Church of St. Sebastian

July 7, 2013 — Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Scheduled Masses For This Week

Saturday, July 6, Vigil: Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 pm For the Parishioners

Sunday, July 7, Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am Rosemary M. Wynne

11:00 am Anna and John Sweeda, wedding anniversary

remembrance

-parents of Sylvia Loferski

Monday, July 8, Weekday Mass

Tuesday, July 9, Weekday

7:00 am Mass

Wednesday, July 10, Weekday

7:00 am Mass

Thursday, July 11, Weekday

7:00 am Mass

Friday, July 12, Weekday

7:00 am Vivienne Cote

Next Weekend Masses

Saturday, July 13, Vigil: Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 pm Jeanne Lemery, 1st anniversary

-requested by her family

Sunday, July 14, Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am Mary Clare Young

-requested by Clark and Kay Phillip

11:00 am Elizabeth Wardell

Let us pray for the repose of the soul of Vivienne Cote

whose love for our parish was shown in a bequest to St. Sebastian Church. We remember her in gratitude and offer Friday's 7:00 am Mass for her this week. May she rest in the peace of the Lord.

Mary's Candle is lit this week in memory of Anna and John Sweeda, requested by their daughter Sylvia Loferski.

PARISH BOOK CLUB SUMMER READING

The Parish Book Club has adjourned for the summer months. Our summer reading is *Bring Up the Bodies* by Hilary Mantel. Enjoy your reading!

THE PASTOR'S CORNER

These weeks of July are traditional vacation periods for many families and individuals. During this time we celebrate our national freedom. The nation is discussing and debating the delicate balance between personal privacy and national security. This prayer for the nation is timely and appropriate.

O God our Creator, from your provident hand we have received our right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. You have called us as your people and given us the right and the duty to worship you, the only true God, and your Son, Jesus Christ.

Through the power and working of your Holy Spirit, you call us to live out our faith in the midst of the world, bringing the light and the saving truth of the Gospel to every corner of society.

We ask you to bless us in our vigilance for the gift of religious liberty. Give us the strength of mind and heart to readily defend our freedoms when they are threatened; give us courage in making our voices heard on behalf of the rights of your Church and the freedom of conscience of all people of faith.

Grant, we pray, O heavenly Father, a clear and united voice to all your sons and daughters gathered in your Church in this decisive hour in the history of our nation, so that, with every trial withstood and every danger overcome—for the sake of our children, our grandchildren, and all who come after us—

this great land will always be "one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Enjoy this vacation period! May we never take our religious and other freedoms for granted.

~Monsignor Darcy

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WEEKLY SACRIFICIAL GIVING REPORT June 30, 2013

of Budget Envelopes Used This Week

Contributions-Budgets and Checks \$3,227.00
Loose Contributions \$410.00
Total Offertory \$3,637.00

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

EASTSIDE MARKETPLACE RECEIPT RESULTS

The parish received a whopping \$1,621.87 when we redeemed recently all those register receipts from Eastside Marketplace! Thanks to all of you who bring those in so faithfully throughout the year. The parish receives 1% of the grand total that is used for our charitable causes. You can deposit the receipts in the box located near the stairs to the choir loft in the front hallway. Thanks to the Outreach Members who gathered for the tally



SUMMER BABYSITTING AT THE 9:00 AM MASS

Volunteers will continue the *Baby Sitting Service* during the 9 AM Mass throughout the summer. It's a great service for parents and the parish. Please be welcome to attend Mass while having your child in a secure environment with approved caregivers. They gather on the stage area in the Church Hall. If anyone would like to give a helping hand, please call Karin Schrott at (401) 465-7444.

Please keep our fellow parishioners and friends in your thoughts and prayers:

Carol Anne Theroux, Nicole Ruffine, Dick Beaupre, Beverly DiLello, Elizabeth Dugan, Kathy McCaughey, Deborah Bessette, Beatrice Calvo Crozier, James Shanni, John Edwards, James Mullaney, Vilma O'Connor, Mariella, Amy, Ursula Shea, and David Carlos White.

Please contact the rectory if you would like to add a person to our prayers.

PARISH SUMMER COOKOUT

Our summer cookout and sabbatical farewell for Monsignor as he prepares for the Holy Land will be on **Saturday July 27th** after the 5:00 pm Mass. Usual summer fare will be offered.



Suggested donation is \$5 each. Bring a lawn chair, and enjoy a summer evening on the lawn. More information is provided on the sign-up board in the front hallway. Join us!

LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR PAWSOX FAMILY FUN DAY

Sunday, July 28th—PawSox vs Lehigh Valley Iron Pigs All you can eat BBQ from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. Game starts at 1:05 pm.

Donation—\$25 for adults, \$15 for children under 12. All proceeds benefit the Little Sisters of the Poor

To purchase tickets, call 401-305-4001 or order online at www.littlesistersofthepoorpawtucket.org

PARISH SUMMER SUPPORT REMINDER

With our busy summer schedules about to begin, a reminder that the expenses of the parish also continue during this time. We have made such wonderful progress with our finances. Please continue your weekly support, or take a moment to enroll in our convenient electronic giving program (www.ParishGiving.org) to assist your weekly charitable parish support. Be safe; and enjoy the summer.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

The Prayer Shawl ministry will continue to meet through the summer. They will meet on the following Tuesdays: July 16 and August 6, 20.

New members are always welcome at 7:00 pm in the Fr. Randall Room.

COULD YOU ASSIST AS A SERVER AT MASS?

We are in need of servers at weekend Mass. I do want to thank our faithful servers who you see nearly every week. I encourage parents to speak to their children about serving at the altar. With my scheduled sabbatical in August, I would like the visiting priests to have the ordinary assistance of servers at the weekend Mass. Adults, married couples, father/son, mother/daughters are welcome to the ministry. Two (just two) training sessions will be coordinated. If you are interested in assisting, please call the rectory this week. Thanks to those who responded!