

Saint Sabina Catholic Church

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Horarios de la Oficina: 9:00am-5:00pm, Lunes - Jueves y 9:00am-1:00pm, Viernes



Congratulations to Theresa, who celebrated her quinceañera on August 7!
¡Felicidades a Theresa quien celebró sus quince años el 7 de agosto!

Mass Times

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

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

Horarios de Misa

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

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

Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time—22° Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario August 29, 2021

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Mass Intentions for the Week Peticiones de la Semana

Intentions for August 31—September 3, 2021

Tues.	11am	†Roger Storm
Wed.	8am	†Felix Suwito
Thur.	8am	Open
Fri.	8am	Open

Saturday, September 4, 2021

4:00pm	†John Cikan
	†Roger Storm

Sunday, September 5, 2021

8:00am	†Cecilia Imming
	Intentions of Our Parish Family
10:30am	†Joe Falco Jr.
12:30pm Spanish	En Acción de Gracias a San José
	†Natividad y Ercilia Meza Dubon
	†Cesar Nolasco

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

†**Pablo Rosales**, padre de Zoila Marina Rosales, abuelo de Theresa Maderos

†**Shirley Crocker**, aunt of Kirstie Roberts

†**Fabian Cabrera Amador**, cuñado de María Candia

†**Angel Vazquez**, abuelo de Anahi Peña

†**Eleazar Molina Segura**, primo de Norabel Molina

†**Shelley Hiesberger**, wife of Pat Hiesberger, mother of Elizabeth and Eathan Hiesberger, daughter-in-law of Mike and Sandy Hiesberger

†**Agustin García**, sobrino de Gloria Garcia

†**Amalia Romero**, tia de Raul Felix

†**Lou Roper**, sister-in-law of Ron Roper

†**Vivian Petersen**, Beautiful Savior

†**Gene Krein**, husband of Viola Krein

†**Hortencia Valentin**, tía de Maria Candia

†**Guadalupe Carrasco**, madre de Moraima Rodriguez



Parish Information—Información Parroquial

Sunday, August 29 - Domingo, 29 de Agosto

Welcome Weekend/Domingo de Bienvenida

- 11:00am Ensayo del Coro Hispano
- 1:00pm COVID Vaccine Clinic
- 1:30pm Peer Ministry Meeting

Monday, August 30 - Lunes, 30 de Agosto

- 4:00pm Uplift
- 7:00pm Boy Scouts
- 7:00pm Cub Scouts

Tuesday, August 31 - Martes, 31 de Agosto

No Scheduled Events

Wednesday, September 1 - Miércoles, 1 de Septiembre

- 9:00am Legion of Mary
- 6:30pm Parish Rosary
- 7:00pm Knights Business Meeting
- 7:00pm Knights Exemplification Practice

Thursday, September 2 - Jueves, 2 de Septiembre

- 9:30am Piecemakers Quilt Group
- 7:00pm Rosario Parroquial

Friday, September 3 - Viernes, 3 de Septiembre

- 8:30am Adoration

Saturday, September 4 - Sábado, 4 de Septiembre

- 3:00pm Confessions

Sunday, September 5 - Domingo, 5 de Septiembre

- 11:00am Ensayo del Coro Hispano

happy birthday

Melissa Adams	Dorothy Knoll
Javier Aguirre	Eric Knoll
Isabella Alonzo	Viola Krein
Alejandro Andrade	Ashland Kudron
Lorenzo Cano	Jesus Lagunes
Jesus Chavez	Jose Lagunes
Alma de Haro	Jennifer Lagunes
Cheryl Dennis	Terri Lilek
Gabriela Diosdado	James Loosen
Carolyn Durham	Alyson Lopez
Anna Ewbank	Nicole Mackay
Theresa Fauth	Rosemary Malena
Raul Felix	Vicki Malisos
Larry Flores	Ramona Martinez
Jerry Folz	Georgia Meakins
Joseph Foster	Isabel Mendez
Henry Garay	Marcos Navarrete
Oscar Garcia	Jacqueline Olvera
Kay Glaser	Gabriela Ortiz
Casen Good	Sonia Park
Jacob Gudenkauf	John Ranes
Obdulia Guerrero	Angela Rodriguez
Dylan Hadley	Cesar Rodriguez
Ron Hampton	Flor Salinas
Mark Hense	Shea Sullivan
Jennifer Hernandez	Jose Torres
Eduardo Hinojos	Elena Tracy
Lori Hoy	Garrett Turner
Valdis Indzers	Nancy Valenzuela
Alexia Jaime	Hector Valenzuela
Jim Jursch	Hortensia Vazquez
Amanda Kies	Kevin Xalanda

Happy Anniversary

Faitce and Lucille Swafford	63 Years!	8/30/1958
Eugene and Jan Adams	59 Years!	9/1/1962
Bob and Mary Kottenbrock	58 Years!	8/31/1963
Bob and Christine Morris	48 Years!	9/2/1973
Tim and Jean Hanover	37 Years!	8/31/1984
Jay and Beverly Renfro	30 Years!	9/1/1991
Tom and Teresa Baldwin	29 Years!	9/5/1992
Chris and Christine Figge	25 Years!	8/31/1996
Fredric and Megan Loveless	20 Years!	9/1/2001
Jason and Danielle Weeks	17 Years!	9/4/2004
Tim Aguilar and Julia Maldonado	15 Years!	9/2/2006
Teodulo and Dolores Aguilar	10 Years!	9/4/2011
Andrew and Brook Hoy	6 Years!	9/5/2015
Antonio Romero and Margarita Juarez	5 Years!	9/3/2016

Felicidades Por Su Bautismo

Randy Miguel Sánchez Guardián, el hijo de Roman Sánchez Sosa y Lidia Guardián Solórzano



This Week's Do You Know Video:

Catholic Social Teaching is often called the church's "best kept secret." Many Catholics are still unaware of the meaning and origins of Catholic Social Teaching. Yet Catholic Social Teaching is rooted in Scripture and the church's understanding of the human person, offering guidance on the Christian approach to many of the social issues that plague our world. Make time to view this week's DYK video and reflect on the key scriptural values that undergird all Catholic Social Teaching.



