

Saint Sabina Catholic Church

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



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

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.**

Holy Day Mass Times—August 15

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is celebrated on Tuesday, August 15th and is a Holy Day of Obligation. We will have a Mass at 8am in English as well as a bilingual Mass at 6pm.

Nineteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

August 13, 2017

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Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK

Intentions for August 14—18, 2017

Mon.	8am	COMMUNION SERVICE
Tues.	8am	†Fr. Bernard Branson
	6pm	†Luis Franco (Bilingual)
Wed.	10am	†Glen Lewis (Foxwood Springs)
Thurs.	8am	†Jose Juan Alvarez
Fri.	8am	†Rebecca Rodriguez

Saturday, August 19, 2017

4:00pm †Rita Pruitt
Intentions of the Parish Family

Sunday, August 20, 2017

8:00am	†Elwood and †Teresa Link Intentions of John & Catharina Jongenelen
10:30am	†Charlie Carrollo
12:30pm Spanish	†Efren Mauro
	†Rutilo Candia

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

- †Glen Lewis, father of Jim (Estelle) Lewis
- †José Juan Alvarez, esposo de Berta Martinez
- †Rebecca Rodriguez, grandmother of Rebecca Rodriguez
- †Roberta Paddock, sister of Don Hemmen
- †Charlie Arnold, widower of Betty Arnold



Calendar/Parish Happenings

Sunday, August 13 - Domingo, 13 de Agosto

- 10:00am Talleres de Oración y Vida
- 11:00am Ensayo del Coro Hispano

Monday, August 14 - Lunes, 14 de Agosto

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

Tuesday, August 15 - Martes, 15 de Agosto

- 8:00am Holy Day Mass (Assumption)
- 6:00pm Holy Day Mass/Misa del Día de Precepto
- 6:00pm Ensayo de Matachines
- 7:00pm Pequeñas Comunidades Cristianas

Wednesday, August 16 - Miércoles, 16 de Agosto

- 9:00am Legion of Mary
- 10:00am Mass at Foxwood Springs
- 6:00pm Cantor Rehearsal
- 6:00pm Ensayo de Matachines
- 7:00pm K-of-C Officers Meeting
- 7:00pm Living Stones—Taste and See

Thursday, August 17 - Jueves, 17 de Agosto

- 9:30am Quilters
- 6:00pm Ensayo de Matachines
- 7:00pm Cub Scout Committee Meeting
- 8:00pm Choir Practice (8:00 group)

Friday, August 18 - Viernes, 18 de Agosto

- 6:00pm Ensayo de Matachines

Saturday, August 19 - Sábado, 19 de Agosto

- 3:00pm Confessions
- 6:00pm Ensayo de Matachines

Sunday, August 20 - Domingo, 20 de Agosto

- Retiro de Pequeñas Comunidades Cristianas
- 10:00am Talleres de Oración y Vida
- 10:30am Bible Study
- 11:00am Ensayo del Coro Hispano
- 6:00pm Ensayo de Matachines

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

(Contact: Biagio Mazza – 816-979-3153; e-mail: biagio@stsabinaparish.org)

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, the RCIA, is a process which welcomes all who are interested in becoming Catholic, or any Catholic wishing to deepen their understanding of the faith. The Rite involves the formation of a community that learns, shares, builds community and prays together to deepen their relationship to God and to the parish family. The entire process leads to full commitment to God and the faith community, celebrated during the Easter Triduum of Holy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil. This year the key steps, rituals and dates are:

August 24, 2017, 6PM – Initial getting to know one another gathering and meal

August 31, 2017, 7-9PM – The first of our weekly Thursday evening gatherings

December 10, 2017, 10:30AM – The Rite of being welcomed and accepted by the parish family

February 17, 2018, 10AM – The Rite of being welcomed and accepted by the diocesan family

March 29-30-31, 2018 – The Triduum Rituals leading to full commitment to God and parish family

If you or anyone you know would be interested in being part of the RCIA, please share the information with them. There are forms in the gathering space, along with a complete calendar for this year's program. Please fill out the contact information on the other side and we will personally contact and invite all those interested to our RCIA Meal which will be held on Thursday, August 24th, 2017 at 6:00pm.



