

# Saint Sabina Catholic Church

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



Congratulations to Eoin, son of Barry and Kaylie, who was baptized on September 23!

## Over 55 - Oct 3 - Soup, Salad and Sweets

Our next Over 55 gathering will be held on Wednesday, October 3rd at 11am in the parish hall. We will have a pot luck lunch featuring soups, salads and sweets. Please bring one of these items to share. After lunch we will be playing bingo. Please call the parish office at 816-331-4713 to sign up.

## Green Team Tip of the Week

In preparation for the Feast of St. Francis consider using the Jesuit Eco-Examen for prayer and reflection on your relationship to God's creation. [http://www.ecologicalexamen.org/#after\\_section\\_1](http://www.ecologicalexamen.org/#after_section_1)

## 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.**

**Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**September 30, 2018**

## Parish Staff/Mass Intentions

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### Mass Intentions for the Week

#### Intentions for October 1-5, 2018

|        |         |                                         |
|--------|---------|-----------------------------------------|
| Mon.   | 8am     | Communion Service                       |
| Tues.  | 6pm     | Communion Service                       |
| Wed.   | 10:30am | Communion Service<br>(Beautiful Savior) |
| Thurs. | 8am     | Communion Service                       |
| Fri.   | 8am     | †George Morrison                        |

#### Saturday, October 6, 2018

|        |               |
|--------|---------------|
| 4:00pm | †Lola Barrios |
|        | †Bob Cummings |

#### Sunday, October 7, 2018

|                 |                                 |
|-----------------|---------------------------------|
| 8:00am          | †John Raimo                     |
|                 | †Barbara Burdick                |
| 10:30am         | Intentions of Our Parish Family |
| 12:30pm Spanish | †Joel Perez Lopez               |
|                 | †Luis Arellano Posada           |

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

†Joan Feedback, parishioner, Beautiful Savior

†Anna Falco, Redwood of Raymore

†Jack Niemeier, brother of Donna Sullivan

†Pascual Solis, hermano de Yesenia Solis



# Calendar/Parish Happenings

## Sunday, September 30 - Domingo, 30 de Septiembre

- 7:30am Knights Family Rosary
- 9:00am PSR/Parents Lounge
- 10:00am Knights Family Rosary
- 11:00am Ensayo del Coro Hispano
- 11:00am Escuela de Religión
- 1:30pm Reunión del Comité Romero
- 6:00pm Matachines

## Monday, October 1 - Lunes, 1 de Octubre

- 6:30pm Cub Scout Den Meeting
- 7:00pm Boy Scouts
- 7:00pm Talleres de Oración y Vida

## Tuesday, October 2 - Martes, 2 de Octubre

- 7:00pm Pequeñas Comunidades Cristianas
- 7:00pm ESL/Inglés como Segunda Lengua
- 7:00pm Living Stones
- 7:00pm New Altar Server Training

## Wednesday, October 3 - Miércoles, 3 de Octubre

- 9:00am Legion of Mary
- 10:30am Communion Service at Beautiful Savior
- 11:00am Over 55 Gathering
- 6:00pm Curso para Papás
- 7:00pm Choir Practice (4:00 and 10:30 groups)
- 7:00pm Faith Formation Offering: Gospel of Luke
- 7:00pm Junior High Youth Group
- 7:00pm Knights Business Meeting

## Thursday, October 4 - Jueves, 4 de Octubre

- 6:45am High School Prayer and Donuts
- 9:30am Quilters
- 10:00am Faith Formation Offering: Gospel of Luke
- 7:00pm Capacitación de Acólitos
- 7:00pm RCIA/RICA

## Friday, October 5 - Viernes, 5 de Octubre

- 8:30am Adoration
- 5:00pm Ensayo de Quinceañera: Kate Castillo
- 6:00pm Matachines

## Saturday, October 6 - Sábado, 6 de Octubre

- 8:30am Altar Society Retreat
- 10:00am Scouts Planning Meeting
- 1:00pm Quince Años: Kate Castillo
- 3:00pm Confessions
- 4:00pm Curso de Convalidación Matrimonial

## Sunday, October 7 - Domingo, 7 de Octubre

- Pupusa Sale
- 9:00am PSR/Parents Lounge
- 11:00am Ensayo del Coro Hispano
- 11:00am Escuela de Religión
- 6:00pm Matachines
- 7:00pm High School Youth Bonfire

## Welcoming the Poor, the Outcast and the Stranger

### The Gospel According to Luke and Its Challenge to All Christians

Wednesday Evenings, October 3, 10, 17 & 24, 2018 ~ 7-9 PM

Repeated Thursday Mornings, October 4, 11, 18 & 25, 2018 ~ 10 AM-Noon

On the first Sunday of Advent, 2018, we begin a new Liturgical year focused on the Gospel according to Luke. Hospitality towards all, especially the poor, the stranger, the marginalized, and those rejected, is the essential image of God that the Lucan Jesus emphasizes. These sessions will explore Luke's gospel with special attention to the need for all Christians to model themselves on the generous welcoming and hospitable example that Jesus incarnates throughout the gospel.

