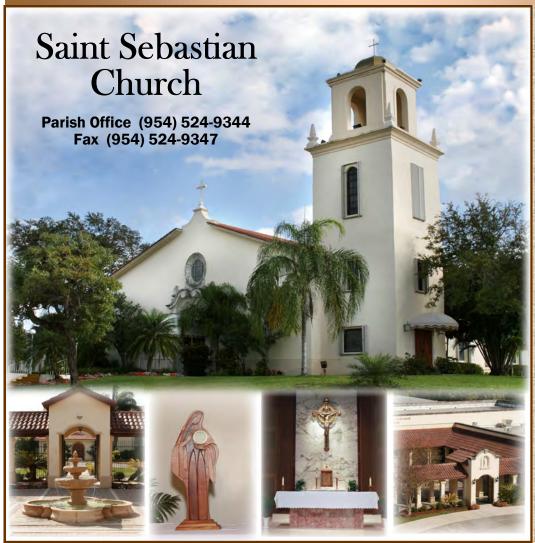
## Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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#### **MASSES**

Saturday 5 pm (Sunday Vigil)

Sunday 8:30 & 11 am

Weekdays 8:30 am (Mon. through Fri.)

Holy Days (Schedule varies)

#### **PARISH STAFF**

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#### **PARISH WEBSITE:**

stsebastianfl.org

#### 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



#### **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.

### From the desk of our Pastor, Father Ernest

#### THE EUCHARIST, WHAT HAPPENS DURING THE MASS?

The Church teaches us that there are two main parts of the Mass: the liturgy of the Word and the liturgy of the Eucharist. So today, let us meditate on the movement of the Celebration of the Eucharist. When we are at Mass, it is very important to know what is going on and be able to participate in a personal manner in that communal prayer.

1348 All gather together. Christians come together in one place for the Eucharistic assembly. At its head is Christ himself, the principal agent of the Eucharist. He is high priest of the New Covenant; it is he himself who presides invisibly over every Eucharistic celebration. It is in representing him that the bishop or priest acting in the person of Christ the head (in persona Christi capitis) presides over the assembly, speaks after the readings, receives the offerings, and says the Eucharistic Prayer. All have their own active parts to play in the celebration, each in his own way: readers, those who bring up the offerings, those who give communion, and the whole people whose "Amen" manifests their participation.

1349 The *Liturgy of the Word* includes "the writings of the prophets," that is, the Old Testament, and "the memoirs of the apostles" (their letters and the Gospels). After the homily, which is an exhortation to accept this Word as what it truly is, the Word of God, and to put it into practice, come the intercessions for all men, according to the Apostle's words: "I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all men, for kings, and all who are in high positions."

1350 The *presentation of the offerings* (the Offertory). Then, sometimes in procession, the bread and wine are brought to the altar; they will be offered by the priest in the name of Christ in the Eucharistic sacrifice in which they will become his body and blood. It is the very action of Christ at the Last Supper - "taking the bread and a cup." "The Church alone offers this pure oblation to the Creator, when she offers what comes forth from his creation with thanksgiving." The presentation of the offerings at the altar takes up the gesture of Melchizedek and commits the Creator's gifts into the hands of Christ who, in his sacrifice, brings to perfection all human attempts to offer sacrifices.

1351 From the very beginning Christians have brought, along with the bread and wine for the Eucharist, gifts to share with those in need. This custom of the *collection*, ever appropriate, is inspired by the example of Christ who became poor to make us rich:

Those who are well off, and who are also willing, give as each chooses. What is gathered is given to him who presides to assist orphans and widows, those whom illness or any other cause has deprived of resources, prisoners, immigrants and, in a word, all who are in need.

1352 The *anaphora*: with the Eucharistic Prayer - the prayer of thanksgiving and consecration - we come to the heart and summit of the celebration:

In the *preface*, the Church gives thanks to the Father, through Christ, in the Holy Spirit, for all his works: creation, redemption, and sanctification. The whole community thus joins in the unending praise that the Church in heaven, the angels and all the saints, sing to the thrice-holy God.

1353 In the *epiclesis*, the Church asks the Father to send his Holy Spirit (or the power of his blessing) on the bread and wine, so that by his power they may become the body and blood of Jesus Christ and so that those who take part in the Eucharist may be one body and one spirit (some liturgical traditions put the epiclesis after the anamnesis).

In the *institution narrative*, the power of the words and the action of Christ, and the power of the Holy Spirit, make sacramentally present under the species of bread and wine Christ's body and blood, his sacrifice offered on the cross once for all.

1354 In the *anamnesis* that follows, the Church calls to mind the Passion, resurrection, and glorious return of Christ Jesus; she presents to the Father the offering of his Son which reconciles us with him.

In the *intercessions*, the Church indicates that the Eucharist is celebrated in communion with the whole Church in heaven and on earth, the living and the dead, and in communion with the pastors of the Church, the Pope, the diocesan bishop, his presbyterium and his deacons, and all the bishops of the whole world together with their Churches.

1355 In the communion, preceded by the Lord's prayer and the breaking of the bread, the faithful receive "the bread of heaven" and "the cup of salvation," the body and blood of Christ who offered himself "for the life of the world":

Because this bread and wine have been made Eucharist ("eucharisted," according to an ancient expression), "we call this food *Eucharist*, and no one may take part in it unless he believes that what we teach is true, has received baptism for the forgiveness of sins and new birth, and lives in keeping with what Christ taught."

