

**Church of St. Sebastian**  
**November 5, 2017 - 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**SAT., NOV. 4, VIGIL: 31ST SUNDAY IN ORD. TIME**

5:00 pm ZECHARIAH CHAFEE, JR., month's mind,  
 req. by Hewitt family

**SUN., NOV. 5, 31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

9:00 am JACK & SALLYANN DiIORIO, 40th wedding  
 anniversary

11:00 am STEPHEN CAPPELLI, month's mind, req. by  
 John & Mary Cappelli

**Monday, NOVEMBER 6**

7:00 am FRANCIS McCORMICK and MARJORIE  
 McCORMICK PIROLLI, req. by their family

**Tuesday, NOVEMBER 7**

7:00 am CARLO MONTECALVO, anniversary  
 7.25 am Novena Prayers to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

**Wednesday, NOVEMBER 8,**

7:00 am PEOPLE WHOSE NAMES ARE RECORDED  
 ON ALL SOULS DAY ENVELOPES

**Thursday, NOVEMBER 9, Dedication of the Lateran  
 Basilica**

7:00 am INTENTIONS OF CELEBRANT

**Friday, NOVEMBER 10, Saint Leo the Great, Pope and  
 Doctor of the Church**

7:00 am INTENTIONS OF PARISHIONERS

**SAT., NOV. 11, VIGIL: 32ND SUNDAY IN ORD. TIME**

5:00 pm FOR THE SOULS OF THOSE BURIED  
 FROM ST. SEBASTIAN'S THIS PAST YEAR

**SUN., NOV. 12, 32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

9:00 am MARCANGELO MONTECALVO, anniversary  
 11:00 am ALEX & JENNY CALENDIA, anniversary, req.  
 by Belle Calenda

**WEEKLY PARISH FINANCES**

**OCTOBER 29, 2017**

Contributions at Mass           \$ 4,413.00  
 Online Parish Giving           \$ 696.00  
 Total Weekly Contributions   \$ 5,109.00

Weekly Expenses               Not Available

*A sincere thank 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).

**My dear parishioners,**

We at St. Sebastian's have a new mantra. Although a mantra came of the Hindu and Buddhist traditions, we use a mantra in our Christian tradition. A mantra is a sacred phrase which keeps us focused in prayers. 'Jesus have mercy of me' or it could be a statement which we repeat frequently. Our parish's mantra is "**Holy Is As Holy Does.**"

For the last two weeks we have been speaking about "little saintly deeds" which we as individuals do. I have even asked you to write one of these little saintly deeds on the provided sheets of paper. I have asked you to place your 'little saintly deeds' in the big orange box that can be found in the vestibule "Wanted - Dead or Alive: Micro-Saints."

If you have not participated in this parish event, take a moment to do so after Mass this weekend. We will publish some of these "little saintly deeds" in our bulletin. (anonymously)

The spiritual survey conducted in our parish found that there is a desire to provide quarterly lectures. St. Sebastian's Church is excited to announce the first of four lectures to ring in the new liturgical year with one of the most outspoken and engaging voices from our diocese. On Wednesday, November 29th come to the church at 7:00 pm to hear Mark Gordon present "Catholic Social Teaching: Sources and Principles". Hear the Church's alternative to ideologies from the right and the left. Mark Gordon is the President of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul in the Diocese of Providence. He is the author of Forty Days, Forty Graces: Essays of a Grateful Pilgrim and has written for the National Catholic Register, Aleteia and other Catholic Publications. He blogs on the Dorothy Option on the Patheos Catholic Channel and is a frequent writer and commentator on the meeting ground between spirituality and social concerns.

Refreshments will be offered.

Have a good week...

--Monsignor Montecalvo

Parish Meetings and Activities			
11/5	Rel. Ed., Grades 6-9	10 am	Classrooms
11/6	Rel. Ed., Grades 1-5	4 pm	Classrooms
11/7	Prayer Shawl Ministry	5:30 pm	Fr Randall Rm

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**COMMUNITY OUTREACH**  
**HOLIDAY OPPORTUNITIES**

**PARISH WINTER COAT DRIVE**

If you're cleaning out your closets, save any winter coats that are in good condition 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.

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 next weekend through November 26th. 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 as the Outreach Committee prepares for this Christmas endeavor

**DAILY ROSARY**

Start your day in quiet prayer. Please join fellow parishioners in contemplation as we pray The Rosary, Monday through Friday at 6:40 am, before daily Mass.

**ST. MARGARET SCHOOL DROP IN DAY**

St. Margaret School is having a *DROP IN DAY* for parents to visit our school in session on

**NOVEMBER 15, 9 AM to 12 PM.**

Our Catholic school offers excellence in academic and spiritual formation, an exciting program in the vocal and performing arts, involvement with social ministry outreach, and an acknowledged preparation for high school. **Call our Principal, Mrs. Lee Ann Nunes, for further information at 434-2338**

**ST. MARGARET'S SCHOOL: CATHOLIC AND CARING**

**PARISH BOOK CLUB**

On November 15th the Parish Book Club will meet to discuss *Their Eyes Were Watching God* by Zora Neale Hurston, at 7 pm in the Fr. Randall Room. On December 13th the Parish Book Club will meet to discuss *The Remains of the Day* by Kazuo Ishiguro at 7 pm in the Fr. Randall Room. New members are always welcome!

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**Lectors!** The First Sunday of Advent is celebrated on December 3, 2017. The new liturgical year begins that Sunday. We move from Cycle A readings to Cycle B readings. The new Lector books are available in the Sacristy. Please take the copy with your name on it.

**2018 Mass Book**

The 2018 Mass Book is available to schedule Mass intentions for the upcoming year. Per Diocesan policy, Stipends for weekday Masses is \$20 and the Stipend for weekend and Holy Day Masses is \$25. Please note the updated Stipend amount.



**STORM DAMAGE**

**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. ***Diane C., Susan Porter, Natalie Swift, Leah Davis, Frances Geary, Sandy C., John Haddad, Bob, Sylvia L., Robert Calso, Bob K. and Kathy D'Amico.***