Through ten meal scenes, Luke's Jesus challenges us to come to know God and to attune ourselves to Jesus' way of relating and interacting with all. Like Jesus, we are called to be hospitable and welcoming towards all. In these sessions, we will examine what hospitality meant at the time of Jesus, the cultural aspects of meals in the first century, and how that context continues to affect our understanding of Eucharist and of the hospitality required of every follower of Christ. The sessions will be facilitated by Biagio Mazza, Pastoral Associate, St. Sabina Parish. To register, call either Biagio at 816-979-3153 or Kris at 816-979-3151. Or e-mail Biagio at [biagio@stsabinaparish.org](mailto:biagio@stsabinaparish.org).

## We'd Love to Have You in the RCIA Program!

The RCIA English speaking program only has two candidates at this time. Group dynamics really suffer when the group is this small. If you know of anyone who might be interested in being part of our parish community, could you give us their name and we will contact them. If you are interested in just refreshing or renewing knowledge of your faith, you are more than welcomed to join us on Thursday evening. Calendars and sign up sheets are available in the gathering space.





## Parish Happenings/Information

### Pupusa Sale - October 7

Our Romero Committee will have a pupusa sale on Sunday, October 7th. A pupusa is a thick stuffed tortilla which is grilled. Each pupusa is \$2 and we will have 4 varieties available:

- beans and cheese
- beans, cheese and pork
- cheese
- cheese and zucchini

You can purchase pupusas after Masses. Or if you'd like to avoid the wait, stop at our table on your way to Mass to place your order. All proceeds from this sale will benefit our scholarship students in El Salvador.

### Education Wing Library

Recently Chase Petznick and Joseph Samson built and installed bookshelves in the double classroom of our education wing as their Eagle Scout Projects. Books in this library are available for check-out. If you are interested in borrowing a book, please sign it out in the notebook on top of the shelving unit. **We kindly ask that when you borrow a book, to please return it within 3 weeks.** For questions regarding any of the books, please contact Biagio Mazza at 816-979-3153 or [biagio@stsabinaparish.org](mailto:biagio@stsabinaparish.org).

### This Week's Do You Know Video:

As we continue our series on the key principles of the



Second Vatican Council, this week's video addresses the issue of Ecumenism, the relationship of Catholic Christians to other fellow Christians. Over the centuries, there have been numerous regrettable divisions within Christianity. In all instances, such divisions have resulted in mutual accusations, regrettable name-calling, slander, prejudice and non-communication, not to mention a great deal of violence and death. Vatican II participants, inspired by Pope John XXIII, sought to correct this scandal by advocating unity with our Christian brothers and sisters, recognizing that we all claim to be followers of Christ. By focusing on what we have in common, which is greater than what separates us, the council participants moved the church toward mutual dialogue, leading to understanding, respect and cooperation with our Christian brothers and sisters. Our Ecumenical relationships have increased tremendously since the council and they continue to grow and develop to this very day. Make time to view this week's DYK video and reflect on how the issue of Ecumenism is important for today's church and for your own experience of and relationship with other Christians.

## happy birthday

|                    |                    |                       |
|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Cristell Arellano  | Valeria Hernandez  | Sandra Reyes          |
| Ed Barton          | Christian Hoyt     | Joan Rigby            |
| Mary Pat Biondo    | Joseph Ledford     | Robert Roseburrough   |
| Fernando Borrego   | Drummond Mackinnon | Lazaro Sanchez        |
| Regina Brewer      | Thomas Mackinnon   | Ilusion Santana-Kelly |
| Kristin Campbell   | Angelique Magill   | Shari Sheridan        |
| Tim Cervantes      | Gabriel Martinez   | Kevin Solares         |
| Kim Deeter         | Jaime Martinez     | Ryan Spiller          |
| Dylan Dibben       | Biagio Mazza       | Ryan Stout            |
| Jesus Enriquez     | William McMahon    | Geraldine Tenorio     |
| Dave Feller        | Estela Medina      | Francisca Trejo       |
| Fatima Flores      | Stefany Mena       | Norma Varela          |
| Jeffrey Gibel      | Melisa Monarrez    | Olga Varela           |
| Christopher Gilkey | Daniel Morales     | Yamileth Villalobos   |
| Maureen Gilkey     | Thelma Palmer      | Richard Wilen         |
| Mason Goffoy       | Chuck Ramsey       | Gerardo Zarco         |
| Isaac Guzman       | Susan Ratigan      | Alejandra Zavala      |

## Happy Anniversary

|                               |           |           |
|-------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Larry and Mae Scali           | 47 Years! | 10/2/1971 |
| Doug and Kathy Moorman        | 33 Years! | 10/5/1985 |
| Alfredo and Jennie Gonzalez   | 32 Years! | 10/4/1986 |
| Greg and Kathleen Kenyon      | 27 Years! | 10/4/1991 |
| Melchor and Maria Hinojos     | 24 Years! | 10/6/1994 |
| Dan and Andrea Emerick        | 23 Years! | 10/7/1995 |
| Timothy and Patricia Eshleman | 23 Years! | 10/7/1995 |
| Darren and Michelle Kopek     | 22 Years! | 10/1/1996 |
| Wayne and Gloria DeGraaf      | 14 Years! | 10/1/2004 |
| David and Amy Kille           | 11 Years! | 10/6/2007 |
| Raul Felix and Wendy Mora     | 7 Years!  | 10/1/2011 |
| Joe and Susan Lewis           | 3 Years!  | 10/5/2015 |
| Corben and Rachael Palmer     | 2 Years!  | 10/1/2016 |

### Baptism Congratulations

**London Elizabeth Kay Hendrix**, daughter of Cody and Chelsea Hendrix

### Blue Mass - Sep 30 - Cathedral

The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception invites those in law enforcement, firefighters, and emergency responders throughout the diocese to a Blue Mass at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday, September 30 – the day after the feast of their patron St. Michael.

