

Church of St. Sebastian
January 30, 2011—Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Scheduled Masses For This Week

Saturday, January 29, Vigil: Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 pm Mass

Sunday, January 30, Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 am For the People

11:00 am Anthony N. Patriarca, 2nd anniversary
-requested by his family

Monday, January 31, Saint John Bosco, priest
7:00 am Mass

Tuesday, February 1, Weekday
7:00 am Mass

Wednesday, February 2, the Presentation of the Lord
7:00 am Mass

Thursday, February 3, Saint Blaise, bishop and martyr
7:00 am Mass

First Friday, February 4, Weekday
7:00 am Mass
5:30 pm Mass

Next Weekend Masses

Saturday, February 5, Vigil: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 pm Stasia Richardson, 2nd anniversary
-requested by her family

Sunday, February 6, Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 am Marie Rohr

11:00 am For the People

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

Kelly, Anna Washington, BAW, Mary Doherty, CG, Mary Chatterton, Willy, Hugh Taylor, Jackie, Maureen Baker, Rose Conboy, Jeff Cavanaugh, Steve, Michael Simonette, and Connie.

CANDLEMAS DAY AND ST. BLAISE DAY

The Church commemorates the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple, 40 days after Christmas, on February 2nd. Candles used in Church will be blessed on this day at the 7 am Mass.

The next day, February 3rd is dedicated to the martyr, St. Blaise (+318 AD). The traditional blessing of throats with blessed candles will take place after the 7 am Mass.

THE PASTOR'S CORNER

I'm still overwhelmed, ...and **full!** Over 110 parishioners joined in the Pot Luck Supper to celebrate our patronal feast of St. Sebastian. Many thanks to everyone who in any way assisted with this parish event. I'm left with the question, "Now what do we do as a parish?"

The answer is straightforward; we get an attitude. **Attitude** is the answer. I don't mean a surly, cocky attitude we observe or encounter while driving a car or waiting in line at the market ... but the ones highlighted in the Gospel. Jesus taught them to have a new attitude. His followers are to **BE** the attitudes mentioned in the Sermon on the Mount. It's a mosaic of our presentation of Christian living. Often we hear, "Lose your attitude!" but today we hear to BE an attitude. St. Paul, the greatest preacher of the Christian era, writes to the Church in Philippi, "Your **attitude** must be that of Christ...He emptied Himself to take the form of slave" only to be later exalted (Phil 2: 5-11 *passim*).

The Sermon on the Mount will continue into March. They are highlighted with parables and comparisons..."The Kingdom of God is like..." They grab your attention and are a check on our attitude. Note them, ponder them, and consider them in the ordinariness of Ordinary Time. I believe you will find them most helpful for our attitude adjustment to the challenge of the Gospel.

Have a good week.
Msgr. Darcy

WEEKLY SACRIFICIAL GIVING REPORT

	01/09/2011
# of Budgets Used	85
Checks and Budget Envelopes	\$ 3,322
Loose	\$ 489
Total Offertory	\$ 3,811



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CONGRATULATIONS AND WELCOME

The parish welcomes into the faith James Perry Renner and Amelia Catherine Welsh, who were baptized on January 16th, 2011. Congratulations to their proud parents!!

OUR LADY'S CANDLE

Since November 2, you may have noticed the red glow at the icon of Our Lady of Perpetual Help on the left side of the altar area. Under the icon wrapped in a white pall, are the names of our beloved dead from All Soul's Day. If you would like to have the 6-day candle burn in memory of a specific loved one, or for a special intention, please call the rectory two weeks in advance of the intention. It will be published in the bulletin. Suggested offering is \$10 for the memorial candle.



Parish Giving, our newly launched on line giving program is a convenient and secure way to stabilize and increase our weekly Offertory and special collections. It provides means for **you** to select the day of the month your contributions are processed on your checking or credit card account. Your credit card donations receive mileage a bonus points as usual. For more information, go to our parish web site (www.stsebastianri.org) for the convenient link, or directly to www.Parishgiving.com

A good steward will proclaim, "I do everything for the sake of the gospel, in the hope of having a share in its blessings."

THIS WEEK AT ST. SEBASTIAN CHURCH

Sun.	1/30	Coffee Hour	10:00 am
		Religious Education	10:00 am
Mon.	1/31	Religious Education	3:30 pm
		Finance Council Meeting	7:00 pm
Thurs.	2/3	Choir Rehearsal	7:30 pm
Fri	2/4	First Friday Mass	7:00 am
			5:30 pm

FIRST FRIDAY MASS— FEBRUARY 4TH

The First Friday Masses are celebrated at 7 am and 5:30 pm. Members of RI Chapter of the Order of Malta will be with us for the evening liturgy

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Members of the Finance Council will meet in the rectory on this Monday, January. 31st at 7:00 pm.

PARISH BOOK CLUB

The Book Club will meet on Wednesday, February 23rd in the Randall Room at 7:00 pm to discuss Heaven's My Destination by Thornton Wilder.

ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS

You may have noticed that Mass intentions have increased in the past few months. Our Catholic custom of offering Mass for the living and the dead is a noble and ancient prayer custom. Please call the rectory if you would like remember the living (e.g. birthday, wedding anniversary, for a special intention) or the dead (recent death or anniversary of a loved one passing over to the Lord).



Just a friendly reminder that next week copies of **Rhode Island Catholic** will be available after Masses as part of the annual subscription campaign. To subscribe and have delivered to your door Bishop Tobin's Without a Doubt column as well as news from across the diocese, country and world **please use the envelope provided inside the newspaper or call 401-272-1010**. For your convenience you may drop it into the collection basket next week.

VOCATION MOMENTS WITH FATHER STOWE

Seek to follow Jesus, the humble servant. You will be blessed! Discover the grace of the gospel. If you think God is calling you to be a priest, call Fr. Stowe at 331-1316 or visit our website at www.catholicpriest.com