

Church of St. Sebastian
October 25, 2015 - 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Scheduled Masses For This Week

Saturday, October 24, Vigil: 30th Sunday in Ord. Time

5:00 pm Antoinette Castaldi, 15th anniversary
 -requested by Judith Bruzzese

Sunday, October 25, 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am Parishioners of St. Sebastian
 11:00 am Nina and Mario Marcone
 -requested by Calenda family

Monday, October 26, Weekday

7:00 am Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday, October 27, Weekday

7:00 am Souls in Purgatory
 7:25 am Novena Prayers to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Wednesday, October 28, Sts Jude & Simon, Apostles

7:00 am A Special Intention

Thursday, October 29, Weekday

7:00 am Mass

Friday, October 30, Weekday

7:00 am Mass

Next Weekend's Masses

Saturday, October 31, Vigil: All Saints Day

5:00 pm Louis Soper, 17th anniversary

Sunday, November 1, All Saints Day

9:00 am A Special Intention
 11:00 am For all those buried from Saint Sebastian's
 this past year.



WEEKLY SACRIFICIAL GIVING REPORT

10/18/2015

# of Budget Envelopes	85
Budgets and Checks	\$ 4,559.00
Loose Contributions	\$ 722.00
Total Weekly Offertory	\$ 5,281.00
World Mission Sunday	\$ 945.00

A sincere thank you for your support!
 Please remember St. Sebastian Church
 in your Will and Estate

SOPHIA ACADEMY: SCHOOL UNIFORM FUNDRAISER

A contribution of \$100 will provide one Sophia Academy student a school uniform (one shirt, skirt, pants and sweater). Her required uniform gym wear is an additional \$35. Any donation will make a difference. A contribution of \$15 will buy one student a uniform shirt; \$20 will buy her a sweater; or \$40 will buy her a skirt. Kindly place your donation in the envelopes located in the pews and place in collection baskets beginning this weekend. **Checks should be made payable to Sophia Academy.**

*We invite all women to the Catholic/Christian
 Women's*

MAGNIFICAT® Breakfast

Saturday, November 7th. 8:30 am to 12 noon

Providence Marriott, One Orms Street

The cost is \$25.00 per person.

Darlene Walsh, recently retired Principal of St.

Philip's School in Greenville will be our guest speaker.

For more information or registration, call Linda Gatta,
 Coordinator at 401-949-3750

EAST SIDE MARKETPLACE GROCERY 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.

MONTHLY PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Names of friends, family, and fellow parishioners for whom prayers are asked will be listed monthly. If you would like a person included in this month's Prayers for the Sick please call the rectory. **John Haddad, Bob, Bob K., and Deborah Bessette.**

THIS WEEK AT ST. SEBASTIAN CHURCH

Sunday	10/25	Rel. Ed., Grades 6-8	10:00 am
		Adult Choir	10:00 am
		Community Outreach	10:00 am
		Rel. Ed. , Grades 9-10	6:30 pm
Monday	10/26	Rel. Ed., Grades 1-5	4:00 pm

Church of St. Sebastian
1915 ~ Celebrating 100 Years of Faith ~ 2015

MY DEAR PARISHIONERS,

For the next few weeks, in place of my column, I will reproduce Fr. Randall's elegant homily which he delivered on October 17, 2015 at the 100th Anniversary Mass.

For the past hundred years the Catholic community of St. Sebastian has accepted the charge of Jesus Christ to his apostles: "The Kingdom of God is here. Repent and believe the Good News." Teach and baptize and "observe all that I have commanded you." We of this great community of faith have responded to that command. In simple terms, Jesus has revealed to us in this charge that the time of fulfillment is now; all that had been promised for four thousand years is now available: mercy, joy, peace. This community of St. Sebastian of clergy, religious, and laity did not receive that charge and promise in vain. In 0915, the time was now. In 2015, the time is now. We recall our past with gratitude; we joyfully rejoice in the present; we anticipate the freedom and glory that God has promised in his holy, catholic and apostolic church. The Kingdom of God is here, now. We dip our feet into that stream of living water flowing from God's sanctuary, that stream of time past, present and future. For us, the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus put an end to the endless cycles of sin and death. His gift to us of life in the Spirit meant a complete redefinition of life, that life's journey is a continuum from birth through death to the resurrection of the body and the communion of Saints with God. Time's beginning and end are God's hands.

T.S. Elliot wrote his greatest poem in the early forties we of St. Sebastian's were rebuilding our chapel and constructing our present rectory. The "Four Quartets" begins:

"Time present and time past
Are both perhaps present in time future
And time future contained in time past..
What might have been and has been
Point to one end, which is always the present."

In this first quartet Eliot questions the secular materialism of Nietzsche where time is a closed system into which no newness enters, his theory of Eternal Recurrence and the impossibility of redeeming time. In such a system the present is in the past in an eternal return of the same. In the Catholic faith of Eliot, "history is a pattern of timeless moments; where life must be lived forward, but understood backwards. And time is redeemed by understanding the intersection of the timeless in time, the Eternal Word made flesh in the incarnation of Jesus Christ, "Christ the same yesterday, today and forever. : Here God comes to the fallen world of Adam, now a world that in the poet's words is "our hospital. Endowed by the ruined millionaire," where, if we do well, we shall/Die of the absolute paternal care/That will not leave us," but goes before us everywhere. Such is the world of God's loving fidelity, the merciful providence of the Eternal, Father and his Son, the Good shepherd, and of the Guardian and Paraclete, the Holy Spirit.

ST. LUKE'S SCHOOL IN BARRINGTON WILL HOLD AN OPEN HOUSE for mid-year transfers and for the 2016-2017 school year next Sunday November 1 from 12:30-2:00. Tour the campus, meet faculty and students and learn why St. Luke's continues to be recognized for offering A Superior Education Coupled with Catholic Values. St. Luke's currently has students enrolled from 12 communities from the East Bay and beyond in grades Preschool-Grade 8. We also offer an extended day program for all grades beginning at 7:30 am and ending at 5:30 pm. Financial Aid available. For more information contact Neil Kiely nkiely@stlukesri.org, 401-246-0990 or www.stlukesri.org St. Luke's School 10 Waldron Ave. Barrington, RI 02806.

October is the month of the rosary. At St. Sebastian's the rosary is prayed before the 7:00 am daily Mass (Monday through Friday.) The rosary begins at 6:40 am.

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 1st 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.