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



While traveling in New Orleans, Sarah Hagemann and Alexis and Raechel Carlock stopped to visit Anna, the home owner of the last Habitat House that our youth worked on in NOLA.

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.**

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.

Twentieth Sunday of Ordinary Time

August 20, 2017

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Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Intentions for August 21-25, 2017

Mon.	8am	COMMUNION SERVICE
Tues.	6pm	Intentions of Valeria Canchola Piña
Wed.	11am	†Roberta Paddock (Carnegie Village)
Thurs.	8am	†Loretta Kratofil
Fri.	8am	†Glen Lewis

Saturday, August 26, 2017

4:00pm †Charles Bybee Sr.

Sunday, August 27, 2017

8:00am	†Loretta Kratofil
	Intentions of the Parish Family
10:30am	†Jose Juan Alvarez
12:30pm Spanish	†Vidal Tarango
	Acción de Gracias de la Familia
	Pacheco-Estrella

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

†Roberta Paddock, sister of Don Hemmen

†Charlie Arnold, widower of Betty Arnold



Calendar/Parish Happenings

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

Monday, August 21 - Lunes, 21 de Agosto

3:00pm SCC Core Group Meeting

5:30pm Marian Prayer Group

7:00pm Boy Scouts/Cub Scouts

7:00pm Ensayo de Matachines

Tuesday, August 22 - Martes, 22 de Agosto

7:00am Youth Prayer Group

6:00pm Ensayo de Matachines

7:00pm Pequeñas Comunidades Cristianas

Wednesday, August 23 - Miércoles, 23 de Agosto

9:00am Legion of Mary

11:00am Mass at Carnegie Village

6:00pm Ensayo de Matachines

Thursday, August 24 - Jueves, 24 de Agosto

9:30am Quilters

6:00pm RCIA Meal

Friday, August 25 - Viernes, 25 de Agosto

No Scheduled Events

Saturday, August 26 - Sábado, 26 de Agosto

8:45am Peer Minister Training at St. Mark Parish

3:00pm Confessions

Sunday, August 27 - Domingo, 27 de Agosto

Pupusa Sale

10:00am Talleres de Oración y Vida

11:00am Ensayo del Coro Hispano

Baptism Congratulations

Xerxes Leonardo, son of Abram Johnson and Ivette Santana

Coen Michael, son of Cody and Chelsea Hendrix

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.

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 with God and with 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.

Boy Scouts

Do you have a son or a grandson, first grade or older, that would be interested in getting involved in scouting? Contact Rodney Stoverink (rstoverink@gmail.com or 816-729-6945) or Corey Pointer (coreypointer@att.net or 816-719-1108) for information!

Christmas in October—Oct 14

Please save the date for our Christmas in October workday this year on Saturday, October 14th. We will need lots of volunteers, and especially house captains, so that we can help many people this year. Volunteer sign-ups coming soon.



Parish Happenings



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

"She said, 'Please, Lord, for even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from the table of their masters.' Then Jesus said to her in reply, 'O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.' And the woman's daughter was healed from that hour."

Matthew 15: 27-28

Jesus' Apostles found this situation, and perhaps even this entire trip, to be a fruitless and empty gesture, more of a bother than it was worth. They even plead with Jesus to ignore the woman and send her away. They said, "Send her away, for she keeps calling out after us." However, Jesus is teaching a lesson to each of us, actually two lessons. He does not "send her away" but finally responds, saying "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." The two lessons (messages) Jesus provides to us are easily summarized. First, we need to know and understand that Jesus loves us and He is aware of our needs. The second is that when we pray and appeal for help (all the woman finally said was "Lord, help me!") a key to answered prayers is persistence. She had it, and we need to have it. — See more at www.catholicsteward.com/blog/

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.

One Year of Our Community Garden

The Community Garden started in August 2016. In a year, we have donated over 300lbs of food. Please help us to continue and grow this ministry at 9am Wednesday and Saturday mornings.



Green Team Tip of the Week

Save money and power by contacting KCP&L for discounts and rebates to make your home more energy efficient. <https://www.kcpl.com/save-energy-and-money/for-home/upgrade-your-home>

Contributions for August 13

Envelopes/Sobres:	\$8,926.09
Plate/Canasta:	\$ 969.27
Maintenance-Upkeep:	\$ 551.75
Sound System:	\$ 350.00

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.

Donating Securities and Mutual Funds

Are some of your shares of stock or mutual funds higher than when you bought them? This provides you a wise method of giving to St. Sabina Parish.

Donating appreciated stock or mutual fund shares is a strategic gift-planning method. In most cases, the donor receives an itemized deduction in the full amount of the fair market value (FMV) of the shares donated as of the date of the gift. This value is deductible up to 30% of the donor's adjusted gross income and can be carried over for up to five years after the year of the gift. Please consult your financial or legal adviser.



