

Saint Sabina Catholic Church

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Office Hours: The parish office is currently open by appointment only.
Horarios de la Oficina: En este momento la oficina parroquial está abierta solo con cita previa.



Thank you to all of our volunteer gardeners who help keep our grounds looking beautiful!

¡Gracias a todos nuestros jardineros voluntarios que ayudan a mantener nuestro terreno hermoso!

Mass Times

In Person (We request that you RSVP so that we have a list of attendees):

Saturdays at 4pm (English)
Sundays at 8am (English)
Sundays at 12:30pm (Spanish)

Online (via Facebook and parish website):

Saturdays at 6pm (English)
Sundays at 10:30am (English)
Sundays at 3pm (Spanish)

Horarios de Misa

En persona (Le pedimos que confirme su asistencia para que tengamos una lista de asistentes):

Sábados a las 4pm (inglés)
Domingos a las 8am (inglés)
Domingos a las 12:30pm (español)

En línea (a través de Facebook y el sitio web de la parroquia):

Sábados a las 6pm (inglés)
Domingos a las 10:30am (inglés)
Domingos a las 3pm (español)

Twenty First Sunday of Ordinary Time—21° Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

August 23, 2020

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Mass Intentions for the Week Peticiones de la Semana

Intentions for August 25-28, 2020

Tues.	No Mass or Communion Service	
Wed.	8am	Open
Thurs.	8am	Open
Fri.	8am	Open

Saturday, August 29, 2020

4:00pm †Charles Bybee Sr

Sunday, August 30, 2020

8:00am	Open
12:30pm Spanish	†Marco Antonio Huerta
	†Jacinto Garcia

We also remember the special intentions requested in our virtual prayer book on Facebook and our family and friends on the sick list.

Recordamos tambien, las intenciones especiales en nuestro libro virtual de peticiones por Facebook, y nuestros amigos y familiares de nuestra lista de enfermos.

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

†Alice Hetherington, sister of Bob Coomer

†Pastor Giron, esposo de Elvira Melendez

†Norberto Arellano

†Rick Weeda, brother-in-law of David and Bob Haefe

†Luis Loayza, padre de Patricia Loayza

†Maria Antonia Becerra Acevedo, sister of Maria Juanita Becerra

†Rosel Menjivar, sobrina de Vilma Cartagena



Parish Information—Información Parroquial

Prayer Requests/Peticiones de Oración

Christina Albarez	Bonnie Haskins	Melba Mercier
Nancy Ballenger	Cherie Hatfield	Karen Muelbach
Margaret Bannerman	Martha Healy	Joan Nowak
Juanita Becerra	Ted Henry	Laura Oresteen
Dennis Berg	Rhonda Henke	Zenaida Ortiz
John Bidondo	Alex Henningsen	Thelma Putnam
Mary Pat Biondo	Bob Henningsen	Diane Quinn
Maxine Bremer	Ann Heinzler	Abigail Resendiz
Veronica Burks	Estela Huerta	Larry Rhodes
Joyce Callahan	Jennifer Huffman	Alfonso Rivera
Angel Cedillo	Richard Huffman	Anna Ryan
Javier Cedillo	Lisa Jonas	Lou Scaccia
Jackie Chiappetta	Gary Jones	Ron Schock
John Cikan	Kenneth Jones	Mary Schwartz
Harrison Cummings	John Jongenelen	Peter Shea
Mark DeLuca	Michael Kempster	Jaxton Shipley
Mark Deterding	John Key	Shellie Smoot
Paula Dull	Jack King	Don Standley
Denise English	Dorothy Knoll	Rachael Smith
Terry Eppert	Don Kueck	Marie Stinger
Rosa Escobedo	Susan Lager	Lois Stogsdill
Joe Evans	Arlene Lally	Rita Stout
Maria Luisa Flores	Ellen Lilek	Jean Tate
Larry Foster	Emmy Long	Joel Taylor
Jean Frank	Alyson Lopez	Priscilla Tristani
Tonya Frezza	Angelika Mackey	Amanda Votava
Miguel Angel Salinas Gonzalez	Ray Malisos	Dorothea West
Ginny Hainey	Bienvenido Martinez	Mary Westfall
Jackie Hamilton	Kristy McClain	Sarah Wheeler
Rita Ann Hand	Leslie McDowell	Marie Wilburn
Jeanette Hart	Leonard Meiron	Carmitia Yust