Pupusa Sale - August 27

On Sunday, August 27 our Salvadoran community will be selling pupusas after Masses. A pupusa is a traditional Salvadoran dish made of a thick, handmade corn tortilla that is usually filled with variations of cheese, pork, and refried beans. There will be samples to try so you can purchase your favorite variety. The cost will be \$2 each and you can purchase them to go. All funds collected will be used to fund our annual celebration in honor of Blessed Oscar Romero.



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.

Foundations for Living Stones – Taste and See Experience

Have you ever wanted to explore your faith in greater depth and become more informed about our Catholic tradition? Are there questions that you always had about our faith but were either afraid to ask or did not know who to ask? If so, then this Foundations for Living Stones Taste and See Experience will begin to address your desire and curiosity about your faith. On Wednesday evening, August 16 at 7 PM in the double classroom of the Education Wing, you can experience what our Foundations for Living Stones program is all about. This adult faith formation program explores in greater depth and knowledge the basics of our faith. Communication skills, group development, leadership skills, bible study, church history, prayer and sacraments are some of the many areas explored and examined. Adult methods of learning and reflection are employed throughout.

This Taste and See experience allows you to meet Living Stones graduates, as well as explore the syllabus, books and materials used throughout the 9-month program. Come and enjoy. Information about the program, questions and inquiries, along with application forms will be available. So, if you have a desire to learn more about your faith and to continue growing in it, then do plan on attending the Taste and See session and find out more about Foundations for Living Stones. It could change your life for the better. For questions or further information, don't hesitate to contact Biagio at 816-979-3153 (e-mail biagio@stsabinaparish.org) or Kris at 816-979-3151 (e-mail kris@stsabinaparish.org).

Discover the South Pacific with Fr. Jeff

Travel to the South Pacific with Fr. Jeff where you will get to see the Great Barrier Reef, the Sydney Opera House, Auckland and Milford Sound, New Zealand, and more. Information packets are available in the gathering space.



Heritage Celebration—September 23, 5pm

Share your heritage with us, as we celebrate the diversity in our parish family!

If you can help by decorating a table in the tradition of your heritage, please contact Berenice in the parish office. 816-979-3150 or berenice@stsabinaparish.org. There will be a prize for the best decorated table!



Celebración de Patrimonio Cultural—23 de Septiembre, 5pm

¡Comparta su cultura con nosotros, mientras celebramos la diversidad en nuestra familia parroquial!

Si puede ayudar decorando una mesa en la tradición de su patrimonio cultural, comuníquese con Berenice en la oficina parroquial. 816-979-3150 o berenice@stsabinaparish.org. ¡Habrá un premio para la mesa mejor decorada!



Stewardship

"When the disciples saw him walking on the sea they were terrified. 'It is a ghost,' they said, and they cried out in fear. At once Jesus spoke to them, 'Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid.' Peter said to him in reply, 'Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.' He said, 'Come.' Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus. But when he saw how strong the wind was he became frightened; and, beginning to sink, he cried out, 'Lord, save me!' Immediately Jesus stretched out his hand and caught Peter, and said to him, 'O you of little faith, why did you doubt?'"

Matthew 14: 26-31

When Peter loses his focus and begins to observe and think about the storm raging around him, he begins to sink. To Peter's credit he knows exactly to Whom to turn in that situation. "Lord, save me." We may often find ourselves in similar circumstances. Peter knew exactly Who to call out to at the moment of crisis. We may do the same. God truly loves us; we are His children. Listen to the Word of the Lord in Psalm 91: "Because he loves me," says the Lord, "I will rescue him; I will protect him, for he acknowledges my name. He will call on me, and I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him and honor him. I will satisfy him and show him my salvation." St. Francis de Sales wrote, "Either God will shield you from suffering, or He will give you unfailing strength to bear it. Be at peace then; put aside all anxious thoughts and imaginations." — See more at www.catholicsteward.com/blog/

Contributions for August 6

Envelopes/Sobres:	\$16,353.30
Plate/Canasta:	\$ 601.85
Maintenance-Upkeep:	\$ 2,023.08
Sound System:	\$ 1,300.00

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.

Green Team Tip of the Week

Tired of Junk Mail? Fill out the Do Not Mail Form at http://www.directmail.com/mail_preference/. You can call catalogues to ask to be removed from their mailing list.

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.



Pictured above are Calvin and Joseph building VBS props in Anapra, Mexico.



Area Information

Family Vocation Day - August 19

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, 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.

Married Couples

Getting ready for school means lots of time spent on your children. After school begins, why not give yourselves some time together? Make a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend! The next Weekend in Kansas City is:

November 10-12, 2017.

