

Church of St. Sebastian

April 22, 2012—Third Sunday of Easter

Scheduled Masses For This Week

- Saturday, April 21, Vigil: 3rd Sunday of Easter**
 5:00 pm For all Confirmation Candidates and their families
- Sunday, April 22, 3rd Sunday of Easter**
 9:00 am Nora Arouth, 3rd anniversary
 -requested by her daughter Liz
 11:00 am Yvette M. Darcy, 25th anniversary
 -requested by her family
- Monday, April 23, Easter Weekday**
 7:00 am For the people
- Tuesday, April 24, Easter Weekday**
 7:00 am Mass
- Wednesday, April 25, Easter Weekday**
 7:00 am Mass
- Thursday, April 26, Easter Weekday**
 7:00 am Wladyslaw Boni, 28th anniversary
 -requested by the Boni family
- Friday, April 27, Easter Weekday**
 7:00 am Neil Aronne, month's mind
 -requested by Pat and Sal Annarummo

Next Weekend Masses

- Saturday, April 28, Vigil: 4th Sunday of Easter**
 5:00 pm George and Phyllis Marks
 -requested by their children
- Sunday, April 29, 3rd Sunday of Easter**
 9:00 am Zola Ventre
 -requested by Heather Bell
 11:00 am Joseph and Anna Mollicone, anniversary
 -requested by their family

Our Lady's Candle burns as a birthday remembrance for Albert Badeau, as requested by his daughter Belle..

WEEKLY SACRIFICIAL GIVING REPORT

	4/8/2012	4/15/2012
# of Budgets Used	131	76
Checks & Budget Envelopes	\$ 9,064	\$ 3,297
Loose	\$ 1,121	\$ 530
Total Offertory	\$10,185	\$ 3,827
Easter	\$ 3,492	—
Monthly Maintenance	—	\$ 1,569

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.

PASTOR'S CORNER

The Easter Season with its gift of new life is all around us at St. Sebastian's. We welcome Bishop Gelineau for the first time to the parish since my appointment as pastor. He administers the Sacrament of Confirmation to our very fine young adults at the 5 PM Mass this weekend. Rumor has it he enjoys a good cigar after dinner from time to time...I'll let you know! The parish is very proud of these candidates who complete their initiation into the Catholic faith. Stay close to the Lord, and close to the Church throughout your adult life. We need your witness and example in the years ahead.

The Order of Malta Pilgrimage, which brings the sick to the shrine of Our Lady at Lourdes, will depart on Wednesday, May 2 to 9. As the RI chaplain, I will participate not only as a designated chaplain but also as a pilgrim. The intentions of the parish will be remembered daily at the grotto and Masses. Please keep all of us, but especially the sick in your prayers. The Order of Malta organizes, invites, and fully funds the annual pilgrimage for the sick.

On Sunday, May 13 at the 9 AM Mass, our First Communion students will receive the Holy Eucharist for the very first time. It is always a special day in a parish. The crowning of Our Lady will take place after the First Communion Mass.

So, you see, there are signs of Easter Life in all areas of the parish. Of course the Wine Tasting Event will be held on Saturday, May 19 from 6-8 PM. The funds raised will be used to cover the \$18K of necessary repairs that the organ desperately needed. This custom designed instrument initially cost \$100K at installation in 1992. The current replacement value of the instrument is now \$440K! No major upkeep was performed on it since 2003, that is, until now. The proceeds of this major parish fundraiser will replenish our parish funds used for the organ repair.

May all of you enjoy this Easter Season! You remain in my prayers and in my heart during my retreat/pilgrimage to Lourdes.

~ Msgr. Darcy

THIS WEEK AT ST. SEBASTIAN CHURCH

Sun.	4/22	Parish Blood Drive	9 am-1 pm
		Religious Ed	10:00 am
		Religious Ed	6:30 pm
Mon	4/23	Religious Ed	3:30 pm
Thur.	4/26	Prayer Shawl Ministry	7:00 pm

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

Deborah Bessette, Peggy Corrigan, Rose Penney, and Vilma O'Connor.

