen at 800-889-0105.

Cass County Family Resource Center

The Resource Center is offering free breakfasts to Belton/Raymore students from July 14 through August 11 from 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. For information or to register, call Michelle Sánchez at 816-425-5706. 528 North Scott Ave. Belton, Missouri.



The Diocese of Kansas City - St. Joseph is presenting a Family Vocation Day "Your Life - God's Call" on August 19th at St. Therese Parish, 7207 NW Hwy 9,

happy birthday

Jim Agnew	Erik Guevara	Daisy Rocha
David Ailshire	Steven Haefele	Antonio Romero
Alicia Andrade	Teresa Hernandez	Michelle Rose
Mary Arellano	Callie Herzog	Jim Ruffini
Julia Barrera	Richard Hoedl	Robert Rustemeyer
Basiliza Basurto	Nora Huerta	Colleen Shern
Thomas Baty	Grace Humke	Jose Sierra
Andrea Becker	Elle Hurtado	Braxton Skipton
Jack Bondon	Ignacio Juarez	Andrew Smith
Rosa Borja	Chris Klohs	Maria Solano
Bobby Brown	Stacia Knoll	Claudia Soltero
Jim Brown	Darren Kopek	John Strickland
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Ryan Butler	Nicholas Lopez	Gilberto Torres
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Veronica Cisetti	Alfredo Martinez	Sixto Varela
Ryan Covert	Mary McDonough	Michael Vargas
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Ann Cummings	Mercedes Monroy	Mayra Vides
Greg Daniels	Kari Monsees	Evelyn Villarreal
Cheri Effertz	Maria Mora	Andrew Watkins
Makayla Emry	Russell Nachbar	Debra Welch
Tania Escovedo	Jennifer Naughton	Maria Wilbur
Sergio Flores	Nayana Ortiz	Susan Wipperman
Miles Frey	Stephanie Palacios	Ed Yeater
Maria Gonzalez	Samantha Perez	Joy Yenzer
Sammuel Gonzalez	Natali Pinon	Jackie Yoksh
Arely Guajardo	Debbie Ranes	Juan Zavala
Rogelio Guajardo	Lizeth Reyes	

Happy Anniversary

Daniel and Carol Starforth	59 Years!	8/2/1958
Paul and Karen Donnelly	33 Years!	8/4/1984
Dcn. Mike and Denise Gates	33 Years!	8/4/1984
Craig and Debra Cheney	32 Years!	8/3/1985
Chris and Stacey McClish	26 Years!	8/3/1991
Kelly and Jennifer Coots	22 Years!	8/4/1995
Jonathan and Brandy Harshbarger	21 Years!	8/3/1996
Sergio Rocha and Estela Medina	21 Years!	8/4/1996
Richard and Jennifer Naughton	21 Years!	8/5/1996
Gerald and Teresa McDonald	19 Years!	8/1/1998
Doug and Claudine Butscher	18 Years!	7/31/1999
Kevin and Stephanie Como	18 Years!	7/31/1999
Roger and Kristina Jacobs	18 Years!	7/31/1999
Lonnie and Kelly Anthony	12 Years!	8/6/2005
Michael and Ashley Skipton	10 Years!	8/4/2007
Robert and Jessica Leuschen	9 Years!	8/2/2008
Cesar and Lorena Medrano	9 Years!	7/31/2008
James and Kimberly Oliver	8 Years!	8/3/2009
Damian and Jenessys Vargas	2 Years!	8/1/2015

Pastoral Care

Tips for being with a Person with Alzheimer's

- I am not stupid, I am wounded. Please respect me.
- Come close, speak slowly and enunciate clearly.
- Be patient with me.
- Approach me with an open heart and slow down.
- Be aware that your body language and facial expressions are communicating to me.
- Make eye contact with me. I am in here—come find me.
- Encourage me.
- Please don't raise your voice—I'm not deaf, I'm wounded.
- Honor the healing power of sleep.
- Trust that I am trying, just not with your skill level.
- Ask me questions with specific answers. Allow me time to hunt for an answer.
- Do not assess my cognitive ability by how fast I can think.
- Celebrate all of my little successes. They inspire me.
- Please don't finish my sentences for me or fill in words I can't find. I need to work my brain.
- Love me for who I am today. Don't hold me to being the person I was before. I have a different brain now.