For more information or to apply, please visit our website: www.wvme4youandme.org or call Tony & Barb Zimmerman, 816-741-4066 or email tonybarbz@prodigy.net

Drivers Needed

The non-profit BelRay Rides Pilot Program is seeking volunteer drivers to help with a curb-to-curb, advanced reservation, transportation service for residents of Belton and Raymore. Service will be available to and from any destination within the Belton and Raymore city limits and up to the MTA park and ride at Red Bridge. Service will be provided between 7 a.m. and 6 p.m. There will be no service on major holidays.

The program will also provide transportation service for seniors from individual homes or from senior communities in Belton and Raymore to hospitals or medical buildings outside Belton and Raymore for appointments. For more information about the program, please go to www.belrayrides.org. If interested in being a driver, please sign up at www.casscountyfamilies.org.

Job Opening at St. Margaret of Scotland

Coordinator of Confirmation and Youth Ministry
St. Margaret of Scotland Catholic Church
Lee's Summit, Mo

Oversee and coordinate all programs for youth in grades six through twelve, including Confirmation, LIFT/Living In Faith as Teens (high school youth group), Middle School PSR, and CHAOS/Catholics Hyped About Our Savior (middle school parish school of religion). Including but not limited to overseeing Altar Servers.

Contact Sue Nichols: 816-272-0123



Pauline Auva'a	Morena Guardado	Justin Rewald
Zoe Ayers	Jose Guardado	Dianela Rios
Bradley Batchelder	Endrie Guerrero	Christina Robb
Nick Biondo	Jose Gutierrez	Sergio Rocha
Anna Biondo	Kathryn Hartzell	Enrique Rodriguez
Rolando Buendia	Michael Hartzell	Olivia Rodriguez
Susan Butler	Barron Henke	Carlos Rodriguez
Noemy Cartagena	Natalia Hernandez	Edwin Rodriguez
Jackelin Cartagena	Stephanie Ibarra	Renee Roe
Joaquin Chavez	Brantley Jones	Kevin Romero
Karla Coronado	Devin Keith	Mary Rustemeyer
Sharon Davis	Henry Koontz	Jennifer Sanchez
David DeRosear	Gabriel Kuti	Maria Sanchez
Kathleen Dillon	Pedro Lopez	Jose Serrano
Emily Dimarco	Olinser Luna	Patrick Sowers
Lynsy Dimarco	Israel Luna	Kelly Spiller
Carlos Dominguez	Xavier Madden	Loretta Stewart
Sheila Ellis	Angel Mauro	Jeremy Stinger
Brandon Embry	Eduardo Menjivar	Larry Strickler
Lorann Eppert	Carol Miederhoff	Trinity Sumner
Moises Fiallos	Charlene Miranda	Nicolina Taylor
Caitlin Figge	Ryan Monroe	Hannah Thomas
Chris Figge	Jennifer Moore	Tytan Thurston
Cynthia Flores	Gary Moulder	Jennifer Torres
Jaxon Fuller	Claire Overhaug	Alfredo Torres
Lexi Fuller	Belen Padilla	Everett Wehner
Melissa Fuselier	Corben Palmer	Mary Winkert
Noemi Gallardo	Jacob Pope	Norma Zavala
Michael Gerant	Jesse Quijas	
Uriel Granados	Julian Rascon	

Happy Anniversary

Leonard and Nancy Meiron	60 Years!	8/17/1957
Jim and Nancy Ruffini	55 Years!	8/19/1962
George and Ilene Burns	54 Years!	8/17/1963
Ron and Joanie Hoffman	52 Years!	8/14/1965
Jim and Sonja Bornheimer	47 Years!	8/15/1970
Dave and Ann Morris	42 Years!	8/16/1975
Jerry and Lily Pointer	42 Years!	8/16/1975
Fernando and Maria Martinez	39 Years!	8/17/1978
Rutilo and Martha Lopez	31 Years!	8/16/1986
Scott and Mary Theobald	30 Years!	8/15/1987
George and Helen Panebianco	29 Years!	8/20/1988
Eric and Amber Hartenbower	23 Years!	8/20/1994
Edward and Christy Gudenkauf	22 Years!	8/19/1995
Isidoro Dominguez and Gladys Mendez	18 Years!	8/14/1999
Michael and Shelly Orozco	18 Years!	8/14/1999
Ray and Antoinette Walker	17 Years!	8/20/2000
Marcial and Florencia Trejo	13 Years!	8/14/2004
Steve and Cynthia Circo	13 Years!	8/20/2004
Esteban Hernandez and Norma Meza	8 Years!	8/15/2009
Chris and Kristi Klohs	8 Years!	8/15/2009
Toby and Tracy Coyle	5 Years!	8/18/2012



