

Church of St. Sebastian

April 8, 2012—Easter Sunday

Scheduled Masses For This Week

Saturday, April 7, Holy Saturday

7:30 pm Solemn Easter Vigil

Sunday, April 8, Easter Sunday

9:00 am For All Parishioners

11:00 am For All Parishioners

Monday, April 9, Monday within the Octave of Easter

7:00 am Joan Rohr

Tuesday, April 10, Tuesday within the Octave of Easter

7:00 am Rose M. Ironfield, month's mind
-requested by Pat and Sal Annarummo

Wednesday, April 11, Wednesday within the Octave of Easter

7:00 am Mass

Thursday, April 12, Thursday within the Octave of Easter

7:00 am Mass

Friday, April 13, Friday within the Octave of Easter

7:00 am John T. Kaveny, anniversary remembrance
-requested by Pat and Sal Annarummo

Next Weekend Masses

Saturday, April 14, Vigil: Sunday of the Divine Mercy

5:00 Donald Pilkington, anniversary remembrance
-requested by his family

Sunday, April 15, Divine Mercy Sunday

9:00 am Julian Zekan
-requested by his family
11:00 am Kathleen Reynolds (Cavan, Ireland),
month's mind
-requested by the Nagle family

Create a memorial or honorary fund for your spouse or parent. Your gift can create an endowment for our parish in memory of or in honor of them and benefit those we serve for generations. Contact Msgr. Darcy for more information.

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PASTOR'S CORNER

The Gospel of John so uniquely makes subtle but interesting theological footnotes throughout his presentation of the Good News. There is the unspoken tension between Peter (the head of the Apostles) and John (the beloved). John gets to the tomb first, but he waits for Peter to enter. You get the impressed Peter looked at the scene and then departed. John notes the details (the shroud as well as the head covering “rolled up in a separate place.”) *“He saw, and believed!”* Interesting.

How can this be with no infrared cameras, no YouTube, no Twitter, no Facebook to record the most significant event in the human race! But, the Gospel tells us that John saw *and* believed. The post-Resurrection accounts all emphasize a bodily resurrection. St. Paul writes this body was now glorified. Peter and John, as well as two other disciples would encounter this Risen One late in the afternoon on that Easter Day.

This is the most glorious of all days. The Church, that has been restrained since Ash Wednesday, once again sings the Alleluia...not once, not twice, *but three times!* All is made new because of the Resurrection. The solemnity takes place in the spring...always the first Sunday, after the first full moon, after the spring equinox! There is new life all around us...in creation, with the newly baptized/ confirmed, and with our own renewed Spirits.

At Easter twilight, two disciples asked their walking companion, who they did not recognize, to stay with them. “Stay with us, Lord”... *“Mane vobiscum Domine!”* When they realized who He was, their lives were changed forever. And that dear parishioners and visitors, is my Easter prayer for you. May you come to recognize the Risen One as you walk along your way and especially in the Breaking of Bread. He is Risen...come see, and BELIEVE!

A Blessed Easter to All!
Msgr. Darcy

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

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

Our Lady's Candle burns this week as a birthday remembrance for Joseph J. Loferski as requested by his wife Sylvia.

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Confirmation and First Communion Dates

Saturday, April 21st, 5:00 pm Mass—Confirmation
Most Reverend Louis E Gelineau

Sunday, May 13th, 9:00 am Mass— First Communion

All parishioners are invited to these Masses and to the receptions in the church hall following the Masses, to celebrate and show our support



PARISH BOOK CLUB

The Parish Book Club will meet next THIS Wednesday, April 18th at 7:30 pm in the Fr. Randall Meeting Room to discuss Muriel Spark's The Girls of Slender Means. All are welcome.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

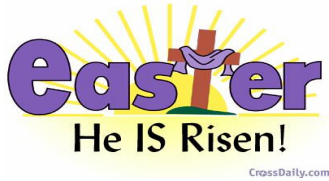
Our first meeting will be THIS Thursday, April 12th in the church basement from 7:30 pm to 8:30 pm. Bring your needles and yarn and spend an hour in prayerful knitting./crocheting Prayer Shawls for the ill and elderly of our diocese. Contact Pat Capece (274-8632) or Elaine Kehoe (273-4259) for more details. Join us in this lovely way to praise God with our hearts and hands. No experience necessary.

PARISH BLOOD DRIVE

Please participate in St. Sebastian's first Blood Drive on April 22nd from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm being held in the basement of the church. If you have any questions or concerns regarding your blood donation (medications, illness, fear, etc.) please call the Blood Center at 401-453-8307 and they can help answer your questions. We would love to make this event successful and hope you will join us.

2ND WINE TASTING EVENT SHOUT OUT

If anyone has restaurant gift certificates they do not plan to use, the Wine Tasting Committee will be very happy to put them to good use!! You can forward them to the rectory at your convenience. Also, if anyone wishes to be a corporate sponsor to help defray the costs of the event, you may call or email Monsignor at msgrdarcy@gmail.com



CATHOLIC CHARITY FUND APPEAL 2012

Thank you for your continued contributions to our Annual Catholic Charity Fund Appeal. Please consider a truly sacrificial gift to support our needy brothers and sisters. Thank you to those who have contributed to date.

ST. SEBASTIAN'S SECOND 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.

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

*St. Sebastian Church
Wine Tasting Evening
67 Cole Avenue
Providence, RI 02906*

Name: _____

Address: _____

Number of Tickets @ \$50 each: _____ *Please make checks payable to St. Sebastian Church*

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

FEEL OUR PARISH ENERGY...AND JOIN US!!