

**Church of St. Sebastian**  
**October 30, 2016 - 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29 VIGIL: 31<sup>ST</sup>  
 SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

3:00 pm Musto/Nadeau Wedding  
 5:00 pm LOUIS J SOPER, 18th anniversary by  
 his family

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30, 31<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY IN  
 ORDINARY TIME**

9:00 am Mass  
 11:00 am Mass

**Monday, OCTOBER 31**

7:00 am Mass  
 4:15 pm Vigil Mass

**Tuesday, NOVEMBER 1, All Saints Day  
 ~Holy Day of Obligation~**

7:00 am Mass  
 7.25 am Novena Prayers to Our Lady of  
 Perpetual Help  
 5:30 pm Mass

**Wednesday, NOVEMBER 2**

7:00 am The Commemoration of All the Faithful  
 Departed

**Thursday, NOVEMBER 3**

7:00 am PHYLLIS ROLLO, 3rd anniversary by  
 Rollo family

**First Friday, NOVEMBER 4, St Charles Borromeo**

7:00 am INTENTIONS OF CELEBRANT  
 5:30 pm Mass

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5, VIGIL: 32<sup>ND</sup>  
 SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

5:00 pm DONNALEE WILSON GEARY, 1st  
 anniversary by Soper Family

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 32<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN  
 ORDINARY TIME**

9:00 am MARTELLA SISTERS: MARIA, MILLIE,  
 ADORA and VIOLA by Janet Cramer  
 11:00 am FOR THE SOULS OF THOSE BURIED  
 FROM SAINT SEBASTIAN'S THIS PAST YEAR

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,**

I cannot believe I am writing a column for the last weekend in October. Time is flying by.

This week we are celebrating two important days. November 1st is the Feast of All Saints and November 2nd is the Feast of All Souls. Originally the Feast of All Saints was celebrated by our Eastern brothers and sisters as the Feast of All Martyrs sometime during the month of May. This Feast dates back to the 4th century. Two centuries later, in the year 609 the Roman Pantheon was rededicated from a pagan temple into the beautiful Catholic Christian Church of St. Mary and all the Martyrs. Liturgists trace the Feast of All Saints back to this event. Then Pope Gregory IV (827-844) changed the date of the celebration from sometime in May to the 1st of November.

November the 1st is a Holy Day of Obligation which means we are required to attend the celebration of Mass on that day, In our parish for this November 1st, we will be celebrating three Masses. On Monday, October 31st, during CCD classes I will celebrate a 4:15 Mass. I want to give the children in grades 1 through 5, as well as their parents and other parishioners the opportunity to attend a vigil Mass.

On Tuesday, November 1st the parish will have a 7 am Mass and a 5:30 pm Mass. The 7 am Mass will not have music but the 5:30 pm Mass will have Music.

We celebrate the Feast of All Souls on Wednesday, November 2nd. The Feast of All Souls is a very ancient celebration dating back to Tertullian. The Church teaches us we have an obligation to pray for the living and the dead. To pray for the living and the dead is the last of seven spiritual works of mercy. Although November 2nd is not a Holy Day of Obligation, it is a day of devotion.

The Church gives us these words to pray: *Grant, O Lord, through the blessed passion of your Son, that your servants may receive the forgiveness of their sins they always desired. Be near so that, should any stain of sin have clung to them or any human fault have affected them, it may by your gift, be forgiven and wiped away. Through our devout supplication may then obtain that pardon which they have always desired.*

Have a great week!

**Monsignor Montecalvo**

Parish Meetings and Activities			
10/30	Rel. Ed, Grades 6-9	10 am	Classrooms
	Adult Choir	10 am	Fr. Randall Rm
10/31	Rel. Ed, Grades 1-5	4 pm	Classrooms
11/1	Prayer Shawl Ministry	7 pm	Fr. Randall Rm
11/3	Bible Study	6:30 pm	Fr. Randall Rm

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**ALL SAINTS DAY: A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION**  
Mass on Monday October 31st at 4:15 pm, and on Tuesday, November 1st at 7:00 am and 5:30 pm.

**PARISH OUTREACH COMMITTEE**

Our Parish Outreach Committee continue to prepare for their Fall events. Keep the following items in mind: Free-will collection to feed the poor during the holidays, Share a Coat, Adopt-a-Family at Christmas, and the Hat and Mitten Drive. **As always, bring in your Eastside Market Place receipts and place them in the wooden mailbox in the vestibule.**

**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.

Please note that a new national collection has been added on November 5/6 for the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA. This collection is a triennial collection approved by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops in 2012 and first taken up in 2013 by a select group of dioceses. The AMS provides the same pastoral care and services as any other Catholic diocese, to Catholics serving in the United States Armed Forces, enrolled in U.S. Military Academies, undergoing treatment at any of the 153 Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Centers in the U.S., Puerto Rico and Guam, working in civilian jobs for the federal government beyond U.S. borders, and the families of these populations.

**PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY** will meet on Tuesday November 1st at 7:00 pm in the Fr. Randall Room to create prayer shawls and small Baptism blankets. Call Pat Capece 274-8632 with ideas or questions. Please join us in this lovely way to spread joy to others



**PIZZA PARTY  
ICE CREAM SOCIAL**

The Religious Education Program is sponsoring a Pizza Party/Ice Cream Social to be held NEXT



SATURDAY November 5th after the 5:00 Mass. The invitation is extended to all parishioners. There will be pizza and drinks and a "Make Your Own Sundae" set up for after dinner. If you are interested in coming, please write the name of your family and the number of people who will be attending on the sign up sheets in the vestibule. There will also be a free raffle for the children. Hope to see you there.

Mary Brennan, the parish secretary is on vacation November 2nd will be returning to the office on 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**  
**Wednesday 9:00 am to 4:00 pm**

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

**PARISH WINTER COAT DRIVE**

If you're cleaning out your closets, save any winter coats and bring them to the Parish Winter Coat Drive beginning November 5th. There will be a coat rack in the vestibule for your donations through Thanksgiving Day.

The day after Thanksgiving, November 25th, the coats collected will be delivered to and benefit the Rhode island Buy Nothing Day Winter Coat Exchange.

**SACRIFICIAL GIVING REPORT**

**OCTOBER 23, 2016**

# of Budget Envelopes Used This Week	81
# Online Giving	31
Contributions-Budgets and Checks	\$ 3,412.00
Online Contributions	\$ 1,367.00
Loose Contributions	\$ 707.00
Total Offertory	\$ 5,486.00

**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](http://www.Parishgiving.org) or on our parish website at [www.stsebastianri.org](http://www.stsebastianri.org).