Area Information

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.wwme4youandme.org or call Tony & Barb Zimmerman, 816-741-4066 or email tonybarbz@prodigy.net

Bow Ties for Babies

Have you or do you know someone who may be pregnant and know their baby will die during pregnancy or soon after birth due to an adverse prenatal diagnosis, or has a newborn and has received a terminal diagnosis? Or are you a family who has experienced an unexpected loss of a child due to miscarriage, fetal demise, stillbirth, SIDS, or any cause? There is a place in Kansas City known as Alexandra's House and offers healing and support for parents and families, free of charge, during pregnancy and after the death of a child. To help support this nonprofit and its services, the Friends of Alexandra's House hosts a gala called Bow Ties for Babies. This year's event will be held on October 13 at the Grand Street Plaza with a silent and live auction and dinner. Tickets are \$150 per person. For more information visit bowtiesforbabies.com or call 816-931-5378. Also visit www.alexandrashouse.com to learn more about this special ministry.

School of Love - Benefit (Sept 8th)

School of Love's 2017 benefit is coming up, & you are cordially invited! **The event - Dinner, Date, & Casino - will be held at the Sheraton Overland Park on Friday, September 8th.**

It will be a blast... & a big night for this awesome mission! So we want all our new & old friends, participants, donors, & newcomers to come celebrate with us & to support this unique (& uniquely needed!) mission for faith, marriage, & family.

Info & Tickets can be found at: www.schooloflovekc.com/benefit-2017.



happy birthday

Dewey Adams	Mallory Harshner	Alejandro Ortiz
Alexandra Aguilar	Donald Henry	Erik Palomares
David Anderson	Nydia Hernandez	Kendall Perkins
Colton Anderson	Jose Hernandez	Jerry Pointer
Carole Biver	Lucero Hinojos	Maria Preuss
Betty Bleier	Logan Horstman	Veleta Raya
Armando Campos Valdez	Dustin Lingenfeller	Gerrie Roberts
Roxana Cartagena	Robert Lynn	Rebecca Rodriguez
Ofelia Castillo	Nicholas Macias	Teresa Rodriguez
Jesus Chavez	Samantha Mackey	Sara Rosales
Davi Colombo	Alondra Marquez	Ashley Salinas
Zac Cooper	Valeria Martinez	Maria Santillanes Cruz
Megan Coovert	Leticia Martinez	Mary Schmidt
Angel Cortez	Jose Medina	Michelle Schoenberger
Blake DeRosear	Martha Medina	John Sellmeyer
Armando Enriquez	Juan Medina Vasquez	Jazmine Serrano
Jorge Estrella	Wilian Mena	Martha Sosa
Hannah Ewbank	Adrian Michalski	Amanda Squires
Cesar Fabian	Norabel Molina	Carol Strickler
Becky Fenske	Diana Morales	Andrea Tapia
Mitchell Fitzpatrick	Lydia Moulder	Jose Tenorio
Isabella Galant	Carlos Nateras	Armando Tenorio
Denise Gates	Daniel Noriega	Guadalupe Toledo
JoAnn Gerant	Januel Noriega	Isela Valenzuela
Kylie Giacone	Allison Norris	Tessa Velez
Tracy Gnad	JoAnn Obermeier	Michael Ward
Camden Goulding	Joel Ortega	Alma Yanez
Sebastian Guerrero	Elda Ortiz	Fred Yonker IX

Happy Anniversary

Jack and Josephine Davis	51 Years!	8/27/1966
Marco and Catalina Guillermo	33 Years!	8/26/1984
Michael and Mary Mize	27 Years!	8/24/1990
Archie and Shannon Herndon	27 Years!	8/25/1990
Mark and Sherry Lopez	17 Years!	8/26/2000
Martin and Teresa Bays	13 Years!	8/21/2004
Alfredo Aguilar and Dora Estrada	12 Years!	8/21/2005
Eduardo Guzman and Juanita Leon	12 Years!	8/27/2005
Jerry and Marie Wilburn	12 Years!	8/27/2005
Erik and Sonya Swenson	10 Years!	8/25/2007
Raymond and Marie Graves	8 Years!	8/22/2009
John Noel and Dona Yeager	5 Years!	8/24/2012
David Lopez and Brenda Arenivas	2 Years!	8/22/2015



Pastoral Care

Nursing Home Mass Schedule

Aug 23	11:00am	Carnegie Village
Aug 30	8:00am	5th Wednesday at St. Sabina
Sept 6	10:30am	Beautiful Savior

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. **Registration deadline is Monday, September 11.**

**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.

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 Shrout
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	

Wellness Center

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 ReFit® 6-7pm

Did You Know—these 3 healthy, restroom) and the importance back to school habits to help your students; bedtime schedule, hand washing and healthy snacks. of using hand sanitizer when washing isn't an option. Keeping their fingers out of their eyes and noses is a great habit.