Golden Wedding Anniversary Masses

Two Masses honoring all couples in the diocese celebrating 50 years of marriage in the year 2021 will be celebrated by Bishop Johnston **on Sunday, September 26 at 9am and 11am** at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, located at 11th & Broadway, downtown. Each Mass will be followed with a light reception at the Cathedral. All couples who have celebrated or will be celebrating their Golden Wedding Anniversary between January 1, 2021 and December 31, 2021 are invited to attend one of the Masses. If you plan to attend one of the Masses, please call Kris in the parish office at 816-979-3151 so we can inform the diocese. Couples celebrating their 50th anniversary are listed below. If you are celebrating your 50th anniversary in 2021 and your name is not listed, please contact the parish office so we can correct our records.

Marvin and Janice Glendening	January 30, 1971
Jim and Judy Curtis	February 6, 1971
Bob and Linda Hoyer	April 17, 1971
Terry and Mikie Wartell	July 23, 1971
Larry and Mae Scali	October 2, 1971

Our New Guide Book & Directory is Here!

By now your new Guide Book & Directory has probably arrived. **The advertisers helped provide this service at no cost to our parish. We encourage you to think of them in the future as your needs arise.** If you are interested in advertising next year, contact amandavogt@guidebookpublishing.com for more information. If you notice that your information is not correct, please contact the parish office at 816-331-4713 or bridget@stsabinaparish.org.

Green Team Tip of the Week

Ask for lunchmeat, cheese and meats to be wrapped in butcher paper instead of plastic bags or Styrofoam and plastic wrap.

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

A la Enseñanza Social Católica se le llama a menudo el "secreto mejor guardado" de la iglesia. Muchos católicos aún desconocen el significado y los orígenes de la Enseñanza Social Católica. Sin embargo, la Enseñanza Social Católica tiene sus raíces en las Escrituras y en la comprensión de la persona humana por parte de la iglesia, y ofrece una guía sobre el enfoque cristiano de muchos de los problemas sociales que plagan nuestro mundo. Tómese un momento para ver el video ¿Sabes? de esta semana y reflexionar sobre los valores bíblicos claves que sustentan toda la Enseñanza Social Católica.

Misas de Aniversario de Bodas de Oro

El obispo Johnston celebrará dos misas en honor a todas las parejas de la diócesis que celebran 50 años de matrimonio en el año 2021 el domingo 26 de septiembre a las 9am y a las 11am en la Catedral de la Inmaculada Concepción, ubicada en 11th y Broadway, en el centro de la ciudad. Cada misa será seguida con una recepción en la Catedral. Todas las parejas que hayan celebrado o celebrarán su aniversario de bodas de oro entre el 1 de enero de 2021 y el 31 de diciembre de 2021 están invitadas a asistir a una de las misas. Si planea asistir a una de las misas, llame a Kris en la oficina parroquial al 816-979-3151 para que podamos informar a la diócesis. Las parejas que celebran su 50 aniversario se enumeran a continuación. Si está celebrando su 50 aniversario en 2021 y su nombre no está en la lista, comuníquese con la oficina parroquial para que podamos corregir nuestros registros.

Marvin y Janice Glendening	30 de enero de 1971
Jim y Judy Curtis	6 de febrero de 1971
Bob y Linda Hoyer	17 de abril de 1971
Terry y Mikie Wartell	23 de julio de 1971
Larry y Mae Scali	2 de octubre de 1971

¡Nuestro Nuevo Guía y Directorio Está Aquí!

Probablemente ya haya llegado su nuevo libro guía y directorio. **Los anunciantes ayudaron a brindar este servicio sin costo para nuestra parroquia. Le animamos a pensar en ellos en el futuro a medida que surjan sus necesidades.** Si está interesado en un anuncio el próximo año, comuníquese con amandavogt@guidebookpublishing.com para obtener más información. Si nota que su información no es correcta, comuníquese con la oficina parroquial al 816-331-4713 o bridget@stsabinaparish.org.

Consejo de la Semana del Equipo de Ecología

Pida que los fiambres, el queso y las carnes se envuelvan en papel de carnicero en lugar de bolsas de plástico o Styrofoam (unicel) y envoltura de plástico.

Information—Información

Covid-19 Vaccine Info

"When each individual makes a small act of charity, like getting the COVID-19 vaccine, every gesture added together can transform the world." -Pope Francis

Vaccines are now available for individuals ages 12 and older.

The parish is hosting another vaccine clinic for first and second doses on Sunday, August 29, 1-3pm in the gym.

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

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

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

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

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

Información sobre la vacuna Covid-19

"Cuando cada individuo hace un pequeño acto de caridad, como recibir la vacuna contra el COVID-19, cada gesto sumado puede transformar el mundo".
-Papa Francisco

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

La parroquia está organizando otra clínica de vacunas para la primera y segunda dosis el domingo 29 de agosto, de 1 a 3 pm en el gimnasio.