### Altar Society Mini Retreat - October 6

The Altar Society of St. Sabina invites all parishioners to a mini-retreat on Saturday morning, October 6th from 8:30am - Noon in the Parish Hall. The theme for the retreat is, "Merciful and Compassionate is the Lord, Psalm 103:8". The retreat will be facilitated by Biagio Mazza, Pastoral Associate at St. Sabina. Please join the Altar Society for a potluck breakfast at 8:30am. Coffee and juice will be provided. Prayers and reflections begin at 9am. Sign up in the gathering space or call the parish office at 816-331-4713.



## Pastoral Care

### Nursing Home Mass Schedule

|                |                                     |
|----------------|-------------------------------------|
| Oct 3 10:30am  | Communion Service, Beautiful Savior |
| Oct 10 10:00am | Redwood of Raymore                  |
| Oct 17 10:00am | Foxwood Springs                     |

### St. Sabina "Adult Grief Recovery Group"

#### Registration Deadline: Monday, October 1, 2018

If you are struggling with the loss of a loved one, we are taking registrations for our six week Adult Grief Recovery Group. This group begins on Tuesday, October 16th from 10:00-11:30am, and meets for six consecutive weeks. The group encourages you to "put words to your grief" in a safe, non-judgmental place. Confidentiality is expected. All are welcome! **Advanced registration required.** To register or for more information contact Marta Roper at 816-979-3154 or by email at [marta@stsabinaparish.org](mailto:marta@stsabinaparish.org).

**A Book Study for Those Who Grieve** The study will be at St. Thomas More Parish, KCMO. The book is "*A Grace Disguised: How the Soul Grows Through Loss*". Join this 6 week discussion group and allow your loss to increase your capacity to live well, to love life, and to experience joy in the midst of darkness. The study will be Mondays, Oct. 8 through Nov. 12, 6:30-8pm. Facilitated by Maureen Kelly, Hospice Bereavement Coordinator. Please pre-register by October 2 to Maureen Kelly at 816-421-9924 or [Maureen.Kelly@ascendhealth.com](mailto:Maureen.Kelly@ascendhealth.com) or David Butel at 816-942-2492, x. 210 or [dbutel@stmkc.com](mailto:dbutel@stmkc.com).

### Prayer Requests/Peticiones de Oración

|                  |                   |                    |
|------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| Anna Anderson    | Dick Garnier      | Earl Puls          |
| Chris Armstrong  | Al Gebauer        | Thelma Putnam      |
| Dick Armstrong   | Karen Grantham    | Dee Raya           |
| Marilyn Avalos   | Ginny Hainey      | Larry Rhodes       |
| Barry Ballenger  | Laverne Harlow    | Renette Riley      |
| Pauline Bellm    | Allyson Harkins   | Anna Ryan          |
| John Bidondo     | Connie Harper     | Kathy Shields      |
| Peter Bowen      | Cherie Hatfield   | Lois Simpson       |
| Betty Bremekamp  | Beth Heide        | Charles Stinger II |
| Maxine Bremer    | John Hirt         | Marie Stinger      |
| John Caoile      | Terri Jackson     | Ursula Suwito      |
| Alfredo Carrasco | Don Kueck         | Svoboda Family     |
| Joseph Coots     | Darrell Littler   | Jean Tate          |
| Paul DeMar       | Ellen Lovelace    | Faith Taylor       |
| Nolan Dickerson  | Ray Malisos       | Angel Thomas       |
| Pete DiGeorge    | Angela Maria      | Bruce Thompson     |
| Steven DiGeorge  | Jamie Martinez    | Karen Tomlinson    |
| Jim Dillon       | Lynn Morgan       | Priscilla Tristani |
| Kelly Dirks      | Janet Moorman     | Jim Wall           |
| Paula Dull       | Harry Muench      | Donna West         |
| Judy Giannini    | Joan Muench       | Mary Westfall      |
| Kelly Hall       | Bella Nouryeh     | Marie Wilburn      |
| Emily Emke-Hayes | Ezequiel Olarte   | Travis Woods       |
| Terry Eppert     | Thelma Palmer     | Carmilia Yust      |
| Cheryl Frezza    | George Panebianco | Debra Zayas        |
| Jim Frezza       | Gary Prendergast  | Pablo Zayas        |
| Sergio Gallardo  | Rita Pruitt       |                    |

### Help For the Heartache of Abortion

Consider attending a local Rachel's Vineyard Retreat. Women and men of all ages are welcome. The next Kansas City Retreat Weekend is October 26-28. Call 816-679-4973 or email [rvkcmo@gmail.com](mailto:rvkcmo@gmail.com) for confidential information and to start the healing. To learn more visit [www.rachelsvineyardkc.org](http://www.rachelsvineyardkc.org) or [www.rachelsvineyard.org](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org).

## Wellness Center

**Did you know** olive oil is naturally cholesterol, sodium, and carbohydrate free? Olive oil is high in a type of fat known as monounsaturated fat, according to the Mayo Clinic. MUFAs, as they're commonly called, can help lower your cholesterol and control insulin levels in the body. In addition to olive oil, they can be found in avocados, nuts and fatty fish.

