

Church of St. Sebastian
April 26, 2015 - Fourth Sunday of Easter

Scheduled Masses For This Week

Saturday, April 25, Vigil: Fourth Sunday of Easter
5:00 pm Mass

Sunday, April 26, Fourth Sunday of Easter
9:00 am For our Parishioners

11:00 am Dr. Donald Rohr
-requested by his family

Monday, April 27, Easter Weekday
7:00 am Mass

Tuesday, April 28, Easter Weekday
7:00 am Mass

**Wednesday, April 29, Saint Catherine of Siena,
Virgin and Doctor of the Church**
7:00 am Mass

Thursday, April 30, Easter Weekday
7:00 am Mass

Friday, May 1, Easter Weekday
7:00 am Barbara Rogers, Memorial Mass

Next Weekend's Masses

Saturday, May 2, Vigil: Fifth Sunday of Easter
5:00 pm For Our Parishioners

Sunday, May 3, Fifth Sunday of Easter
9:00 am Mass

11:00 am Mass

MONTHLY PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Names of friends, family, and fellow parishioners for whom prayers are asked will be listed monthly. If you would like a person included in next month's Prayers for the Sick please call the rectory. ***Jim P., John Haddad, Deborah Bessette, Carmella Cardillo and Henry Berenson.***

The new prayers for the Creed and the Gloria are located on the inside front and back covers of the hymnals.

THE PASTOR'S CORNER

I, for one, am happy that last week is over. Knowing that I had to tell you of my assignment to St. Margaret Parish, Rumford, weighed on my mind and heart all week. As I mentioned, St. Sebastian Parish will always be fondly remembered as my first pastorate. I am blessed to have met so many wonderful individuals and families over these almost five years. I'm still meeting new ones and will until June 30! Thank you all for your kind words after the Masses; I knew that such an unexpected announcement is unsettling for any parish. We continue to walk on the faith journey during this continuing Easter Season. Remember Msgr. Carlo Montecalvo, all other priests accepting new assignments, and me especially on this Good Shepherd Sunday. Enough of transfer talk; there's time for that two months from now!

"Just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I will lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. These also I must lead, and they will hear my voice, and there will be one flock, one shepherd." This text from today's Gospel jumps out at us this weekend. There is only ONE flock, and there is only ONE shepherd. We, the People of God, follow only Jesus. I, too, hear His voice and lead the sheep entrusted in my care only to Him. It puts the present reality into proper perspective. We follow the Lamb wherever He goes... (Rev. 14:4) Our young people are on their journey with First Communion and Confirmation in a few weeks. Couples will be celebrating their weddings, and we will be receiving Brendan Ryan, a new graduate from Providence College, who is discerning a call to the diocesan priesthood. We are all called to follow the Lamb with faith and trust wherever he leads us. The journey will always surprise you when you trust in the Lord.

The peace of the Lord be with you!

~ Monsignor Darcy

Create a memorial or honorary fund for your spouse or parent. Your gift can create an endowment for our parish in memory of or in honor of them and benefit those we serve for generations. Contact Msgr. Darcy for more information.

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First Communion and Confirmation Dates

**First Communion: Sunday, May 10th
 at the 9:00 am Mass**

**Confirmation: Wednesday, May 13th
 at 7:00 pm at Our Lady of the Rosary Church
 Most Reverend Thomas J. Tobin, D.D.**

All parishioners are invited to these Masses and to the receptions following to celebrate and show our support.



**ALPINE PILGRIMAGE
 ADVENTURE**

Msgr. Darcy has prepared a customized journey for just 19 persons to Northern Italy and beautiful Southern Switzerland, September 22nd - September 29th for **less than** \$4,000, (airfare included!) Visit the world famous *Duomo* (Cathedral in Milan), the Last Supper Fresco of da Vinci, a boat ride to the hotel in Bellagio on Lake Como, an exclusive wine tasting dinner, a fun alpine train ride through the southern Alps with a visit to the Cavaglia glacier, and an afternoon in chic St. Moritz. Call (751 -0196) or email (msgrdarcy@gmail.com) for a brochure.

THIS WEEK AT ST. SEBASTIAN CHURCH

Sunday	4/26	Religious Ed., Grades 6-8	10:00 am
		Religious Ed., Grades 9-10	6:30 pm
Mon.	4/27	Religious Ed., Grades 1-5	3:30 pm

WEEKLY SACRIFICIAL GIVING REPORT

April 19, 2015

# of Budget Envelopes Used This Week	89
Contributions-Budgets and Checks	\$ 3,601.00
Loose Contributions	\$ 461.00
Total Offertory	\$ 4,062.00

Please consider enrolling in Parish Giving, our electronic stewardship program for parish contributions. You can register online at www.Parishgiving.org or on our parish website at www.stsebastianri.org.

WELCOME TO A SEMINARIAN: BRENDAN RYAN

At the end of May, we will be welcoming Mr. Brendan Ryan, a seminarian assigned to the North American College, Rome in September. He will have a four week internship at the diocesan Social Ministry Office. Brendan is a member of Our Lady, Star of the Sea Parish in Narragansett. Welcome, Brendan, to our parish community as part of your major seminary formation!

OUTREACH COMMITTEE NEWS

Orange envelopes for the free-will collection to assist St. Patrick's Food Pantry during the summer months are available in all the pews. You can place your donation into the collection basket this morning or take it and return it next week.

We are looking for a volunteer to bring our food collection to St. Patrick's. The five bags of groceries are usually delivered on Wednesdays from 5:00 PM-7:00 PM and Thursdays 9:00 AM-12:00 noon. **(They are closed the 1st week of every month.)**

During the month of May, in observance of Mother's Day, the Community Outreach Committee will be holding a **"Diaper Drive"** to benefit the Little Flower Home in Tiverton, Rhode Island. The Little Flower Home, serving Rhode Island and Southern Massachusetts, provides comfortable private room(s) in shared apartments or shared homes for pregnant women and their children at no cost for women that are in need, dealing with domestic violence, or under undue pressure. **We are collecting NEWBORN, Size 1 and Size 2 DIAPERS, and SCENTED BABY WIPES.** You may leave your donations in the vestibule during the month of May. As always, the Community Outreach Committee would like to thank you for your continued support and generosity.

The **Parish Book Club** meets on May 13th at 7:00 pm in the Fr. Randall Room to discuss The Sun Also Rises by Ernest Hemingway. New members are always welcome!

Our Lady's Candle is lit in birthday remembrance for Albert Badeau, requested by his daughter Belle Calenda.

You can reserve the Our Lady's Candle by calling the rectory. Your intentions can be in thanksgiving, in memoriam, or for your private intention.