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

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

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

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

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



Wellness Center



Did You Know - Family dinners are an important part of healthy living. Research shows when families dine together, they tend to eat more vegetables and fruits -- and less fried food and drink less soda. When younger children eat dinner with their families, they are less likely to be overweight than other children and teenagers are more engaged with their families.

Here are 8 benefits of Family Dinners:

- Kids are more likely to stay away from cigarettes
- They're less likely to drink alcohol
- They're less likely to use illicit drugs
- School grades will be better
- You and your kids will talk more
- You'll be more likely to hear about a serious problem
- Kids will feel like you're proud of them
- There will be less stress and tension at home

Keep the meal simple and be prepared by keeping healthy ingredients on hand. Get the family involved. Let kids help prepare meals and set the table. The biggest tip is to have fun and let this be a time to listen to each other, share the day's stories, and nurture the family connection.



Family + Togetherness = Wellness



Peer Ministers! All High School and College Age Youth who have been confirmed are invited to join our Peer Ministry team! This past year has shown how important our ministry is when we needed multiple leaders on multiple platforms during our meetings. Some members of this team will also lead our Search retreat for the Confirmation class. We will have two meetings before the program year begins for training and planning. They will be on August 29th and September 12th from 1:30 to 4:30pm in the Education Wing. Please contact Kirstie Roberts in the Youth Office to join this amazing group of young people!

Parish School of Religion registration forms are now available in the back of church, in the Youth Office and on the Parish website. Please take your time and fill them out completely. Kindergarten through 6th grade and High School Youth begin on Sunday, September 19th, Junior High (grades 7&8) begins on Wednesday, September 22nd. A complete calendar for the year is available on the website as well as in the Youth Office.

PSR Teachers Meeting! We will have a Taco Bar and meeting on September 8th at 6:30pm in the Parish Hall. Your classrooms will be available for set up and decorating at that time as well. If any of you wish to come into your classrooms at another time, please check with Berenice for availability. You will receive an email with more details about our meeting.



¡Ministros Jóvenes! ¡Todos los jóvenes de la high school y universitarios que hayan sido confirmados están invitados a unirse a nuestro equipo de Ministerio de Compañeros! El año pasado ha demostrado que tan importante es nuestro ministerio cuando necesitábamos múltiples líderes en múltiples plataformas durante nuestras reuniones. Algunos miembros de este equipo también dirigirán nuestro retiro Search para la clase de Confirmación. Tendremos dos reuniones antes de que comience el año del programa para capacitación y planificación. Serán el 29 de agosto y el 12 de septiembre de 1:30 a 4:30 pm en el área de educación. ¡Comuníquese con Kirstie Roberts en la Oficina de la Juventud para unirse a este increíble grupo de jóvenes!

Los Formularios de Inscripción de la Escuela de Religión ya están disponibles en el espacio de reunión, en la Oficina de la Juventud y en el sitio web de la parroquia. Tómese su tiempo y llénelos por completo. Los grados de kinder al sexto grado y los jóvenes de la high school comienzan el domingo 19 de septiembre, los grados 7 y 8 comienzan el miércoles 22 de septiembre. Un calendario completo para el año está disponible en el sitio web, así como en la Oficina de la Juventud.

¡Reunión de Catequistas! Tendremos un taco bar y una reunión el 8 de septiembre a las 6:30pm en el Salón Parroquial. Sus salones también estarán disponibles para arreglar y decorar en ese momento. Si alguno de ustedes desea entrar a su salón en otro momento, consulte con Berenice para conocer la disponibilidad. Recibirá un correo electrónico con más detalles sobre nuestra reunión.

Child Safety

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

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

The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact the Victim Advocate at 816.392.0011 or victimadvocate@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

All volunteers with youth and children must attend one Protecting God's Children workshop, submit to a background check and sign the policy on Ethics and Integrity in Ministry, (EIM). More info at <https://kcsj catholic.org/the-office-of-child-and-youth-protection/>.

Pastoral Care

Cuidado Pastoral

Six Week Grief Recovery Group Register Now

Grief and loss are a vital part of being alive. If you love, sooner or later you will lose, and you will grieve. St. Sabina Grief Ministry will offer an Adult Mutual Self-Help Recovery Group beginning Tuesday morning, September 21, from 10-11:30 am. This group consists of six 90-minute sessions. Each session is designed around a particular focus. Session one will focus on getting acquainted with the other participants and their grief stories. Advanced registration is required. Maximum group size is nine. For information or to register please contact Marta Roper at 816-979-3154 or marta@stsabinaparish.org. Registration deadline is September 14th.

Consciously remembering those who have died is the key that opens our hearts, that allows us to love them in a new way.

