

# Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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## Saint Sebastian Church

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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)

### PARISH STAFF

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### PARISH WEBSITE:

[stsebastianfl.org](http://stsebastianfl.org)

## 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,

Every time I hear the word "Tradition," I think of Zero Mostel singing the song of the same name from "Fiddler on the Roof." No one danced Tevye better than he did. Who better than Zero could help us remember one of our best traditions in the parish, **Oktoberfest**.

This Friday we gather once again to celebrate! Celebrate whatever you like. Fall colors! (In Florida we watch the palm trees turn to a lighter green from the dark greens of summer.) Tapping beer kegs which amazingly appear on time under the careful guidance of our time-tested Brewmeister, Fred Schmid. Grilled sausages of varying types from Grillmeister, Brian McMahon. My personal favorite, a good sauerkraut.

All evolve under the watchful eye of Elli Hurst who manages to gift us with generous occasions for coming together. ...And that's between her world-wide business sojourns; a true Gesellschaftmeisterin. (I think that's German for hostess with the mostest. I hope so.)

Sometimes people get tired of doing the same thing, or eating the same thing, or maybe even *being* the same thing. I've heard that now and then.

Just what it is that keeps things from getting old or boring? At the risk of stating the obvious, I think it's about how much attention we pay to things. If something – or someone - is 'boring,' you might ask yourself, when was the last time you *really* looked at it ...or them.

At this point in my *Twitching*, I leaned back and stopped and thought about different things I haven't really looked at, things I take for granted. I'm saying "things", but I think it's more honest to say, "people". The results aren't great.

Boring might not be the problem either, so much as self-preoccupation. If I'm thinking about me, I'm not paying attention to you.

Either way, whether I let my lack of attention to people and things render me 'bored', or I let myself get into a 'spate of self', either way, how sad.

Today's parable about the judge who "neither feared God nor respected any human being" finds he must pay attention to a widow who is going to drive him nuts until she gets a judgement from him. The story speaks to us of the necessity of persistence in prayer.

For me, the parable also says that active attention on the part of both the judge and the widow will sure keep the case out of the realm of boring. It's the question of *attention*.

So, I hope I'll see you on Friday. I don't think you'll be bored. You should be able to get tickets at the door, although you could have gotten them cheaper if you had bought them ahead of time, *plus* making sure you had a place at the table. Wondering about a seat will keep you from being bored, anyway.

Willkommen!

In Jesus,





## Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Times

### Mass Intentions

<b>Saturday</b> 5:00 pm	<b>October 19</b> † Don Quinn, req. by wife, Frances † Carlos Jaime McFarlane, req. by Sandra Martinez
<b>Sunday</b> 8:30 am	<b>October 20</b> † Charles & Marie Maher, req. by Family † John Barricelli, req. by Sue & Scott Martinez † Victoria Martinez, req. by Sue & Scott Martinez
11:00 am	Living and Deceased of our Parish
<b>Monday</b> 8:00 am	<b>October 21</b> Intention of Estelle Fabian, req. by Judy Fisher
<b>Tuesday</b> 8:00 am	<b>October 22</b> Intention of Susan Albertson
<b>Wednesday</b> 8:00 am	<b>October 23</b> Intention of Sister Marguerite McGilly
<b>Thursday</b> 8:00 am	<b>October 24</b> † Susan Dunn, req. by Nancy Walsh
<b>Friday</b> 8:00 am	<b>October 25</b> Special Intention
<b>Saturday</b> 5:00 pm	<b>October 26</b> † Ralph Lane McGrath, Sr., req. by Dolores & Jack Fink
<b>Sunday</b> 8:30 am	<b>October 27</b> † James Krznar, req. by Paul & Linda DeBold
11:00 am	Living & Deceased of our Parish

### REMEMBER THE SICK

Donn Taylor, Colt Becker, Nanchine McManus, Robert Re-  
al, 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, Nilisa Pagan, Grayson Jack, Lee Rodriguez, Noah Austin, Tommy Greene, Agatha Taglienti, Regan Gallo, Anthony Lekay, Maureen Kelman, John Masna, Joan Ryan, Bharti Patel, Estelle Fabian, Beverly Bang, Margaret Reitz, Marie Barbagallo, Helena Hughes, Donna Wasowicz, David Hmielewski, Sister Marguerite McGilly

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### YOU ARE INVITED...

On Thursdays after Mass we meet over coffee, sharing God's word, our love of Jesus, and our love for each other. Please join us for this informal hour. We are in I & II Thessalonians.

### CARDINAL GIBBONS OPEN HOUSE

Cardinal Gibbons High School Open House is this Sunday, October 20th from 1:30-4:00. Presentations begin promptly at 2:00 pm in the gym. The school is located at 2900 NE 47 Street, Ft. Lauderdale. Website: www.cghsfl.org

### SAVE THE DATE ...

**October 19** - 7pm Ceili (Irish Dance party)  
**October 25** - Oktoberfest  
**October 27** - Bread For The World Sunday  
**November 15** - Respect Life Luncheon  
**November 30-December 7** - Parish  
Cruise  
**December 10** - Nova Singers  
**January 17, 2020** - Parish 60th Anniversary Dinner  
**March 20-22** - Women's Retreat  
**March 27** - Fish Fry



The St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank at Blessed Sacrament Church has asked for our help in providing Thanksgiving dinner for some of their clients. Please consider **donating turkey gravy, stuffing, cranberry sauce, applesauce and instant mashed potatoes during the next several weeks.** Place the items in the grocery carts at the church doors. How fortunate we are to have the means to lend a hand. To care is to share.

### TODAY IS WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

We celebrate this day by remembering our baptismal call—to bring the Gospel to all! The special collection today for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith ensures the work and service of the Mission Church, as it supports priests, religious and lay leaders who offer the Lord's mercy and concrete help to the most vulnerable communities in the Pope's missions. Thank you for your generosity.

### COUNCIL CATHOLIC WOMEN

St. Sebastian Council of Catholic Women meets Friday, November 1 after 8am Mass for brunch and general meeting. We celebrate our 60th anniversary this year with special activities. This month please bring new white cotton socks for the homeless. All ladies of the parish are invited to join us.

## OKTOBERFEST IS THIS FRIDAY!

Our Annual Oktoberfest will be held on **Friday, October 25th**. Doors open with a social hour at 5:30 and dinner is served from 6:30 - 8:00 pm. Dinner tickets for adults are \$15 and for children under 12, \$10 in advance and \$20. for adults/ \$12. children at the door. Reserved tables, which include eight adult dinner tickets and 2 bottles of wine are \$225., in advance only. Tickets are available at the church doors today and in the office during the week.

### WE NEED YOUR HELP...

to decorate, set-up, prep food, bartend, serve and/ or clean up. Please call the office to volunteer.

### HAVE A WONDERFUL WEEK!

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

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**PLEASE**  
Do Not Park in the circle north of the church.

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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