

Church of St. Sebastian
August 8, 2010—Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Scheduled Masses For This Week

Saturday, August 7, Vigil: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5 pm For the People

Sunday, August 8, 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9 am Mass

11 am Stanley Kabala, Sr.

-requested by James Kabala

Monday, August 9, Weekday

7 am Evelyn Gruttadauria

-requested by Robert McCarthy

Tuesday, August 10, Weekday

7 am Mass

Wednesday, August 11, Saint Clare, virgin

7 am for vocations to the priesthood

Thursday, August 12, Weekday

7 am For our service men and women serving in harm's way

Friday, August 13, Weekday

7 am for the strengthening of family life

Next Weekend Masses

Saturday, August 14, Vigil: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5 pm Marie Daniels

-requested by her family

Sunday, August 15, Feast of the Assumption

9 am For the People

11 am Mass



Please keep our fellow parishioners and friends in your thoughts and prayers:

Maurice Bissonnette, June Cunningham, Willy, Hugh Taylor, Jackie, Maureen Baker, Rose Conboy, Jeff Cavanaugh, Steve, and Connie.

THE PASTOR'S CORNER

What a faith filled and exciting weekend we shared last Sunday at the Installation Mass. Surrounded by Bishops Tobin, Mulvee, and Gelineau; our dear former pastors, Fathers Randall and Hayman; brother priests and classmates from Rhode Island and New Hampshire; parishioners; family; and friends, our parish celebrated a new pastorate and a new beginning. As a parish, we are the servants anxiously awaiting the Master's return. Now that the installation is a part of our parish history, we move forward to bring the Gospel message into our daily world. As Bishop Tobin mentioned in his homily, it is a genuine challenge to be a Catholic in the world today.

One facet of the challenge is presented in today's Gospel from Luke. The Lord says that where your treasure is, there also will your heart be" (Lk: 12:34). The follow-up question is obvious: *What is **our** treasure?* Are they things, which we all possess and enjoy? Is it a relationship that does not challenge us to a deeper life but merely attempts to placate a terrible empty loneliness? In those moments of inner silence, who or what speaks loudest to us...what clamors for our attention...what intrudes on our peace of mind?

On the other hand, how do we manifest the treasure of our Catholic faith to a spouse, a family member, a friend, a parishioner? We should easily recognize the love of parent to child, the genuine intimacy between friends, the service of a pastor in a parish. It should be a given in all these examples; but is it for you...is it for me? Are we viewed as the faithful servants who are easily recognized as happily awaiting the Master's return?

One of my Can Law professors stated, *How blessed are they who ask questions?* So we ask and humbly need to answer in our respective Christian vocations, "Where is our treasure?"

Enjoy the Lord, and each other.
Msgr. Darcy



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**25TH, 40TH, 50TH AND OVER
WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**

The Office of Marriage Preparation and Enrichment of the Diocese of Providence is sponsoring the Fourth Annual Wedding Anniversary Celebration on *Sunday, October 3, 2010, 1:00 pm, at the Cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul, Providence*. Married couples who are celebrating their 25th, 40th, 50th and Over wedding anniversaries in 2010 will be honored at this celebration. Couples who would like to attend can register for this event through their Parish Office before SEPTEMBER, 3RD.

The Wedding Anniversary Celebration will include Mass, renewal of marriage vows and a personalized certificate for each couple. Following the Mass, the Office of Marriage Preparation and Enrichment will host a reception for the couples and their families. Bishop Thomas J. Tobin will be the main celebrant and homilist.

VOCATION VIEWS FROM FATHER STOWE

Be alert to God's presence even in the least expected times, places and events. You will be ready to respond to God's call. (Luke 12:32-48). If you think God is calling you to be a priest, visit our website at www.catholicpriest.com or call Fr. Gregory Stowe at 331-1316.

WEEKLY SACRIFICIAL GIVING REPORT
08/01/2010

# of Budgets Used	54
Checks and Budget Envelopes	\$5,098
Loose	\$1,146
Total Offertory	\$6,244
Peter's Pence	\$743

Going Away on Vacation?

Please remember to forward your weekly financial support for St. Sebastian Church and parish ministries. Our parish expenses extend for all 52 weeks per year and their timely payment depends upon our parishioners' continued commitment to be sacrificial givers.

SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION

We celebrate next weekend the Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary. There are less than a score of solemnities during the Church Year. The small number testifies to the significance of an event in the saving mission of Christ, or someone who is important in unfolding those events. This Marian festival is a reminder that any celebration of Mary is always a celebration of her Son. Our Lady, full of grace; pray for us!



THE GABRIEL PROJECT

The next Gabriel Project workshop will be held on Saturday, August 21st at Project Hope, 474 Broadway, Pawtucket. The program agenda will include: Call to Prayer...Our Cup of Life, An Overview of Gabriel, and Boundaries: The Need, How to Communicate, How to be Consistent. The Program will be presented by Carol Owens, Coordinator and Peter Magnotta, L.S.W. from the Life and Family Office of the Diocese of Providence. The Gabriel Project is an outreach program for women in a crisis and unplanned pregnancy. For more information, to register, and for directions: call Carol at 421-7833 x118.

2ND ANNUAL

“CELEBRATE MARRIAGE AND FAMILY DAY”

On Sunday, August 15th at 2:30 pm, the 2nd Annual “Celebrate Marriage and Family Day” will be held on the scenic grounds at the Aldrich Mansion in Warwick. Families, Couples, and Singles of all faiths from the RI and surrounding areas will gather in celebration of traditional marriage. Great food, concessions, entertainment, and children's activities are planned. Bring your own picnic lunch or purchase tickets for great traditional barbecue food and side dishes. In the late afternoon a special blessing will be bestowed upon all families followed by a free ice cream social. Please visit the National Organization for Marriage website for more information. www.nomri.org