Lista de Peticiones de Oración para el Boletín

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

Números de Recursos de Salud Mental

Línea Nacional de Prevención del Suicidio

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

Línea Directa de Crisis de Salud Mental ACI

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

Prayer Requests/Peticiones de Oración

Jim Agnew
Peg Agnew
Randy Andrews
Chris Armstrong
Dick Armstrong
Steve Ayers
Robert Barrett Jr.
Joe Barron
Zachary Baylor
Bill Beaver
Emma Beaver
Jovita Berbena
Dennis Berg
Marion Biondo
Mary Pat Biondo
Betty Bremenkamp
Maxine Bremer
Veronica Burks
Joyce Callahan
Patty Carr
Racheal Casaday Smith
Shirley Chevalier
Steve Circo
Mary Coleman
Harold Dawes
Mark DeLuca
Marcia DiGeorge
Levi Dobbs
Randy Dyck
Terry Eppert
Clayton Evans
Melissa Evans
Pat Falcon
Sharon Felsing
Larry Foster

Maria Luisa Flores
John Frezza
Gary Gallup
Bettianne Gardiner
Joyce Giacone
Karen Grantham
Cherie Hatfield
Mike Hiesberger
Bob Henderson
Rhonda Henke
Bob Henningsen
Jack Henningsen
Marilyn Henningsen
Zoey Ann Holle
Ernestine Iseman
Sue Huwar
Ruth Davila Johnston
Kenneth Jones
John Jongenelen
Airion Johnson
Jack King
Todd Kudron
Don Kueck
Susan Lager
Mike Larkey
Mary Lewis
Ellen Lilek
Ellen Lovelace
Alex Martinez
Axel Martinez
Pam May
Bill McDaniel
Emanuel Juarez Meza
Norabel Molina
Kathy Moore

Joan Muench
Carmen Munguia
Jerry Nowak
Joan Nowak
Jack Obermeier
JoAnn Obermeier
Miguel Angel Ortega
Maria Orozco
Ricardo Pinon
Gary Prendergast
Rita Pruitt
Abigail Ragsdale
Sherman Ragsdale
Chuck Ramsey
Larry Rhodes
Amy Ritchie
Dennis Ritchie
Agustin Rivera
Alfonso Rivera

Gerrie Roberts
Rene Angel Rosa Zelaya
Michelle Rose
Anna Ryan
Zoila Angelica Salguero
Arturo Solis
Lori Stangl
Stephen Stinger
Dani Stinger
Lois Stogsdill
Rita Stout
Jean Tate
Joel Taylor
Fr. Chuck Tobin
Deb Wagner
Denise Vargo Wallace
Mary Westfall
Mary Wickstrum
Millie Wolfe



**Community
Blood Center**
Save a Life. Right Here, Right Now.

Blood Drive

Tuesday, September 14

1:30pm—6pm

Book your appt at savealifenow.org/groups
Group code: MA

Donación de Sangre

Martes, 14 de septiembre

1:30pm—6pm

Haga su cita en savealifenow.org/groups
Group code: MA



Reflection on the Readings

After proclaiming the Bread of Life discourse from John 6 for five Sundays, today we return to our proclamation of Mark's gospel. The refrain of responsorial Psalm 15 captures the focus of today's readings "The one who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord." The readings guide us on our path to live in the presence of the Lord. That path requires that we do justice. The readings are full of directions concerning acts of justice, and how to activate them.



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The first reading from Deuteronomy outlines the parameters of justice with a set of verbs. God's chosen people are challenged to "hear" and "observe" the statutes and decrees of the Lord. Such hearing and observing will result in a community that is wise and intelligent in the ways of the Lord, always attentive to the demands of covenant relationship. Both mind and heart are attuned to God, leading the people to know and follow through on God's wisdom and desires. **Following through on God's wisdom and desires will be so evident in their lifestyle and relationships that others will see and praise God's people for living in the presence of the Lord, and for acting justly.**

The psalm verses are a series of responses to questions that are initially asked by the psalmist in verse one, "Lord, who may abide in your tent? Who may dwell on your holy mountain?" Such questions speak to our desire to understand the demands of living "in the presence of the Lord." The psalmist is clear that "speaking truth from the heart" is crucial to a life committed to doing the works of justice. **To do justice requires that we be just. Exterior actions must correlate to interior disposition, else we become**

hypocrites. Doing justice requires "doing no harm to another...disdaining the wicked...keeping an oath despite the cost...accepting no bribe against the innocent." If one does such actions, then we have some assurance that one is "speaking truth from the heart."

The letter of James is clear on our need to "humbly welcome the word that has been planted in you...." **God plants the word in our hearts. We are called to cultivate that word, making it fully our own, allowing it to suffuse our very being.** Such cultivation conditions us to "be doers of the word and not hearers only...." This leads to a life of "care for orphans and widows in their affliction...." **James clearly states that if we claim to live in the presence of the Lord, then it must manifest itself exteriorly. Interior disposition does lead to actions that reflect what is in one's heart and mind.**

This dilemma is directed at Jesus in the gospel passage from Mark. **Jesus accuses some of the scribes and Pharisees of hypocrisy because they seem to focus on exterior actions without paying any attention to the interior disposition of the person.** Legal external actions seem to be more important than proper interior disposition. **Jesus clearly claims that interior disposition is just as important as external actions.** Proper external actions can be done for a variety of reasons. It is essential to test the heart and mind if one wants to assess external actions rightly.