Retreat Weekend - September 22-24, 2017

Project Rachel: Unfailing Mercy Retreat

Help after the heartache of abortion. The retreat is open to both men and women. Project Rachel is ready to care for those who are hurting. To register, please call Teresa at 816-591-3804 or email projectrachel@diocesekcsj.org. Complete confidentiality is assured. Only those registered are given the location of the retreat.

Nursing Home Mass Schedule

Aug 2	10:30am	Beautiful Savior
Aug 9	10:00am	Redwood of Raymore (formerly Rehab. of Raymore)
Aug 16	10:00am	Foxwood Springs

Prayer Requests/Peticiones de Oración

Jim Agnew	Larry Foster	Bella Nouryeh
Armando Alarcon	Luis Franco	Jane Nouryeh
Diane Atchison	Emily Frezza	Rick Orey
Marilyn Avalos	Dick Garnier	Thelma Palmer
Polleth Bautista	June Glunt	Dee Raya
Nikki Barrett	Karen Grantham	Patricia Rellihan
Pauline Bellm	Laverne Harlow	Ann Ryan
John Bidondo	Amber Hartenbower	Yvonne Salmon
Fran Birkner	Cherie Hatfield	Shelline Smoot
Jim Carol	Bob Heffernan	Larry Spencer
Teresa Carol	Bart Henke	Jim Storm
Nancy Christian	Rhonda Henke	Leo Storm
Steve Circo	Pam Kelleher	Mary Jane Storm
Anna Clark	Mary Carol King	Jean Tate
Kristen Conner	Donna Kozar	Ruth Tayler
Helen Cook	Susan Lewis	Angel Thomas
Joseph Coots	Beverly Little	Priscilla Tristani
Paul DeMar	Bill Locke	Eduardo Vasquez
Nolan Dickerson	Debbie Locke	Mary Westfall
Frances DiGeorge	Jo Locke	Marie Wilburn
Argentina Meza Dubon	Denise Mehlo	Jeannette Woolworth
Terry Eppert	Leonard Meiron	Merle Woolworth
Joan Feeback	Harry Muench	Carmitia Yust
Butch Ford	Joan Muench	Pablo Zayas

Wellness Center

Did You Know--Falls put you at risk of serious injury. Prevent falls with these simple fall-prevention tips:

1. Improve balance and strength with exercise programs like Yoga and Tai Chi
2. Reduce tripping hazards—keep cords, shoes, papers, plants, and boxes out of walkways
3. Add grab bars in and beside the tub/shower and next to the toilet
4. Use a nonslip mat or appliques in the tub/shower
5. Install railings on both sides of stairways
6. Improve lighting and use nightlights
7. Avoid throw rugs or use nonskid mats or tape
8. Have eyes checked by an eye doctor at least once a year
9. Ask doctor or pharmacist to review medications to identify those that may cause dizziness or drowsiness

AND come to the Wellness Center and get started with Yoga or Stretch and Strength classes.

Wellness Center Class Schedule

Monday:	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:	Yoga 1-2pm Gentle Yoga 2-3pm Strength & Restore 6-7pm
Thursday:	Stretch & Strength 1-2pm Gentle Stretch & Strength 2-3pm Yoga 6-7pm
Friday:	Yoga 1-2pm Gentle Yoga 2-3pm



School of Religion/Youth Ministry

Volunteer Opportunities

Uplift Org. If you would like to bring meals to the homeless on the 4th or 5th Monday of any month, please contact Kirstie Roberts! This ministry is open to all parishioners age 14 and older. Volunteers must report to the Uplift Warehouse by 5pm and will be finished around 9:30pm.

Uplift Cooks! Anyone who would like to help prepare a meal for the homeless is welcome to join our team on the 4th Monday of each month at 10am in the gym. We recommend that you bring a good cutting knife, vegetable peeler and can opener. **Our next cooking date is Monday, August 28th.**

Harvesters! This local food bank provides food to needy families around the KC area. Volunteers are needed to help sort food donations and pack weekend food bags for kids in our community. We will be taking a group of 5 people on the third Thursday of each month. **Our next date is August 17th, 6-8pm.** If you would like to volunteer, call or email Kirstie in the Youth Office.

