

Church of St. Sebastian
June 30, 2013 — Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Scheduled Masses For This Week

Saturday, June 29, Vigil: Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 pm Joseph Mastriano, birthday remembrance
-requested by his family

Sunday, June 30, Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am For the Parishioners

11:00 am Mass

Monday, July 1, Weekday

Mass

Tuesday, July 2, Weekday

7:00 am Mass

Wednesday, July 3, Weekday

7:00 am Mass

Thursday, July 4, Weekday

~~~Independence Day~~~*Holiday Schedule*~~~

**9:00 am Mass**

**First Friday, July 5, Weekday**

7:00 am Wendell MacKintosh

**5:30 pm First Friday Masses will resume in late Fall**

**Next Weekend Masses**

**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 Mass

11:00 am Anna and John Sweeda, wedding anniversary remembrance

-parents of Sylvia Loferski

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

**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***

Hard to believe this week is the *Fourth of July!* While things quiet down quite a bit here at the parish, there are things happening.

On behalf of the entire parish, I want to publically thank Dave Belanger, our Director of Maintenance, who has accepted a full-time position at another parish. His painstaking decision to plan for his future is well understood...but we will miss him. All the behind the scenes attention to property details, safety, cleaning and upkeep have been the responsibility of Dave. You can not find another person with as much dedication as he has provided us for the past 7 years. The parish and staff will miss you, Dave, and wish you much happiness and success. He will be here on a limited basis through July. If convenient for his new schedule, it may extend during my sabbatical. Parishioners with maintenance skills have agreed to consult with him as we look to the future. It will be a major adjustment, and we'll move forward together.

Similar to today's Gospel, my course is set for Jerusalem. Air tickets (*and additional trip cancellation/interruption insurance has been purchased; after all, it is the Middle East!*), Mass coverage is secure, and all is at the ready.

Later on this month, the Parish Cookout is slated for Saturday, July 27 after the 5 PM Mass. The signup is available in the front hallway. It's proven to be a great **fun** event for the parish. Summer fare will be offered at \$5 per person. Plan to join us—rain or shine!

Moving along to mid-August, Fr. Luke Willenberg, a diocesan priest returning from US Army Chaplaincy training, will reside at the rectory until the end of September. Fr. Luke will be here until he gets his military assignment. For all you exercise fans out there, Fr. Luke ran the Boston Marathon in 2 hours, 55 minutes! He was *already home* watching the race when the explosions took place. You'll be very impressed with him. I was exhausted just watching him move in with his rollerblades, snow board, basketball, soccer ball, and high-tech triathlon bicycle! As he wears a new path on Blackstone Blvd, I'll be shuffling through the bazaar in the old city of Jerusalem! Go figure!

To all of you, a very safe and relaxing holiday. Pray for religious freedom in our country, and for peace especially in the Middle East.

God bless America!

~Msgr. Darcy

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**WEEKLY SACRIFICIAL GIVING REPORT**

June 23, 2013

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|---------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| <b># of Budget Envelopes Used This Week</b> | <b>67</b>         |
| <b>Contributions-Budgets and Checks</b>     | <b>\$3,910.00</b> |
| <b>Loose Contributions</b>                  | <b>\$ 236.00</b>  |
| <b>Total Offertory</b>                      | <b>\$4,146.00</b> |

Please consider enrolling in Parish Giving, our electronic stewardship program for parish contributions. You can register online at [www.Parishgiving.org](http://www.Parishgiving.org) or on our parish website at [www.stsebastianri.org](http://www.stsebastianri.org).

**A retreat with Paula D'Arcy: Having the Experience, But Missing the Meaning** will be led by internationally known writer and conference speaker, Paula D'Arcy at La Salette Retreat Center in Attleboro, MA from 10/22-24/13. For more information contact Peggy Patenaude at 508-548-9149 or at [timeoutretreats@comcast.net](mailto:timeoutretreats@comcast.net). To register, contact La Salette at 508-222-8530. Register by 8/1 to save!

**TEACHING HOOPS SUMMER CAMP**

St. Raphael's Academy is hosting a basketball camp for boys entering fourth through tenth grade. They stress confidence, teamwork, effort and sportsmanship which are important ingredients in achieving success not only on the court but also with family, school and life.

**When; July 8th –12th**

**Hours: 8:30 am– 3:30 pm \$185 fee**

If interested or have any questions, please contact Bill

**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, Frank Kellerman, 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](http://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](http://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 2, 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!