Bedtime Schedule Like adults, children need a good night of rest to stay focused, productive and energetic throughout their day. At least 8 hours of sleep for teens and 9 or more for younger kids is the recommend amount of rest. Set the schedule and stick to it. It may take a week or so of getting used to, but the results will be worth it.

Hand Washing Classrooms are often a petri dish of germs. Help your children prevent illness and spreading germs by teaching them proper hand washing (before lunch/snack time and after using the

Healthy Snacks Pre-made lunches and snack items sure are convenient, but they aren't necessarily what you want to be feeding your children for optimal nutrition and energy source. Take a little extra time on the weekend to pre-chop some fruits and vegetables for the week and make a few extra servings at dinner time and use the leftovers for a nutritious and filling lunch at school. Hard-boil some eggs for a quick, easy and protein-packed

breakfast on hectic mornings.

Getting back into a routine following summer vacation is just as hard on kids as it is on adults. Follow these three basic but helpful tips to start the new school year off on the right track!



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 September 21st, 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 September 20th.** 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 packets 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



This Sunday's readings present us all with a tremendous challenge: are God's blessings intended for all people, or must certain qualifications be met before God's blessings can be bestowed? This is not a problem for God but rather a problem for those who consider themselves to be God's chosen ones.

Those considering themselves God's chosen often shut out others from God's blessings, resulting in exclusion, divisions, boundary setting, name calling, and even violence in the name of God. In today's readings we learn that such is not, nor ever was, God's desire or intention.

Psalm 67 is a celebration of the expansiveness of God's blessings upon all, seen most especially in terms of harvest abundance. In the refrain, the psalmist calls upon all the nations to acknowledge and praise God as the source of our abundance and blessings. *No one is excluded from God's covenant love and relationship.*

The first reading from Isaiah begins the final sections of Isaiah, chapters 55-66, focused on the return from the Babylonian exile and the enormous task of rebuilding both land and temple. *The exile and return taught the Jews that God is not exclusively or only their God, but is the God of all people, including Gentiles, or non-Jews.*

Isaiah clearly states that doing what the Lord intends is the only criteria for relationship with God. *Race, color, nationality, creed, or other differences do not disallow anyone from a place in God's house.* If only we could all see things from such an expansive perspective.

Paul in his letter to the Romans struggles with the relationship between Gentiles who have accepted Christ Jesus and Jews who have not. Because of God's blessings on the Jews, the Gentiles have been attracted to God through their belief in Christ Jesus as the messiah.

Paul prays and hopes that those

Jews who do not accept Jesus will see the blessings that have come to the Gentiles through their belief in Jesus. Ultimately, Paul hopes that Jesus, God with us, will become the means by which Jews and Gentiles will mutually help and welcome one another, each in their own way, to share mutually and fully in God's blessings.

Matthew's gospel presents Jesus and his disciples engaging a Canaanite mother, a Gentile, who asks Jesus' help in curing her daughter. Initially Jesus does not pay attention to her, while the disciples try to get rid of her. But the woman persists until Jesus responds with the standard Jewish prejudice that God's blessings are for the Jews, those welcomed at the Lord's table and not for "dogs," a slur on Gentiles who like dogs made no distinction between clean and unclean foods.

The woman gets Jesus attention as she insists that even the dogs have a right to be fed, even if just scraps from the children's table. *The woman's faith touches Jesus such that he grants her request. Matthew is clearly teaching his Jewish community that God's blessings are for all people, without any distinctions or qualifications.*



Who are the outcasts in your life? In our community? In our parish? *How will you ensure that you imitate the expansive and unqualified nature of God's blessings in your relations with others?*

Biagio Mazza
Pastoral Associate

Readings



Bible Study

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

Sunday, August 27

1st Reading: Isaiah 22:19-23

Psalm: Psalm 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8 (8bc)

2nd Reading: Romans 11:33-36

Gospel: Matthew 16:13-20

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 presentan un desafío tremendo: ¿Están las bendiciones de Dios destinadas a todas las personas, o deben cumplirse ciertas cualificaciones antes de que se puedan otorgar las bendiciones de Dios?

Esto no es un problema para Dios, sino más bien, un problema para aquellos que se consideran a sí mismos como los elegidos de Dios.

Aquellos que se consideran a sí mismos los elegidos de Dios muchas veces excluyen a otros de las bendiciones de Dios, resultando en la exclusión, las divisiones, la fijación de límites, los insultos, e incluso la violencia en el nombre de Dios. En las lecturas de hoy aprendemos que tal no es, ni ha sido jamás, el deseo o la intención de Dios.