happy birthday

Isabella Alonzo	Charles Knight
Juana Arroyo	Teresa Lilek
Lawrence Barberis	Monica Lopez
Bev Bell	Jose Lopez
Carole Biver	Samantha Mackey
Sr. Lucille Buhl	Erika Martinez
Armando Campos Valdez	Gene McEwen
Jesus Chavez	Martha Medina
Davi Colombo	Jose Mejia
Angel Cortez Mendoza	Wilian Mena
Herman Escobar	Adriana Miramontes
Hannah Ewbank	Norabel Molina
Cesar Fabian	Andres Orozco
Becky Fenske	Beatriz Recendiz
Yasmin Flores	Frances Rosenhan
Rose Foster	Michelle Schoenberger
Jesus Garcia	John Sellmeyer
Kay Glaser	Alejandro Soriano
Ricardo Gonzalez	Amanda Squires
Yessenia Gonzalez	Robert Squires
Camden Goulding	Jerry Stella
Paulina Gracida	Jose Tenorio
Jennifer Halbhuber	Armando Tenorio
Mallory Harshner	Shannon Teter
Donald Henry	Luca Triano
Maritsa Hinojos	Ximena Valdez
Lori Hoy	Gerardo Venzor
Alexandria Jergensen	Michael Ward
Dwayne Katzer	Fred Yonker

Child Safety

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combatting sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you *observe or suspect* sexual abuse:

1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and
2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and
3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected **sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult** to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Joe Crayon, at 816.812.2500 or crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org, if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph.

The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact 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/>

Happy Anniversary

Faitce and Lucille Swafford	62 Years!	8/30/1958
Jack and Josephine Davis	54 Years!	8/27/1966
Sam and Sharon Incorvia	42 Years!	8/26/1978
Monte and Pamela Crosby	39 Years!	8/29/1981
Marco and Catalina Guillermo	36 Years!	8/26/1984
Archie and Shannon Herndon	30 Years!	8/25/1990
Eduardo Guzman and Juanita Leon	15 Years!	8/27/2005
Jerry and Marie Wilburn	15 Years!	8/27/2005
Polo Gonzalez and Belem Cardenas Camacho	11 Years!	8/29/2009
John Noel and Dona Yeager	8 Years!	8/24/2012

Green Team Tip of the Week

Find out if solar panels or a solar subscription are best for you to reduce your carbon footprint https://www.evergy.com/smart-energy/renewable-resources/subscription-programs?utm_medium=dig-display&utm_source=greenability&utm_campaign=2020-solar-subscription&utm_content=ss-6-3.



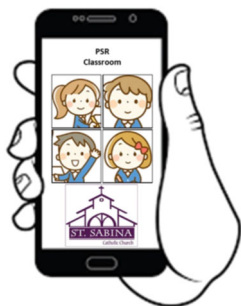
This Week's Do You Know Video:

In the Latin Western church, priesthood is typically associated with celibacy, the promise not to marry. For over a thousand years, those ordained were usually married, including, from what we can tell, all of Jesus' apostles, Peter and future popes and clergy on every level, as still evident in Orthodox Christianity. Celibacy, a church rule that can be changed if the times and situation call for it, was officially established in 1139, for several reasons. The influence on Christianity of Plato's Greek philosophy that elevated the mind and spirit over the body, led to a denigrating of any strong passions that would distract one from the cultivation of one's spiritual life. Sexuality and marriage was seen as a disruption to the spiritual life of anyone dedicating themselves to God, and therefore was ultimately declared unfit for priests. The other key reason was economic, by which the priest could no longer pass on church land as an inheritance to his children. To prevent this from happening, the church established the rule of celibacy. Since it is a church rule and not divinely ordained, even today the church has made exceptions to the rule by allowing married Episcopal and Lutheran priests to join the church and be ordained as officially married Catholic priests. Make time to view this week's DYK video and learn more about the correlation between priesthood and celibacy.