Even though it's made of "healthy fats," olive oil is still high in calories and should be used in moderation. Here are five things you might not know about this Mediterranean staple:

- All olives start out green and then turn black or a dark purple as they ripen.
- Baked goods will last longer when you substitute olive oil for butter. It is the vitamin E and polyphenols that cause this longer shelf life.
- One liter of olive oil is produced from the pressing of seven liters of olives.
- Of all the olive oil produced in the United States, California is responsible for producing 99% of it.
- The flags of seven nations, four U.S. states, and the United Nations themselves all feature an olive branch.



JULY 2017-JUNE 2018 FINANCIAL REPORT-REPORTES FINANCIERO  
AND BUDGET REPORT FOR JULY 2018-JUNE 2019

| <b>Ordinary Income/Ingresos Ordinarios</b>                                                       | <b>ACTUAL AMOUNT</b>    | <b>BUDGET AMOUNT</b>    |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>Contribution Income/Ingresos de Contribuciones</b>                                            | <b><u>2017-2018</u></b> | <b><u>2018-2019</u></b> |
| Weekly Envelopes                                                                                 | \$ 668,847.84           | \$ 670,000.00           |
| Weekly Plate                                                                                     | 50,085.02               | 51,000.00               |
| Holy Days                                                                                        | 6,449.46                | 6,500.00                |
| <b>Development/Fund Raising/Desarrollo/Eventos Recavatorios de Fondos</b>                        |                         |                         |
| Building Fund                                                                                    | 48,715.91               | 50,000.00               |
| Gifts/Special Donations/Fund Raising Activity                                                    | 114,198.81              | 119,000.00              |
| <b>Operational/Operacional</b>                                                                   |                         |                         |
| Interest/ Rental/ Mass Stipends/ Poor Box/ Votive Lights                                         | 41,518.50               | 40,300.00               |
| <b>Education/Religious Education/Ministry/Other/Educacion Religiosa/Ministerio/Otros</b>         |                         |                         |
| Religious Education/Summer Programs/ Youth Ministry/ Senior Ministry/ Miscellaneous              | 11,909.90               | 12,085.00               |
| <b>Bequests</b>                                                                                  |                         |                         |
| <b>Total Parish Operating Income/Total de Ingresos Operacionales</b>                             | <b>\$ 941,725.44</b>    | <b>\$ 948,885.00</b>    |
| <b>Parish Expenses/Gastos Parroquiales</b>                                                       |                         |                         |
| <b>Personnel/Personal Administrativo</b>                                                         |                         |                         |
| Salaries/Clergy & Lay Benefits/Employer Portion Social Security/Medicare                         | \$ 592,992.13           | \$ 624,039.00           |
| <b>Facilities/Instalaciones</b>                                                                  |                         |                         |
| Gas                                                                                              | 12,832.58               | 12,300.00               |
| Electric                                                                                         | 26,467.56               | 26,000.00               |
| Other Utilities/ Ordinary Repairs/Custodial Supplies & Services/Equip/ Computer/Software         | 53,411.88               | 41,660.00               |
| <b>General Operational/Operaciones Generales</b>                                                 |                         |                         |
| Monthly Diocesan Support                                                                         | 81,372.00               | 85,775.00               |
| Insurance/Resource Materials/Poor/Envelopes/Supplies/ Special Events/ Postage/Others             | 120,815.31              | 131,860.00              |
| <b>Prayer &amp; Worship/Oración y Culto</b>                                                      |                         |                         |
| Liturgical Supplies/Hymnals/Homily Aids/Stipend Musicians                                        | 7,699.59                | 7,700.00                |
| <b>Religious Education/Educación Religiosa</b>                                                   |                         |                         |
| Religious Education Pre School-High School/ Summer Programs/ RCIA                                | 12,173.95               | 12,700.00               |
| <b>Pastoral Ministry/Ministerio Pastoral</b>                                                     |                         |                         |
| Youth Ministry/Family Ministry/Senior Ministry                                                   | 11,173.81               | 6,851.00                |
| <b>Extraordinary Expense/Gastos Extraordinarios</b>                                              |                         |                         |
| New Construction/Major Renovation/Equipment                                                      | 63,369.73               | 33,035.00               |
| <b>Total All Parish Expenses/Total de Todos los Gastos Parroquiales</b>                          | <b>\$ 982,308.54</b>    | <b>\$ 981,920.00</b>    |
| <b>Net Loss</b>                                                                                  | <b>\$ (40,583.10)</b>   | <b>\$ (33,035.00)</b>   |
| <b>Funds on Deposit with Diocese as of June 30, 2017/Fondos en el Deposito 2017</b>              | <b>\$224,773.74</b>     |                         |
| <b>Funds put on Deposit for 2017-2018 Fiscal Year/Fondos en el Deposito 2017-2018</b>            | <b>\$5,461.68</b>       |                         |
| <b>Funds withdrawn from Deposit with the Diocese for 2017-2018 Fiscal Year/ Fondos Retirados</b> | <b>\$60,000.00</b>      |                         |
| <b>Total Funds on Deposit with Diocese as of June 30, 2018</b>                                   | <b>\$170,235.42</b>     |                         |





# Stewardship

## Contributions for September 23

|                     |            |
|---------------------|------------|
| Envelopes/Sobres:   | \$9,675.30 |
| Plate/Canasta:      | \$1,242.70 |
| Maintenance-Upkeep: | \$ 176.50  |

## Server Albs Thank You

A big thank you to the Altar Society and the Knights of Columbus. Both groups donated funds to purchase new albs for our altar servers. We now have a complete set of brand new albs in all needed sizes. Your support of these two parish organizations makes their generosity to our parish possible. Thank you!