Pastoral Care

Nursing Home Mass Schedule

Aug 16	10:00am	Foxwood Springs
Aug 23	11:00am	Carnegie Village
Aug 30	8:00am	5th Wednesday at St. Sabina

Prayer Requests/Peticiones de Oración

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

What is a Grief Recovery Group? The grief group we offer at St. Sabina is based on an adult mutual self-help grief recovery model. It is a safe place to recognize and acknowledge a painful loss. The participants are grievers that are courageous and have chosen to be proactive rather than passive. It's a place to give your grief its voice. Advanced registration is important, group size is limited but we must have at least five participants to have a group. All are welcome, you do not have to be a parishioner to participate. Friends and family members are welcome.

When and How to Register? This year our group will begin Monday, September 18th. The group will meet once a week for six weeks from 6:30-8pm at St. Sabina. If you would prefer a daytime group please let me know. To register or for more information contact Marta Roper at 816-979-3154 or marta@stsabinaparish.org.

**Although no one can walk
your grief path for you, someone
can walk *with* you!**

Retreat Weekend - September 22-24, 2017
Project Rachel: Unfailing Mercy Retreat *Help after the heartache of abortion.* To register call Teresa at 816-591-3804 or email projectrachel@diocesekcsj.org. Complete confidentiality is assured.

Wellness Center

Did you know—a 16-ounce soda can have up to 200 calories? Water has none! Flavor it with fresh fruit, cucumber slices, or mint leaves and you've created a delicious fruit infused water.

To build a healthy eating style and stay within your calorie needs, choose foods and beverages with less added sugars. Added sugars are sugars and syrups that are added to foods or beverages when they are processed or prepared. This does not include natural sugars found in milk and fruits.

Most of us eat and drink too many added sugars from the following foods:

- beverages, such as regular soft drinks, energy or sports drinks, fruit drinks, sweetened coffee and tea
- candy, cookies and brownies
- cakes, pies and cobblers
- sweet rolls, pastries, and donuts
- ice cream and dairy desserts
- sugars, jams, syrups, and sweet toppings

Reading the ingredient label on packaged foods can help to identify added sugars.

You can limit your intake of added sugars by:

- drinking water, unsweetened tea or coffee, or other calorie-free beverages instead of sodas or other sweetened beverages
- choosing beverages, such as low-fat or fat-free milk and 100% fruit juice
- choosing fruit as a naturally sweet dessert or sweet snack instead of foods with added sugars
- making sweet desserts and snacks, such as cookies, cakes, pies, and ice cream, a once in a while treat and choosing a small portion when you enjoy them
- choosing packaged foods that have less or no added sugars such as plain yogurt, unsweetened applesauce, or frozen fruit with no added sugar or syrup

Here's a tip to cut down on saturated fat in your next coffee order. Skip the whip cream and ask for skim milk in place of whole milk. Little changes can make a big difference over time.



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, 7:45am to 12:30pm at St. Mark's Parish! 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!

High School Youth and College Youth! The National Catholic Youth Conference is coming soon, November 16th-19th! We will be registering youth to go on this amazing trip to Indianapolis until September 18th. Contact Kirstie Roberts in the Youth Office to get an information and registration packet!

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/>

Parish School of Religion! We are now accepting registrations for PSR. Registration forms can be picked up in the gathering space or found on the parish website. Classes will begin September 17th. Children entering 2nd grade are eligible for the sacraments of Reconciliation and Communion this year and youth entering 10th grade or older are eligible for the sacrament of Confirmation. Information packs about the sacraments will be sent upon receipt of registration. We look forward to sharing your children's faith journey this school year!

Substitute Teachers Needed! If anyone is available to occasionally help out in a PSR classroom, please contact Kirstie Roberts in the Youth Office. All volunteers must meet the Diocesan requirements to work with children.



