

# Third Sunday of Lent

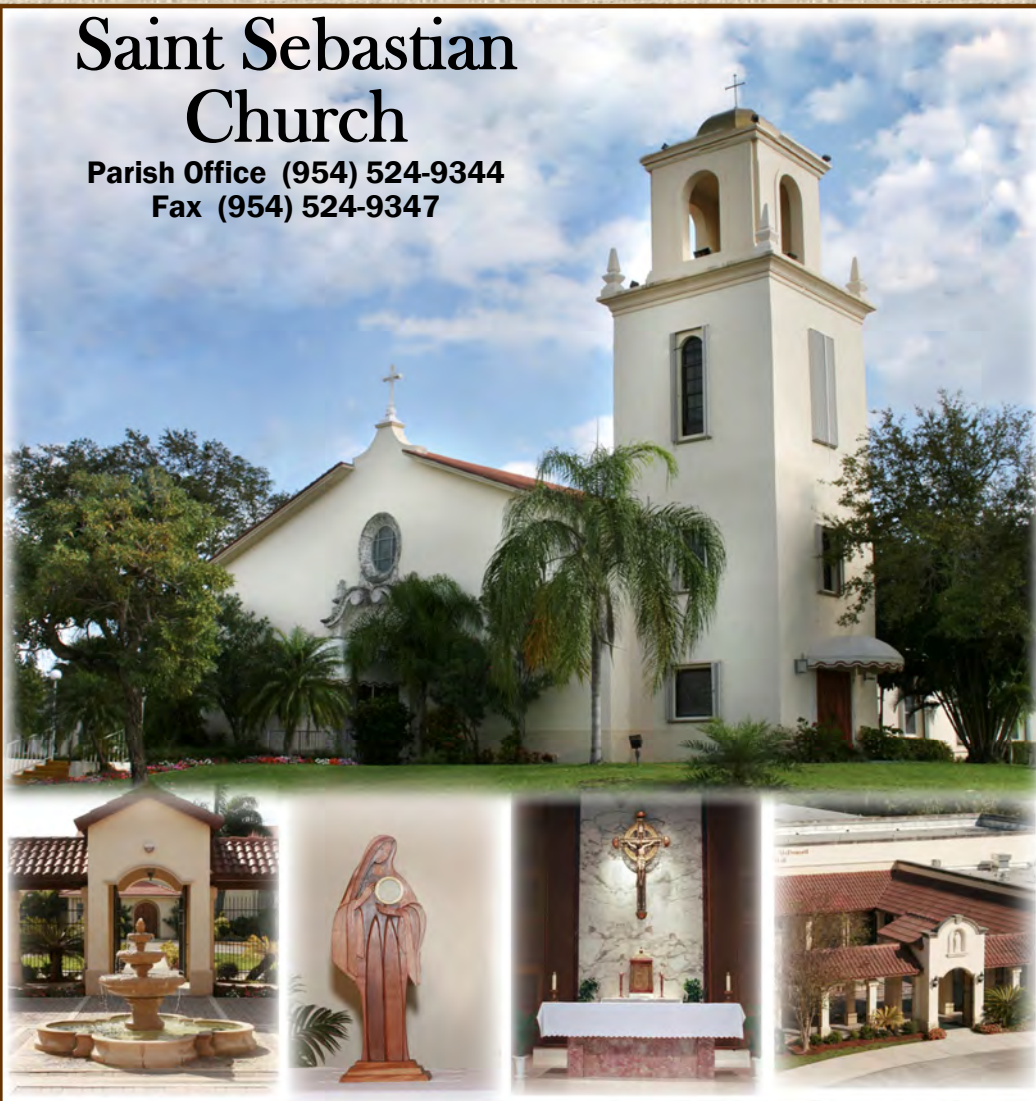
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### MASSES

Saturday 5 pm

(Sunday Vigil)

Sunday 8:30 & 11 am

Weekdays 8:00 am

(Mon. through Fri.)

Holy Days

(Schedule varies)

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## Mission Statement

We, the family of St. Sebastian Parish, are a stewardship parish, sharing God's Gifts. We are the hands and feet of Christ on Earth. In union with the Universal Roman Catholic Church, we endeavor to become a prayerful and unified community deeply committed to Jesus Christ, and loving service in His name. We hope to be a welcoming, caring and friendly Parish Family, wherein the gifts and talents of all - young and old - are recognized, nurtured and used to build the Kingdom of God in the world.

### THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

is arranged by appointment. Please call the office.

### THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

(Confession) 4:00-4:45 pm on Saturday, or by appointment.

### THE SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Please call the office as soon as anyone is seriously ill.

### THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Please call the office at least six months in advance of the proposed wedding date.

**PARISH REGISTRATION** We invite anyone wishing to register in our Parish to visit or call the Parish Office, or stop by the Welcome table when you come for Sunday Mass to complete a census card and learn more about our Parish Family.



Dear Family,

Last Sunday my brother and sister-in-law, Pete and Carolyn came for Mass and lunch and then we sat in the rectory for another hour and talked some more, something we just don't do often enough. Among other things, we talked about how age is giving us evolving perspectives about things. I'm sure that idea is no revelation to a great majority of you at St. Sebastian.

I mention it here, because as I looked over the scriptures for today's liturgy - remember I am writing this last Monday the 9<sup>th</sup> our conversation came rolling back. For some reason, Romans struck me in what seemed to be new ways. I knew the words, but they meant more...

"hope does not disappoint..."

"the love of God has been poured out in our hearts..."

"while we were still sinners Christ died for us."

That sure seems like very good news to think about as we go through all the preoccupation with the coronavirus and the like. (By the way, buy stock in Purell. We got a case.)

Exodus told us today that God can make water flow from rocks, even in the face of a grumbling people. That sounds encouraging as we pray for the living waters of healing that the Samaritan woman wanted. It turned out she got a whole lot more, and we should expect no less because that's what God promised.

One way we know we are in the flow of God's love is if we let him use us. That's what those two purple banners flying on either side of our entrance circle are all about: The PFA Challenge. PFA, the holy works of Lent: **Prayer, Fasting and Alms-giving**.

I know many of you took the Rice Bowls to put on the dining room table. You can put change as well as maybe the price of one meal a week in those cartons and bring the carton it back on Palm

Sunday. We send the money to Catholic Relief Services for their great outreach around the world.

But don't forget the other parts of Prayer and Fasting. It's not too far into Lent to pick a time to prayer over a bible verse each day. Go look for that old prayer you have someplace and rediscover a prayer that meant something to you. Do you have a stack of memorial cards for folks who have died? Get them out and pray for those folks anew.

The fasting, the "giving up something" for Lent, tries to jar us out of our normal ruts. Did you ever think about fasting from some activity? The fasting from what you are used to doing creates space for something else. Doing something different - *or not doing something*, leaves us room to see something from a different perspective.

I've mailed in my March ballot, so I am now fasting from politics. (These days all I do is get mad, anyway.) I'll take that time, like I said a couple of weeks ago, to look through some notes of thoughts I've recorded during some past retreats.

If all this sounds very holy, don't be fooled. If it's any consolation, much of my personal expectations are very aspirational on many days. But... we work while the light lasts...

Some of you who feasted at our 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary dinner at Tropical Acres may remember that you took the time to write a few thoughts about a good memory in your parish life, and also what you hope can happen in the next 60 years. Ed Rebholz, our new Men's Club leader, took those thoughts and suggestions and did a nice job of summarizing them. I have all your notes and his summary sitting on my desk. From time to time I'll share them. I really appreciate all of you who took the time to write on that wonderful night.

**Be Creative with your FPA Challenge!!!**

In Jesus,

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### Mass Intentions

<b>Saturday</b> 5:00 pm	<b>March 14</b> † Dominick Romano, req. by Bill & Ellie Loughran Intention of Facarazzo Family, req. by Tricia LaPerch
<b>Sunday</b> 8:30 am	<b>March 15</b> † William Mullooly, req. by M.L. Toomey † Dan Howley, req. by Judy & Joe Kelly Intention of Charlotte Newbury, req. by Cowgill Family
11:00 am	Living and Deceased of our Parish
<b>Monday</b> 8:00 am	<b>March 16</b> † Kevin Geraghty, req. by Geraghty Family † Willard Jarchow, req. by Family † Michael & John McHugh, req. by Valerie & Richard
<b>Tuesday</b> 8:00 am	<b>March 17</b> † Msgr. Pat McDonnell, req. by Maher Family † Grace & Murray Toomey, req. by M.L. Toomey Intention of Barry Hogan, req. by Marcia
<b>Wednesday</b> 8:00 am	<b>March 18</b> Intention of Suzanne Plum, req. by Mom & Dad Intention of Tricia LaPerch, req. by Mary Ann LaPerch Special Intention
<b>Thursday</b> 8:00 am	<b>March 19</b> † Joseph Mamana, req. by Mary Rubino Family Intention of Jim Cappa, req. by Tricia LaPerch
<b>Friday</b> 8:00 am	<b>March 20</b> † Mary Lou Makey, req. by Peg Claeys Intention of Cooney Family
<b>Saturday</b> 5:00 pm	<b>March 21</b> † Patrick & Nelly O'Connor, req. by Christopher O'Connor † Dick Reed, req. by Connie † Kathleen Madden, req. by The Hero's
<b>Sunday</b> 8:30 am	<b>March 22</b> † Charles & Marie Maher, req. by Family † Sara Martinez, req. by Family Intention of Jim Cowgill, req. by Joan Morris
11:00 am	Living and Deceased of our Parish

