

Church of St. Sebastian
November 6, 2016 - 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5, VIGIL: 32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
 5:00 pm DONNALEE WILSON GEARY, 1st anniversary by Soper Family

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
 9:00 am MARTELLA SISTERS: MARIA, MILLIE, ADORA and VIOLA by Janet Crager
 11:00 am FOR THE SOULS OF THOSE BURIED FROM SAINT SEBASTIAN'S THIS PAST YEAR

Monday, NOVEMBER 7
 7:00 am FRANCIS MCCORMICK AND MARJORIE MCCORMICK PIROLI

Tuesday, NOVEMBER 8,
 7:00 am FOR OUR NATION ON ELECTION DAY
 7.25 am Novena Prayers to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Wednesday, NOVEMBER 9, The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
 7:00 am FOR AN INCREASE OF VOCATIONS TO PRIESTHOOD AND RELIGIOUS LIFE

Thursday, NOVEMBER 10, Saint Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church
 7:00 am INTENTIONS OF CELEBRANT

Friday, NOVEMBER 11, St Martin of Tours, Bishop
 7:00 am FOR ALL WHO PAID THE ULTIMATE PRICE DEFENDING OUR COUNTRY

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12, VIGIL: 33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
 5:00 pm JAMES CONBOY, 34th anniversary
 ROSE CONBOY, 5th anniversary by son Tom and family

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
 9:00 am INTENTIONS OF PARISHIONERS
 11:00 am FOR THOSE ENROLLED ON ALL SOULS DAY ENVELOPES

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.

My Dear Parishioners,

Two weeks ago when I was talking about the pizza and ice cream sundae gathering I mentioned a word that I would now like to explain. That word was onomastico. I said it was my onomastico party or saint's day party. The pizza party took place Saturday evening, November 5th. November 4th is the Feast of Saint Charles Borromeo. So anyone who has a first name of Carlo, Carlos, Charles, Karol, Carol etc. yesterday was your onomastico.

The celebration of name days has been a tradition in Catholic and Orthodox countries since the Middle Ages, and has also continued in some measure in countries, such the Scandinavian countries, whose Protestant established church retains certain Catholic traditions. The name days originate in the list of holidays celebrated in commemoration of saints and martyrs of the church. For example, the name Karl or Carl is celebrated in Sweden on January 28, the anniversary of the death of Charlemagne (Charles magnus, i.e., 'the great'). The church promoted celebration of name days (or rather saints' feast days) over birthdays, as the latter was seen as a pagan tradition.

In Italy, one's name day is referred to as his or her "Onomastico" (Italian -nom- for name day from the Greek). Often people receive small gifts on their onomastico, cakes are also baked. Name day is fixed according to Roman Catholic Church saints calendar, giving almost each day a few saints, so different names can be eventually celebrated in the same day. Traditionally parents fix the name day of their child at christening, according to the favorite saint in case of different ones (in different days) with the same name, and the child will bring it all along its life. In case of several names given at birth, the child will celebrate only one, usually the first.

Now you know more than you wanted to know about the word onomastico!

Have a good week!

Monsignor Montecalvo

Parish Meetings and Activities			
11/6	Rel. Ed, Grades 6-9	10 am	Classrooms
	Adult Choir	10 am	Fr. Randall Rm
11/7	Rel. Ed, Grades 1-5	4 pm	Classrooms
11/10	Bible Study	6:30 pm	Fr. Randall Rm
11/11	Veteran's Day Mass	7 am	Church

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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.

MONTHLY MAINTENANCE COLLECTION **NEXT WEEKEND**

Our Monthly Maintenance Collection helps defray the cost of maintaining our beautiful church, rectory and parish grounds. The parish is very fortunate to have staff members who take great pride in keeping our facilities in magnificent shape. A monthly collection of \$3,000 would pay for this ongoing and necessary maintenance. Please be generous to this important collection to continue necessary maintenance and improvements on our parish property.

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
Kristenpedroso1@gmail.com
302-598-8998

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 RI Veteran's Home in Bristol. 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 November 15th and December 6th and 20th. If you are aware of someone who would benefit from receiving a prayer shawl, please call the rectory.

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.

Mary Brennan, our parish secretary, is out of the office until November 14th. I try to be in the office as much as possible during the hours the Office is open. Just as a reminder **the office is open Mon, Tues, Thurs: 9:00 am to 2:00 pm and Wednesday: 9:00 am to 4:00 pm**

If I am in the rectory I will answer the phone.

Monsignor Montecalvo

SACRIFICIAL GIVING REPORT **OCTOBER 30, 2016**

# of Budget Envelopes Used This Week	88
Contributions-Budgets and Checks	\$ 4,282.00
Loose Contributions	\$ 446.00
Total Offertory	\$ 4,728.00

A sincere thank you for your support!

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.