Devices Needed for PSR

Do you have a smart phone or other device that you don't use anymore? Our school of religion is looking for donations of smart devices for our families that don't have enough devices to allow all of their students to participate in PSR. They only need to be able to connect to wifi and have functional access to a browser and/or app store. We will complete a factory reset on all donated devices before they are shared.



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

En la iglesia latino-occidental, el sacerdocio se asocia típicamente con el celibato, la promesa de no casarse. Durante más de mil años, los ordenados solían estar casados, incluidos, por lo que podemos decir, todos los apóstoles de Jesús, Pedro y los futuros Papas y clérigos en todos los niveles, como aún es evidente en el cristianismo ortodoxo. El celibato, una regla de la iglesia que se puede cambiar si los tiempos y la situación lo requieren, se estableció oficialmente en 1139, por varias razones. La influencia en el cristianismo de la filosofía griega de Platón, que elevó la mente y el espíritu sobre el cuerpo, llevó a denigrar las pasiones fuertes que pudieran distraernos del cultivo de la propia vida espiritual. La sexualidad y el matrimonio se consideraban una interrupción de la vida espiritual de cualquiera que se dedicara a Dios y, por lo tanto, finalmente se declaró que no era apto para sacerdotes. La otra razón clave fue económica, por la cual el sacerdote ya no podía pasar la tierra de la iglesia como herencia a sus hijos. Para evitar que esto sucediera, la iglesia estableció la regla del celibato. Dado que es una regla de la iglesia y no ordenada divinamente, incluso hoy la iglesia ha hecho excepciones a la regla al permitir que sacerdotes episcopales y luteranos casados se unan a la iglesia y sean ordenados como sacerdotes católicos oficialmente casados. Tómese un momento para ver el video ¿Sabes? de esta semana y aprender más sobre la correlación entre el sacerdocio y el celibato.

Platicas Pre-Bautismales - 12 de Septiembre

Normalmente cada segundo Sábado del mes de las 10 am a la 1 pm. (Sólo para niños de 0-6 años.) Salón doble del área de la escuela. Para niños mayores de 7 años requerirán una formación especial. **No se ofrece cuidado de niños.**

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

Felicidades Por Su Boda

Felicidades a **José Adolfo Martínez y Moraima Rodríguez** que celebraron su boda el 22 de Agosto.

2020 Golden Wedding Anniversaries

Normally the Diocese celebrates an annual Mass in honor of couples celebrating 50 years. Due to the pandemic, the diocese has cancelled this Mass. However, we would like to take the opportunity to congratulate the following couples who celebrate 50 years of marriage in 2020!

Normalmente, la Diócesis celebra una misa anual en honor a las parejas que celebran 50 años de matrimonio. Debido a la pandemia, la diócesis canceló esta Misa. Sin embargo, nos gustaría aprovechar la oportunidad para felicitar a las siguientes parejas que celebran 50 años de matrimonio en 2020.

Aniversarios de Bodas de Oro 2020

Glen and Mary Schmidt	April 4, 1970
Dave and Kathy Kratofil	June 6, 1970
Larry and Karen Rhodes	July 11, 1970
Jim and Sonja Bornheimer	August 15, 1970
John and Mary Cikan	September 7, 1970
Gregory and Karen Mansker	October 10, 1970

If you were married in 1970 and your names are not listed above, please contact Kris in the parish office so we can correct our records. 816-979-3151 or kris@stsabinaparis.org.

