

Church of St. Sebastian
March 11, 2018 - Fourth Sunday of Lent

February 26, 2018

MASS INTENTIONS

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

Monday, MARCH 12

7:00 am INTENTIONS OF PARISHIONERS

5:30 pm SOULS OF THE PARISH

Tuesday, MARCH 13

7:00 am SICK OF THE PARISH

7.25 am Novena Prayers - Our Lady of Perpetual Help

5:30 pm Mass

Wednesday, MARCH 14

7:00 am INCREASE IN VOCATIONS

5:30 pm ELECTRA GALLAGHER and ANN WEIR, memorial Mass

Thursday, MARCH 15

7:00 am GEORGE JOHNSON, BEQUEST

5:30 pm Mass

Friday, MARCH 16

7:00 am Mass

5:30 pm ELIZABETH SULLIVAN TERRY, 25th anniversary, req. by Catherine Taylor and family

6:00 pm STATIONS OF THE CROSS

SAT., MARCH 17, VIGIL: FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

5:00 pm INTENTIONS OF PARISHIONERS

SUN., MARCH 18, FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

9:00 am Mass

11:00 am Mass

Dear Monsignor Montecalvo:

This letter is official confirmation that your request to retire as Pastor of St. Sebastian Parish, Providence, has been approved to be effective July 1, 2018. You may announce this to your parishioners at your convenience.

I take this opportunity to express, in my own name and on behalf of the Church in the Diocese of Providence, our profound gratitude for your dedicated priestly ministry. Your service to the Church and the pastoral care you have extended to your parishioners throughout the years have manifested the presence and care of Jesus Christ, the Good Shepard. I hope that you will be willing and able to continuing exercising your priestly ministry in other ways as your health permits. Your prayerful presence among us will be a true blessing for our Diocesan Church.

Again, thank you for your devoted service as a Priest of the Lord Jesus. May God bless you with much health and happiness, grace and peace now and the days and years to come.

With personal and prayerful best wishes, I remain,

Sincerely yours,
Thomas J. Tobin
Bishop of Providence

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*Let us pray for the repose of the souls of
George Johnson
whose love for our parish was shown in a
bequest to St. Sebastian Church.
We remember him in gratitude and offer
Thursday's 7 am Mass for him this week.
May he rest in the peace of the Lord.*

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Your gift to the 2018 Catholic Charity Appeal reaches out to countless people in need throughout our diocese. No matter where you turn, you find someone who will benefit from your kindness. Please consider pledging your support today.

Parish Goal \$79,822 # of Registered Parish Families 301
 Actual to date: \$29,355 # of Cash Gifts: 52
 Amount still needed: \$50,487 # of Pledge Gifts: 20

Morning of Recollection for Women

Women from any parish are invited to the monthly Morning of Recollection, this Thursday, March 15th, here at St. Sebastian's from 9:30 am to 12 noon.

These recollections are opportunities to spend quiet time with Christ in prayer. They include two meditations by a priest of Opus Dei, and a talk by a lay woman about a practical aspect of living our faith. Confessions are available and Mass is offered at 11:30 am. If you need onsite child care, contact Mary at 646-453-9345.

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.*

Parish Meetings and Activities

3/11	NO CCD CLASSES		
	Community Outreach	10 am	Church Hall
3/12	NO CCD CLASSES		
3/15	Opus Dei for Women	10 am	Church
3/16	Stations of the Cross	6 pm	Church
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.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

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: March 4, 2018

Contributions at Mass	\$ 6,258.00
Online Parish Giving	\$ 2,332.00
Total Contributions	\$ 8,590.00

Parish Expenses \$ 6,289.00

Monthly Maintenance Collection \$ 1,315.00

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!