

Church of St. Sebastian
November 20, 2011—Our Lord Jesus Christ the King

Scheduled Masses For This Week

Saturday, November 19, Vigil: Our Lord Jesus Christ the King

5:00 pm Billy Gray Posey

Sunday, November 20, Our Lord Jesus Christ the King

9:00 am Charles McMahan, 15th anniversary

11:00 am Rosemary Wynne, birthday remembrance
-requested by Ann Galligan

Monday, November 21, The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:00 am For the people

Tuesday, November 22, Saint Cecelia, virgin and martyr

7:00 am Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday, November 23, Weekday

7:00 am Mass

Thursday, November 24, Saint Andrew Dung-Lac, priest and martyr

~~Thanksgiving Day~~

8:00 am For all Parishioners

Friday, November 25, Weekday

7:00 am John T. Kaveny, 1st anniversary

-requested by Pat and Sal Annarummo

Next Weekend Masses

Saturday, November 26, Vigil: First Sunday of Advent

5:00 pm Mass

Sunday, November 27, First Sunday of Advent

9:00 am Mass

11:00 am For the people



Our Lady's Candle burns as an anniversary remembrance of John T. Kaveny as requested by Pat and Sal Annarummo

WEEKLY SACRIFICIAL GIVING REPORT

November 12-13, 2011

# of Budget Envelopes Used This Week	74
Contributions-Budgets and Checks	\$3,028
Loose Contributions	\$ 709
Total Offertory	\$3,737

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

"And with your spirit!"

This is the last Sunday of the Church Year. The Solemnity of Christ the King highlights who is our final goal...the Lord of all life! We also use the 2nd edition of the Roman Missal for the last time this weekend. Next weekend, the First Sunday of Advent, all of us will be using the pew cards throughout the celebration of the Mass. We'll need to be attentive especially to the **Creed** and the invitation **before Communion**. They both highlight our personal commitment... "I believe in God," and, at Communion; "Lord, I am not worthy **that you should enter under my roof**, but only say the word and **my soul** shall be healed."

The revised translation of Mass texts will help us hear the Tradition of the Church with a new ear. I believe you will find it pleasing to hear as it leads us to a deeper appreciation for our liturgical roots. The two new Roman Missals have been donated: "*In Loving Memory of Dena & Domenic DiMarcantonioas*" by Albert J. Terrano & Allen R. Walentukonis; and "*In honor of Dennis J. Roberts, dedicated parishioner, civil servant and loyal friend.*"

This week of Thanksgiving keeps us focused on important things: family/friends, spending time with loved ones, and our genuine concern for others. The coats and free-will offerings we collect demonstrate our personal and parish concern for others in difficult times. "*When you did it for one of the least of my brethren, you did it for Me*" (Matthew 25:40).

There will be suggestions next week for ways to help make the Advent/Christmas Season more spiritually focused. I look forward to another exciting liturgical year for all of us.

Finally, the rectory repairs are 'wrapping up' (just like the new trim on the house!). A full report of the project will be given as soon as the final donations are received. I know you will be very proud and happy with the results. To all of you...my prayerful thanks for the wonderful community you are. To you and your loved ones, a very Happy Thanksgiving from the staff of St. Sebastian's.

"In everything, give thanks!"
Msgr. Darcy

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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 now through Thanksgiving Day. There is a coat rack in the vestibule for your donations, which will benefit the Buy Nothing Coat Exchange.

FREE-WILL THANKSGIVING OFFERING

A free-will donation for the food pantry at St Vincent de Paul Society of Holy Name Church will be held this weekend. Your generosity is especially important at this time, since there has been a 50% increase in the number of Rhode Islanders turning to such food pantries in the last three years. The poorest Rhode Islanders have to choose either paying rent or buying food. At Thanksgiving and throughout the year your donations make a difference, especially in the lives of children: one out of three people who rely on food from food pantries is a child. THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY AT THIS HOLIDAY OF THANKS.

NEW PARISHIONER GATHERINGS

With so many new individuals and families joining the parish, I would like to begin "Welcome Gatherings" as a way of meeting at the rectory and sharing the spirit of St. Sebastian's. I envision them taking place perhaps every other month. More news soon!

Remember your loved ones with a lasting tribute. For each of us there is someone special-someone we have admired, respected and loved, who has made a significant impact on our lives. These relationships are priceless and shape the way we live our lives today. Honoring these individuals can be a most gratifying way of paying tribute to them. Charitable gifts can help you commemorate their goodness. By creating a memorial gift in their honor, you can further the mission of our parish for the benefit of others in their name. A lasting tribute to St. Sebastian's secures your loved one's legacy. To establish a memorial fund in honor of your loved one for the benefit of our parish please speak with Msgr. Darcy.

THANKSGIVING DAY MASS – 8 A.M.

THE MORNING MASS ON THANKSGIVING DAY WILL BE AT 8 AM. This will enable families to get to their destinations and area football games. On behalf of the staff of the parish, we wish you all a very rewarding family time. **YOU ARE INVITED TO BRING THE BREAD YOU WILL USE AT YOUR TABLE FOR A SEPCIAL BLESSING AT THIS HOLIDAY MASS.**

Placement Test at Bishop Keough
 Bishop Keough High School will be holding its placement test on Saturday, December 3rd at 8:30 am. Pre-registration is encouraged but walk-ins are welcome. Fee waivers are available. Bishop Keough is located at 145 Power Road, Pawtucket. For more information please call 726-0335 or visit us on the web at www.bishopkeough.org.

PARISH CHOIR: AN INVITATION

Mr. Bill Cooper and the parish choir rehearse every Thursday at 7:30 PM. Please consider singing the praises of God with the choir at the 11AM Mass. We will sing, and we will sing well the revised liturgy. A parish choir can be as vibrant and strong as a parish wants it to be.



You are invited to call the rectory with your Mass intentions for the new Church Year, which begins with the First Sunday of Advent, November 27th.

MINISTRY OF HOSPITALITY

Want to be involved in the parish? A minister of hospitality assists with greeting parishioners and visitors, coordinates and takes up the collection during Mass, and secures the collection according to guidelines. Please consider volunteering for the Mass you attend by signing the signup sheets on the table in the vestibule. Many thanks!

THIS WEEK AT ST. SEBASTIAN CHURCH

Sun.	11/20	Religious Education	10:00 am
		Coffee Hour	10:00 am
		Religious Education	6:30 pm
Mon.	11/21	Religious Education	3:30 pm
Thurs.	11/24	Thanksgiving Day Mass	8:00 am