Si se casó en 1970 y sus nombres no están en la lista anterior, comuníquese con Kris en la oficina parroquial para que podamos corregir nuestros registros. 816-979-3151 o kris@stsabinaparis.org.

Pastoral Care

"Coping with Life Alone" - Available Online!

Easy - requires Internet access to join! Peer-To-Peer Grief Support - **"Coping with Life Alone ®" is a Beginning Experience ® grief support program** that meets each week for 8 weeks. The program helps those who have lost a love relationship due to death, divorce or separation, move through the experience of grief and loss into a future with renewed hope. Upcoming program dates: Saturdays, Sept. 12 through Oct. 31, from 1:00-3:00pm. This session will be held using Zoom (an online meeting format). Contact Donna at 816-305-3760 for more information. Registration is required, deadline to register September 1, 2020.

Send Some Sunshine!

Would you like to brighten someone's day? Could you send someone a card or message of encouragement? Do you need something to do with your children's art work? Our area nursing homes and assisted living facilities have been closed to visitors since March. It's hard on families, but harder on the residents to be cut off from their loved ones and the volunteers that brighten their days. If you would be interested in spreading some sunshine by mailing a card, writing a note of encouragement or sending the kids' or grandkids' artwork, then please contact me. A stamp and a small bit of time would help bring sunshine to another wonderful person's life! If you would like to participate, please contact Marta Roper in the parish office at 816-979-3154 or marta@stsabinaparish.org.

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline

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

ACI Mental Health Crisis Hotline

1-888-279-8188 Available 24/7, Multilingual



Cuidado Pastoral

Violencia Doméstica La *Iglesia Católica enseña* que la violencia contra otra persona en cualquier forma no trata a esa persona como alguien digno de amor. En cambio, trata a la persona como un objeto para ser utilizado. Cuando se produce violencia dentro de un matrimonio sacramental, el cónyuge maltratado puede preguntarse: "¿Cómo se relacionan estos actos violentos con mi promesa de llevar a mi cónyuge para bien o para mal?" La persona agredida necesita saber que actuar para poner fin al abuso, no viola las promesas matrimoniales. Si bien la violencia puede dirigirse hacia los hombres, tiende a dañar más a las mujeres y los niños. **La Línea Directa Nacional de Violencia Doméstica** brinda intervención en casos de crisis y referencias a proveedores de servicios locales. Llame al 1-800-799-7233. Para más información, visite www.espanol.thehotline.org. Los defensores de la línea directa están disponibles para chatear en línea, de lunes a viernes, de 9am a 7pm CST.

¡Mande un Rayito de Sol!

¿Le gustaría alegrar el día de alguien? ¿Podría enviar a alguien una tarjeta o un mensaje de aliento? ¿Necesita algo que hacer con la obra de arte de sus hijos? Las residencias de ancianos y las instalaciones de vivienda asistida de nuestra área han estado cerradas a los visitantes durante casi 3 meses. Es difícil para las familias, pero más difícil para los residentes separarse de sus seres queridos y los voluntarios que alegran sus días. Si le interesa difundir un poco de sol enviando una tarjeta, escribiendo una nota de aliento o enviando los dibujos de sus hijos o nietos, comuníquese con la oficina parroquial. ¡Una estampilla y un poco de tiempo ayudarían a traer un rayito de sol a la vida de otra persona maravillosa!



Wellness Center



Do You Know- There are a few simple tips to decrease humidity and heat in your home this summer. Make these adjustments and you'll be surprised your home will be more enjoyable as we move to the end of the summer. Not only will it make the home easier to breathe in, but it will also help save on energy costs.

