

**Church of St. Sebastian**  
**November 13, 2016 - 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12, VIGIL: 33<sup>RD</sup>  
 SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

5:00 pm JAMES CONBOY, 34th anniversary  
 ROSE CONBOY, 5th anniversary  
 by son Tom and family

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 33<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN  
 ORDINARY TIME**

9:00 am INTENTIONS OF PARISHIONERS  
 11:00 am ALICE MCELROY, bequest

**Monday, NOVEMBER 14**

7:00 am MARGARET HARRINGTON KELLY,  
 35th anniversary by her family

**Tuesday, NOVEMBER 15**

7:00 am INCREASE OF VOCATIONS TO  
 PRIESTHOOD AND RELIGIOUS LIFE  
 7.25 am Novena Prayers to Our Lady of  
 Perpetual Help

**Wednesday, NOVEMBER 16**

7:00 am FOR ALL THE ILL OF THE PARISH

**Thursday, NOVEMBER 17, Saint Elizabeth of  
 Hungary, Religious**

7:00 am FOR THOSE ENROLLED IN ALL  
 SOULS DAY ENVELOPES

**Friday, NOVEMBER 18**

7:00 am INTENTIONS OF CELEBRANT

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19, VIGIL: OUR LORD  
 JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE**

5:00 pm INTENTIONS OF PARISHIONERS

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20, OUR LORD JESUS  
 CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE**

9:00 am FOR THE DECEASED ENROLLED ON  
 ALL SOULS DAY ENVELOPES  
 11:00 am FOR PEACE IN OUR WORLD

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. *Bartholomew Steid, Sal Spagnoli, Jacob Kenner, Natalie Swift, Leah Davis, Frances Geary, Maureen Kenner, Sandy C., John Haddad, Bob, Sylvia L., and Bob K.*

*Let us pray for the repose of the soul of Alice McElroy whose love for our parish was shown in a bequest to St. Sebastian Church. We remember her in gratitude and offer Sunday's 11:00 am Mass for her this week. May she rest in the peace of the Lord.*

**My Dear Parishioners,**

The month of November is designated by the Catholic Church as Black Catholic History Month. It is a time for us to reflect and to celebrate the accomplishments and the faithfulness of Black Catholics. Some of the Church's greatest theologians and saints were black.

Listed among the Church's saints are many were who from Africa. I am thinking of St. Monica and her son St. Augustine of Hippo. I would like to introduce you to two other great saints.

St. Martin de Porres, O.P. (December 9, 1579 – November 3, 1639), was a lay brother of the Dominican Order who was beatified in 1837 by Pope Gregory XVI and canonized in 1962 by Pope John XXIII. He is the patron saint of mixed-race people, barbers, innkeepers, public health workers, and all those seeking racial harmony. He was noted for work on behalf of the poor, establishing an orphanage and a children's hospital. He maintained an austere lifestyle, which included fasting and abstaining from meat. Among the many miracles attributed to him were those of levitation, bilocation, miraculous knowledge, instantaneous cures, and an ability to communicate with animals.

St. Peter Claver, S.J., (26 June 1581 – 7 September 1654) was a Spanish Jesuit priest and missionary born in Verdú (Catalonia) who, due to his life and work, became the patron saint of slaves, the Republic of Colombia and ministry to African Americans. During the 40 years of his ministry in Colombia it is estimated he personally baptized around 300,000 people. Claver was born in 1581 into a devoutly Catholic and prosperous farming family in the Catalan village of Verdú, Urgell, located in the Province of Lleida, about 54 miles (87 km) from Barcelona. Later, as a student at the University of Barcelona, Claver was noted for his intelligence and piety. After two years of study there, Claver wrote these words in the notebook he kept throughout his life: "I must dedicate myself to the service of God until death, on the understanding that I am like a slave."

Our Church is so blessed because of different cultures and different people.

Have a good week.....