Reflection on the Readings

The readings this Sunday challenge us to be open to the diverse, surprising and multiple ways in which the divine presence is manifest among us. This challenge is best summarized in the prayer refrain from responsorial Psalm 85: "Lord, let us see your kindness and grant us your salvation." The psalm affirms that the presence of God is made manifest whenever "kindness and truth meet" in our encounter with others, and whenever "justice and peace kiss" in the routine actions of our daily lives.

In living lives that reflect such attitudes, we make God's presence active and alive. We pray that our lives be open to "see" God's loving presence among us, as we ask God to be our true source of salvation. This manner of seeing requires that we put on "faith glasses," enabling us to perceive the power and presence of God acting on our behalf.

In our first reading, Elijah, fleeing Queen Jezebel, travels to God's mountain, Mt. Horeb or Sinai, to experience God's presence, safety and salvation. Like Moses before him, Elijah expected to experience the Lord's presence in the mighty phenomena of nature, namely wind, earthquake and fire. But none of these usual patterns of God's manifestation seem to be the means God chooses.

Rather, Elijah waits with patience and attentiveness to experience how God would choose to be present. Finally, Elijah hears a "tiny whispering sound" and realizes that today, God's presence would be manifested in this most unusual manner. *With the eyes of faith, Elijah experiences God's presence, kindness and salvation in a manner he least expected.*

Paul struggles in his letter to the Romans as to why some of his fellow Jews have been unable to accept Jesus as the Christ, or messiah. The Jews have consistently been open to the multiple manifestations of God. In so doing they are so dear to God that "theirs the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship and the promises." *Paul agonizes as to why some of them cannot see Jesus as the richest and best manifestation of God among us. This has been the richest thing to have happened to Paul and he wants his people to share in that abundance and richness.* So he struggles in his desire for them to be opened to Jesus now as they have been opened to the "benefits" and gifts of God in the past.

Matthew's gospel speaks of Jesus going off to pray and connect with God on a mountain. Meanwhile his disciples are in a boat, being tossed about by the wind. Soon they see someone coming towards them walking on the water. Terrified, they think it is a ghost. *Jesus calms their fears: "Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid." In Greek, "it is I" literally says "I AM," the standard name for God in the Old Testament, as revealed to Moses on Mt. Sinai.* This divine affirmation is further strengthened as Matthew shows Jesus having the same power

and control over the waters of chaos that is so characteristic of God in the Old Testament.

Peter asks Jesus to command him to come to Jesus by also walking on the water. Jesus invites Peter to come. Peter attempts to but is soon frightened by the wind and water and begins to sink, calling upon Jesus to save him. *Jesus responds with one of the most consoling and affirming non-verbal gestures ever: "Immediately Jesus stretched out his hand and caught Peter..." Then comes Jesus' challenge that every disciple needs to take to heart: "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?"*

Being attuned to God demands that we put on "faith glasses." Faith helps us to see God's presence in the most unexpected places. Faith gives us the strength to believe, even when life seems so difficult and overwhelming that, like Peter, we feel like we are going to sink. Calling out to Jesus for help gets the immediate response of Jesus reaching out to save us.

How do your "faith glasses" help you to see God present in your daily life?

Biagio Mazza
Pastoral Associate

Readings



Bible Study

Sunday, August 13

1st Reading: 1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a

Psalm: Psalm 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14 (8)

2nd Reading: Romans 9:1-5

Gospel: Matthew 14:22-33

Sunday, August 20

1st Reading: Isaiah 56:1, 6-7

Psalm: Psalm 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (4)

2nd Reading: Romans 11:13-15, 29-32

Gospel: Matthew 15:21-28

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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Reflexión Sobre las Lecturas



Las lecturas de este domingo nos desafían a estar abiertos a las diversas, sorprendentes y múltiples formas en la cual la presencia divina se manifiesta entre nosotros. Este desafío se resume mejor el refrán de oración del Salmo responsorial 84: "Muéstranos, Señor, tu misericordia y danos tu salvación". El salmo afirma que la presencia de Dios se manifiesta siempre que "la misericordia y la fidelidad se encuentran" en nuestro encuentro con los demás, y siempre que "la justicia y la paz se besan" en las acciones rutinarias de nuestras vidas cotidianas.

En vivir vidas que reflejan tales actitudes, hacemos la presencia de Dios activa y viva. Oramos que nuestras vidas estén abiertas para ver la presencia amorosa de Dios entre nosotros, mientras le pedimos a Dios que sea nuestra verdadera fuente de salvación. Esta manera de ver requiere que pongamos "anteojos de fe", lo que nos permite percibir el poder y la presencia de Dios actuando en nuestro nombre.