In your dealings with others, how do you deal with this perennial human dilemma? **Do you assess on the basis of external actions alone or do you probe the mind and heart? If others were assessing your actions, would you want them to factor in your interior disposition as well?** This week, force yourself not to judge based on external actions alone, but attempt to probe the heart and the mind in your assessment of the other. **Pray that we may be people who always do justice by having our external actions correlate with our interior disposition.**

Biagio Mazza
Pastoral Associate

Readings



Sunday, August 29

1st Reading: Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8

Psalm: Psalm 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 (1a)

2nd Reading: James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27

Gospel: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Sunday, September 5

1st Reading: Isaiah 35:4-7a

Psalm: Psalm 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10 (1b)

2nd Reading: James 2:1-5

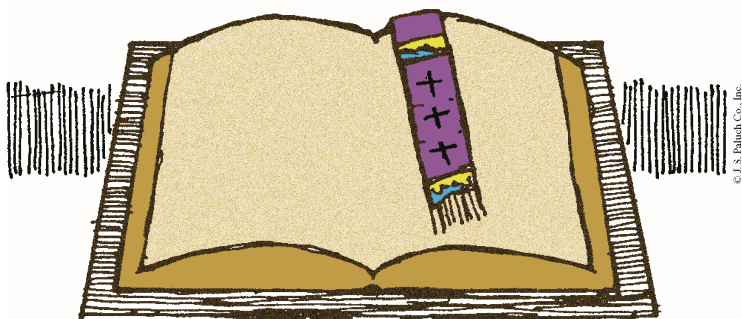
Gospel: Mark 7:31-37

Reflexión Sobre las Lecturas

Después de proclamar el discurso del Pan de Vida de Juan 6 los últimos cinco domingos, hoy volvemos a nuestra proclamación del Evangelio de Marcos. El Salmo responsorial 14 capta el enfoque de las lecturas de hoy afirmando que el que hace justicia vivirá en la presencia del Señor. Las lecturas nos guían en nuestro camino para vivir en la presencia del Señor. Ese camino requiere que hagamos justicia. **Las lecturas están llenas de instrucciones sobre actos de justicia y cómo activarlos.**

La primera lectura de Deuteronomio describe los parámetros de la justicia con un conjunto de verbos. El pueblo elegido de Dios tiene el desafío de "escuchar" y "cumplir" los mandatos y los preceptos del Señor. Escuchar y cumplir los mandatos darán como resultado una comunidad sabia e inteligente en los caminos del Señor, siempre atenta a las demandas de la relación de pacto. Tanto la mente como el corazón están en sintonía con Dios, lo que lleva a la gente a conocer y seguir la sabiduría y los deseos de Dios. **Cumplir con la sabiduría y los deseos de Dios será tan evidente en su estilo de vida y relaciones que otros verán y alabarán al pueblo de Dios por vivir en la presencia del Señor y por actuar con justicia.**

Los versos del salmo son una serie de respuestas a la pregunta que el salmista formula inicialmente en el estribillo: "Señor, ¿quién puede hospedarse en tu tienda?" Tal pregunta habla de nuestro deseo de comprender las exigencias de la vida en la presencia del Señor. El salmista está claro en que "tener intenciones leales" es crucial para una vida comprometida a hacer las obras de justicia. **Hacer justicia requiere que seamos justos. Las acciones exteriores deben correlacionarse con la disposición interior, de lo contrario nos convertimos en hipócritas.** Hacer justicia requiere no hacer daño a nadie, despreciar a los malvados, hacer un juramento a pesar del costo, no aceptar sobornos contra los inocentes. Si uno hace tales acciones, entonces podemos estar seguros de que uno tiene intenciones leales.



La carta de Santiago está clara en nuestra necesidad de aceptar "dócilmente la palabra que ha sido sembrada en ustedes..." **Dios siembra la palabra en nuestros corazones. Estamos llamados a cultivar esa palabra, haciéndola completamente nuestra, permitiendo que ella cubra nuestro ser.** Tal cultivo nos condiciona a "poner en práctica esa palabra y no limitarnos a escucharla..." Esto lleva a una vida de "visitar a los huérfanos y a las viudas en sus tribulaciones..." **Santiago claramente asegura que si declaramos vivir en la presencia del Señor, entonces debe manifestarse exteriormente. La**

disposición interior conduce a acciones que reflejan lo que está en el corazón y la mente.

Este dilema está dirigido a Jesús en el pasaje del evangelio de Marcos. **Jesús acusa a algunos de los escribas y fariseos de hipocresía porque parecen enfocarse en acciones exteriores sin prestar atención a la disposición interior de la persona.** Las acciones legales externas parecen ser más importantes que la disposición interior adecuada. **Jesús claramente afirma que la disposición interior es tan importante igual a las acciones externas.** Se pueden realizar acciones externas apropiadas por una variedad de razones. Es esencial evaluar el corazón y la mente si uno quiere evaluar las acciones externas correctamente.

En su trato con los demás, ¿cómo lidiar con este dilema humano continuo? **¿Evalúa solo con acciones externas o prueba la mente y el corazón? Si otros evaluaran a sus acciones, ¿querría que también tuvieran en cuenta su disposición interior?** Esta semana, obléguese a no juzgar solo en función de las acciones externas, sino intente sondear el corazón y la mente en su evaluación del otro. **Oremos para que podamos ser personas que siempre hacen justicia al correlacionar nuestras acciones externas con nuestra disposición interior.**

Biagio Mazza
Asociado Pastoral

Lecturas



Lecturas del Domingo, 29 de Agosto

Primera Lectura: Deuteronomio 4:1-2, 6-8
Salmo: Salmo 14:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5
Segunda Lectura: Santiago 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27
Evangelio: Marcos 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Lecturas del Domingo, 5 de Septiembre

Primera Lectura: Isaías 35:4-7a
Salmo: Salmo 145:7, 8-9a, 9bc-10
Segunda Lectura: Santiago 2:1-5
Evangelio: Marcos 7:31-37

Stewardship

"Humbly welcome the word that has been planted in you and is able to save your souls. Be doers of the word and not hearers only, deluding yourselves."

