

Church of St. Sebastian

February 23, 2014 — Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Scheduled Masses For This Week

Saturday, February 22, Vigil: Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 pm For the People

Sunday, February 23, Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am Maureen Azar, month's mind
-requested by Marie Brito

11:00 am Francis and Helen McCormick
--requested by their family

Monday, February 24, Weekday

7:00 am Mass

Tuesday, February 25, Weekday

7:00 am Mass

Wednesday, February 26, Weekday

7:00 am Mass

Thursday, February 27, Weekday

7:00 am Mass

Friday, February 28, Weekday

7:00 am Mass

Next Weekend Masses

Saturday, March 1, Vigil: Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 pm Mass

Sunday, March 2, Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am For the People

11:00 am Mass

NEW PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 9 AM – 2 PM

Wednesday 9 AM – 4 PM

Closed Friday

WEEKLY SACRIFICIAL GIVING REPORT

February 16, 2014

of Budget Envelopes Used This Week 42

Contributions-Budgets and Checks \$3,300.00

Loose Contributions \$ 299.00

Total Offertory \$3,599.00

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.

THE PASTOR'S CORNER

Our centennial is next year... 100 years of faith on the East Side. Preliminary plans hope to include the Anniversary Mass and dinner, a concert of sacred music, and a *possible* pilgrimage to Rome and the Catacomb of St. Sebastian. Fr. Hayman has agreed to update the parish history for the event. In a few weeks there is to be a call for old photographs that will be digitized and returned to you. Pictures of the Church (interior and exterior), parish groups, clergy, religious, etc. will be used for the anniversary book.

The Finance Council met on Wednesday to review the budget at its halfway point. The figures are good. A financial report is overdue as a result of my sabbatical absence. It will be prepared very soon. You cannot help but notice the increase in new parishioners and visitors. This, too, is impressive. Welcome to all of you!

Two major projects will be completed by the anniversary: the installation of the chair lift and repairs to the bell in the Church tower. The bell has been silent for two years due to electrical and mechanical issues. The Verdin Company is presenting a proposal. They worked on the bell many years ago. The chair lift project is still at **\$8K** toward the estimated cost of \$18K. Vendors have visited us and are preparing quotes. *If any parishioners or friends want to make a major donation for either project, please call me at the rectory.*

Any St. Patrick Day Party proceeds will be used for the chair lift. While it is meant as a *fun raiser*, consider buying a ticket even if you can't attend as a donation toward the project. Live music will be provided by Jack and Jess Gauthier, long time friends (I celebrated Jack's wedding and Jesse's baptism!). Jesse auditioned for American Idol when he was 16, and even impressed Simon Cowell!

Please note that I will be away from Sunday to Friday of this week. The office will be open as usual for parish business.

Spring is just 26 days away!

~Monsignor Darcy

THIS WEEK AT ST. SEBASTIAN CHURCH

Sunday	2/23	Religious Ed., Grades 6-8	10:00 am
		Community Outreach Mtg	10:00 am
		Religious Ed., Grades 9-10	6:30 pm
Monday	2/24	Religious Ed., Grades 1-4	3:30 pm
Thurs.	2/27	Choir Rehearsal	7:00 pm

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2014 Catholic Charity Appeal
"Faith and Good Works"

The start of the 2014 Catholic Charity Appeal is fast approaching. Many of our parishioners will be receiving a mailing from Bishop Tobin asking for your support of the 2014 Appeal. For your convenience, this is the first time that a pledge card has been enclosed within this mailing. **Please be assured that your parish will receive credit for the gift that you make though the mail.**

Your gift to the 2014 Appeal reaches out to countless people in need throughout our diocese. No matter where you turn, you find someone who will benefit from your kindness.

Please give generously to the 2014 Catholic Charity Appeal.

ST. SEBASTIAN BOOK CLUB

The Parish Book Club will meet on Wednesday, March 12th at 7:30 pm in the Fr. Randall Room to discuss The Painted Veil by W. Somerset Maugham. All are welcome.

FR. LUKE'S REGULAR MAIL ADDRESS

For those who would like to send Fr. Luke a card or letter, mail can be sent to:

CPT Lukasz Willenberg
10th Mountain Division HHBN Chaplain
CJTF - 10, TF Gauntlet
APO AE 09354

Items for his Lenten Project for his troops will be made available next week.



2014 PARISH LENTEN MISSION

Fr. Paquette will be preaching the Lenten Parish Mission Sunday 3//30, Monday 3/31, and Tuesday 4/1 at 7:00 pm. Save the dates for this annual Lenten parish mission.

Ash Wednesday is March 5th.



The Office of Life and Family is offering the To Love and To Cherish program for married Catholics. The free program provides topics/discussions designed to improve and enrich marriage in a sharing group environment. (Please note: this program does not take the place of marital counseling.) It will be offered each Thursday over five weeks, March 13th through April 10th, 7:00—8:30 pm at St. Catherine Church, upper back entrance, 3252 Post Road, Warwick. For information and registration please contact: Peter Magnotta, 421-7833, ext. 217.

Please keep our fellow parishioners and friends in your thoughts and prayers: Michael, Frances, Lauren, Yvette Wilburn, Maureen Kenner, Jane Martin, Carol Anne Theroux, Nicole Ruffine, Beverly DiLello, Elizabeth Dugan, Deborah Bessette, Beatrice Calvo Crozier, James Mullaney, Mariella, Amy, and Ursula Shea. *Please contact the rectory if you would like to add a person to our prayers.*



ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARISH PARTY
SATURDAY, MARCH 15TH FROM 6—9 PM
is the date for a great ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARTY. A traditional corned beef dinner and Irish Bread will be served. Some typical Irish "refreshments" will be available at a cash bar. Live entertainment provided by one of Rhode Island's up and coming groups; The Jesse Liam Band.

Tickets: \$20 per person. All are welcome!

Name: _____

Number of Tickets: _____

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