**Monsignor Montecalvo**

<b>Parish Meetings and Activities</b>			
<b>11/13</b>	<b>Rel. Ed, Grades 6-9</b>	<b>10 am</b>	<b>Classrooms</b>
	<b>Adult Choir</b>	<b>10 am</b>	<b>Fr. Randall Rm</b>
<b>11/14</b>	<b>Rel. Ed, Grades 1-5</b>	<b>4 pm</b>	<b>Classrooms</b>
<b>11/15</b>	<b>Prayer Shawl Ministry</b>	<b>7 pm</b>	<b>Fr. Randall Rm</b>
<b>11/17</b>	<b>Bible Study</b>	<b>6:30 pm</b>	<b>Fr. Randall Rm</b>
<b>11/20</b>	<b>Community Outreach</b>	<b>10 am</b>	<b>Church Hall</b>

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### **NOVEMBER: THE MONTH OF ALL SOULS**

We remember our faithful departed during the month of November. As the earth prepares for the sleep of winter, so our loved ones sleep awaiting the Resurrection. Families and friends have been invited to the 11 am Mass on Sunday, November 6th as the parish remembers all those buried from the parish Church this past year.

You may use the All Soul's Remembrance Envelope to list the names of those who will be remembered all through November. Their names will be in repose under the icon of Our Lady of Perpetual Help. You can return them in the regular Offertory collection basket.

### **ST. SEBASTIAN CHILDREN'S** **CHRISTMAS PAGEANT**

All children are welcome and encouraged to join Rehearsal Sunday 10-10:30 (immediately after 9 am Mass)

Contact Kristen Pedroso with any questions

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### **PARISH WINTER COAT DRIVE**

If you're cleaning out your closets, save any winter coats and bring them to the Parish Winter Coat Drive taking place during the month of November. There is a coat rack in the vestibule for your donations through Thanksgiving Day. The coats collected will be delivered to and benefit the Rhode Island Buy Nothing Day Winter Coat Exchange held the day after Thanksgiving.

### **THANKSGIVING COLLECTION**

The Outreach Committee thanks parishioners for their ongoing contributions of food for the hungry in our community. All donations go to Mary House Meal Kitchen and Pantry at St. Patrick's Church in Providence. At the time of year in which we give thanks for our many blessings, St. Sebastian Parish remembers those who are hungry in our annual Thanksgiving Food Collection drive to take place beginning the weekend of 11/12 – 13 through November 27th. Envelopes will be in the pews for those who wish to donate cash or check, but donations of food will also continue to be collected at the back of the church. Many thanks to all for their support for the hungry.

### **EMBRACE A FAMILY**

We continue our parish tradition of making Christmas a reality for those not as blessed as we are. If you would like to "Embrace a Family" this holiday season, please add your contact information to the sign-up sheets in the vestibule beginning the weekend of 11/5 – 6 as the Outreach Committee prepares for this Christmas endeavor.

### **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION FOR VOCATIONS**

Eucharistic Adoration for Vocations is held every Thursday during the academic year in the Chapel of the Seminary of Our Lady of Providence, 484 Mount Pleasant Avenue, Providence. All are invited to come pray for your priests, seminarians, and for vocations from 12:00 noon to 5:00 pm. Join us in praying that the "master of the harvest send out laborers for his harvest."

### **SACRIFICIAL GIVING REPORT** **NOVEMBER 6, 2016**

*Due to an early deadline, the collection information is not available at this time.*

*May God bless you for your continued support!*

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).

### **BISHOP HENDRICKEN HIGH SCHOOL**

**Open House** Sunday November 20th, Noon to 3 pm.

**Entrance Exam** Saturday December 3rd, 8:15 am to 12:15 pm (required for all 8th, 9th, and 10th grade applicants)



Next week's collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) needs your help. CCHD was founded to end the cycle of poverty in the United States by funding organizations that help individuals help themselves. With the tradition of improving education, housing situations, and community economic development, CCHD continues to make a positive impact in communities nationwide. Your contribution will defend human dignity and reach out to those living on the margins. Please give to the CCHD collection. Please make checks payable to St. Sebastian Church.