En nuestra primera lectura, Elías, huyendo de la reina Jezabel, viaja al monte de Dios, El Horeb o Sinai, para experimentar la presencia, seguridad y salvación de Dios. Como Moisés antes que él, Elías esperaba experimentar la presencia del Señor en los poderosos fenómenos de la naturaleza, es decir, el viento, el terremoto y el fuego. Pero ninguno de estos patrones habituales de la manifestación de Dios parece ser el medio que Dios elige.

Por el contrario, Elías espera con paciencia y atención para experimentar cómo Dios escogería estar presente. Finalmente, Elías escucha un "murmullo de una brisa suave" y se da cuenta de que hoy, la presencia se manifestaría de una manera tan inusual. *Con los ojos de fe, Elías experimenta la presencia, la bondad y la salvación de Dios de la manera que menos esperaba.*

Pablo lucha en su carta a los romanos en cuanto a porqué algunos de sus compañeros judíos han sido incapaces de aceptar a Jesús como el Cristo, o mesías. Los judíos han estado siempre abiertos a las múltiples manifestaciones de Dios. Al estar abiertos son tan queridos por Dios que les "pertenece la adopción filial, la gloria, la alianza, la ley, el culto y las promesas". *Pablo agoniza por que algunos de ellos no pueden ver a Jesús como la mejor y mas rica manifestación de Dios entre nosotros. Esto ha sido lo más rico que le ha pasado a Pablo y quiere que su pueblo comparta en esa abundancia y riqueza.* Así que lucha en su deseo de que se abran a Jesús ahora como se han abierto a los "beneficios" y

los dones de Dios en el pasado.

El evangelio de Mateo habla de Jesús, que se va a orar y conectar con Dios en una montaña. Mientras tanto, sus discípulos están en una barca, siendo arrojados por el viento. Pronto ven a alguien que viene hacia ellos caminando sobre el agua. Aterrorizados, piensan que es un fantasma. *Jesús calma sus temores: "Tranquílícense y no teman. Soy yo". En griego, "soy yo" literalmente dice "YO SOY", el nombre estándar de Dios en el Antiguo Testamento, como se reveló a Moisés en el Monte Sinai.* Esta afirmación divina se fortalece aún más cuando Mateo muestra que Jesús tiene el mismo poder y control sobre las aguas del caos que es tan característico de Dios en el Antiguo Testamento.

Pedro le pide a Jesús que le ordene que venga a Jesús también caminando sobre el agua. Jesús invita a Pedro a venir. Pedro intenta pero pronto es asustado por el viento y el agua y comienza a hundirse, invocando a Jesús para salvarlo. *Jesús responde con uno de los gestos no verbales más consoladores y afirmativos: "Inmediatamente Jesús le tendió la mano y lo sostuvo..." Después viene el desafío de Jesús que cada discípulo debe tomar en serio: "Hombre de poca fe, ¿por qué dudaste?"*

Estar en sintonía con Dios exige que nos pongamos "anteojos de fe". La fe nos ayuda a ver la presencia de Dios en los lugares más inesperados. La fe nos da la fuerza para creer, incluso cuando la vida parece tan difícil y abrumadora que, como Pedro, sentimos que nos vamos a hundir. Clamando a Jesús para recibir ayuda obtiene la respuesta inmediata de Jesús extendiéndose para salvarnos.

¿Cómo le ayudan sus "anteojos de fe" a ver a Dios presente en su vida diaria?

Biagio Mazza
Asociado Pastoral

Lecturas



Lecturas del Domingo, 13 de Agosto

Primera Lectura: 1 Reyes 19:9a, 11-13a
Salmo: Salmo 84:9ab y 10, 11-12, 13-14
Segunda Lectura: Romanos 9:1-5
Evangelio: Mateo 14:22-33

Lecturas del Domingo, 20 de Agosto

Primera Lectura: Isaías 56:1, 6-7
Salmo: Salmo 66:2-3, 5, 6 y 8
Segunda Lectura: Romanos 11:13-15, 29-32
Evangelio: Mateo 15:21-28



Ministerio Juvenil

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Entrenamiento para Ministros Jóvenes - 26 de agosto, 7:45 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. ¡Todos necesitarán una hoja de permiso y no hay ningún costo para este valioso día de entrenamiento!

