

Church of St. Sebastian
May 7, 2017 - Fourth Sunday of Easter

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, MAY 6, VIGIL FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

5:00 pm MARY RITA & CHARLES O'DONNELL,
 requested by daughter Martha Rogers and family

SUNDAY, MAY 7, FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

9:00 am INTENTIONS OF CELEBRANT

11:00 am INTENTIONS OF PARISHIONERS

Monday, MAY 8

7:00 am STEPHEN KIRBY, requested by Ziegler family

Tuesday, MAY 9

7:00 am JOSEPH BRITO, requested by a friend of the family

7.25 am Novena Prayers to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Wednesday, MAY 10

7:00 am FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Thursday, MAY 11

7:00 am FOR AN INCREASE OF VOCATIONS

Friday, MAY 12

7:00 am INTENTIONS OF CELEBRANT

SATURDAY, MAY 13, VIGIL FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

2:00 pm Leone/Laurito Wedding

5:00 pm RONALD NANI, 16th anniversary,
 requested by Doug Nani

SUNDAY, MAY 14, FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

9:00 am MAUREEN KENNER, requested by a friend of the family

11:00 am THOMAS H ROBERTS, II, 5th anniversary,
 requested by mother Brenda B Wilkinson and father Dennis J Roberts

WEEKLY PARISH FINANCES

| | <u>April 23, 2017</u> | <u>April 30, 2017</u> |
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| Collection: | \$ 4,703.00 | \$ 3,946.00 |
| Online Giving: | \$ 657.00 | \$ 626.00 |
| Total Collection | \$ 5,360.00 | \$ 4,572.00 |
| Expenses | \$ 5,693.00 | not available |

A sincere thank you for your support!

Please remember
 St. Sebastian Parish
 in your Will and Estate

My Dear Parishioners,

I want to share a letter I received from Fr. Rodrigues of the Bishop's Office inviting you to celebrate a day in honor of Mary.

"Dear Monsignor,

As you are aware Bishop Tobin has announced that in the Diocese of Providence, the calendar year of 2017 will be observed as a "Year with Mary our Mother" in commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the apparitions of Our Blessed Mother, Mary in Fatima, Portugal.

*Therefore on **Saturday, the 13th of May** we will solemnly commemorate the occasion of the first apparitions in Fatima with a brief outdoor procession around Cathedral Square with the statue of Our Lady of Fatima into the Cathedral at **11:00 am**. This will be followed by the recitation of the Holy Rosary including various languages (English, Portuguese, Spanish, Italian, Polish and French.) At **12:05 pm** Bishop Tobin will celebrate Holy Mass in hour of Our Lady of Fatima, at which you are invited to concelebrate.*

I am writing to ask if you would kindly extend this invitation to your entire parish community.

This celebration in honor of the Blessed Mother should prove to be a truly joyful and grace-filled even for our Diocesan Church during this most special year dedicated to her honor.

Wishing you a truly blessed Easter Season, I am,

*Sincerely yours,
 Reverend Jeremy J Rodrigues
 Director, Office of Divine Worship"*

The Office of Life and Family is offering a program for Catholic marriages, *To Love and To Cherish*, designed to enrich/strengthen marriages. This free program provides topics/discussions in a sharing group environment for married couples. It will be presented on Wednesdays, May 17 through June 14th, 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm at Saint Catherine of Siena Church, upper back entrance, 3252 Post Road, Warwick. For registration please call Peter Magnotta at 421-7833 x217. Please note this program is not for marriage counseling.

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Next weekend's special collection is for The Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, which is the nation's preeminent Marian shrine. Oftentimes affectionately referred to as America's Catholic Church. Open 365 days a year, the Basilica is host to nearly one million visitors annually, attracting pilgrims and tourists alike from across the country and around the world.

Proceeds from this collection will assist with the completion of the central and final dome in mosaic, The Holy Trinity

If you have never needed to use one of the countless services provided by the Catholic Charity Appeal, consider yourself fortunate! Each year thousands of people in need utilize services provided by the Catholic Charity Appeal.

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| Parish Goal: | \$ 79,822 |
| Actual to Date: | \$ 67,884 |
| Amount Needed for Goal: | \$ 11,938 |
| Number of Families in Parish: | 337 |
| Number of Cash Gifts: | 100 |
| Number of Pledge Gifts: | 15 |

PRAYER SHAWL BLESSING

Hand-made prayer shawls for the sick and blankets for the newly baptized will be blessed at Mass next weekend. The shawls will be presented to the sick at Steere House in Providence. Our thanks to the women of our parish who gather to make these shawls and blankets which are created with prayers and love.

The Parish Prayer Shawl Ministry meets on the first and third Tuesdays of the month. Upcoming dates are May 16th, June 6th and June 20th. New members are always welcome. If you are aware of someone who would benefit from receiving a prayer shawl, please call the rectory.

First Communion
Sunday, May 21st
at the 9:00 am Mass

All parishioners are invited to this Mass and to the reception following to celebrate and show our support of the young people of our parish.

MONTHLY PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Prayers are asked for these friends, family, and fellow parishioners. If you would like someone included in the Prayers for the Sick please call the rectory. ***Susan Porter, Natalie Swift, Leah Davis, Frances Geary, Sandy C., John Haddad, Bob, Sylvia L., and Bob K.***

THANK YOU!

The Community Outreach Committee would like to thank our fellow Parishioners for their overwhelming generosity and support of our recent Easter/Spring Food Drive for the benefit of Mary House at St. Patrick's Church. The parish collected \$1,033 and a check will be sent to Fr. Ruggieri. Many thanks for all of your support of the hungry.

EASTSIDE MARKETPLACE RECEIPTS:

St. Sebastian's receives 1% of the total amount that parishioners spend at Eastside Marketplace, but only if you turn in your receipts. The amount adds up quickly. This is a great way we as an entire parish can help the Outreach Committee. In the past we used the money to help fund our charitable outreach to St. Patrick's parish.

Parish Meetings and Activities

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| 5/7 | Religious Ed | 10 am | Classrooms |
| 5/8 | Religious Ed | 4 pm | Classrooms |

HOSPITAL VISITATION

Parishioners are encouraged to call the parish office if they or a family member would like a pastoral visit from Msgr. Montecalvo at the hospital, nursing home, or at home for those who are homebound. Hospitals no longer inform houses of worship of the admission of patients due to the laws protecting the right to privacy.

HAVE YOU MOVED?

If you have a new address, changed phone numbers, or have moved into or out of the Parish, please contact the Parish Office so we may update your information.

Also, if you donate through Parish Giving and have not yet filled out our parish registration form, please contact the parish office so we may add you to our rolls. Thank You.