

**Church of St. Sebastian**  
**November 3, 2013 — Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Scheduled Masses For This Week**

**Saturday, November 2, Vigil: Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5:00 pm Louis Soper, 15th anniversary  
 -requested by his family

**Sunday, November 3, Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 am Mavis Claire Young  
 -Clark and Kay Phillips

11:00 am John and Vanna Cahill, anniversary  
 -requested by Belle Calenda  
 All Souls Buried from Saint Sebastian's this past year

**Monday, November 4, Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop**

7:00 am Francis McCormick and Marjorie McCormick Pirolli  
 -requested by their family

**Tuesday, November 5, Weekday**

7:00 am Mass

**Wednesday, November 6, Weekday**

7:00 am Mass

**Thursday, November 7, Weekday**

7:00 am Mass

**Friday, November 8, Weekday**

7:00 am Mass

**Next Weekend Masses**

**Saturday, November 9, Vigil: Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5:00 pm Anita Guarino, 1st anniversary  
 -requested by her family

**Sunday, November 10, Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 am For the People  
 11:00 am Mass

***THIS WEEK AT ST. SEBASTIAN CHURCH***

Sun	11/3	Religious Ed., Grades 6-8	10:00 am
		Religious Ed., Grades 9-10	6:30 pm
Mon	11/4	Religious Ed., Grades 1-5	3:30 pm
Tue	11/5	Prayer Shawl Ministry	7:00 pm
Thur	11/7	Choir Rehearsal	7:00 pm

**Our 'Yes' for a New Life**

***Zacchaeus, come down quickly, for today I must stay at your house. Luke 19:5***

Imagine the joy Zacchaeus felt when he heard Jesus' invitation. Jesus had chosen to be with him, and all Zacchaeus had to do was to say 'yes.' And that yes transformed his life. You might think that Zacchaeus was lucky and that this story is just about him. But it's also about us! Jesus wants to share his presence with us, too, and at every moment he waits for our response.

Jesus invites us to open up to the Holy Spirit whom he sends into our hearts. He waits for us to wake up to his inspirations and to say yes to them each day. And Jesus invites us to care for one another just as he has cared for us. He waits for us to say yes to his presence in the people we meet each day. If we accept Jesus' invitation, we will be transformed just as Zacchaeus was. Our yes will bring us new life.

*Lord, may my response to you always be a resounding yes.*

Fr. Kenneth E. Grabner, C.S.C.

**Please keep our fellow parishioners and friends in your thoughts and prayers:**

Maureen Kenner, Carol Anne Theroux, Nicole Ruffine, Beverly DiLello, Elizabeth Dugan, Deborah Bessette, Beatrice Calvo Crozier, James Mullaney, Mariella, Amy, and Ursula Shea.

*Please contact the rectory if you would like to add a person to our prayers.*



Our Lady's Candle is lit this week for the intentions of Marie Hartnett, requested by Susan Elliott.

**SABBATICAL UPDATES**

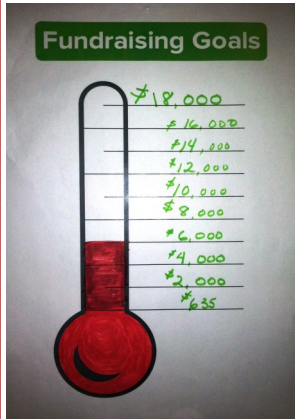
Remember to follow Msgr. Darcy's "Jerusalem Journey: Life in the Holy Land" on his blog, [www.msgrdarcy.org](http://www.msgrdarcy.org). Monsignor also has a Twitter account, user name @msgrdarcy.

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*Thank You, Thank You, Thank You....*  
We wish to thank all volunteers and supporters  
for making Oktoberfest such a successful event!

We are 1/3 of the way to reaching our goal of \$18,000  
for the Chair Lift Project



Should we surprise Monsignor by Thanksgiving by reaching our goal of \$18,000? If so, please mail your donation to the Rectory or place it in a collection basket.

Also, if you have any fundraising ideas you would like to share to help us reach our goal, please feel free to contact Karin Schrott (401-465-7444) or Rita Watson (617- 733-7869)

## 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 this Sunday, November 3rd 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.



## 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 Buy Nothing Coat Exchange, held the day after Thanksgiving.

## SOPHIA ACADEMY SCHOOL UNIFORM FUNDRAISER

The Outreach committee wishes to thank the parish for their generosity to the Sophia Academy School Uniform Fundraiser. Sophia Academy was founded in 2001 by Sister Mary Reilly. It provides low-income girls a supportive and challenging academic environment from fifth to eighth grade. It has a proven track record of laying the foundation for the girls to complete high school and become productive members of the community. The parish raised approximately \$2,500 for these uniforms for which the students and their families are very grateful.



## FOOD COLLECTION

The Outreach Committee continues to collect food for the hungry on an ongoing basis. The basket is at the back of the church. ***In the vestibule there are lists of recommended food items. Please take a copy home for reference.*** We appreciate your donations.

**PARISH BOOK CLUB** will meet on Wednesday, November 20th at 7:30 pm to discuss Intruder in the Dust by William Faulkner. All are welcome.

## ***WE EVEN SUPPLY THE YARN AND NEEDLES!***

***The Parish Prayer Shawl Ministry*** meets twice per month at 7:00 pm in the Fr. Randall Room where we make prayer shawls and small Baptism Blankets. We recently received a couple of large donations of yarn for the shawls for which we are very grateful. Call Pat Capece 274-8632 or Elaine Kehoe 273-4259 with ideas or questions. Our next scheduled get-togethers will be Tuesday November 5th and 19th, and Tuesday December 3rd and 17th. See you there!

## **BABYSITTING AT THE 9:00 AM MASS**

It's a great service for parents and the parish. Please be welcome to attend Mass while having your child in a secure environment with approved caregivers. They gather on the stage area in the Church Hall. If anyone would like to give a helping hand, please call Karin Schrott at 401-465-7444. The small team will WELCOME help.

**WHILE MONSIGNOR DARCY IS AWAY WE ASK THAT ALL CALLS TO THE RECTORY BE MADE DURING OFFICE HOURS ONLY.**

***OFFICE HOURS ARE: MONDAY, TUESDAY, THURSDAY, AND FRIDAY FROM 10:00 AM TO 2:00 PM; AND WEDNESDAY FROM 10:00 AM TO 4:00 PM. Thank you for your assistance.***