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CONGRATULATIONS, CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES

The parish congratulates our young adults who receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this weekend from Bishop Louis E. Gelineau:

<i>Charles Andrews</i>	<i>Claire Gracia</i>
<i>Jillian DeStefano</i>	<i>Alexandra Gray</i>
<i>Bianca Donadio</i>	<i>Rebecca Greenberg</i>
<i>Elyse Dunbar</i>	<i>Michael Joseph</i>
<i>Margaret Fleming</i>	<i>Lili Lan Visgilio</i>
<i>Jeffrey Gagnon</i>	

BLOOD DRIVE – THIS SUNDAY, APRIL 22

Our first parish *Blood Drive* will be held today, April 22 from 9AM – 1 PM. Consider donating a pint of life! Thank you to the Parish Outreach Committee for coordinating this event

CATHOLIC CHARITY FUND APPEAL

As of this week a total of \$52,097 has been contributed by 81 parishioners. Our parish goal this year is \$82,000. We ask that you please return your donation card and gift in the collection basket by April 30th. Thank you for your generosity.

CONGRATULATIONS AND WELCOME!

The parish celebrates the baptism of Mason Seth DeFayette, son of James and Elizabeth DeFayette. Welcome, Mason, to our parish community!!

FOOD FOR THE POOR

Next weekend, we welcome Fr. Dick Nahman from *Food for the Poor*. He will be preaching on the ministry to help end the suffering of the poor in 17 countries of the Caribbean and Latin America.

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LUCY'S HEARTH

Next weekend the Community Outreach Committee will begin a Mother's Day collection for Lucy's Hearth located in Middletown, RI. Lucy's Hearth provides 24-hr emergency and transitional shelter and more for homeless women and their children. Select New items are much appreciated:

Towels, shampoo, soap, tooth paste, hair brushes and combs. (for adults and children). Baby wipes, diapers, children's socks and underwear A bin can be found in vestibule. Thank you for your generosity.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

The next meetings of the Prayer Shawl Ministry are scheduled for Thursdays April 26th, May 10th, and May 24th in the church basement from 7pm to 8pm. Bring your needles and yarn and spend an hour in prayerful knitting or crocheting Prayer Shawls for the ill and elderly of our diocese. A sign up sheet is in the vestibule. Join us in this lovely way to praise God with our hearts and hands. No experience necessary.

PARISH BOOK CLUB

The Parish Book Club will meet Wednesday, May 16th at a time to be announced in the Fr. Randall Room to discuss The Maltese Falcon by Dashiell Hammett. All are welcome!

SPRING FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION

Help feed your neighbors in need! Outreach Committee members will be collecting donations after Masses beginning next weekend to benefit the St. Vincent de Paul food pantry at Holy Name Church. Your generosity will re-stock the shelves and provide nutritious staples to the pantry's clients - the elderly, young mothers and children, and families who are struggling to make ends meet. Cash and checks made payable to St. Sebastian Church are appreciated. Thank you.

EASTSIDE MARKETPLACE RECEIPTS

Please remember to bring in your Eastside Marketplace grocery receipts and leave them in the marked box in the vestibule. Outreach Committee members will be tallying all receipts on June 9th. The parish receives 1% of the total, which is then donated to worthy causes. Thank You

ST. SEBASTIAN'S FIRST ANNUAL WINE TASTING EVENING

Reservations for our Second Wine Tasting Evening are now being accepted. The Wine Tasting Evening, by Gasbarro Wines of Atwells Avenue, will be held on Saturday, May 19th from 6 pm to 8 pm in the church hall. Twenty-five specially selected fine wines will be featured, accompanied by selections of hors d'oeuvres and pasta dishes.

Our thanks to our parishioner and corporate sponsors: Dugan Jewelers, Caroline Calcagni, LJ Gasbarro, L'Artisan Café, Cosco Inc, Providence College Athletics, Paw Sox... and more to come!

Guarantee your reservation by completing this registration form and returning it to:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Number of Tickets @ \$50 each: _____

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Please make checks payable to St. Sebastian Church

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Wine Tasting Evening
67 Cole Avenue
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FEEL OUR PARISH ENERGY...AND JOIN US!!