James 1:21-22

St. James reminds us that every moment of each day is an opportunity to respond to God's infinite love for us with love and gratitude in return. If we approach our relationship with Jesus with this in mind, then we begin to realize that the gift of the Mass is an opportunity to worship God, the sacraments are ways to draw us closer to Him, and His commandments are opportunities to love Him more faithfully. And if we approach our day-to-day moments with this in mind, then we begin to see just how many blessings God has given us. Looking at life through the lens of gratitude helps us to see each moment as a gift with endless opportunities to respond in love. This is how we ought to live our lives as Christian stewards — by recognizing our lives as a gift and an opportunity to love God in response to how He has loved us.

— See more at www.catholicsteward.com/blog/.

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: scan the QR Code or go to our parish website at www.stsabina.org and click the "Online Giving" button in the top right section. This will open a new window through our secure third party website.



Support Our Parish When You Shop Online!

Did you know that your Amazon purchases are likely eligible to provide a donation to our parish? Last quarter, we received donations based off of **over \$25,600** of your purchases and over \$136,000 of your purchases, cumulatively! To support us in this way, be sure to do your Amazon shopping through smile.amazon.com and select "St. Sabina Catholic Church, Belton" as your charity of choice. Thank you to the 104 shoppers that have chosen us as their charity!

Contributions for the Week of August 15

Envelopes/Sobres:	\$11,974.00
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Alzheimer's Fundraiser

Saturday 10/2 4:30pm-7:30pm—St. Sabina Gym
Tickets: Adults-\$10, Children 12 & under-\$5
Questions? - kaiserkrewendal@gmail.com
Ticket includes: Mexican buffet dinner, soda/water, access to Silent Auction, Raffles & Kaiser Krew Merch
Ticket link—<https://www.biddingowl.com/kaiserkrew>
Proceeds will be donated to the Alzheimer's Association for awareness and a breakthrough in the fight against Alzheimer's and all other dementia.

Corresponsabilidad

"Acepten dócilmente la palabra que ha sido sembrada en ustedes y es capaz de salvarlos. Pongan en práctica esa palabra y no se limiten a escucharla, engañándose a ustedes mismos."

Santiago 1:21-22

Santiago nos recuerda que cada momento de cada día es una oportunidad para responder al amor infinito de Dios por nosotros con amor y gratitud a cambio. Si abordamos nuestra relación con Jesús con esto en mente, entonces comenzamos a darnos cuenta de que el don de la Misa es una oportunidad para adorar a Dios, los sacramentos son formas de acercarnos más a Él y Sus mandamientos son oportunidades para amarlo más fielmente. Y si afrontamos a nuestros momentos del día a día con esto en mente, entonces comenzamos a ver cuántas bendiciones nos ha dado Dios. Mirar la vida a través del lente de la gratitud nos ayuda a ver cada momento como un regalo con infinitas oportunidades para responder con amor. Así es como debemos vivir nuestra vida como cristianos corresponsables: reconociendo nuestra vida como un regalo y una oportunidad de amar a Dios en respuesta a cómo Él nos ha amado.

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

Donaciones por Internet

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

¡Apoya a Nuestra Parroquia al Comprar por Internet!

¿Sabía que es probable que sus compras en Amazon sean elegibles para proveer una donación para nuestra parroquia? El último trimestre, recibimos donaciones basadas en **más de \$25,600** de sus compras y más de \$136,000 de sus compras, ¡acumulativamente! Para apoyarnos de esta manera, asegúrese de hacer sus compras en Amazon a través de smile.amazon.com y seleccione "St. Sabina Catholic Church, Belton" como su organización benéfica preferida. ¡Gracias a los 104 compradores que nos han elegido como organización benéfica!

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Donating Stocks or Mutual Funds

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New Format for Online Giving Page

Usio, our payment processor for online giving, has updated our online giving page to provide a refreshed look, enhanced security, and greater functionality. Please note the following updates:

1. Previously when setting up a recurring donation, the first payment was processed immediately. You can now choose the initial date for the first payment to process (this goes for one-time donations as well).
2. The "Electronic Check" payment option is now labeled as "ACH." These are the same thing.
3. The donation amount fields have "0.00" in them by default instead of being blank. Please confirm you are entering your desired amount. You will be asked to confirm your donation amount when you submit.

If you have questions regarding the updated format, please contact Jeff Shields: 816-979-3152, jeffshields@stsabinaparish.org.

El Salvador Scholarship Students

St. Sabina currently supports 11 university students in El Salvador. Over the next several weeks we will highlight one student a week. If you would like to support Alicia and our other 10 scholarship students, please place your donation in the collection basket and label it El Salvador Scholarship Fund. Thank you.



Alicia Guadalupe Artiga Cartagena

Alicia is from the community of Cinquera and is 20 years old. She is currently in her third year of study at Salvadoran Lutheran University. She is expected to graduate in 2023 and her grade point average last semester was 8.0.

Alicia lives with her grandparents. Her grandmother, Alicia, is 64 years old, a homemaker, and received a first-grade education. Her grandfather, Rolando, is 60 years old, is a farmer and received a 9th-grade education.

Below please read Alicia's comments about the Scholarship program, her challenges and her future plans.

