

Church of St. Sebastian
October 14, 2012 — Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Scheduled Masses For This Week

Saturday, October 13, Vigil: 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 pm Marion O'Donohue, 20th anniversary

Sunday, October 14, 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am For the People

11:00 am Charles Andrews, 1st anniversary
-requested by Jonathan and Regina Andrews

Monday, October 15, Saint Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

7:00 am Elena Annarummo, Memorial Mass
-requested by Pat and Sal Annarummo

Tuesday, October 16, Weekday

7:00 am Anthony Bernardo, MD, Memorial Mass
-requested by Pat and Sal Annarummo

Wednesday, October 17, Saint Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr

7:00 am Robert Fisher, Memorial Mass
-requested by Pat and Sal Annarummo

Thursday, October 18, Saint Luke, Evangelist

7:00 am Mass

Friday, October 19, Saints John de Brebeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests and Companions, Martyrs

7:00 am Barbara Rogers, birthday remembrance

Next Weekend Masses

Saturday, October 20, Vigil: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 pm Edward W. Lawlor, wedding ann. remembrance
-requested by his family

Sunday, October 21, 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am Luise Fogarty, 1st anniversary
-requested by John Paul and Helen Shearer

11:00 am Deceased Members of the Elmhurst Alumni Association

WEEKLY SACRIFICIAL GIVING REPORT

October 7, 2012

# of Budget Envelopes Used This Week	72
Contributions-Budgets and Checks	\$ 3,306
Loose Contributions	\$ 514
Total Offertory	\$ 3,820
Seminarian Education	\$ 1,167

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

St. Thomas Aquinas calls prudence the queen of the virtues. Prudence is that cardinal virtue which assists us achieve our final goal of the moral life; our union with God. Prudence guides us to acquire informed knowledge and then assists us to using the other virtues and the Gifts of the Spirit. In a most brief summary, our exercise of prudence in the moral life involves three acts: taking **counsel**, making a **judgment**, and then positing a **moral action**.

The estimated date of *The Book of Wisdom* is sometime in the first century B.C. (ca. 75BC). In Chapter 7, the sacred writer opines on his birth and mortality like that of every other person. His prayer is for prudence and wisdom so as to understand the eternal love of God. The desire for living the moral life is contained in this Wisdom Tradition of the Hebrew Scriptures... "*For God loves nothing more than the one who dwells in wisdom*" (Wis. 7:28).

The man in today's Gospel seems to have desired and lived according to the Law. He appears to have learned this from his youth (counsel), and made a judgment ("What must I *do* to inherit eternal life?"). Notice, the man, who Jesus looked at with love, then chose not to *act* when invited to do so. Jesus said to him: "There is one thing more that *you* must do... go, sell, and then follow." I pondered what ever happened to this man. What happens when we are invited by prudence and wisdom but do not act?

The Gospel of the Rich Man sets up a graphic image of the internal tension of desperately clinging to possessions while at the same time being attracted to Jesus. Biblical scholars have discussed today's Gospel saying of the *camel* passing through the *eye of the needle* saying for years. Was a vowel in the word "camel" (*kamilos*) miscopied, thus making the word "rope" (*kamêlos*)? The discussion gets very interesting for scholars on these sorts of things! The prudent use of passing possessions is at the very heart of the matter.

We exercise prudence in other realities, too; such as choosing a school/university, vocational discernment, deciding on a career, and even our personal, family, and parish financial decisions. Prudence is needed on all levels of the journey; she points us to the way that leads us to God.

God's peace to you!

Msgr. Darcy

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YEAR OF FAITH
October 11, 2012—November 24, 2012

Pope Benedict inaugurated a Year of Faith on October 11th. It is a call to a new evangelization of the Church.

FOR WOMEN ONLY"

The women of Saint Sebastian's are invited to a presentation on authentic femininity by local author, Genevieve Kineke. Bringing a fresh and inclusive view to the topic, her message has been enthusiastically received by audiences of all ages. Prepare to be surprised and inspired as we discuss its application to our everyday lives. Genevieve will be with us **this Monday, October 15th at 7:00 pm.**

SAVE THE DATE DURING THE YEAR OF FAITH:

MUSLIM-CHRISTIAN RELATIONS presented by Dr. Sandra Keating of Providence College on Sunday, **November 18th at 6:30 pm.**

ONE SUNDAY FOR THE WHOLE WORLD

Next Sunday, Pope Benedict XVI calls every Catholic in the world to celebrate our vocation to be missionary. It's World Mission Sunday!

As Catholics around the world — here at home and in the Missions — gather at the Eucharist around the table of the Lord, we are to pray for the Church's worldwide missionary work. We pray for those awaiting the "Good News" of our Lord's great love for us and for the missionaries who offer the poor and suffering the light of Christ. And we are to offer financial help through the Society for the Propagation of the Faith for more than 1,150 dioceses in Asia, Africa, Latin America and the Pacific Islands.

PARISH BOOK CLUB

St. Sebastian Book Club will meet on Wednesday, October 17th at 7:30 pm in the Fr. Randall Room to discuss Fahrenheit 451 by R. Bradbury.

Subsequently:

November 14th P.G. Wodehouse, A Damsel in Distress

December 12th J. Austen, Persuasion



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

Denise Walker, Beverly DiLello, Kathy McCaughey, Deborah Bessette, Peggy Corrigan, Beatrice Calvo Crozier, and Vilma O'Connor.

Please contact the rectory if you would like to add a person to our prayers.

BISHOP HENDRICKEN OPEN HOUSE

Bishop Hendricken High School will hold an Open House on Sunday, October 21st from noon to 3:00 pm. Information on the academics, college placement, athletic and extracurricular activities will be available. For more information or to pre-register, please call the Admissions Office at 739-3450, ext. 162.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

The next meeting of our Prayer Shawl Ministry will be THIS Tuesday October 16th in the Fr. Randall Room. We're continuing to make prayer shawls but will be discussing ideas and patterns for small Baptism Blankets which will be given to our newest parishioners when they are baptized. Call Pat Capece 274-8632 or Elaine Kehoe 273-4259 with ideas or questions. Please join us in this lovely way to spread joy to others.

THIS WEEK AT ST. SEBASTIAN CHURCH

Sun.	10/14	Religious Ed Grades 6-8	10:00 am
		Religious Ed Grades 9-10	6:30 pm
Mon.	10/15	Religious Ed Grades 1-5	3:30 pm
		"For Women Only"	7:00 pm
Tues	10/16	Prayer Shawl Ministry	7:00 pm
Wed.	10/17	Parish Book Club	7:30 pm
Thur.	10/18	Choir Rehearsal	7:00 pm

OUR CHILDREN'S LITURGY takes place during each Sunday's 9:00 Mass. Mature children ages 3-10 are invited to participate. We had such a great turn outlast year and are hoping for more children to join us this year.

BABYSITTING SERVICES are available at Sunday's 9:00 Mass. Anyone interested in this service may bring your child/children (ages 2 & 3) down to the church hall stage area before Mass begins.