

Church of St. Sebastian
July 15, 2018 - 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS INTENTIONS

SAT. JULY 14, Vigil: 15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00 pm PRO POPULO

SUNDAY, July 15, 15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 am MASS

11:00 am JENNY & ALEX CALEDA, requested by
Belle Calenda

Monday, JULY 16

7:00 am MASS

Tuesday, JULY 17

7:00 am INTENTIONS OF THE PARISH

7.25 am Novena Prayers - Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Wednesday, JULY 18 , Saint Benedict, Abbot

7:00 am JEREMY GRAVELL, month's mind, req. by
Sean & Mary Brennan

Thursday, JULY 19

7:00 am Mass

Friday, JULY 20

7:00 am JOHN A. O'NEILL, JR. , req. by brother James

SAT. JULY 21, Vigil: 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00 pm EVELYN MASTRIANO, 6TH anniversary, req. by
her family

SUNDAY, July 22, 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 am JOANNE HOFFMAN, 1st anniversary, req. by
James & Susan Nagle

11:00 am PRO POPULO

PARISH FINANCES: JULY 1 & 8, 2018

WEEKLY PARISH COLLECTIONS

Weekend Mass Donations	\$ 7,143.00
Online Parish Giving	\$ 1,486.00
Total Offertory	\$ 8,629.00

MONTHLY MAINTENANCE **\$ 951.00**

DIOCESAN COLLECTION **\$ 476.00**

PARISH EXPENSES PAID **\$12,792.72**

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.

From Father Jordan

My Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

May the Grace of our Lord remain always with us!

As a young Dominican, a very wise Dominican Sister said to me, *when you leave an assignment the last thing you put in your trunk is heart. When you arrive at your new mission, the first thing you unpack is your heart!* Since arriving at Saint Sebastian, Sister's words ring deeply within my heart. You have welcomed me so warmly; I feel very much at home; and my heart is humbled to be among you!

Hearts that are welcomed and made to feel at ease are open to new possibilities, able to dream with a bright new vision, which leads to something greater than we have ever imagined.

A very large part of my heart is centered upon the passing on of our faith to our children. My heart filled with joy as I saw so many children with their parents at the 9:00 am Mass last Sunday! The voices of our youngest parishioners proclaim that God is faithfully present in our midst. What will we give our children not only to face, but even more, to conquer the greatest challenges of life? The most profound gift we to this question can only be our faith, and a personal encounter with Jesus Christ!

At Saint Sebastian a very important way by which we bring our children to know, love, and serve Our Lord is through our Religious Education Program. I know I have only been here three weeks, but the number of children I see at Mass appears much larger than the number of children in Catholic Schools or registered in our Religious Education Program. ***Have you registered your children for Religious Ed?*** If you haven't, please do. I have had several conversations this week about the possibility of bringing the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) to Saint Sebastian: we may have a class for our wee ones (3 -6) for the fall!! Pray for this special intention, please!

However, we are not all children! Adult Faith Formation is equally important!! I want to continue as well as increase, the Faith Formation offerings for adults.

I will miss being with all of you this weekend, but you are in great hands with Father Michael O'Connor.

Until we meet at the altar: *O Mary, conceived with out sin, pray for us, who have recourse to Thee!*

In the Lord,
Fr. Jordan, OP

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The St. Sebastian Religious Education Program is looking for 3 teachers, one each for Grades 2, 4, and 7. If you or anyone you know is interested, please contact Ms. Marie Brito as soon as possible at msmarie06.stseb@gmail.com Thank you and God bless you. Ms. Marie

EACH ONE, REACH ONE!

Have you ever had an invitation change your life for the good? I have to: to become a Dominican Friar. I urge you to invite a friend to come to Mass with you here at Saint Sebastian! The best way to grow is for **“each one, to reach one!”** Invite someone to come to Mass with you next weekend.

SUMMERTIME CHARITABLE GIVING

Ordinary expenses continue even in the lazy summer months. Please, don't forget the parish if you are fortunate to relocate for the summer. The easiest way is through electronic giving. It helps stabilize our budget. It's easy, convenient, and safe.

Take a serious look it at: www.Parishgiving.org or call the rectory for more information.



***CELEBRATING, REMEMBERING, JUST BECAUSE
OR SIMPLY ALTAR FLOWERS***

I love flowers! Flowers lift my spirit; flowers remind me of dear friends who loved flowers; flowers are one of the easy ways I celebrate whatever or whoever. And, flowers in Church can bring me before God! After all, shouldn't the author of Beauty be surrounded by that what is most Beautiful and worthy of the Mysteries they celebrate?

For a contribution of \$50 or more flowers will be placed either in front of the Main Altar, the Blessed Sacrament, or Our Lady of Perpetual Help. The bulletin will note that the Altar Flowers this week are given in memory of; in celebration of; the birth of our new Grandchild. Please contact Mary Brennan or Fr. Jordan for more information.

LORD, WHO IS MY NEIGHBOR?

Pictures of our happy neighbors at the Evergreen Nursing Home in East Providence who received our donation of 24 prayer shawls are on the bulletin board on the right as you enter church. Take a look and share the joy.



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.

Jim Moy, Lauren M. Whatmough, Diane C., Susan Porter, Leah Davis, Natalie Swift,, Frances Geary, John Haddad, Myra Werman, Fr. Robert Beloin. Carol O., Sandy C., Bob, and Bob K.

Registrations for the Fall Religious Education classes are now taking place. Forms for NEW Students and for RETURNING Students can be found on our Parish Website under Religious Education. Please fill in the appropriate form and sent it along with the \$30 registration fee to the address found at the top of the forms, Attn. Ms. Marie Brito.