

Church of St. Sebastian
May 10, 2015 - Sixth Sunday of Easter

Scheduled Masses For This Week

Saturday, May 9, Vigil: Sixth Sunday of Easter
5:00 pm For the People

Sunday, May 10, Sixth Sunday of Easter
9:00 am For all First Communicants and their families
11:00 am For All Mothers

Monday, May 11, Easter Weekday
7:00 am Mass

Tuesday, May 12, Easter Weekday
7:00 am Mass

Wednesday, May 13, Easter Weekday
7:00 am Mass

Thursday, May 14, The Ascension of the Lord
A Holy Day of Obligation
7:00 am Mass
5:30 pm Mass

Friday, May 15, Easter Weekday
7:00 am Mass

Next Weekend's Masses

Saturday, May 16, Vigil: Seventh Sunday of Easter
5:00 pm Mass

Sunday, May 17, Sixth Sunday of Easter
9:00 am Mass
11:00 am For the People

The new prayers for the Creed and the Gloria are located on the inside front and back covers of the hymnals.

WEEKLY SACRIFICIAL GIVING REPORT

May 3, 2015

# of Budget Envelopes Used This Week	73
Contributions-Budgets and Checks	\$ 3,855.00
Loose Contributions	\$ 360.00
Total Offertory	\$ 4,215.00
Monthly Maintenance	\$ 1,283.00

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

I have to say that First Communion, especially when it is on Mother's Day, is one of the most special and significant days in the life of a parish. We are blessed today having these 15 boys and girls receiving the Eucharist for the first time. They are very well prepared thanks to Mrs. January and Mrs. Hartman. Another word of thanks to their parents and families who encourage and support the children on their journey to the altar. Raising children isn't done obviously in a vacuum. Families, religious education teachers, Ms. Marie and I all work in concert to share our Catholic faith with this new generation. We agree is not always easy. But to see the enthusiasm and excitement of these little ones brings a smile (and perhaps a tear) to us all.

Later on this week, seven high school students will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish in Fox Point. Bishop Tobin will confirm them along with students from Our Lady of the Rosary and St. Joseph Parishes. The class and families will have a special parish celebration at St. Sebastian's on May 17th at the 11 AM Mass followed by brunch. They, too, have worked very diligently in their faith studies and ministry hours in preparation for this final Sacrament of Initiation (the other two are Baptism and Eucharist). My sincere pastoral direction and advice to this class is to remain firm in your Catholic faith as you finish high school and perhaps move on to a university/college setting. Attend Mass, go to Confession regularly, and let others know you are a committed and active Catholic by the manner of your life. Witness to Jesus as the Way, the Truth, and the Life. Following anyone or anything else will lead to disappointment, emptiness, and deep inner longing. Live our Catholic faith with joy and courage; celebrate your faith!

To our visiting family members, friends, and guests, please feel welcome at St. Sebastian's. Many of you are returning again to be with these candidates. May you have safe travel, a rewarding family experience, and the joy of seeing your hope coming to life on these special family faith celebrations.

With thanks and prayers,
Monsignor Darcy

ALPINE PILGRIMAGE ADVENTURE

TIME'S RUNNING OUT! RSVP by MAY 20th for Msgr. Darcy's customized journey for just 19 persons to Northern Italy and beautiful Southern Switzerland, September 22nd - September 29th for **less than** \$4,000, (airfare included!) Visit the world famous *Duomo* (Cathedral in Milan), the Last Supper Fresco of da Vinci, a boat ride to the hotel in Bellagio on Lake Como, an exclusive wine tasting dinner, a fun alpine train ride through the southern Alps with a visit to the Cavaglia glacier, and an afternoon in chic St. Moritz. Call (751-0196) or email (msgrdarcy@gmail.com) for a brochure.

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CONGRATULATIONS FIRST COMMUNION CLASS!

The parish rejoices with these beautiful children who receive First Holy Communion today.

<i>Ian George Brackett</i>	<i>John Francis Hartrey IV</i>
<i>Julianna Pari Casey</i>	<i>Jane Marie Jagatic</i>
<i>Eli Richard Cavanaugh</i>	<i>Thomas Sadtha Mulvey</i>
<i>Ruby Catherine Ciummo</i>	<i>Madeline May O'Hearn</i>
<i>Isabelle Lynn Cummings</i>	<i>Josiah Christopher Overbay</i>
<i>Max Irons Donatelli</i>	<i>Anna Sofia Pizzarello</i>
<i>Benjamin Matthew Harrison</i>	<i>James Robert Wert</i>
<i>F. Keith Hartman</i>	

A big thanks goes out to Ms. Marie Brito, Mrs. Patty January, and Mrs. Neile Hartman for their ministry with our children this past year. The parish appreciates your dedication. Be sure to forward some family photos of the big day to office@stsebastianri.org.

DIAPER DRIVE

During the month of May, in observance of Mother's Day, the Community Outreach Committee is holding a "Diaper Drive" to benefit the Little Flower Home in Tiverton, RI. The Little Flower Home, serving Rhode Island and Southern Massachusetts, provides comfortable private room(s) in shared apartments or shared homes for pregnant women and their children at no cost for women that are in need, dealing with domestic violence, or under undue pressure. **We are collecting NEWBORN, Size 1 and Size 2 DIAPERS, and SCENTED BABY WIPES.** You may leave your donations in **PLAY PEN in the vestibule** during the month of May. As always, the Community Outreach Committee would like to thank you for your continued support and generosity.

CONFIRMATION INVITATION

The Confirmation Class of 2015 invites the entire parish to join them as they receive the Sacrament of Confirmation at **Our Lady of the Rosary Church** on **Wednesday May 13th at 7:00 pm** from the Most Reverend Thomas J. Tobin, Bishop of Providence. Congratulations to our young adults as they complete their full initiation into the Catholic Church. **The class and families will have a special parish celebration at St. Sebastian's on May 17th at the 11 am Mass followed by brunch.**

Our Confirmation Candidates are:

<i>Alexa Brenda Brooks-Major</i>	<i>Ryan Stephen DiLello</i>
<i>John Francis Andrews</i>	<i>Alexis Lucia Ricci</i>
<i>William Michael Costello</i>	<i>Hunter Sebastian Stokes</i>
<i>Jake James Cummings</i>	

PARISH VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION DINNER

The **Parish Volunteer Appreciation Dinner** will be held on Thursday, June 4th. Monsignor will use that opportunity to have dinner with all those dedicated volunteers who work in our parish.

PLANS FOR MSGR. DARCY'S FAREWELL

Monsignor has asked to have a **final Parish Cook-out on Saturday June 13th, after the 5:00 pm Mass.** More information and details for these events next weekend.

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. **Jim P., John Haddad, Deborah Bessette, Carmella Cardillo and Henry Berenson, Bill T, and Kathy O.**

THIS WEEK AT ST. SEBASTIAN CHURCH

Sunday	5/10	Religious Ed., Grades 6-8	10:00 am
		Religious Ed., Grades 9-10	6:30 pm
Mon.	5/11	Religious Ed., Grades 1-5	3:30 pm
Wed.	5/13	Parish Book Club	7:00 pm
Thurs.	5/14	Ascension Thursday Masses	7:00 am 5:30 pm

The **Parish Book Club** meets on Wednesday, May 13th at **6:30 pm** in the Fr. Randall Room to discuss **The Sun Also Rises** by Ernest Hemingway. New members are always welcome!

The 2015 Catholic Charity Appeal is coming to a close. We'd like to complete the parish phase by the end of May. Please return your donation to the rectory by that time. Thank you for your continued generosity.