Community Meals Lord of Love Lutheran Church offers a free meal to the community each Wednesday. Every third Wednesday of the month St. Sabina volunteers help prepare, serve and clean up in an effort to work together with other Christians to carry out Christ's work. **Our next volunteer date is August 16th.** Contact Berenice Zayas for more information or to sign up at 816-979-3150 or berenice@stsabinaparish.org.

Peer Ministry Training - August 26th, 7:30am to 12:30pm at St. Mark's Parish!



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All current Peer Ministers and youth who have been confirmed and would like to participate in the upcoming school year on the Peer Ministry and Search Team are invited to attend a special training day. This is an excellent opportunity to help all of us work together and best serve our new group of young

people. There will be workshops on Hospitality, Ice Breakers, Choosing Topics and Input, Leading a Small Group Discussion and Leading Prayer. Please contact Kirstie Roberts by August 18th if you plan to attend. We will meet at St. Sabina at 7:45am and carpool to St. Mark's. Everyone will need a permission slip and there is no cost for this valuable training day!

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:

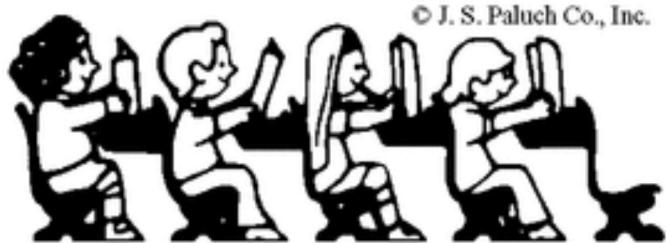
1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and
2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and
3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult 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://kcsjcatholic.org/the-office-of-child-and-youth-protection/>

Parish School of Religion Begins Sept. 17th!

PSR classes will resume on Sunday, September 17th. Registration forms will be available soon on our website, in the gathering space and in the parish office.



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Parish School of Religion

Reflection on the Readings

We humans have an endless desire to “strike it rich,” “hit the jackpot,” “win the lottery,” or eternally wait for our “ship to come in.” This is usually understood in terms of material goods, especially large amounts of money that supposedly will make our life more comfortable, less stressful, more full and alive. However, having more often makes life more stressful and not as full and carefree as we thought. Why? **Because material comfort, while good in itself, is not the source of what makes life full and happy.**

Ultimately, we are made full and alive in and through our relationships with ourselves, others, God, and all creation. From the beginning God desired to be in relationship, creating us with freedom to respond in love to that divine call. We are created in the image and likeness of God to build relationships with God and with each other. The true meaning and ultimate joy of life is the cultivation of relationships with all of God’s family, treating all with human dignity, respect and love. *Cultivating relationships demands time, love and patience. Such cost will ultimately result in treasures that endure, never fade and always enrich beyond expectations.*

Solomon, in our **first reading from 1 Kings** was guided by such a desire to build right relationships with others. When asked for his heart’s true desire, he requests “an understanding heart.” Solomon knows that all relationships require “an understanding heart” to succeed and to bring life. Once our priorities are thus oriented, then everything else fits into its proper place.

The root meaning for Solomon’s name is “shalom” usually translated as peace, but better understood as “a sense of wholeness” resulting from having all of one’s priorities and relationships properly oriented.

For Jews, God’s laws, precepts, words, decrees and statutes paved the way to the proper orientation of life’s priorities. God’s word was the source of true life and the delight of living. *Responsorial psalm 119, the longest psalm in the bible, is an extended meditation and reflection on God’s law or word.*

That word becomes the guide to what is true and important in life, gifting us with the wisdom to discern our priorities correctly. Once we come to that realization, we too can sing with the psalmist, “Lord I love your commands.”

Paul’s letter to the Romans makes this same affirmation when he states that “all things

work for good for those who love God.” **Love of God means acting with the mind and heart of God.** If we are correctly oriented in our love relationship with God and others, then all things will work for good, no matter what happens. St. Augustine sums it up beautifully when he says, “Love God and do what you will.” *For Augustine, if we love God then all our actions are infused with love, leading to the right orientation of all our priorities and relationships.*

Matthew’s “sermon of parables” concludes this Sunday with three parables whose focus orients us to life’s true treasure, the reign of God. *Throughout Matthew 13, Jesus offers his listeners various images of what God’s reign is about. Today, Jesus challenges us to hold on to that treasure with boldness and complete commitment.* Jesus, the living word of God, guides us to discovering life’s ultimate treasure. An “understanding heart” is the entrance into the kingdom of God, which translates into faithful and enduring love relationships with ourselves, God, others, and all of God’s creation.

