

Church of St. Sebastian
October 16, 2011—Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Scheduled Masses For This Week

Saturday, October 15, Vigil: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 pm Thank you for your prayers
 -requested by Betty Mullaney

Sunday, October 16, 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am For the People
 11:00 am Edward & Helen Lawlor, wedding anniversary remembrance
 -requested by their family

Monday, October 17, Saint Ignatius of Antioch, bishop and martyr

7:00 am Mass

Tuesday, October 18, Saint Luke, evangelist

7:00 am Mass

Wednesday, October 19, Saint John de Brebeuf and Saint Isaac Jogues, priests and martyrs

7:00 am Barbara Rogers, birthday remembrance
 -requested by her daughter Nancy

Thursday, October 20, Weekday

7:00 am Robert Fox
 -requested by Sal and Pat Annarummo

Friday, October 21, Weekday

7:00 am Mass

Next Weekend Masses

Saturday, October 22, Vigil: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 pm James Pizzuti
 -requested by Elizabeth Dugan

Sunday, October 23, 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am Mass
 11:00 am For the People



WEEKLY SACRIFICIAL GIVING REPORT

October 8/9, 2011

# of Budget Envelopes Used This Week	73
Contributions-Budgets and Checks	\$3,355
Loose Contributions	\$ 570
Total Offertory	\$3,925
Monthly Maintenance	\$1,464

Please consider enrolling in *Parish Giving*, our electronic stewardship program for parish contributions. You can register online at www.Parishgiving.com or on our parish website at www.stsebastianri.org.

THE PASTOR'S CORNER

Looks like something's happening at the rectory! As you can see, the staging is up and the emergency repairs have begun on our tired and failing rectory roof. The contractor tells me that the project will take 2-3 weeks. One never knows how much underlying damage has occurred with water infiltration. *Let's pray there are no real surprises up there!*

The emergency fund project is proceeding very well, but we need everyone one to participate as members of this faith community. My sincere thank you to all those who have already donated to this roof repair fund.

One thing that keeps coming to me in prayer is a *Prayer Shawl Ministry*. I think it would be a very meaningful way to show our prayerful support for babies on their baptism day, for those who are grieving, and for our parishioners and others in nursing homes, assisted living, and rehabilitation centers in the area. The shawl is meant to surround a person with the prayers and warmth of our parish. Think about it... could you knit or crochet a small shawl at home, or with others here at the parish? Is it a ministry that would be possible for some parishioners? If so, please contact the rectory by phone or email (office@stsebastianri.org).

Finally, today's First Reading from Isaiah is one of the very first historical references in the Hebrew Scriptures of monotheism; "*I am the Lord and there is no other.*" The theological development of 'the One God' is shared by the three great monotheistic religions: Judaism, Christianity, and Islam. Our faith appreciation of this is clearly expressed in new the translation of Eucharistic Prayer IV in the Roman Missal: "you are the **one God** living and true, existing before all ages and abiding for all eternity, dwelling in unapproachable light; yet you, who **alone** are good, the source of life, have made all that is, so that you might fill your creatures with blessings and bring joy to many of them by the glory of your light...." There's more to come....

Have a good week.
 Msgr. Darcy

Our Lady's Candle burns this week in remembrance of the wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lawlor as requested by their family.

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SAVE YOUR OLD COATS!!

The parishioners of St. Sebastian Church will once again be taking part in the "Buy Nothing Day—Winter Coat Exchange" on November 25th on the State House Lawn. Save your old unwanted coats now for collection in the Church in November. Thank you for your generosity!

CHOIR REHEARSALS—PRAISE THE LORD!

Parishioners who would like to assist in the ministry of music are cordially invited to sing at our 11:00 am Sunday Mass and at the major solemnities of the Church Year. Our small volunteer parish choir needs voices in all vocal ranges. Rehearsals are held each Thursday at 7:30 pm in the Fr. Randall Room. Please speak with Bill Cooper, the organist/director after any Mass or call him at 258-2023 for more information.

PARISH BOOK CLUB

The Parish Book Club will meet THIS Wednesday October 19th at 7:30 pm in the Father Randall Room to discuss Père (Fr.) Goriot (Old Goriot) by Honoré de Balzac. New members are always welcome!

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

A Children's Liturgy of the Word will be held each Sunday during the 9:00 am Mass. Catechists, a few parents, and the children will retire to the Fr. Randall Room for their lesson, and return at the Profession of Faith. Many thanks to Ms. Marie and the volunteers who have offered to restart this education program for our little parishioners.

OCTOBER IS "CATCH UP" MONTH

During this month, please use the special envelope in your budget packet or drop a check in the first collection basket to "catch up" any weeks you may have missed this past year. Unfortunately, we cannot miss any of our monthly bills during the year and appreciate your help in meeting expenses.

Thank you to all parishioners who have already made up their budgets. Your contributions are greatly appreciated!

ST. SEBASTIAN EMERGENCY REPAIR FUND

The Emergency Fund is at an amazing \$24,355 from 34 donors! As you can see the roof repairs have begun and will last for about two to three weeks. ***It is very important that every family or individual step up to the plate and help with these emergency repairs.*** "THANK YOU" to those who have made their sacrificial gift for this campaign. Please return your intention card by October 30th in the collection basket or to the rectory. Your major gift can be extended over six months if you so chose.

OPEN HOUSE AT CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

LaSalle Academy

High School and PEGASUS 7/8

Sunday, October 16th, 1:00 pm

Entrance Exam for High School only: Saturday, December 3 at 8:00 am.

Questions: Call George Aldrich, Director of Admissions, 351-7750, ext 122

Bishop Keough High School

Sunday, October 16th from 1:00 to 3:00 pm. 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

Bishop Hendricken

October 23rd from noon to 3:00 pm. The program will begin with a presentation by the President and Director of Admissions at 12:15 pm, followed by tours of the school. Information on the academics, college placement, athletic and extracurricular activities will be available. The entrance exam for prospective freshmen and sophomore transfers will be held on Saturday, December 3rd at 8:30 am. For ore information or to pre-register, please call the Admissions Office at 739-3450, ext 162.

THIS WEEK AT ST. SEBASTIAN CHURCH

Sun.	10/16	Religious Education	10:00 am
		Coffee Hour	10:00 am
		Religious Education	6:30 pm
Mon.	10/17	Religious Education	3:30 pm
Wed..	10/19	Parish Book Club	7:30 pm
Thur.	10/20	Choir Rehearsal	7:30 pm



 **HAUNTED LABYRINTH** 

 Open every Friday-Sunday night in October from 

 7:30 pm until the last person screams. Admission is 

 \$10.00 per person. Rejoice in Hope Youth Center, 

 804 Dyer Avenue, Cranston, RI 943-8686 or 

 www.hauntedlabyrinth.com. Rain or Shine/Indoor 

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