¡Jóvenes de la High School y Jóvenes Universitarios!

¡La Conferencia Nacional para Jóvenes Católicos está a punto de llegar, del 16 al 19 de noviembre! Estaremos registrando a los jóvenes para ir a este viaje increíble a Indianápolis hasta el 18 de septiembre. Póngase en contacto con Kirstie Roberts en la Oficina de la Juventud para obtener un paquete de información y registro!

ESCUELA DE RELIGIÓN

10o grado o mayores son elegibles para el sacramento de la Confirmación. Paquetes de información sobre los sacramentos serán enviados al recibir su inscripción. ¡Esperamos compartir el viaje de fe de sus hijos este año escolar!

¡Necesitamos Maestros y Maestros Sustitutos!

Si alguien está disponible para ayudar cada semana como maestro o de vez en cuando como maestro sustituto en la Escuela de Religión, por favor póngase en contacto con Kirstie Roberts en la Oficina de la Juventud. 816-979-3155. Todos los voluntarios deben cumplir con los requisitos diocesanos para trabajar con niños.

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), y
- 2) Póngase en contacto con su departamento de policía local o llame al 911, y
- 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 Victimas, Kathleen Chastain al 816.392.0011 o chastain@diocesekcsj.org para mas información.

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



Información

Felicidades Por Su Bautismo

Itzayana Jaeli, la hija de Julio Cesar Gracida Velasco y Paulina Basurto Vargas
Kaylee Marie, la hija de Eddy y Salena Arenivas

Platicas Pre-Bautismales - 9 de Septiembre

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 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.**

Platicas Matrimoniales - 9 y 16 de Septiembre

Platicas Matrimoniales ofrecerán los sábados, 9 y 16 de Septiembre a las 10am-3pm en el cuarto de conferencia en el abajo del templo chico. Todas las parejas necesitan asistir los dos platicas. Para mas información, llame Martina y Abelardo Arreola a 816-269-4956 o Kris a 816-979-3151.

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.

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El domingo, 27 de agosto, nuestra comunidad salvadoreña venderá pupusas después de las Misas. Una pupusa es un platillo salvadoreño tradicional hecho de una tortilla gruesa de maíz hecha a mano que normalmente se llena con variaciones de queso, cerdo y frijoles refritos. Habrá muestras para probar para que pueda comprar su variedad favorita. El costo será

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Rito de la Iniciación Cristiana de los Adultos - 2017-2018

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El Rito de Iniciación Cristiana de Adultos, el RICA, es un proceso que da la bienvenida a todos los que están interesados en convertirse en católicos, o cualquier católico que desee profundizar su comprensión de la fe. El Rito implica la formación de una comunidad que aprende, comparte, construye comunidad y ora juntos para profundizar su relación con Dios y con la familia parroquial. Todo el proceso conduce al compromiso total con Dios y la comunidad de fe, celebrada durante el Triduo Pascual del Jueves Santo, Viernes Santo y Vigilia Pascual. Este año los pasos claves, rituales y fechas son:

24 de agosto de 2017, 6PM - Conocimiento inicial y reunión

31 de agosto de 2017, 7-9PM - La primera de nuestras reuniones semanales los jueves por la noche

10 de diciembre de 2017, 10:30 AM - El rito de ser recibido y aceptado por la familia parroquial

17 de febrero de 2018, 10AM - El rito de ser recibido y aceptado por la familia diocesana

29-30-31 de marzo de 2018 - Los Rituales del Triduo que conducen al compromiso total con Dios y la familia parroquial

Si usted o alguien que conoce estaría interesado en ser parte del RICA, por favor comparta la información con ellos. Hay formas en el espacio de reunión, junto con un calendario completo para el programa de este año. Por favor llene la información de contacto en el otro lado y personalmente nos pondremos en contacto e invitaremos a todos aquellos interesados a nuestra comida de RICA que se llevará a cabo el jueves 24 de agosto de 2017 a las 6:00 pm.



Felicidades a todos los que renovaron su Sacramento de la Confirmación, a través de la Liturgia de Consagración celebrada el martes, 1 de Agosto, dentro del Retiro de Evangelización que se está llevando en nuestra parroquia y como culminación del segundo bloque.

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Horarios de Misa

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Horario de Misa para el Día de Precepto

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