

Church of St. Sebastian
March 4, 2018 - Third Sunday of Lent

MASS INTENTIONS

SAT., MARCH 3, VIGIL: THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

5:00 pm INTENTIONS OF PARISHIONERS

SUN., MARCH 4, THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

9:00 am JONI KLEIN, requested by nephew Nick Nissen

11:00 am LEONARD TO MURPHY, month's mind,
requested by the McCormick family

Monday, MARCH 5

7:00 am VICTIMS OF PARKLAND FLORIDA SCHOOL SHOOTING

5:30 pm FR. WILLIAM LAWLESS

Tuesday, MARCH 6

7:00 am RACHEL SOUSA BAXTER, 3rd anniversary,
requested by Al and Barbara Badre

7.25 am Novena Prayers - Our Lady of Perpetual Help

5:30 pm FR. JEROME FIORETTI

Wednesday, MARCH 7

7:00 am EDNA McLAUGHLIN & FAMILY, BEQUEST

5:30 pm SICK OF THE PARISH

Thursday, MARCH 8

7:00 am INTENTIONS OF PARISHIONERS

5:30 pm FR. JOSEPH SANTURRI

Friday, MARCH 9

7:00 am FOR THE HEALTH OF TONY BRITO AND THE
INTENTIONS OF MARIE BRITO, req. by
Leonard and Joanne Rabatin

5:30 pm FR. RUSSELL B PAGE

6:00 pm STATIONS OF THE CROSS

SAT., MARCH 10, VIGIL: FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

5:00 pm Mass

SUN., MARCH 11, FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

9:00 am ANNE M. DANIELS, 12th anniversary, requested
by her family

11:00 am ROBERT CANUEL, 2nd anniversary, requested
by his family

Our Lady's Candle intention: Rachel Sousa Baxter, 3rd anniversary, requested by Pat & Sal Annarummo.

My dear parishioners,

As the Catholic Charity Appeal continues, here are some interesting facts:

If your salary is \$60,000 a year, you are richer than 99% of the people in the world. Yes, that makes you part of the "1%". If you make \$22,000 a year you are in the top 10% of the wealthiest people in the world. There's no way for us to avoid the truth that Jesus is talking to us: all things considered, we are wealthy.

Jesus doesn't condemn us for our wealth, but he does call us to remember the uncertainty of riches and to rely on the God who is the source of all we have, who "provides us with everything for our enjoyment" (1 Timothy 6:17). We will not be judged by our material possessions but we will be judged on the ways we choose to make use of them.

Those who are "rich in good deeds: (1 Timothy 6:18) are promised the reward of the Kingdom; those who are rich in the eyes of the world are promised nothing beyond what they already enjoy.

May God bless the spirit of generosity in which we respond to the Catholic Charity Fund, and to all the many ways in which we live out Jesus' commandments of love and service in our lives, knowing that "the measure we give to others will be the measure we receive from God."

--Monsignor Montecalvo

*Let us pray for the repose of the souls of
Edna McLaughlin and family
whose love for our parish was shown in a
bequest to St. Sebastian Church.
We remember them in gratitude and offer
Wednesday's 7 am Mass for them this week.
May they rest in the peace of the Lord.*

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Prayers are asked for these friends, family, and fellow parishioners. If you would like someone included in the Prayers for the Sick please call the rectory. **Diane C., Susan Porter, Leah Davis, Natalie Swift, Frances Geary, John Haddad, Robert Calso, Kathy D'Amico, Myra Werman, Diane Lakeland, Fr. Robert Beloin. Carol O., Sandy C., Bob, and Bob K.**

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2018
CATHOLIC CHARITY APPEAL
Supporting the work of the Church

The Catholic Charity Appeal is the main source of support for our diocesan agencies providing for the physical, educational, and spiritual needs of Rhode Islanders each year.

It is our responsibility to ensure that these agencies and programs have the resources available to help our brothers and sisters in need.



Deacon Patrick Moynihan, President of The Haitian Project, will assist and preach at the Saturday, March 17th 5 pm Mass and at the Sunday March 18th 9 am and 11 am Masses. For over two decades, St. Sebastian Parish and its parishioners have generously supported The Haitian Project, which through its support of Louverture Cleary School, provides top-notch, Catholic, tuition-free secondary education for academically gifted students from Haitian families who cannot afford the cost of their children's education. **Donation envelopes will be placed in church pews for contributions to The Haitian Project.**

Please join Deacon Moynihan and THP Staff for receptions after 5 pm and 9 am Masses to learn more about how education is ending poverty for Louverture Cleary School students and hear THP's vision for the future. Thank you for your continued support!

Parish Meetings and Activities

3/4	Rel. Ed. , Grades 6-8	10 am	Classrooms
3/5	Rel. Ed. Grades 1-5	4 pm	Classrooms
3/6	Prayer Shawl Ministry	7 pm	Fr. Randall Rm

ANNUAL LENTEN SANDWICH DRIVE IN MARCH

The Outreach Committee is seeking volunteers for our annual sandwich drive to benefit Emmanuel House. Each Sunday in March we ask parishioners to make between 5 and 10 hearty sandwiches and bring them to church before the 11 am Mass. An Outreach member will deliver them to Emmanuel House in time for lunch. Feel free to add fruit, chips, cookies, or other snacks to your donation. Sign up sheets are in the vestibule. This is an excellent Lenten family project.

LENTEN PROJECT — IMMIGRATION & REFUGEE SERVICES

The Community Outreach Committee will continue to collect items during Lent for the Diocese of Providence's Immigration & Refugee Services to welcome refugee families who arrive in Rhode Island. The items needed are toiletries (toilet paper, soap, toothpaste, shampoo etc.), cleaning supplies (mop, broom, waste basket, trash bags, etc.) baby products (diapers, bottles, powder, lotion, etc.) and school supplies (notebooks, pens/pencils, backpacks, etc.). Kindly place the items in the green bin located in the vestibule. Any questions, contact Karin Schrott at 401-465-7444 or karinschrott@gmail.com. Thank you for your kindness and support of our Lenten projects.

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CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Wasn't the Christmas play outstanding? I would like to continue to have the children practice and sing at the 9 am Sunday Masses. The parish is blessed to have two young talented college women who are willing to continue with the Children's Choir.

Right after the 9:00 am Mass please have your child/children remain in the church for a 15 minute practice. We need your cooperation and help.

Parish Finances: February 25, 2018

Contributions at Mass	\$ 4,143.00
Online Parish Giving	\$ 671.00
Total Contributions	\$ 4,814.00

Parish Expenses **\$ 5,925.00**

A sincere thank you for your continued support!

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

ALL FRIDAYS DURING LENT ARE MEATLESS!