The parable of the catch of fish informs us that as we wade through life we will encounter those who treasure the reign of God and those who do not. *We are not to judge anyone but rather model what God’s reign is about so that others might be attracted to it and hopefully treasure it also.* God will make the final determination at the end time. In the meantime, we are called to be patient with others, inclusive and non-judgmental in all our dealings.

How will you continue to develop “an understanding heart,” the entryway into a rich and full life in which all your priorities and relationships are God oriented? How will you model the reign of God to all those you encounter, especially those that you might not particularly like?

Biagio Mazza
Pastoral Associate

Readings

Sunday, July 30

1st Reading: 1 Kings 3:5, 7-12

Psalm: Psalm 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130 (97a)

2nd Reading: Romans 8:28-30

Gospel: Matthew 13:44-52

Sunday, August 6

1st Reading: Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

Psalm: Psalm 97:1-2, 5-6, 9-12 (1a, 9a)

2nd Reading: 2 Peter 1:16-19

Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9



Bible Study

Catholics are mostly exposed to the Bible through the Sunday Lectionary Readings. In order to help us all enter into the Bible through the Sunday readings, we 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. **Remaining summer date is August 20th at 10:30am in the conference room.** All are welcome; bring a bible. To register, call Biagio at 816-979-3153.



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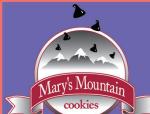
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Reflexión Sobre las Lecturas

Nosotros los seres humanos tenemos un deseo sin fin de "hacerse rico", "pegarle al gordo", "ganar la lotería", o esperar eternamente a que nuestra "nave llegue". Esto se entiende generalmente en términos de bienes materiales, especialmente grandes cantidades de dinero que supuestamente hará nuestra vida más cómoda, menos estresante, más llena y viva. Sin embargo, tener más, muchas veces hace la vida más estresante y no tan llena ni sin preocupaciones como pensábamos. ¿Por qué? **Porque la comodidad material, aunque bueno en sí mismo, no es la fuente de lo que hace la vida plena y feliz.**

En última instancia, estamos hechos llenos y vivos en, y a través de nuestras relaciones con nosotros mismos, los demás, Dios, y toda la creación. Desde el principio Dios quiso estar en relación, creándonos con libertad para responder en amor a ese llamado divino. Somos creados a imagen y semejanza de Dios para construir relaciones con Dios y entre nosotros. El verdadero significado y la mejor alegría de la vida es el cultivo de las relaciones con toda la familia de Dios, tratando a todos con dignidad humana, respeto y amor. *Cultivar relaciones requiere tiempo, amor y paciencia. Tal coste en última instancia resultará en tesoros que perduran, nunca se desvanecen y siempre enriquecen más allá de las expectativas.*

Salomón en nuestra **primera lectura de 1 Reyes** fue guiado por ese deseo de construir relaciones correctas con los demás. Cuando se le pregunta por el verdadero deseo de su corazón, él pide "sabiduría de corazón". Salomón sabe que todas las relaciones requieren "sabiduría de corazón" para tener éxito y para traer vida. Una vez orientadas nuestras prioridades, todo lo demás encaja en su lugar. *El significado de la raíz del nombre de Salomón es*

"shalom" traducido generalmente como paz, pero se entiende mejor como "un sentido de la plenitud" que resulta de tener todas sus prioridades y relaciones orientadas correctamente.

Para los judíos, las leyes, los preceptos, las palabras, los decretos y los estatutos de Dios allanaron el camino hacia la correcta orientación de las prioridades de la vida. La palabra de Dios fue la fuente de la vida verdadera y el deleite de vivir. **El salmo responsorial 118, el salmo más largo de la Biblia, es una meditación extendida y una reflexión sobre la ley o palabra de Dios.** Esa palabra se convierte en la guía de lo que es verdad e importante en la vida, regalándonos la sabiduría para discernir nuestras prioridades correctamente. Una vez que llegamos a esa comprensión, también podemos cantar con el salmista: "Cuanto amo tu voluntad, Señor".