## Altar Server Training

Training for new altar servers will begin on Tuesday, October 2, 2018 at 7:00 PM in the church. Parish youth aged 4th grade and up are encouraged to train as altar servers. We especially need altar servers for the 4:00 Saturday and 8:00 Sunday Masses. You may sign up for training by returning the bottom portion of the flyer sent home with PSR students. Extra flyers are in the gathering space. Or, you may sign up on the website at [www.stsabinaparish.org](http://www.stsabinaparish.org) and click "New Server Training Registration."

Contact Susan Ratigan in the parish office at 979-3158 or [susan@stsabinaparish.org](mailto:susan@stsabinaparish.org) for more information.

## Parish and Diocesan Annual Appeals

This year our parish is partnering with our diocese for our parish Stewardship Renewal and the diocesan Annual Catholic Appeal. In the first part of October you will be receiving a mailing from the diocese, which will include the parish pledge card and the parish time and talent form. Please fill these out and enclose them in the return envelope to the parish. You can mail them to the office or you can bring them with you to Mass and place them in the collection. We will collect these cards on October 20-21, but you are welcome to return them prior to this weekend. The mailing will also include the diocesan pledge card. Please fill this out and enclose it in the return envelope to the diocese. We will also be highlighting our ministries during the month of October. If you are interested in learning more about a ministry or signing up for a ministry, you will have the opportunity to sign up in the gathering space, or by filling out your time and talent card. Thank you for sharing your gifts of time, talent and treasure! Your gifts make our parish and diocesan ministries possible.

## Christmas in October

Our Christmas in October service day will be on Saturday, October 13. You can sign up to volunteer in the gathering space or online. For questions or more information, contact Chuck Stinger at 816-868-7323.

## El Salvador Scholarship Appeal

On the weekend of October 6-7 we will have our annual appeal for the university students in Cinquera, El Salvador.

Cinquera is a small town of 800 people, who totally rebuilt their town after the civil war ended in 1992. The majority of the families in Cinquera live in poverty, and their only hope for financial stability is to have one child graduate from university and find employment.

Along with our students in Cinquera, we also have students that live in the very rural communities that lie just outside of Cinquera. Often the students that live in these communities do not have running water or indoor bathrooms. Most families in these rural areas make a living from farming.

With the help from St. Sabina, eleven young people are attending university. While on scholarship, the students are required to attend a monthly meeting and do a monthly community service project. In Cinquera there is a forest reserve, and many of the community projects are centered around this reserve, working to keep it clean. Other projects involve the scholarship students teaching the younger children of Cinquera certain skills, such as English, math, or sports.

Most of our students in Cinquera go to university in San Salvador, which is a 3-hour bus ride from Cinquera. Their scholarships help to provide an apartment for the students to live in during the week. All of the students come home each weekend to be with their families and to attend the required meetings and community service projects.

For one student to complete one year of university studies, the cost is approximately \$1300. This cost covers their tuition, apartment, and helps to cover a few incidental costs like internet access and bus fare.

Last January we sent a 6-person delegation to El Salvador to meet our scholarship students and to learn about the difficulties faced by the people there. With generous donations like yours, we hope to continue to help the students there. Their hope is to graduate, take care of their families, find work in their communities, and stay in El Salvador to continue to re-shape their country.

Along with sending money to cover the university costs of our students, we are also trying to raise funds to bring 2 students to St. Sabina every 2 or 3 years. By having the students visit our parish community, all of our parishioners that attend Mass on weekends have a chance to meet and know personally at least one or two of our students. This helps immensely to build our relationship between the students and the parishioners.

Each year Fr. Jeff personally donates his Chiefs season tickets for a raffle as his way to raise funds for our students. Please join him generously in supporting our students in El Salvador by making a donation at our second collection on October 6-7.



# Youth Ministry/Young Adults

## Youth News

**Thursday Morning Donuts!** Every Thursday that Belton High School is in session, Kirstie will have donuts and a little prayer for High School youth heading to school. The Youth Office doors will open at 6:55am for kids to stop in on their way to school.

**Junior High Youth Group!** Your next meetings will be Wednesdays, October 3 and 17 at 7pm. Looking forward to seeing you there!

**High School Youth Bonfire!** On October 7th we will pack up the youth group and head to a parishioner's land for a bonfire party! We will leave St. Sabina at 7pm and return at 9pm. We will have hotdogs, s'mores, cocoa and a woodsy maze as well as some glow in the dark games. We have approximately 40 kids in the youth group and will need help from parents to drive them to and from the event. Parents are asked to please contact Kirstie Roberts to sign up to be a driver. Everyone must have a permission slip and please note that this event is for our youth group only. There is no charge for this activity.

**Confirmation Candidates!** Your first sponsor night will be Wednesday, October 10 at 7pm. If you don't have a sponsor yet, or if your sponsor can't make it, you are still expected to be there!!

