

Church of St. Sebastian
July 31, 2011—Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Scheduled Masses For This Week

Saturday, July 30, Vigil: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 pm Mass

Sunday, July 31, 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am For the People

11:00 am Mass

Monday, August 1, Saint Alphonsus Liguori, bishop and doctor of the Church

7:00 am Mass

Tuesday, August 2, Weekday

7:00 am Mass

Wednesday, August 3, Weekday

7:00 am Mass

Thursday, August 4, Saint John Mary Vianney, priest

7:00 am Mass

Friday, August 5, Weekday

7:00 am Frank and Helen McCormick, wedding anniversary remembrance
-requested by their children

Next Weekend Masses

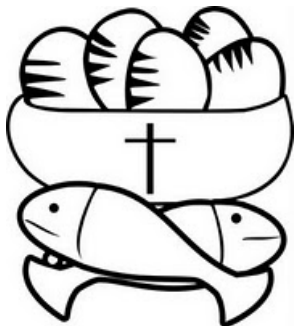
Saturday, August 6, 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 pm Ray Testa, 20th anniversary
-requested by his family

Sunday, August 7, 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am Charles Woodward
-requested by Betty Mullaney

11:00 am For the People



THE PASTOR'S CORNER

Just about one year ago, I had my first dinner in the home of a parishioner. Another member of the parish joined us. It was a delightful evening. As we were talking, we shared who we would have like to have met from history. One said, Nelson Mandela; the other, St. Ignatius Loyola; and I said, St. Paul. My answer is directly related to today's Second Reading. I shared with them (and now with you) that I earnestly want to ask St. Paul why he concluded this powerful apologetic of the faith with a period (.). I want to ask him why he did not use a semi-colon (;), and conclude the sentence in this way: "Nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus the Lord.... ; ***except ourselves.***"

We'll be hearing much more about the New Roman Missal and the high rhetoric used in the translation. The personal response to salvation will be reflected in the words used for the consecration of the wine. The Latin phrase *pro multis* is correctly translated "for many" (e.g. Mt 26:28; Mk 14:24). Thus the new translation is: "*Take this, all of you, and drink from it: for this is the chalice of my Blood, the Blood of the new and eternal covenant; which will be poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in memory of me*" (bold italics above note the translation changes).

While the Christ's redemptive suffering makes salvation *available* to all, not everyone will accept it. Salvation is a personal invitation to those baptized in Christ. All are invited; not all will accept as with the Rich Young Man in Matthew 19:16-22. As we have heard these past few weeks with the Parables of the Kingdom, we have found the Pearl of Great Price; Jesus, the Christ.

We welcome Fr. Michael Najim, Vocation Director for the Diocese of Providence, who is celebrating Mass this weekend. Pray for him and his important ministry of priestly formation.

See you next week.
Msgr. Darcy

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WEEKLY SACRIFICIAL GIVING REPORT

July 23/24, 2011

% of Budget Envelopes Used	15%
Contributions-Budgets and Checks	\$ 2,222
Loose Contributions	\$ 277
Total Offertory	\$ 2,499
Mission Co-op Collection	\$1,542

Our parish charitable giving needs to be maintained during the summer months. **Last summer our checking account at one point was at \$7.00.** Please remember our joint stewardship responsibility to support the parish during the summer. You may consider *Parish Giving*, our electronic stewardship program for parish contributions. Even I could set it up! You can register online at www.Parishgiving.com

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKENDS

If we believe, Jesus will give us all the food we need for our marriage. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are September 16-18 and October 21-23. for more information call Ralph and Jane Becker at 1-800-710 WWME or visit our webpage at www.wwme.org.

OUR LADY'S CANDLE

This week Our Lady's Candle burns for the 7th anniversary of the passing of John P. Lynch as requested by his family.

PARISH BOOK CLUB

Summer reading: The Brothers Karamozov, by Fyodor Dostoyevski

NEW PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri. 10 AM - 2 PM
Wednesday 10 AM - 4 PM

"WHEN WE DEPART:" CHURCH ETIQUETTE

At the end of Mass, kindly raise the kneelers, return the hymnals to the pew racks, **and please take home the parish bulletin.**

MORE ON THE NEW ROMAN MISSAL

Will the changes be noticeable?

In the third edition of the *Roman Missal*, almost every prayer in the Mass—those spoken by the priest and those spoken by the people—has been retranslated from the Latin to English. Some prayers now recited by memory will need to be relearned, and the familiar language of many prayers recited by the priest will change.

In preparing the new translation, the translators were asked to make the English texts conform more closely to the Latin originals and thus preserve the rich traditional theological vocabulary that communicates important concepts of the faith.

The language that you will hear and pray is more formal and somewhat more complex than the language of ordinary conversation. It conveys rich theological concepts and retains biblical language and images. For more information, go to www.riliturgy.com

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Registrations for Religious Education Classes will be taking place throughout the summer. The registration forms may be found on our website: www.stsebastianri.org Please download the form you will need and send it along with the registration fee to 67 Cole Avenue, Providence, RI 02906. Attn: Ms. Marie. New registrations must be accompanied by a copy of the student's Baptismal Certificate only if the student was not baptized here at St. Sebastian's. You will use the re-registration form only for students who are returning to Religious Education classes. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at msmarie06.stseb@gmail.com and I will get back to you. Thank you.