WHAT IMPACT HAS THE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM HAD ON YOUR LIFE? The program has had a positive impact in my life. Thanks to St. Sabina and solidarity partners who support CIS (Center of Interchange and

Donación de Acciones o Fondos Mutuos

La donación de acciones cotizadas en bolsa o fondos mutuos que se mantengan durante más de 12 meses puede ser un regalo significativo para su parroquia, un ministerio o la Diócesis. Los beneficios fiscales podrían hacerlo menos costoso que una donación en efectivo comparable. El impuesto sobre las ganancias de capital no se evalúa y el valor justo de mercado de la donación es deducible si excede el umbral de las deducciones. Comuníquese con Kris al 816-979-3151 o kris@stsabinaparish.org si tiene preguntas.

Nuevo Formato para la Página de Donaciones por Internet

Usio, nuestro procesador de pagos para donaciones en línea, ha actualizado nuestra página de donaciones para brindar una apariencia renovada, seguridad mejorada y mayor funcionalidad. Tenga en cuenta las siguientes actualizaciones:

1. Anteriormente, al configurar una donación recurrente, el primer pago se procesaba de inmediato. Ahora puede elegir la fecha inicial para que se procese el primer pago (esto también se aplica a las donaciones únicas).
2. La opción de pago "Electronic Check" ahora está etiquetada como "ACH". Son lo mismo.
3. Los campos del monto de la donación tienen "0.00" en ellos de forma predeterminada en lugar de estar en blanco. Confirme que está ingresando la cantidad deseada. Se le pedirá que confirme el monto de su donación cuando envíe.

Si tiene preguntas sobre el formato actualizado, comuníquese con la oficina parroquial.

Solidarity), ARDM (Association of Reconstruction and Development) through their donations, I and more young people have the opportunity to pursue a university career.

WHAT IMPACT HAS THE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM HAD ON YOUR COMMUNITY? It has been very positive, as the community has an opportunity to form new professionals in different areas. Young people are helped to opt for a university scholarship, as our parents don't have economic resources to help us achieve our future goals. When I become a professional, I want to serve and support my community.

WHAT HAVE BEEN YOUR GREATEST OBSTACLES IN ORDER TO CONTINUE YOUR EDUCATION? One of my greatest obstacles is the social insecurity of our country. Sometimes, I have been a victim of robberies when I ride the bus on my way to university. Another factor that is affecting students greatly is the COVID-19 pandemic, as it came to dramatically change the educational methodology. Virtual classes are new to all students, and we are still adapting.

WHAT ARE YOUR PLANS AFTER GRADUATING FROM HIGH SCHOOL OR UNIVERSITY?

I want to start helping my community to acquire experience, work with the farming sectors and put into practice the knowledge I have acquired. Subsequently, I want to find a job in my field.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Why Be Catholic?

The Catholic Church has consistently believed that God has a universal will and desire to save all people. Our God is the God of all people. God has initiated this love relationship with all creation and desires to bring all to fullness through total union with God for all eternity. Each one is called to union with God through the faith path and tradition that they feel God is leading them.

If this is so, then why be Catholic? One is Catholic, not because it is the only way to God, but because one feels attracted to the things that the Catholic tradition offers. One feels at home more in the Catholic tradition than in other faith traditions. The following list is meant to highlight some of those aspects of the Catholic tradition that have attracted others to it.

Catholics are not the only ones that value these qualities. Nor have we been consistent in following through on them. But, no matter the history, we seem to have held onto these values rather consistently.

See if these are values and attractions for you.

1. We affirm a belief in the goodness of all creation.
2. We have a universal sense of openness to all people and all cultures.
3. We affirm that we are all called to holiness.
4. We are committed to continual growth as persons.
5. We are challenged to change the world and society into the reign of God.
6. We are called to live in community.
7. We have historical roots and identity.
8. We respect reason, human knowledge and human exploration.

If you or anyone you know would be attracted to these values, please contact Biagio at biagio@stsabinaparish.org or 816-979-3153.

Life Line Screening - September 17

Life Line Screening, the nation's leading provider of preventive health screenings, will offer affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings at St. Sabina on Friday, September 17 in the gym. A package of five screenings to identify risk for stroke, heart disease and other chronic conditions will be offered:

- Carotid artery ultrasound to identify plaque buildup in the carotid arteries, a major risk factor for stroke
- Abdominal aortic aneurysm ultrasound to identify presence of an enlargement in the largest blood vessel in the body
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- Ultrasound of the lower legs to look for plaque buildup known as peripheral artery disease
- Ultrasound of the shin bone to identify risk for osteoporosis

These 5 vital screenings are offered for only \$149 and take 60-90 minutes to complete. If you register today, you will receive a \$10 discount. Register by calling toll free 1-888-653-6441 or text the word "circle" to 797979.

Rito de Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos (RICA)

Si usted o alguien que conoce estaría interesado en ser parte del RICA, por favor comparta la información con ellos. Hay formularios en el espacio de reunión, junto con un calendario completo para el programa de este año.

¿Por Qué Ser Católico?

La Iglesia Católica ha creído constantemente que Dios tiene la voluntad y el deseo universal de salvar a todas las personas. Nuestro Dios es el Dios de todas las personas. Dios ha iniciado esta relación de amor con toda la creación y desea llevar todo a la plenitud a través de la unión total con Dios por toda la eternidad. Cada uno está llamado a unirse con Dios a través del camino de la fe y la tradición que sienten que Dios los está guiando.

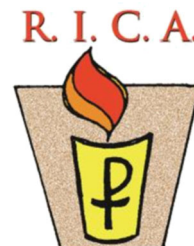
Si es así, ¿por qué ser católico? Uno es católico, no porque sea el único camino a Dios, sino porque se siente atraído por las cosas que ofrece la tradición católica. Uno se siente como en casa más en la tradición católica que en otras tradiciones religiosas. La siguiente lista está destinada a resaltar algunos de los aspectos de la tradición católica que han atraído a otros a ella.