## Child Safety

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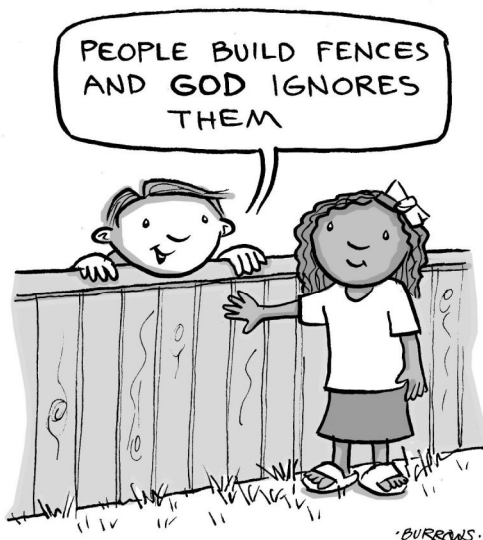
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2. **Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and**
3. **After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Jenifer Valenti, at 816.812.2500 or [JeniferValenti@att.net](mailto: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](mailto: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/>*

## The Little Ones

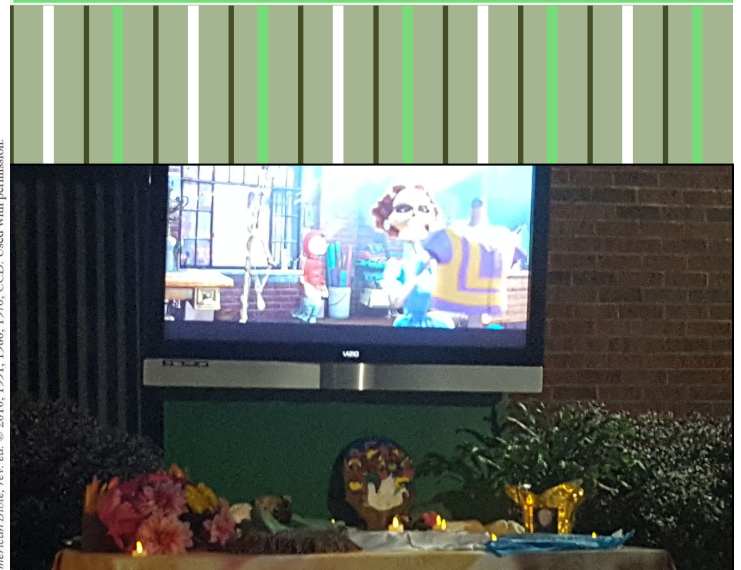
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Jesus replied, "Do not prevent him. There is no one who performs a mighty deed in my name who can at the same time speak ill of me. For whoever is not against us is for us. Mk 9:39-40

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*On Sunday, September 23, the high school youth group had a fun drive-in theater night, where they watched the movie Coco, complete with a Day of the Dead "altarcito."*



## Reflection on the Readings



**Responsorial Psalm 19 is part of a psalm collection known as wisdom psalms. The goal of wisdom is to live a good life by observing Torah, the guidance God has given us on our life journey.** Psalm 19 has three stanzas, with two very distinct parts.

The first part, verses 2-7 is a hymn to the sun, praising God for all that the sun does in offering light, warmth, growth, fertility, day and night. All this is a mere reflection of God's goodness to us with praise as the only appropriate response.

**The second part, verses 8-12, praises God for the gift of Torah.** What the sun does for creation, the Law does for the people. The final verses, 13-15, are an examination of conscience, asking God's help in our own willful failure to observe the Law, along with help in being attuned to our inadvertent failings. **The psalm ends by calling upon God, our rock and redeemer, to be our constant help and guide.**

**Jews see biblical Torah as consisting of directives for living a full covenant relationship with God.** The Law reflects divine attributes, and is the instrument through which one encounters God. Fidelity to the Law enables one to be conformed to God, striving for Godlike-ness in all things. **This Sunday's psalm verses continually praise God for the many benefits the people receive through the Law. The refrain captures this praise: "The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart."** From this lens we can view the other readings.

**All three readings speak of what is required to live a life conformed to God. The selection from Numbers tells of God's desire for sharing the spirit with those appointed by the community to help Moses guide the people.** Two who were not appointed somehow share that same spirit of God and prophesy. Joshua wants Moses to stop them for they were not part of the appointed group. But Moses takes on the openness of God as he hopes for the day "when all the people of the Lord were prophets." **Thus whoever prophesies in the name of the Lord, should not be prevented from doing so simply because they have not been properly processed.** Such is the expanse and openness of God. Attuning oneself to the Law teaches one to be God-like.

**Mark's gospel reflects a similar incident.** John wants to prevent someone who is driving out demons in Jesus' name simply because he is not one of Jesus' inner circle. **Jesus, like Moses, takes on the viewpoint of God by again pointing to the openness and expanse of God.** "Whoever is not against us is for us" is a direct challenge to the in-group mentality. God can use anyone, even opponents, to carry out the mission of Jesus.

**We, the supposed in-group, must not become obstacles to the mission of Jesus.** Mark's Jesus warns that such can occur if we create offense and scandal to others. **The hyperbole of cutting things off is not meant to be taken literally but rather figuratively in that we are to separate ourselves from anything that would prevent us from being like God.**

The second reading from James provides yet another possible obstacle to being like God. **Greedy attachment to wealth can be a huge obstacle.** James is not against wealth, but if it prevents us from being like God, then we need to cut ourselves off from it, else we risk separating ourselves from God.

