

Church of St. Sebastian
August 17, 2014 — Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Scheduled Masses For This Week

Saturday, August 16, Vigil: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 pm Elizabeth Scribner, month's mind
-requested by her family

Sunday, August 17, 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am Richard and Mary Frances Mahoney
-requested by their daughter Mary Ann Bryan

11:00 am Robert A. Belanger, month's mind
-requested by the staff of St. Sebastian's

Monday, August 18, Weekday

7:00 am William Ceppetelli, 4th anniversary
-requested by Jim and Sue Nagle

Tuesday, August 19, Weekday

7:00 am Mass

Wednesday, August 20, Saint Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church

7:00 am Robert Beyer, 6th anniversary

Thursday, August 21, Saint Pius X, Pope

7:00 am Mass

Friday, August 22, The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:00 am Mass

Next Weekend Masses

Saturday, August 23, Vigil: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 pm For our Parishioners

Sunday, August 24, 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am Mass

11:00 am Mass



*Let us pray for the repose of the soul of
Robert Beyer
whose love for our parish was shown in a
bequest to St. Sebastian Church.
We remember him in gratitude and offer
Wednesday's 7:00 am Mass for him this week.
May he rest in the peace of the Lord.*

THE PASTOR'S CORNER

And now it's time for some updates:

I spoke to Bishop Salvatore Matano and he accepted my invitation to celebrate our Centennial Mass next October 17th. The Bishop was transferred from Burlington to the Diocese of Rochester, NY this past January. Bishop Matano was pastor here at Saint Sebastian's from 1997-2000.

Jamie Carrera, our new Maintenance Director, has been using his talent and painted the three rooms in the sacristy area, and the garage. He will continue painting of the exterior rectory doors, rear porch, and thresholds. During inclement weather, Jamie will begin the long overdue painting of the Church Hall starting with the rest rooms and stage areas. It's all in preparation for the centennial celebration next October.

September and October is the best time for lawn repair. Arrangements have been made to top-dress, aerate and slice over-seed the lawn directly around the rectory and the Church. The soil is *very* compacted which prevents irrigation and nutrients from improving the lawn. Your monthly contribution to the Buildings and Ground Collection makes all these projects possible. If you can kick up that collection the next two months, we'll be in great shape.

The Religious Education Program will be starting soon as school begins. A letter to all Religious Education students and parents will be sent within the next few weeks. Students and families must be registered, active, and supportive of the parish. "*Convenience registrations*," those from private schools in the area who have no connection to the parish, are re-directed to their own parishes unless a parent teaches a religious education class at St. Sebastian's.

Initial news of some upcoming events is being planned: Adult Bible Study, Pancake Breakfast, Blessing of Animals (October 4th at 10 am), and another European festival, Italian Night, in early November. More news very soon.

Finally, we continue to pray for peace especially in the Middle East. Fr. Luke is safe, happy, and very dedicated to his troops. God bless them all.

As you can see, it never ends...

Monsignor Darcy



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WELCOME TO THE FAITH

The parish welcomes *Mariateresa Arena*, daughter of Enzo and Marisa Arena; *Lucia Christina Pedroso-Jones*, daughter of Shaun and Kristen (Pedroso); and *Bradley Christopher Lloyd Harris*, son of Stacy and Christy (Bradley) as our newest parishioners. May the Lord bless you and your families as they instruct and guide you in our Catholic faith.

IN LOVING MEMORY OF DOROTHY ROBERTS

Dorothy Roberts died last fall while I was on sabbatical. She kindly remembered her life-long parish with a bequest in her will. A St. Francis Garden is being planted near the side door of the rectory in her memory. The statue of St. Francis has arrived, the area (formerly the home of some rather unsightly overgrown shrubs) has been stump ground and will be enriched for planting. The garden will be planted in September and dedicated on the **Feast of St. Francis, Saturday, October 4th. The blessing of animals will take place in the garden area at 10 am that morning.** For this quiet unassuming woman with no family in the area, this living memorial is dedicated to her. Rest in peace, Dorothy. May you await us in the Kingdom of God.

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. *Heather, Peter Pizzarello, Maureen, Caroline, Deborah Bessette, Sue Hazard, Benita, Betty Mullaney, Maureen, Sue, Theresa, and Michelle.*

WEEKLY SACRIFICIAL GIVING REPORT

August 10, 2014

# of Budgets and Checks Received	83
Contributions-Budgets and Checks	\$2,845.00
Loose Contributions	\$ 441.00
Total Offertory	\$3,286.00
Peter's Pence	\$1,311.00

Please remember our joint stewardship responsibility to support the parish. You may consider *Parish Giving*, our electronic stewardship program for parish contributions. You can register online on our website www.stsebastianri.org.

SAVE THE DATE ...SAVE THE DATE

OUR 100TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Initial plans are underway to prepare for the **100th ANNIVERSARY** of our parish on Saturday, **October 17, 2015.** The Saturday evening Mass will be followed by dinner and dancing at the Wannamoisett Country Club in Rumford. **One table is already reserved!!** Several committees will be formed soon to coordinate this historic event in our parish history. There will be more news as we move forward, in the meantime dig out those old photo albums of yours and share any pictures you may have of the parish. We will digitize them and return the originals to you.

HOSPITAL VISITATION

Parishioners are encouraged to call the parish office if they or a family member would like a pastoral visit either at the hospital or nursing home by Msgr. Darcy. Hospitals no longer inform houses of worship of the admission of patients due to the laws protecting the right to privacy.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

The Parish Prayer Shawl Ministry meets this Tuesday August 19th at 7 pm in the Fr. Randall Room. If you are aware of someone who would benefit from receiving a prayer shawl, please call the rectory.

OUTREACH COMMITTEE MEETING this Sunday, August 17th at 10 am in the church basement.

OUTREACH COMMITTEE PROJECTS

The Outreach Committee asks that we continue to be mindful of the hungry throughout the summer season. Non-perishable foods are needed year round; so remember to bring a few items to Church each week and place them in the boxes near the choir loft stairs. Also, please remember to continue to bring in your Eastside Marketplace grocery receipts and leave them in the marked box in the vestibule throughout the summer. The parish receives 1% of the total, which is then donated to worthy causes. Thank you.