

Church of St. Sebastian
May 3, 2015 - Fifth Sunday of Easter

Scheduled Masses For This Week

Saturday, May 2, Vigil: Fifth Sunday of Easter
5:00 pm For Our Parishioners

Sunday, May 3, Fifth Sunday of Easter
9:00 am Mass

11:00 am Mass

Monday, May 4, Easter Weekday
7:00 am Mass

Tuesday, May 5, Easter Weekday
7:00 am Mass

Wednesday, May 6, Easter Weekday
7:00 am Mass

Thursday, May 7, Easter Weekday
7:00 am Antonio Annarummo
-requested by Pat and Sal Annarummo

Friday, May 8, Easter Weekday
7:00 am Hon. Eugene G. Gallant
-requested by Pat and Sal Annarummo

Next Weekend's Masses

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

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

April 26, 2015

# of Budget Envelopes Used This Week	96
Contributions-Budgets and Checks	\$ 4,158.00
Loose Contributions	\$ 432.00
Total Offertory	\$ 4,590.00

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

Last week we heard the Good Shepherd Gospel. This week, St. John relates the "I am the vine and you are the branches" account from Chapter 15:5 ff. Just as the sheep need the shepherd, the branches need the vine in order to grow, flourish and produce worthy grapes. It goes without saying that we have no spiritual life without the Risen Lord. We hear his voice as the sheep of His flock, and we need to be pruned to grow in the Christian virtues.

This week, the Outreach Committee has plenty of ongoing efforts as we assist those in need. **The Diaper Drive for the Little Flower Home** in Tiverton is a May project to honor mothers this month. Needed items are listed elsewhere in the bulletin. St. Sebastian's has a great history of concern for the needy. It continues to this very day.

Next Sunday, Mother's Day, the parish celebrates First Communion for our lively second graders! They have been practicing and are ready to receive Jesus in the Holy Eucharist. A special word of thanks to Mrs. January, their wonderful teacher before her fall; to Neile Hartman, who so bravely and competently stepped in for us, and of course, to Ms. Marie Brito, our Religious Education Director...and to all our supportive parents. As I mentioned at First Penance, the Ritual of Baptism prayers ask that parents "*be the best of teachers in what they say and do.*" You and I should be leading our children by example. Thank you to those who make a real effort every week. For some, we'll see them again only at Confirmation. Much more should be said about that ...but I'm out of room!

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.**

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First Communion and Confirmation Dates

*First Communion: Sunday, May 10th
 at the 9:00 am Mass*

*Confirmation: Wednesday, May 13th
 at 7:00 pm at Our Lady of the Rosary Church
 Most Reverend Thomas J. Tobin, D.D.*

*All parishioners are invited to these Masses and to the
 receptions following to celebrate and show our
 support.*

HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS

Please join Bishop Tobin in prayer for vocations to the priesthood in the Diocese of Providence as he presides at the monthly Holy Hour for Vocations on Monday, May 11, 2015 at 6:30 pm at St. Mary Church, 1525 Cranston Street, Cranston. Let us unite in prayer that many more men will respond to God's call to the priesthood in the Diocese.

**We invite all women to the Catholic/Christian
 Women's MAGNIFICAT® Breakfast
 Saturday, June 6, 2015.**

**8:30 am to 12 noon, at the Providence Marriott.
 The cost is \$25.00 per person.**

**Come enjoy a morning of great fellowship while
 hearing the Personal Testimony of
 The Most Rev. Louis E. Gelineau, Bishop Emeritus
 of the Diocese of Providence**

*For more information or registration,
 call Ginny Ricci at (401) 433-2565*

*Create a memorial or honorary fund for your
 spouse or parent. Your gift can create an
 endowment for our parish in memory of or in
 honor of them and benefit those we serve for
 generations. Contact Msgr. Darcy for more
 information.*

THIS WEEK AT ST. SEBASTIAN CHURCH

Sunday	5/3	Religious Ed., Grades 6-8	10:00 am
		Religious Ed., Grades 9-10	6:30 pm
Mon.	5/4	Religious Ed., Grades 1-5	3:30 pm
Tues.	5/5	Prayer Shawl Ministry	7:00 pm

**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 the vestibule during the month of May. As always, the Community Outreach Committee would like to thank you for your continued support and generosity.



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!



**ALPINE PILGRIMAGE
 ADVENTURE**

Msgr. Darcy has prepared a 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. **RSVP by May 20th.**