1. Avoid doing laundry until you have a full load, as washers and dryers can add to the moisture in your home, and if possible, air dry your clothes outside.
2. Run the dishwasher at night.
3. Use bathroom and kitchen exhaust fans.
4. Decorate with humidity-absorbing plants like Boston fern or English ivy.
5. Cook outside if possible. When the stove or oven is on, it will produce excess heat. Depending on what is being cooked or boiling water, it may give off even more moisture and humidity.



Reflection on the Readings

Paul in his letter to the Romans reminds us today that God's judgments are "inscrutable" and God's ways are "unsearchable." This excellent reminder should make us most cautious in making judgments about what God would say or do. **As humans, we are very limited in our perspectives and must strive constantly to see things from God's perspective. Christians have Jesus as the one who models God's desires and intentions.** Jesus often challenges us in our way of thinking and doing things, asking us to align ourselves to God's way of thinking and doing.

Today's gospel reading from Matthew, Peter's confession of Jesus as "the Christ, the Son of the living God," and Jesus' response to Peter, provide us with an excellent opportunity to get in touch with God's mind set. **Linked to the first reading from Isaiah, we are given a lesson in how God understands authority, power and leadership.**

From Isaiah we learn that Shebna is being removed from his position of power and authority because he was not a "father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem and to the house of Judah." **Eliakim will take Shebna's position with the hope that he will be "like a peg in a sure spot," meaning that hopefully he will be dependable in being a "father" to the people.** The clear implication is that those in authority are to be caring and concerned for the needs of all. **Leaders must act justly and establish right relationships with all, most especially the poor, the oppressed, the alienated and the powerless.** As disciples of Jesus, this must be one of the main criteria in our choices of the elected leaders we are asked to select this coming November.

Matthew is the only gospel where Jesus blesses Peter for his confession of faith by establishing Peter as the rock upon which Christ will build his church, his community of followers. Jumping off the first reading, Jesus uses the image of the "keys" to the kingdom of heaven as a way of indicating Peter's authority and power among Jesus' followers.

The gospel connection to the first reading communicates God's intention for anyone exercising authority. Shebna, who failed in his role as a father to those in his care had his "keys" taken away from him and given to Eliakin, who was encouraged to be a better leader than Shebna. **So too, Peter and anyone in authority must be a "father" to the people, or God will take the "keys" away and give them to others who will do what God intends and desires.** Again, as you prepare to cast your vote in November, reflect on what God demands of all leaders, most especially elected ones.

In Catholicism, the "keys" of power and authority have been granted to Peter and his successors, the popes. **By extension, all church leaders, along with the entire church, share in the power of the "keys."** But such authority is defined by justice, right relationship, and concern for all. This is what God intends and what Jesus models

All leaders, especially church leaders, are to examine themselves continually as to whether they are exercising authority attuned to God's intentions or according to their own intentions. For this, we consistently need God's help. That is why we pray the refrain from Ps 138, "Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands." **The psalm makes clear that even though highly exalted, the Lord hears the cry of the lowly, answers them in their need and restores them to strength.**

True servant leadership demands that no matter how exalted one's status or position, a leader must be attentive to the needs of all, especially the poor and lowly. Servant leaders respond in any and all appropriate ways to address the needs of all God's people, and restore them to dignity, justice and strength. **This is thoroughly consistent with Pope Francis' advice to all leaders that "shepherds are to take on the smell of the sheep."**

How does Jesus become your model whenever you exercise authority in your life, whether it be as a parent, a teacher, a supervisor, an elected official, or an ordinary citizen exercising your power to vote?

Biagio Mazza
Pastoral Associate

Readings



Sunday, August 23

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

Sunday, August 30

1st Reading: Jeremiah 20:7-9

Psalm: Psalm 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9, (2b)

2nd Reading: Romans 12:1-2

Gospel: Matthew 16:21-27

Reflexión Sobre las Lecturas

En su carta a los Romanos Pablo nos recuerda hoy que los designios de Dios son "impenetrables" y que los caminos de Dios son "incomprensibles". Este excelente recordatorio nos debe hacer más prudentes al hacer juicios sobre lo que Dios diría o haría. **Como seres humanos, somos muy limitados en nuestras perspectivas y debemos luchar constantemente para ver las cosas desde la perspectiva de Dios. Los Cristianos tienen a Jesús como quien modela los deseos y las intenciones de Dios.** A menudo Jesús nos desafía en nuestra forma de pensar y hacer las cosas, pidiéndonos que nos alineemos con la manera de pensar y hacer de Dios.