La carta de Pablo a los Romanos hace esta misma afirmación cuando dice que "todo contribuye para bien de los que aman a Dios". **Tener el amor de Dios significa actuar con la mente y el corazón de Dios.** Si estamos correctamente orientados en nuestra relación de amor con Dios y con los demás, entonces todas las cosas funcionarán para bien, pase lo que pase. San Agustín lo resume muy bien cuando dice: "Ama a Dios y haz lo que quieras". *Para Agustín, si amamos a Dios entonces todas nuestras acciones están infundidas con amor, resultando en la orientación correcta de todas nuestras prioridades y relaciones.*

El "sermón de las paráboles" de Mateo termina este domingo con tres paráboles cuyo enfoque nos orienta al verdadero tesoro de la vida, el reino de Dios. *A lo largo de*

Mateo 13, Jesús ofrece a sus oyentes varias imágenes de lo que es el reino de Dios. Hoy, Jesús nos desafía a aferrarnos a ese tesoro con audacia y compromiso total. Jesús, la palabra viva de Dios, nos guía a descubrir el tesoro supremo de la vida. La "Sabiduría de corazón" es la entrada al reino de Dios, que se traduce en una relación de amor fiel y duradero con nosotros mismos, con Dios, con los demás y con toda la creación de Dios.

La parábola de la captura de pescado nos informa que mientras caminamos por la vida nos encontraremos con aquellos que atesoran el reino de Dios y los que no lo hacen. *No debemos juzgar a nadie, sino modelar lo que es el reino de Dios para que otros puedan sentirse atraídos hacia él y ojalá lo atesoren también.* Dios hará la determinación final en el tiempo final. Mientras tanto, estamos llamados a ser pacientes con los demás, inclusivos y no críticos en todos nuestros tratos.

¿Cómo continuará desarrollando "la sabiduría de corazón", la entrada a una vida rica y plena en la que todas sus prioridades y relaciones están orientadas a Dios? ¿Cómo modelará el reino de Dios a todos los que encuentre, especialmente a los que no le gusten?

**Biagio Mazza
Asociado Pastoral**

Lecturas



Lecturas del Domingo, 30 de Julio

Primera Lectura: 1 Reyes 3:5-13

Salmo: Salmo 118:57 y 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130

Segunda Lectura: Romanos 8:18-23

Evangelio: Mateo 13:1-23

Lecturas del Domingo, 6 de Agosto

Primera Lectura: Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

Salmo: Salmo 97 (96):1-2, 5-6, 9

Segunda Lectura: 2 Pedro 1:16-19

Evangelio: Mateo 17:1-9

Ministerio Juvenil/Información

Entrenamiento para Ministros Jóvenes - 26 de agosto, 7:30 am a 12:30 pm en la parroquia de San Marcos!

Se invita a todos los ministros jóvenes actuales y jóvenes que han sido confirmados y les gustaría participar en el próximo año escolar en el Equipo de Search y el Ministerio de Jóvenes a asistir a un día especial de capacitación. Esta es una excelente oportunidad para ayudar a todos a trabajar juntos y servir mejor a nuestro nuevo grupo de jóvenes. Habrá talleres sobre Hospitalidad, Rompehielos, Selección de Temas y Aportación, Dirigiendo discusiones en Grupos Pequeños y Dirigiendo Oración. Póngase en contacto con Kirstie Roberts antes del 18 de agosto si planea asistir. Nos reuniremos en Sta. Sabina a las 7:45am y partiremos juntos a San Marcos. ¡Todo el mundo necesitará una hoja de permiso y no hay ningún costo para este valioso día de entrenamiento!



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La Diócesis de Kansas City-St. Joseph está comprometida a luchar contra el abuso sexual en la Iglesia. Si usted es víctima de abuso sexual, ó si usted observa o sospecha de abuso sexual, por favor:

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- 3) Despues 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, diácono, empleado o voluntario de la Diócesis de Kansas City-St. Joseph

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Todas las personas que son voluntarios con los jóvenes ó niños de nuestra parroquia deben asistir a un taller llamado Protegiendo a los Niños de Dios, también necesitarán someterse a una verificación de antecedentes y deberán firmar la póliza sobre Éticas e Integridad en el Ministerio (EIM). Más información en <https://kcsjcatholic.org/the-office-of-child-and-youth-protection/>

Talleres de Oración y Vida

Comienza el domingo, **6 de Agosto**, de **10am - 12pm** en el salón parroquial. Participantes aprenderán 14 diferentes maneras de orar.