### REMEMBER THE SICK

Donn Taylor, Colt Becker, Nanchine McManus, Robert Real,

Mary Lou Mann, Peggy Lynch, Denise Bergeron, John Orozco, Suzanne Plum, Don Loughran, Jr., Joel Rivera, Hayden O'Connor, Jim Cowgill, Jr., Tiffany Malin, John Graff, Elizabeth Shotmeyer, Peter Hanna, Sandy Rodriguez, Nilsa Pagan, Grayson Jack, Lee Rodriguez, Noah Austin, Tommy Greene, Agatha Taglienti, Regan Gallo, John Masna, Bharti Patel, Beverly Bang, Margaret Reitz, Helena Hughes, Donna Wasowicz, David Hmielewski, Sister Marguerite McGilly, Frances Rohleder, John Harris, Stephen Black

### STATIONS & SIMPLE SUPPER

Stations of the Cross will be held on Friday at 6:00 pm in the church, followed by Simple Supper in the Parish Hall. You are encouraged to avail yourself to this Lenten devotion.

### SAVE THE DATE ...

- March 20-22** - Women's Retreat
- March 21-22** - St. Vincent de Paul truck scheduled to be in our parking lot
- March 27** - Fish Fry/Raffles
- March 29 - 11:00** - Archbishop Wenski - Special 60th Anniversary Mass & Confirmation.
- March 31** - Cruise deposit due
- April 1-2** - Photo sessions for Directory
- Dec. 5-12** - Parish Cruise— call office for info.



In the month of February, the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry at Blessed Sacrament Church served 580 clients, representing 1348 individuals thanks to your generous donation of food and hygiene items. Thank you for your support. To care is to share!

### WOMEN'S RETREAT

*"Eucharist: Blessed & Broken, Shared & Sent"*  
NEXT WEEKEND, March 20-22. Space is limited; \$50. deposit. To register, call 561.626.1300 or [www.ourladyofflorida.org](http://www.ourladyofflorida.org). Carpool from church.

### BIBLE SHARING...

Thursdays, after Mass in the Parish Hall. We are in the Gospel of Luke, and you are welcome to join us.

### MEN'S CLUB RAFFLE

The Men's Club will be raffling Two JetBlue round trip tickets to any JetBlue location. Tickets will be sold after Masses for \$25.

### CEILI CLUB

The Irish American Ceili Club will hold its annual Appreciation dinner (Shepherd's Pie) for members & friends on Saturday, March 21, 7-11 pm in the Parish Hall. Reserve your meal by 3/16 by calling Patrick @ 754-281-7202 or email: [irish32@aol.com](mailto:irish32@aol.com) with your name & phone #. Music by Sharon & Mike. Admission \$10 for members & \$12. for future members!

### PHOTO DIRECTORY ARE YOU IN?

We are creating a Parish Photo Directory for our 60th Anniversary, so we can "connect the faces with the names" of those we see regularly at Mass and social events and build a greater sense of community. We need the participation of **all** of our parishioners - **including the "snowbirds."** Please take a moment after Mass today, call the office during the week, or go online at: <https://booknow-lifetouch.appointment-plus.com/b722m18q/> to schedule a time to get your photo taken professionally in the Parish Hall. Our next photo sessions will be April 1-2 from 12-7pm. Our goal is to have at least 200 households photographed for the directory, and we're about half way there... **YOUR** participation will help to make this project a success!

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Eucharistic Adoration is held on Friday from 8:30 - 5:00 in our Chapel.

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This area is to be left free for drop-off & emergency vehicles only. Parking is available on the South side of the church. Your cooperation is appreciated.

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