

Church of St. Sebastian
March 20, 2016 - Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Scheduled Masses For This Week

Saturday, March 19, Vigil: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

5:00 pm William H. Rizzini

Sunday, March 20, Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

9:00 am Mass
11:00 am Mass

Monday, March 21, Monday of Holy Week

7:00 am Linda Marshall
-requested by Pat and Sal Annarummo.
5:00 pm Please attend the Chrism Mass at Cathedral
5:30 pm NO 5:30 PM MASS

Tuesday, March 22, Tuesday of Holy Week

7:00 am Manuel Pacheco
7:25 am Novena Prayers to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
5:30 pm Anthony Butmarc

Wednesday, March 23, Wednesday of Holy Week

7:00 am John and Mary Walsh
-requested by their family
5:30 pm Mass

~ THE SACRED TRIDUUM ~

Thursday, March 24, HOLY THURSDAY

7:00 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

Friday, March 25, GOOD FRIDAY

3:00 pm Stations of the Cross

7:00 pm The Passion of the Lord

Saturday, March 26, HOLY SATURDAY

7:15 pm The Solemn Easter Vigil
(Note: No 5 PM Saturday Mass)

Easter Sunday Masses

SUNDAY, MARCH 27, EASTER SUNDAY

9:00 am For All Parishioners

11:00 am For All Parishioners

EASTER FLOWER MEMORIALS

Parishioners and friends wishing to donate Easter flowers in memory of your loved ones can use the envelopes provided in the vestibule or in your monthly budgets.

We ask that you please print their names legibly for inclusion in our memorial list. Their names will also be included in our Masses during the entire Easter season.

My dear parishioners,

Today we celebrate Palm (Passion) Sunday. With the celebration of today's Mass we enter into the solemn celebration of Holy Week. The passion of the Lord dominates these solemn days.

In our diocese the Mass of Chrism is celebrated by Bishop Tobin and concelebrated by the clergy of the diocese. Bishop Tobin continued the practice of celebrating the Mass of Chrism on Monday evening of Holy Week at 5:00 PM. This Mass is a sign of unity and communion of the priests with their bishop. The blessing of the Oil of the Sick takes place before the end of the Eucharistic Prayer, but the blessing of the Oil of Catechumens and the consecration of the Chrism take place after Communion. It is permitted to bless the three oils after the Liturgy of the Word and it the practice to bless the Oils after the Liturgy of the Word.

On Holy Thursday only one parish Mass is permitted. Our Mass will be celebrated at 7:00 pm. There is no morning Mass. As you enter the Church please notice that the Holy Water fonts are empty until they are refilled with the blessed water from Holy Saturday Vigil. Please notice that the Tabernacle is empty and a special side altar of Repose is set up in the morning Mass chapel. You may stay and pray before the Blessed Sacrament right after Mass or come back to pray. But the Church will be locked at 10:00 pm.

It is customary to fast and abstain from meat on Good Friday. If possible this fast can continue through Holy Saturday until after the Easter Vigil Mass on Holy Saturday evening. The Vigil Mass cannot be celebrated until night. So no parish in the Diocese should start the Vigil Mass until 7:15 pm. If at all possible please try to attend the Vigil Mass. Although all Masses are important the Easter Vigil Mass is the Mass of the Year.

Please read the schedule and try to participate in our parish's Holy Week Celebrations.....

Mons. Montecalvo



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+++ HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE +++

MON, TUES, WED, AT 7:00 AM

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HOLY THURSDAY - MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER: 7 PM

HOLY THURSDAY—ADORATION OF THE BLESSED
SACRAMENT AFTER MASS UNTIL 10 PM

GOOD FRIDAY - STATIONS OF THE CROSS AT 3 PM

GOOD FRIDAY - LITURGY OF THE PASSION AT 7 PM

HOLY SATURDAY - SOLEMN EASTER VIGIL 7:15 PM

EASTER SUNDAY- CHILDREN'S MASS AT 9 AM
CHOIR MASS AT 11 AM

*Note: No Stations on Monday but on Good Friday at 3 pm.
Easter Vigil is at 7:15 pm. NO 5 PM SATURDAY MASS.
No Confessions Saturday.*

Keep the faith and the memories alive. Remember a loved one with a gift to St. Sebastian Church. For more information about memorial donations and legacy giving, please contact Rev. Msgr. Carlo F. Montecalvo at 401-751-0196 or Andrea Krupp, Director of the Catholic Foundation of Rhode Island, 401-277-2121



Holy Week

WEEKLY SACRIFICIAL GIVING REPORT

March 13, 2016

# of Budget Envelopes Used This Week	92
Contributions-Budgets and Checks	\$ 4,433.00
Loose Contributions	\$ 823.00
Total Offertory	\$ 5,256.00

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.

St. Sebastian Parish thanks

McBride's Pub

in Wayland Square for its generous donation of all adult beverages at our St. Patrick & St. Joseph night held on Saturday, March 12th.

EASTER EGG HUNT

The annual Easter Egg Hunt will take place on both church lawns after the 9:00 am Mass on Easter Sunday. All children through 5th Grade are invited to join this fun event. WEATHER PERMITTING!!

EAST SIDE MARKETPLACE RECEIPTS

Please remember to bring in your East Side Marketplace receipts that help fund our Outreach Program. You can deposit them in the wooden collection container near the choir staircase.

EASTER DUTY OBLIGATION

After they have reached their First Holy Communion, Catholics are bound by the obligation of receiving Holy Communion at least once a year. This precept should be fulfilled during the Easter Season. Catholics are also bound to confess serious (mortal) sins at least once a year, but this is not limited to the Lenten/Easter Season.

LENTEN FASTING AND ABSTINENCE REGULATIONS

On Good Friday, Catholics of age 14 and older abstain from meat, and those age 18 to 59 fast, limiting themselves to one full meal and two smaller meals.

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

On Good Friday, our parish will take up the annual Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land. Your financial contribution helps to support the struggling Christian community and to protect Christianity's holiest places. Please be generous.

THE CHILDREN'S CHOIR will sing on the following dates: Easter Sunday, March 27th, 9 am Mass; and Sunday, April 3rd at 11 am Mass with the Adult Choir.

MONTHLY PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Names of friends, family, and fellow parishioners for whom prayers are asked is listed monthly. If you would like a person included in this month's Prayers for the Sick please call the rectory. **Frances Geary, Mary Shea, Maureen Kenner, Sandy C., Sylvia Loferski, Carl Robert Dahm, John Haddad, Bob, and Bob K.**

OUR LADY'S CANDLE is lit in birthday remembrance for Helen V. Lawlor as requested by his her daughters Regina and Patricia.

Through your generous gift to the CATHOLIC CHARITY APPEAL, Emmanuel House is able to provide a warm, safe place to sleep for those without a home and no other place to turn.