La lectura del evangelio de hoy según San Mateo, la confesión de Pedro de que Jesús es "el Mesías, el Hijo del Dios vivo" y la respuesta de Jesús a Pedro, nos proporciona una excelente oportunidad para ponernos en contacto con la mentalidad de Dios. **Relacionado con la primera lectura de Isaías, el evangelio nos da lecciones sobre cómo Dios entiende la autoridad, el poder y el liderazgo.**

De Isaías nos enteramos de que Sebná está siendo despedido de su posición de poder y autoridad porque no era un "padre para los habitantes de Jerusalén y para la casa de Judá." **Eleacín tomará la posición de Sebná con la esperanza de que él será "como un clavo en muro firme", lo que significa que esperamos que sea fiable en ser un "padre" para el pueblo.** La implicación clara es que los que tienen autoridad deben preocuparse por las necesidades de todos. **Los líderes deben actuar con justicia y establecer relaciones correctas con todos, especialmente con los pobres, los oprimidos, los alienados y los impotentes.** Como discípulos de Jesús, este debe ser uno de los criterios principales en nuestra elección de los líderes electos que se nos pide que seleccionemos el próximo noviembre.

El evangelio según San Mateo es el único evangelio donde Jesús bendice a Pedro por su confesión de fe al establecer a Pedro como la roca sobre la cual Cristo construirá su iglesia, su comunidad de seguidores. Saltando de la primera lectura, Jesús usa la imagen de las "llaves" del reino de los cielos como una manera de indicar la autoridad y el poder de Pedro entre los seguidores de Jesús.

La conexión del evangelio con la primera lectura comunica la intención de Dios para cualquiera que ejerza autoridad. A Sebná, quien fracasó en su papel de padre de los que estaban a su cuidado, le quitaron sus "llaves" y se las dieron a Eleacín, quien fue alentado a ser un mejor líder que Sebná. **Así también Pedro y cualquiera en autoridad debe ser un "padre" para el pueblo, o Dios le quitará las "llaves" y se las dará a otro que hará lo que Dios quiere y desea.** Nuevamente, mientras se prepara para emitir su voto en noviembre, reflexione sobre lo que Dios exige de todos los líderes, especialmente de los elegidos.

En el catolicismo, las "llaves" de poder y autoridad han sido concedidas a Pedro y a sus sucesores, los papas. **Por extensión, todos los líderes de la iglesia comparten el poder de las "llaves".** Pero tal autoridad se define por la justicia, la relación correcta y la preocupación por todos. Esto es lo que Dios quiere y lo que Jesús modela.

Todos los líderes, especialmente los líderes de la iglesia, deben examinar continuamente si están ejerciendo la autoridad en sintonía con las intenciones de Dios o de acuerdo con sus propias intenciones. Para esto, necesitamos constantemente la ayuda de Dios. Por eso oramos el estribillo del Salmo 137: "Señor, tu misericordia es eterna, no abandones la obra de tus manos". **El salmo deja claro que, aunque altamente exaltado, el Señor oye el grito de los humildes, les responde en su necesidad y los restaura a la fuerza.**

El verdadero liderazgo de los servidores exige que, no importa que tan alto sea el estatus o la posición de cada uno, un líder debe estar atento a las necesidades de todos, especialmente a los pobres y humildes. Líderes servidores responden de todas las maneras apropiadas para atender sus necesidades y restaurarlos a la dignidad, la justicia y la fuerza. **Esto es totalmente coherente con el consejo del Papa Francisco a todos los líderes de que "los pastores deben tomar el olor de las ovejas".**

¿Cómo se convierte Jesús en su modelo cuando ejerce autoridad en su vida, ya sea como padre, maestro, supervisor, funcionario electo o ciudadano común que ejerce su poder de voto?