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Por eso decimos con pleno convencimiento que los Talleres de Oración y Vida son una respuesta al mundo de hoy. El Taller es gratuito, solamente es el costo del material de \$12. No se requiere pre-registración, pero esto ayudará a saber la cantidad de material necesaria para todos los participantes. Favor de comunicarse con Raúl Félix a 816-309-1919. Para mas información acerca de los TOV, visite nuestro sitio de internet a www.tovpil.org.



Información

Felicidades a la Quinceañera

Felicidades a Nallely Martínez, la hija de Bienvenido y Dora Martínez, que celebrará sus quince años el sábado, 5 de Agosto.

Pláticas Pre-Bautismales - 12 de Agosto

Normalmente cada segundo Sábado del mes de las 10 am a la 1 pm (Sólo para niños de 0-6 años.) Salón de juntas. Sótano de la Parroquia. Para niños mayores de 7 años requerirán una formación especial. Infórmese

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Reservando Espacios para Programas Parroquiales

Mientras nos preparamos para comenzar un nuevo año de programación este otoño, por favor recuerde que el espacio necesita ser reservado. Si usted es líder de un grupo de ministerio parroquial, por favor comuníquese con Kris vía correo electrónico a kris@stsabinaparish.org para solicitar espacio.

V Encuentro Anual de Pastoral Juvenil Hispana de Jóvenes Adultos- Elijo Perseverar (Hch 1;14)

- Fecha: Viernes Agosto 4, 2017
- Hora: 6:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.
- Lugar: El Centro Católico – 20 West 9th St. KCMO
- Actividades: Santa Misa, Enseñanza, Adoración Eucarística, confesiones y Concierto.
- Costo: \$20 por persona (Incluye cena y refrescos)
- Misa: La Santa Misa será celebrada a las 6:00 pm por el Padre Olvin Girón en el Centro Católico.
- ¿Quiénes pueden participar? Jóvenes Hispanos Adultos, 19 a 35 años. Pueden registrarse online, en la parroquia a la que asiste o a la entrada del evento.
- Contacto: Edith Montes emontes@diocesekcsj.org 816.482.6906/816. 714.2350
- Página Web: <http://ministerio.diocese-kcsj.org/> link: jóvenes hispanos

V Encuentro Anual de Pastoral Juvenil Hispana de Jóvenes Adolescentes - Elijo Perseverar (Hch 1;14)

Este es un evento anual diocesano bilingüe para jóvenes adolescentes hispanos que estén en High School, y tengan la edad de 14 a 18 años. Durante el evento, los participantes pueden fortalecer su experiencia de fe con Jesús a través de charlas y talleres sobre formación, liturgia, oración y alabanza, sacramentos, fraternidad y actividades lúdicas. El objetivo de la conferencia es enriquecer la fe de los jóvenes hispanos, así como su identidad católica cultural hispana y puedan dar razón de su fe. Es también una oportunidad pastoral para invitar a los jóvenes a participar en los programas diocesanos y parroquiales para jóvenes.

- Fecha: Sábado, Agosto 5, 2016
- Hora: 8:00 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.
- Lugar El Centro Católico – 20 West 9th St. KCMO
- Actividades: Santa Misa, dinámicas lúdicas, talleres y charlas, adoración, confesiones, convivio familiar y concierto.
- Costo: \$20 por persona. Incluye comidas y refrescos. Ofrecemos un descuento para hermanos.
- ¿Quiénes pueden participar? Jóvenes adolescentes hispanos que estén en High School, y tengan la edad de 14 a 18 años - Pueden registrarse en sus parroquias o a la entrada del evento llenando el formato de registro y autorización. Este es obligatorio.
- Los padres de familia deben asistir a las 4:00 pm al lugar del evento para una catequesis sobre El Fruto del FIAT (Si) en la Santa Familia de Nazaret.
- La Santa Misa será celebrada a las 6:15 pm por nuestro Reverendo Obispo James Johnston en la Catedral de la Inmaculada Concepción 416 West 12th, Kansas City, MO
- Contacto: Edith Montes, emontes@diocesekcsj.org o 816.482.6906/816. 714.2350
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