Los católicos no son los únicos que valoran estas cualidades. Tampoco hemos sido consistentes en seguirlos. Pero, sin importar la historia, parece que nos hemos aferrado a estos valores de manera bastante consistente.

Vea si estos son valores y atracciones para usted.

1. Afirmamos la creencia en la bondad de toda la creación.
2. Tenemos un sentido universal de apertura a todas las personas y todas las culturas.
3. Afirmamos que todos estamos llamados a la santidad.
4. Estamos comprometidos con el crecimiento continuo como personas.
5. Tenemos el desafío de convertir el mundo y la sociedad en el reino de Dios.
6. Estamos llamados a vivir en comunidad.
7. Tenemos raíces e identidad históricas.
8. Respetamos la razón, el conocimiento humano y la exploración humana.

Si usted o alguien que conoce se sentiría atraído por estos valores, por favor comuníquese con Raúl a 816-309-1919.



Parish Information/Información Parroquial

Becoming a Styrofoam Free Parish

The Green Team would like to remind all parishioners and ministries that St. Sabina is striving to be a Styrofoam free parish by the end of 2021. For more information and a list of alternative products, please contact the Green Team or see <https://stsabinaparish.org/becoming-a-styrofoam-free-parish/>.

Laudato Si' Plans

On October 4, the Feast of St. Francis, the Vatican Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development will begin offering Laudato Si' Plans.

Consider having your institution, community, or family discern an early commitment to the first cohort of Laudato Si. By completing the registration form, you pledge to complete a plan when the process opens. Information on the discernment process, prayers, Laudato Si Action Plans and goals are available at <https://laudatosiactionplatform.org/resources/> in English and Espanol.

Catholic Social Teaching

Mondays, Sept. 13, 20, 27 by Zoom

Why has Catholic social teaching often been called the church's "best kept secret?" How does Catholic social teaching fit under the umbrella of the gospel's "consistent ethic of life" or that of a "seamless garment of life?" What is the foundation of Catholic social teaching and how does Catholic social teaching challenge every aspect of our life as disciples?

Come and see so as to deepen our understanding of Catholic social teaching and its consistent challenge on our faith journey. These Zoom sessions will be facilitated by Biagio Mazza, Pastoral Associate at St. Sabina Parish in Belton, MO on three successive Monday evenings, Sept 13, 20 and 27, from 7-8:30 PM. For more information or to register, email Biagio at biagio@stsabinaparish.org or biagio46@gmail.com.

Convirtiéndonos en una Parroquia Sin Styrofoam

El Equipo de Ecología desea recordar a todos los feligreses y ministerios que Santa Sabina se esfuerza por ser una parroquia libre de Styrofoam (unicel) para fines de 2021. Para obtener más información y una lista de productos alternativos, comuníquese con el Equipo de Ecología o visite <https://stsabinaparish.org/becoming-a-styrofoam-free-parish/>.

Proyectos Laudato Si'

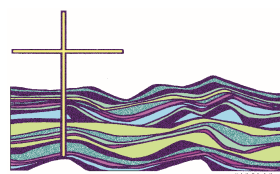
El 4 de octubre, fiesta de San Francisco, el Dicasterio Vaticano para la Promoción del Desarrollo Humano Integral comenzará a ofrecer Proyectos Laudato Si '.

Considere hacer que su institución, comunidad o familia discierna un compromiso temprano con la primera cohorte de Laudato Si. Al completar el formulario de registro, se compromete a completar un proyecto cuando se abra el proceso. La información sobre el proceso de discernimiento, las oraciones, los proyectos de acción de Laudato Si y las metas están disponibles en <https://laudatosiactionplatform.org/resources/> en inglés y español.

Platicas Pre-Bautismales - 11 de Septiembre

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

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



CHRISTMAS IN OCTOBER IS BACK!

After a year off, our Christmas In October (CIO) ministry will resume this autumn. Work Day is Saturday, October 9th. This year we have selected a house in Belton belonging to one of our parishioners to work on. Most of the work will be done outdoors per CIO program guidance.

Some of the work needed will be raising and leveling a deck/sun room; repairing and/or replacing front porch posts, railings and unsafe handrails; repairing or replacing guttering; trimming trees and bushes and cutting back summer vegetation; and a variety of other jobs.

All help is very welcomed, especially those with carpentering and gutter installing skills. The more hands we have, the more that can be accomplished.

We will meet at the church at 7:30 AM and start work at 8 AM. Lunch will be provided. Masks are encouraged whether you have been vaccinated or not even though we will be outside.

You can sign up in the Gathering Space on the sheet on the front table, or by contacting Chuck Stinger by email at c.m.stinger@att.net or by phoning him at 816.868.7323.

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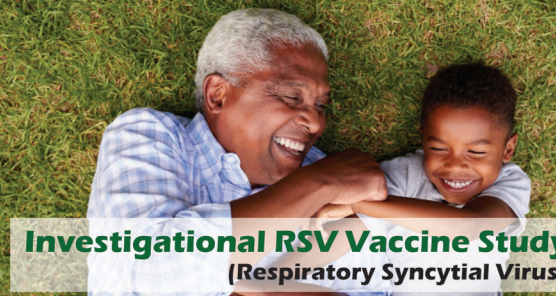
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