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SFX UPDATE – March 3, 2023

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Some parishioners have reported receiving emails from staff with our names but a different domain name (NOT sfx-kc.org). Please do NOT open any emails (or attachments) that appear to be from us but are not from sfx-kc.org.

Pastor's Corner

Parish Lenten Reconciliation Service

Monday, March 13 at 7:00pm in the church. We will have several priests to listen to your sins, just not too many please. Try to keep the sinning down during Lent. 😊

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Did you know you can access an electronic version of our weekly printed bulletin you get in church? [Click here](#) to view it online or subscribe to have it delivered straight to your email inbox.

Holy Week Schedule: April 2-9

Apr 2 Palm Sunday 10:30am **ONLY**

Apr 5 Wednesday 7:30am

Apr 6 Holy Thursday 7:00pm

Apr 7 Good Friday 7:00pm

Apr 8 Easter Vigil 8:00pm

Apr 9 Easter Sunday 10:30am **ONLY**

Please note that we will celebrate Palm Sunday together as a parish family. There will not be a 4:00pm or 8:00am that weekend.

The Easter Vigil on Sat, Apr 8, is the highest liturgy of the Church year. It is also the liturgy where we will welcome new adults to be baptized, confirmed, received into the Church, and receive their First Communion. The liturgy begins after sunset. We will begin at 8:00pm.

In 2023 we continue to pray for all those murdered in our nation, our metro and in our own neighborhood – and “pray by name” as best we can for those killed in Kansas City, Missouri. We share the names reported on the database provided by [The Kansas City Star](#).

Marcus Bewley-Perez, 24, February 20

Jamal W. Garcia, 53, February 21

Sunday School of Ages 2-3-4 the first and third Sunday of the month, including this Sunday, March 5, during the 10:30 Mass. Bring your little one to the Romero Room before Mass (ask a greeter or usher if you're not sure where the Romero Room is). Sunday School is a safe, happy place for our little parishioners to gather, play, sing songs, eat a snack, learn a little bit about the Sunday Gospel and do a craft!

SFX Lent 2023 Book Read: “Learning to Pray: A Guide for Everyone” by Father James Martin, SJ.

FYI Because of our Parish Lenten Reconciliation Service, our **Monday evening Zoom** Group will meet on Tuesday, March 14 at 7:00 pm Contact [John Gioia](#) for Zoom link.

Save the Date Father Martin will Zoom with us on Tuesday, April 25, 7:00 pm CST to talk about the book. Details to follow.

HeART and Soul Art Journaling Group. First Tuesday of the month. March 7, 10:00 am – 12:00 noon in the Hearth Room. Space is limited; contact [Mariann](#) to reserve your spot.

March Prayer Walk: March 11, 9:30 am at Pilgrim Labyrinth and Butterfly Garden in Hyde Park. We'll meet at Pilgrim Chapel (3801 Gilham Road, KCMO). For more information contact [Mariann](#).

SFX Widows' Group Brunch Saturday, March 25, 11:00 am at Caleb's (515 E. Red Bridge Road). At these gatherings we share friendships and stories, laughter (and some tears). Some members have been widowed in the last year or so, others it has been almost a decade. All widows are welcome. For more information contact [Gail Fein](#).

Sue will be out of the office March 3-13 and back on March 14.

If you've been reading The Spiritual Work of Racial Justice by Patrick St. John, SJ, you are invited to in the Romero Room to discuss the book's impact **TOMORROW ,March 4 after the 4:00 Mass and SUNDAY, March 5 at 9:00 am between the Masses.** Contact Mary Buren (aburen99@gmail.com) if you have any questions and to let her know you're coming!

Enjoy this meditative audio of the [Stations of the Cross](#) from Emmanuel Charles McCarthy.

RIM Ministry meets Sunday, March 19 at 9:00 am in the BVM Room – Sue & Bill will be out of town on March 12, which is our regularly scheduled RIM meeting, so join us on **Sunday, March 19** as we plan to journey with those near and far who are seeking refuge. We have a lot of information to share as we prepare to receive a refugee family. New

members are always welcome! Contact Bill Schmidt (schmidtwilliam1219@gmail.com) or Sue for more information.

The HeART of Justice

March 30, 10:45 am — FULL

April 14, 10:15 am — FULL

April 27, 10:15 am 9 Spots remain

[The HeART of Justice](#) is a **FREE** 75-minute guided tour at the Nelson Atkins Art Museum by docent Alan Lubert (husband of Suzanne Gladney of Migrant Farmworkers). He has selected a few works of art and will delve deeply into the artists' meaning and life experiences and the injustice they bring to light. The tour is limited to 12 participants, but more tours will be added as needed. Click the link above and sign up now! Spaces are filling up quickly! ***"Art is not what you see, but what you make others see."*** — *Edgar Degas*

Migrant Farmworker Off-season opportunity – On **Monday, March 27, at 9:00**, we will leave SFX parking lot and carpool to beautiful Lexington, MO to help the Migrant Farmworker project assemble hygiene kits, food bags, and bags of rice and beans. We will return about 1:30. We are collecting:

dry pinto beans (any size)

dry white rice (not instant, please)

hygiene items (travel sizes are OK)

- toothpaste
- toothbrushes
- bar soap
- shampoo
- wash cloths

Please *mark donations with MFAF* so we don't confuse them for food pantry donations. It would be most helpful to drop off donations as close to our departure date as possible. Have questions or want to go??? Contact [Sue](#).

Food Pantry Needs: If you're shopping this weekend and want to pick up something for our food pantry, we could use: *toilet paper, pineapple, side dishes (like pasta-roni or rice-a-roni), quick oats (about 18 oz), and cereal. Thank you!*

We're going to help Heart to Heart International! - Monday, April 3 5:00-7:00 pm Join us as we volunteer as a parish to assemble hygiene kits for Heart to Heart (11550 Renner Road, Lenexa, KS). Families with children ages 10 and older are welcome! [SIGN UP HERE!](#)

From our Apostolates and Neighbors

Lenten Fish Fry

Our parishioners come from 38 different zip codes. If you are looking for a Friday night Lenten fish fry at a parish nearer where you live, please [click here](#) to see the list for the diocese of KC-SJ.

John's Gospel and the Readings of the Lenten Scrutiny Sundays Biagio Mazza on Zoom. Wednesday Evenings March 8, 15, 22, 29 7:00-9:00 pm and repeated Thursday Mornings March 9, 16, 23, 30 10:00 am – 12:00 noon. Explore the stories of the Woman at the Well, the Man Born Blind, and the Raising of Lazarus. Email [Biagio](#) to register and receive the Zoom

link. *Biagio is Pastoral Associate at St. Sabina's Parish in Belton coordinating and facilitating Adult Faith Formation. He is an author and contributor to commentaries on Scripture and the Sunday Readings.*

Poetry, Stories, Giving Voice to Incarcerated People with Poet Brian Daldorph Thursday, March 16 5:30 pm Reception 6:00 pm Program at the Plaza Library, Truman Forum Auditorium. In person and online. Click [HERE](#) to learn more.

Ann, Becca, Fr. Jim, Laura, Mariann, Peggy, and Sue

See something that interests you? Contact us:

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