(CCC #1348 to 1355)

#### Mass Intentions

Saturday July 22

† Gary Crawford and 5:00 pm

Wellbeing of Lesser Family, req. by Abernethy Family Wellbeing of Nora Frei, req. by Grace Middlemiss

Sunday July 23

8:30 am † Scott Anselmo, reg. by Jacquie

† Priscilla Dodds,

req. by Al & Lila Ferzacca

Living & Deceased of our Parish 11:00 am

Monday July 24

8:30 am † Rita McCormick, reg. by Noreen

Tuesday July 25

8:30 am † Theresa M. Gardner

Wednesday July 26

8:30 am † Anne McGivney,

req. by Grace Middlemiss

**Thursday** 

† Archbishop Coleman F. Carroll 8:30 am

**Friday** July 28

† Father Bill Mylchreest

Saturday

5:00 pm Living & Deceased of our Parish

Sunday July 30

8:30 am † Dolores Hesse Fink,

req. by husband, Jack

11:00 am † Michael Zavoski,

req. by Darryl & Charlie Roukema

#### REMEMBER THE SICK

Mary Lou Mann, Suzanne Plum, Don Loughran, Jr., Sandy Rodrigues, John

Harris, Stephen Black, Mary Alice Zittle, Alvaro Arevalo, Paul Ristow, Ed Fetscher, Matt Keysers, Judy Flood, Sister Frances Voss, O.S.C., Rae Pietrzak, Tom Casey, Charles Benoit, Rob Messerschmidt, Mary Pat Connolly. Anne McCormick, Patricia Moss, Patty Marma, Diane Johnson, Jim Guerin, Susan Lochrie, Agnes McCauley

#### **BIBLE SHARING**

Come for coffee and Scripture Sharing each Thursday in the Parish Hall at 9:15 am. Everyone is invited. You may also join us online by dialing 848-777-1212. When prompted put in 1431434#. For more info, please call Mary Kennedy at 954-290-1194. We will be sharing from the Book of Ruth, with Miriam Rivas facilitating.



**REMEMBER: EUCHARISTIC ADORATION** takes place on Fridays, from after the 8:30 am Mass until 5:00pm in the Chapel of the Divine Healer. Come spend some quiet time in the presence of The Lord!

#### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL TRUCK

The St. Vincent de Paul truck is scheduled to be in our parking lot this weekend for your donations of gently used clothing and household items. The truck is open for one half hour before and after each Mass.

#### **SAVE THE DATE!**

Weekend of July 22-23 - St. Vincent de Paul truck scheduled to be in our parking lot.

Saturday, July 29 - 6:00 pm - Wine & Cheese Social to thank Msgr. Jim

Saturday, October 7 - 5:30 pm - 65th Anniversary of the Archdiocese of Miami Mass, Cathedral of St. Marv. Miami

Saturday, November 11 - 6:30 pm - Archdiocese of Miami 65th Anniversary Gala & Concert, Miami **Beach Convention Center** 

How fortunate we are to have the St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank in our city to provide for the needy in Fort Lauderdale! Our weekly contributions of non-perishable food and hygiene items give us the opportunity to help stock the shelves there. To care is to share! **ALSO**: The Pantry needs **plastic** 



grocery bags for food distribution and empty, clean egg cartons. You can place these items in the shopping carts. Thank you! If you know of anyone in need, please let them know that The St. Vincent DePaul Society conducts a drive thru grocery distribution every Friday from 1:30-4 PM at Blessed Sacrament Church, 1701 E Oakland Park Blvd (entrance to the parking lot is located on NE 33<sup>rd</sup> Street and will be closed at 3:45). First timers must provide proof of Broward County residency

#### RELIGIOUS PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY

Father Ernest is leading a pilgrimage to Italy from September 24th to October 5th, and you are invited to join him. The pilgrimage will include Milan, Torino, Assisi, Loreto, Lanciano, San Giovanni Rotondo, Monte Sant' Angelo, Monte Cassino and Rome. Price per person is \$4,285.00 and includes economy round trip airline ticket on Lufthansa Airlines (from Miami); all taxes and airport charges: Round trip airport transfers: four star hotel accommodations; 10 Breakfast buffets & 10 dinners at the hotels: Deluxe a/c motor coach throughout the tour: professional Tour manager; admissions for all sanctuaries and places to visit. Luggage handling at hotels and Daily Mass. For more information, please contact Antonio or Lilliam Morales at QVI Travel Group: 305-274-0453 or email: qualityvacations@hotmail.com

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PRAYER TO AVERT HURRICANES

Father, all the elements of nature obey your commands. Protect us and all your people during this season of storms and hurricanes. Calm our fears and help us prepare our hearts as well as our homes. Help us see you in all we may encounter, and help us to minister to each other in your name. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Have a glorious week... and stay cool!

# Wine & Cheese Social

to thank Monsignor Jim

Saturday, July 29th after the 5:00 pm Mass in the Parish Hall.

Please join us as we toast
Monsignor in gratitude for his
leadership and to wish him well
as he joins the ranks of
"the retired."



Use the sign-up sheets at the church doors or call the office to R.S.V.P. by July 23rd.