**How can we know if we are being like God?** The psalm refrain calls us back to the reality that: "The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart." **The last psalm verses ask God's help in becoming aware of the willful sins and the unknown faults that could prevent us from being like God.**

Let us pray that God continues to be our rock and our redeemer, such that by attuning ourselves to God's Law, we attune ourselves to God. **This week, ask God for the strength and courage to put away anything and everything that prevents us from taking on the mind and heart of God, uniquely expressed for us as Christians in the person of Jesus.**

**Biagio Mazza**  
Pastoral Associate

### Readings



### Bible Study

#### **Sunday, September 30**

**1st Reading:** Numbers 11:25-29

**Psalm:** Psalm 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14 (9a)

**2nd Reading:** James 5:1-6

**Gospel:** Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

#### **Sunday, October 7**

**1st Reading:** Genesis 2:18-24

**Psalm:** Psalm 128:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 (5)

**2nd Reading:** Hebrews 2:9-11

**Gospel:** Mark 10:2-16

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. **Our next Bible Study dates are Oct 14 and 28 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



**El Salmo responsorial 18 es parte de una colección de salmos conocida como salmos de sabiduría. El objetivo de la sabiduría es vivir una buena vida al observar la Torá, la guía que Dios nos ha dado en nuestro viaje de vida. El Salmo 18 tiene tres estrofas, con dos partes muy distintas. La primera parte, versos 2-7 es un himno al**

sol, alabando a Dios por todo lo que el sol hace al ofrecer luz, calor, crecimiento, fertilidad, día y noche. Todo esto es un mero reflejo de la bondad de Dios hacia nosotros con alabanza como la única respuesta apropiada.

**La segunda parte, los versos 8-12, alaban a Dios por el don de la Torá. Lo que el sol hace por la creación, la Ley lo hace por el pueblo. Los versos finales, 13-15, son un examen de conciencia, pidiendo la ayuda de Dios en nuestro propio incumplimiento deliberado de la Ley, junto con la ayuda para estar en sintonía con nuestras fallas inadvertidas. El salmo termina al invocar a Dios, nuestra roca y redentor, para que sea nuestra ayuda y guía constante.**

**Los judíos consideran que la Torá bíblica consiste en directrices para vivir una relación de pacto total con Dios. La Ley refleja los atributos divinos, y es el instrumento a través del cual uno encuentra a Dios. La fidelidad a la Ley le permite a uno ser conformado a Dios, esforzándose por la semejanza a Dios en todas las cosas. Los versos del salmo de este domingo alaban continuamente a Dios por los muchos beneficios que la gente recibe a través de la ley. El estribillo capta esta alabanza: "Los mandatos del Señor alegran el corazón". Desde esta lente podemos ver las otras lecturas.**

**Las tres lecturas hablan de lo que se requiere para vivir una vida conformada a Dios. La selección de Números habla del deseo de Dios de compartir el espíritu con aquellos designados por la comunidad para ayudar a Moisés a guiar a la gente. Dos que no fueron nombrados de alguna manera comparten el mismo espíritu de Dios y profetizan. Josué quiere que Moisés los detenga porque no eran parte del grupo designado. Pero Moisés toma la actitud receptiva de Dios mientras espera "que todo el pueblo del Señor fuera profeta". Así, quienquiera que profetice en el nombre del Señor, no se le debe impedir hacerlo simplemente porque no han sido apropiadamente procesada. Tal es la extensión y apertura de Dios. Sintonizarse a la Ley le enseña a uno a ser como Dios.**

**El evangelio de Marcos refleja un incidente similar. Juan quiere evitar a alguien que está expulsando**

demonios en el nombre de Jesús simplemente porque no es uno del círculo más cercano a Jesús. **Jesús, como Moisés, toma el punto de vista de Dios al señalar nuevamente la apertura y expansión de Dios.** "Todo aquél que no está contra nosotros, está a nuestro favor" es un desafío directo a la mentalidad grupal. Dios puede usar a cualquiera, incluso oponentes, para llevar a cabo la misión de Jesús.

**Nosotros, el supuesto grupo importante, no debemos convertirnos en obstáculos para la misión de Jesús.** El Jesús de Marcos advierte que eso puede ocurrir si creamos ofensas y escándalos a otros. **La hipérbole de cortar cosas no debe tomarse literalmente, sino figurativamente, en el sentido de que debemos separarnos de cualquier cosa que nos impida ser como Dios.**

La segunda lectura de Santiago proporciona otro obstáculo posible para ser como Dios. **El apego codicioso a la riqueza puede ser un gran obstáculo. Santiago no está en contra de la riqueza, pero si nos impide ser como Dios, entonces tenemos que aislarnos de ella, de lo contrario corremos el riesgo de separarnos de Dios.**

**¿Cómo podemos saber si estamos siendo como Dios?** El estribillo del salmo nos devuelve a la realidad de que: "Los mandatos del Señor alegran el corazón". **Los últimos versos del salmo le piden a Dios la ayuda de darse cuenta de los pecados voluntarios y las faltas desconocidas que se podrían impedir ser como Dios.**

Oremos para que Dios continúe siendo nuestra roca y nuestro redentor, de tal manera que al ponernos en sintonía con la Ley de Dios, nos sintonicemos con Dios. **Esta semana, pídele a Dios la fuerza y el valor para guardar todo lo que nos impida asumir la mente y el corazón de Dios, expresado únicamente para nosotros como cristianos en la persona de Jesús.**