Biagio Mazza
Asociado Pastoral

Lecturas



Lecturas del Domingo, 23 de Agosto

Primera Lectura: Isaías 22:19-23
Salmo: Salmo 137:1a y 1c-2ab, 2 cd-3, 6 y 8bc
Segunda Lectura: Romanos 11:33-36
Evangelio: Mateo 16:13-20

Lecturas del Domingo, 30 de Agosto

Primera Lectura: Jeremías 20:7-9
Salmo: Salmo 62:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9
Segunda Lectura: Romanos 12:1-2
Evangelio: Mateo 16:21-27



Stewardship

"He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter said in reply, 'You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.' Jesus said to him in reply, 'Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah. For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my heavenly Father.'"

Matthew 16: 15-17

Jesus is getting personal with us today. He poses the same question to each of us who call ourselves His stewards and modern-day disciples. But do our lives truly reflect this? If we really believe that Christ is the Son of God, sent to save us from our sins and lead us to Heaven, then we must say so, not just with words but with our actions. Do my ambitions and priorities in life say that Christ is my Savior and I am His disciple? Does my budget, my family life, my entertainment say so? The gifts and blessings God has given us — our time, our talents, our material possessions — are meant to be used in a manner that says "Christ is my Savior and I am His disciple." The most eloquent praise we can offer Him is a life lived in grateful response to His unfathomable love. This is the beauty and power of a stewardship way of life. — See more at www.catholicsteward.com/blog/

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Contributions for the Week of August 9

Envelopes/Sobres:	\$15,814.00
Plate/Canasta:	\$ 220.00
Maintenance-Upkeep:	\$ 2,117.00

Corresponsabilidad

"Luego les preguntó: 'Y ustedes, ¿quién dicen que soy yo?' Simón Pedro tomó la palabra y le dijo: 'Tú eres el Mesías, el Hijo de Dios vivo'. Jesús le dijo entonces: '¡Dichoso tú, Simón, hijo de Juan, porque esto no te lo ha revelado ningún hombre, sino mi Padre, que está en los cielos!'"

Mateo 16:15-17

Jesús se está volviendo personal con nosotros hoy. Nos plantea la misma pregunta a todos los que nos llamamos Sus administradores y discípulos de nuestros días. ¿Pero nuestras vidas realmente reflejan esto? Si realmente creemos que Cristo es el Hijo de Dios, enviado para salvarnos de nuestros pecados y llevarnos al cielo, entonces debemos decirlo, no solo con palabras sino con nuestras acciones. ¿Mis ambiciones y prioridades en la vida dicen que Cristo es mi Salvador y yo soy Su discípulo? ¿Mi presupuesto, mi vida familiar, mi entretenimiento lo dicen? Los dones y bendiciones que Dios nos ha dado - nuestro tiempo, nuestros talentos, nuestras posesiones materiales - están destinados a ser usados de una manera que diga "Cristo es mi Salvador y yo soy Su discípulo". La alabanza más elocuente que podemos ofrecerle es una vida vivida en respuesta agradecida a su insondable amor. Ésta es la belleza y el poder de una forma de vida de corresponsabilidad. — Vea mas en www.catholicsteward.com/blog/.

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Stewardship

Help Needed Disinfecting Church after 8am Mass

We are looking for people that can stay and disinfect the church after Masses. **We are especially in need of help after the 8am Sunday Mass.** If you can help, please contact Kris at 816-979-3151 or kris@stsabinaparis.org.



We congratulate and thank Clara Jakobe for her years of service to our parish. Clara has been an altar server from the moment she was old enough through high school. As a token of our gratitude, she was presented with a scholarship as she moves on to college this year, at Mass last weekend.

