

Church of St. Sebastian
February 8, 2015 - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Scheduled Masses For This Week

Saturday, Feb. 7, Vigil: Fifth Sunday in Ord. Time
5:00 pm Mass

Sunday, Feb. 8, Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 am Mass
11:00 am For our Parishioners

Monday, February 9, Weekday
7:00 am Mass

Tuesday, February 10, Saint Scholastica, Virgin
7:00 am Mass

Wednesday, February 11, Weekday
7:00 am Mass

Thursday, February 12, Weekday
7:00 am Mass

Friday, February 13, Weekday
7:00 am Mass

Next Weekend Masses

Saturday, Feb. 14, Vigil: Sixth Sunday in Ord. Time
5:00 pm For our Parishioners

Sunday, Feb. 15, Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 am Mass
11:00 am Mass

COLD AND FLU SEASON

During the cold and flu season, we will verbally offer each other the Sign of Peace. Communion will be restricted to the Body of Christ. Pray for those who are sick during this winter season.

WEEKLY SACRIFICIAL GIVING REPORT

February 1, 2015

# of Budget Envelopes Used This Week	91
Contributions-Budgets and Checks	\$ 3,563.00
Loose Contributions	\$ 382.00
Total Offertory	\$ 3,945.00
Monthly Maintenance	\$ 1,652.00

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

The well-intentioned, but scripturally uninformed, often times speak of the "Patience of Job." As soon as I hear that, I ponder if the person has ever read the entire Book of Job. Job comes very close to blasphemy as he *demand*s a hearing before God. He does get his request, is summarily humbled, and repents in sack cloth and ashes (Job 42:6). The key to understanding the entire book, however, is given at the very beginning of the text: "Have you noticed my servant Job? There is no one on earth like him, blameless and upright, fearing God and avoiding evil (Job 18). Job was a righteous man and declared so by God Himself. The text is the sacred writers attempt to come to grips with the problem of suffering of the innocent. It is the high point of the Wisdom Tradition in the Old Testament.

Preaching the Word of God is the ministry of every priest. He is sent to proclaim the Kingdom and to do so without counting the cost or avoiding its challenge. He does so effectively only when he develops a personal prayer life with God. Would that I be considered righteous *now* in the mind of God! All our priests strive to serve the Lord with gladness. Pray for us as we serve you, the People of God. My thanks to Fathers Rodrigues, Mahar and Fissette who are with you this weekend.

As of this writing on Monday, there is no news on the tower situation due to the blizzard. Another quote for the replacement downspouts is awaited. After the contract is signed, it will still take six weeks to fabricate and install them.

With the mention of time, Lent begins on February 18th. The Great 40 Days prepares us for the joyous celebration of Easter. A Lenten Mission will be held again this year. Our guest preacher will be announced next week.

~ Only 41 Days till Spring!
Monsignor Darcy



Our Lady's Candle is lit this week as a birthday remembrance for Edward W. Lawlor, requested by his daughters Patricia and Regina.

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION STUDENTS' BAKE SALE



THIS WEEKEND!

In conjunction with Bishop Tobin's "Keep the Heat On" program, the Religious Education Program is sponsoring a Bake Sale. The Bake Sale will take place after all Masses on the weekend of February 7th and 8th and we will add our proceeds to the donation being made by the Outreach Committee. All parishioners are kindly requested to make baked goods for the sale. Thank you, Ms. Marie.

WITH SINCERE SYMPATHY

Dr. Donald G. Rohr, Professor Emeritus from Brown University was buried on Monday in the midst of the most recent snow storm. He was a man of letters and culture. May his noble soul rest in peace with his late wife, Joan at Swan Point Cemetery.

WELCOME TO THE CHURCH

Travis Andersen was received into Full Communion with the Catholic Church last Saturday. Welcome, Travis, and may the Lord, who has brought you to the Church, be your guide to the Kingdom of God.



SAINT PATRICK'S DAY

SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 6-9 PM

Live music provided again by Jesse Jack'son

Reservations required by March 18th \$25 /person

Name: _____

of Tickets: _____ **Phone:** _____

**Corned beef n' cabbage, Irish Bread,
and 'Holy Water'**

THIS WEEK AT ST. SEBASTIAN CHURCH

Sun.	2/8	Religious Ed, Grades 6-8	10:00 am
		Religious Ed, Grades 9-10	
Mon.	2/9	Religious Ed, Grades 1-5	3:30 pm

2015 CATHOLIC CHARITY APPEAL

"Faith and Good Works"

The start of the 2015 Catholic Charity Appeal is fast approaching. Many of our parishioners will be receiving a mailing from Bishop Tobin asking for your support of the 2015 Appeal. For your convenience, a pledge card has been enclosed within this mailing. **Please be assured that your parish will receive credit for the gift that you make through the mail.**

Your gift to the 2015 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 2015 Catholic Charity Appeal.



We invite all women to the Catholic/Christian Women's MAGNIFICAT® Breakfast
Saturday, February 28th, 2015.

8:30 a.m. to 12 noon, at the Providence Marriott.

The cost is \$25.00 per person.

The UN International Fatima statue will visit our event with custodian & President of RI World Apostolate of Fatima, Judy Studer, who will share about her many travels, miracles & important messages for our times. For more information or registration, call Ginny (401) 433-2565

Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet on Tuesday February 17th at 7:00 pm in the Fr. Randall Room to create prayer shawls and small Baptism blankets. Call Pat Capece 274-8632 or Elaine Kehoe 273-4259 with ideas or questions. Please join us in this lovely way to spread joy to others.

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. ***John Haddad, Deborah Bessette, Debbie, Tim Cannon, Jack, Mary M., Peter Pizzarello, Virginia Gallagher, Maureen, Betty Mullaney, M. Rachel, Lisa Turbitt, Paula C., Heather, and Ursula Shea.***