Biagio Mazza, Asociado Pastoral

### Lecturas



#### Lecturas del Domingo, 30 de Septiembre

Primera Lectura: Números 11:25-29

Salmo: Salmo 18:8, 10, 12-13, 14

Segunda Lectura: Santiago 5:1-6

Evangelio: Marcos 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

#### Lecturas del Domingo, 7 de Octubre

Primera Lectura: Génesis 2:18-24

Salmo: Salmo 127:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6

Segunda Lectura: Hebreos 2:9-11

Evangelio: Marcos 10:2-16



# Ministerio Juvenil/Información

## Noticias Juveniles

**Donas los Jueves por la Mañana!** Cada jueves que Belton High School tiene clases, Kirstie tendrá donas y hará oraciones con los jóvenes de High School antes de ir a la escuela. Las puertas de la Oficina de la Juventud se abrirán a las 6:45am para que los jóvenes pasen antes de la escuela.

**¡Grupo de Jóvenes de 7º y 8º Grados!** Sus próximas reuniones serán los miércoles, 3 y 17 de octubre a las 7 p.m. ¡Allí los esperamos!

**Fogata para los Jóvenes de la High School!** ¡El 7 de octubre reuniremos al grupo de jóvenes y nos iremos al terreno de un feligres para una fogata! Saldremos de Sta. Sabina a las 7pm y regresaremos a las 9pm. Habrá hotdogs, s'mores, chocolate y un laberinto silvestre, así como algunos juegos fosforescentes. Tenemos aproximadamente 40 niños en el grupo de jóvenes y necesitaremos la ayuda de los padres para conducirlos hacia y desde el evento. Se pide a los padres que se pongan en contacto con Kirstie Roberts para que se inscriban como conductores. Todos deben tener un permiso y por favor tenga en cuenta que este evento es solo para nuestro grupo de jóvenes. No hay costo para esta actividad.

**¡Candidatos de la Confirmación!** Su primera noche de padrinos será el miércoles, 10 de octubre a las 7 p.m. Si aun no tienes un padrino, o si tu padrino no puede asistir, ¡todavía se espera que estés allí!

## 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:

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- 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](mailto:jennifervalenti@att.net), si el abuso implica a un sacerdote, diacono, empleado o voluntario de la Diócesis de Kansas City-St. Joseph.

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*Todas las personas que son voluntarios con los jóvenes ó niños de nuestra parroquia deben 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://kcsicatholic.org/the-office-of-child-and-youth-protection/>*



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## Taller para Padres

### Como Puedo Fortalecer Las Relaciones En Mi Familia

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## Apelaciones Anuales de la Parroquia y la Diócesis

Este año nuestra parroquia se está asociando con nuestra diócesis para nuestra Renovación de Corresponsabilidad parroquial y la Apelación Católica Anual diocesana. En la primera parte de octubre recibirá un correo de la diócesis, que incluirá la tarjeta de compromiso de la parroquia y el formulario de tiempo y talento de la parroquia. Por favor llene estos y adjúntelos en el sobre provisto de la parroquia. Los puede enviar por correo a la oficina o los puede llevar a Misa y colocar en la colecta. Recogeremos estas tarjetas del 20 al 21 de octubre, pero se las puede devolver antes de ese fin de semana. El envío por correo también incluirá la tarjeta de compromiso diocesana. Por favor llene esta y adjúntela en el sobre provisto de la diócesis. También destacaremos nuestros ministerios durante el mes de octubre. Si le gustaría obtener más información sobre un ministerio o inscribirse en un ministerio, tendrá la oportunidad de inscribirse en el espacio de reunión, o completando su tarjeta de tiempo y talento. ¡Gracias por compartir sus dones de tiempo, talento y tesoro! Sus dones hacen posible nuestros ministerios parroquiales y diocesanos.

## Clase de Convalidación Matrimonial

El sábado, 6 de octubre, de 4 a 8pm, ofreceremos una clase para parejas que desean que sus matrimonios sean bendecidos en la iglesia. Esta clase será para parejas que tienen 10 años o más de matrimonio civil. Esta clase se llevará a cabo en la sala de conferencias fuera del salón parroquial. Para registrarse, llame a Kris Larkey al 816-979-3151. Para obtener más información, también puede comunicarse con Mauro y Teresa Hernández al 816-547-1093.

## Platicas Pre-Bautismales - 13 de Octubre

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 educación. Para niños mayores de 7 años requerirán una formación especial.

**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**

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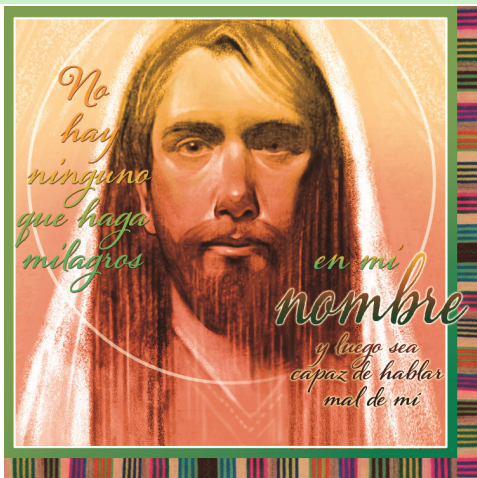
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**30 de Septiembre del 2018**