El Salmo 66 es una celebración de la expansión de las bendiciones de Dios sobre todos, visto sobre todo en términos de abundancia de la cosecha. En el estribillo, el salmista llama a todas las naciones a reconocer y alabar a Dios como la fuente de nuestra abundancia y bendiciones. *Nadie es excluido del amor y la relación del pacto de Dios.*

La primera lectura de Isaías comienza las secciones finales de Isaías, capítulos 55-66, centrado en el regreso del exilio de Babilonia y la enorme tarea de reconstruir la tierra y el templo. *El exilio y el regreso enseñaron a los judíos que Dios no es exclusivamente o sólo su Dios, sino el Dios de todos los pueblos, incluyendo a los gentiles o no judíos.*

Isaías claramente afirma que hacer lo que el Señor tiene pensado es el único criterio para la relación con Dios. *La raza, el color, la nacionalidad, el credo u otras diferencias no desautorizan a nadie de un lugar en la casa de Dios.* Si tan sólo pudiéramos ver todas las cosas desde una perspectiva tan expansiva.

Pablo en su carta a los Romanos lucha con la relación entre los gentiles que han aceptado a Cristo Jesús y los judíos que no lo han hecho. Debido a las bendiciones de Dios sobre los judíos, los gentiles han sido atraídos a Dios por su creencia en Cristo Jesús como el Mesías.

Pablo ora y espera que aquellos judíos que no aceptan a Jesús verán las bendiciones que han llegado a los gentiles a través de su creencia en Jesús. En última instancia,

Pablo espera que Jesús, Dios con nosotros, se convierta en el medio por el cual los judíos y los gentiles se ayudan mutuamente y se reciben mutuamente, cada uno a su manera, para compartir mutuamente y plenamente las bendiciones de Dios.

El Evangelio de Mateo presenta a Jesús y a sus discípulos enganchando a la madre cananea, una Gentil, que pide la ayuda de Jesús para curar a su hija. Inicialmente Jesús no la presta atención, mientras que los discípulos tratan de deshacerse de ella. Pero la mujer persiste hasta que Jesús responde con el prejuicio judío estándar de que las bendiciones de Dios son para los judíos, los que son bienvenidos a la mesa del Señor y no para "perros", un insulto a los gentiles que como perros no hacían distinción entre alimentos limpios e inmundos.

La mujer recibe la atención de Jesús cuando insiste en que incluso los perros tienen el derecho de ser alimentados, aunque sólo se desprendan de la mesa de los niños. *La fe de la mujer conmueve a Jesús. Mateo enseña claramente a su comunidad judía que las bendiciones de Dios son para todas las personas, sin ninguna distinción o cualificación.*



¿Quiénes son los parias en tu vida? ¿En nuestra comunidad? ¿En nuestra parroquia? *¿Cómo se asegurará de imitar la naturaleza expansiva e incondicional de las bendiciones de Dios en sus relaciones con los demás?*

Biagio Mazza
Asociado Pastoral

Lecturas



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

Lecturas del Domingo, 27 de Agosto

Primera Lectura: Isaías 22:19-23

Salmo: Salmo 137:1a y 1c-2ab, 2cd-3, 6 y 8bc

Segunda Lectura: Romanos 11:33-36

Evangelio: Mateo 16:13-20



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/>

¡Escuela de Religión!

Ya estamos aceptando registraciones para la Escuela de Religión. Las hojas de inscripción se encuentran en el espacio de reunión y en la pagina web de la parroquia. Las clases comenzarán el 17 de septiembre. Ofrecemos catequesis para niños desde el kínder hasta la high school, y los niños que ingresan al 2do grado son elegibles para los sacramentos de Reconciliación y Comunión y los jóvenes que entran al



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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.

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

(Contacto: Gerardo Arenivas - 816-719-7563; o Raul Felix - 816-309-1919.

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.

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!

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¡Gracias y bienvenidos a los nuevos miembros del coro! Si le gustaría compartir su tiempo y talento con nuestra parroquia, cantando o tocando como integrante de nuestro coro, comuníquese con Arturo Piñon al 816-291-2742.

Horarios de Misa

Sábado: 4:00pm en Ingles

Domingo: 8:00am y 10:30am en Ingles,
12:30pm en Español

Confesiones: Sábados, 3:00-3:30pm

**Visite nuestra página web para el horario
de Misas especiales y Días Santos.**

Venta de Pupusas - 27 de Agosto

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 de \$2 cada una y se puede comprar para llevar. Todos los fondos recaudados serán utilizados para financiar nuestra celebración anual en honor al beato Oscar Romero.