A meaningful gift in your lifetime - IRA gifts

"What we do with our money is our gift to God." St. Anthony of Padua Parish, Effingham, IL

Every time you give to your parish, a ministry or worthy cause, you are giving a gift to God. If you can live without using withdrawals from your IRA, giving from an IRA account is one of the smartest ways to make a real impact for your parish, a ministry or the Diocese.

Eligibility for an IRA Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD)

- Beginning in 2020, you do not have to take your Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) until you turn 72, but you can still make Qualified Charitable Distributions beginning at 70 ½.
- Contributions must be made from traditional IRAs.
- Distributions must go directly from your IRA account to a qualified must go directly from your IRA account to a qualified charity.

Tax Treatment

- The tax treatment for an IRA QCD may make it possible for you to make a larger gift to your chosen ministry.
- IRA QCDs are excluded from taxable income.

Corresponsabilidad

Indulgencias especiales

El regalo de indulgencias especiales se otorga a los fieles que padecen la enfermedad COVID-19, comúnmente conocida como Coronavirus, así como a los trabajadores de la salud, los miembros de la familia y todos aquellos que, en cualquier capacidad, incluso a través de la oración, los cuidan.

- Confianza en Cristo, se otorga una indulgencia plenaria a los fieles que padecen de Coronavirus, que están sujetos a cuarentena por orden de la autoridad de salud o en sus propios hogares si, con un espíritu separado de cualquier pecado, se unen espiritualmente a través de los medios para la celebración de la Santa Misa, la recitación del Santo Rosario, la práctica piadosa del Viacrucis u otras formas de devoción, o si al menos recitarán el Credo, la Oración del Señor y una invocación piadosa a la Bendita Virgen María, ofreciendo esta prueba en un espíritu de fe en Dios y caridad hacia sus hermanos y hermanas, con la voluntad de cumplir las condiciones habituales (confesión sacramental, comunión eucarística y oración según las intenciones del Santo Padre), lo antes posible."
- "Los trabajadores de la salud, los miembros de la familia y todos aquellos que, siguiendo el ejemplo del Buen Samaritano, exponiéndose al riesgo de contagio, cuidan a los enfermos de Coronavirus de acuerdo con las palabras del divino Redentor: 'Nadie tiene mayor amor que esto: dar la vida por los amigos (Jn 15:13), obtendrá el mismo don de la Indulgencia Plenaria en las mismas condiciones'."
- Una indulgencia es "la expresión de la plena confianza de la Iglesia de ser escuchada por el Padre cuando, en vista de los méritos de Cristo y, por su don, los de Nuestra Señora y los santos, ella le pide que mitigue o cancele el aspecto doloroso del castigo fomentando su aspecto medicinal a través de otros canales de gracia" (Juan Pablo II, Audiencia general, 29 de septiembre de 1999).
- Una indulgencia plenaria elimina todo el castigo temporal debido al pecado (CIC, 1471).

- Taxpayers who do not itemize benefit most from an IRA QCD, since they do not receive a tax benefit for charitable gifts.
- You can give up to \$100,000 per year.
- Taxpayers who've reached the limit for charitable giving (usually 60% of adjusted gross income) can give more - up to the IRA limit.
- Your QCD can satisfy your Required Minimum Distribution (RMD). Contact your IRA administrator about your RMD.

Withdrawals from other qualified retirement plans (e.g. 401(k)s) are treated differently. The withdrawal may be eligible for a deduction, if you can itemize, but it also creates taxable income.

How to make an IRA Qualified Charitable Distribution

The form to send your IRA administrator designating the recipient of your qualified charitable distribution is available from your parish or on the website www.kcsjdiocese.org. If your parish prefers, the diocese processes IRA distribution as a service to the parishes. Please consult with your own attorney and other professional advisors regarding your personal tax and financial situation.



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