

# Sixth Sunday of Easter

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## Saint Sebastian Church

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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

Rev. Msgr. James F. Fetscher  
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### PASTORAL COUNCIL

Nancy Adams  
Elizabeth Calhoun  
Judy Fisher  
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Patrick O'Dea  
Connie Reed  
Chuck Wobby

**PARISH WEBSITE:**  
[stsebastianfl.org](http://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 Family.



## 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.

Dear Family,

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Fridays was one of the activities that got put on hold with so many other things as a result of COVID-19.

Exposition is something we can safely resume. I am putting out sign-up sheets so that I can get some idea of how many people would be willing to help us restore this important prayer ministry to our parish.

We'll divide the day into half hour slots. We'll also beef up the prayer aid materials. I made someone mad a few years back by asking that they didn't have oral prayer with others when they were visiting (e.g. the rosary.) I think we can handle that by designating one of the time slots for the rosary if some wish to join together. I'll "consult the powers that be." I just don't want to begin the practice again without attendance.

Let me reflect a little on why we do it. You can certainly pray to the Lord in every place and in every moment of your day. You should.

However, Eucharist is a unique part of who and what we are as a Catholic people. We say that this bread and this wine doesn't simply represent something symbolically like a logo does for some company. We listen to Jesus when he said,

... "Take this all of you and eat of it, for this is my Body which will be given up for you." **"THIS IS MY BODY."** In other words, **"THIS IS ME."** How personal can you get? How close can you get?

When you or I take the time to visit the Blessed Sacrament we encourage the closeness that Jesus wants to have with us.

So, we not only gather at Mass to experience and celebrate His presence. We also honor Him in our tabernacles. You recall that the reason for keeping the Blessed Sacrament reserved in the tabernacle began (many moons ago) as a way of being able to bring the Lord to the sick or to people who

lived so far away from the community that they could not be present for Mass.

Maybe I can wax a little more eloquently about all this when the Feast of Corpus Christi comes in mid-June. For now, I simply want to invite you to help us revive our wonderful practice of having a special day to honor Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. We will resume our custom every Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**However, if we cannot get a fairly full sign-up list then perhaps it is not the time to resume.** Exposing the Blessed Sacrament and then having the chapel empty for most of the day is not what this should be all about.

When you get down to it, of course, there is no difference between Jesus reserved in the tabernacle and Jesus brought out in the Sacred Monstrance. There *IS* a difference in the focus with which each of us comes to our chapel to pray, and that's important. **For one thing, knowing that there is someone present praying for my intentions is amazing.** The personal intention basket will return to the chapel.

Speaking of resuming, **No Volunteers, No Donuts.** You volunteer, it will with *your* availability and not a perpetual life sign-up for all the Masses.

You might get a chuckle out of something ironic that happened to me this week. I got charged for three huge coffee urns that were delivered to someone in Jacksonville. It was a \$5,000 scam. Those urns would have required A LOT of donuts.

We are happy to welcome again staffers of **Drogadictos Anonimos** to St. Sebastian. Check out their mission on the back of this bulletin and welcome their reps this weekend. Buy a shirt. The parish will kick in as well.

Here's to a scam free week, and always

In Jesus,





## Mass Intentions

<b>Saturday</b> 5:00 pm	<b>May 21</b> † Ivan Sulbaran, req. by daughter, Nathaly † Marie & Albert Bourke, req. by Don Bourke Wellbeing of Suzanne Loughran Plum req. by Bill Loughran
<b>Sunday</b> 8:30 am	<b>May 22</b> † Charles & Marie Maher, req. by Maher Family † Dr. Sam D'Ambola, req. by Jack Fink † Dr. John D'Ambola, req. by Jack Fink
11:00 am	Living & Deceased of our Parish
<b>Monday</b> 8:30 am	<b>May 23</b> † John Patrick Kelly, req. by Patrick O'Dea
<b>Tuesday</b> 8:30 am	<b>May 24</b> Wellbeing of Amie Uribe, req. by Amy Carroll
<b>Wednesday</b> 8:30 am	<b>May 25</b> † Ellie Loughran, req. by husband, Bill † Frank Gardner 54th Ordination Anniversary of Msgr. Jim
<b>Thursday</b> 8:30 am	<b>May 26</b> † Michael Cavallaro, req. by Joan & Bill Fuccillo † Angel Pacheco, req. by Don Bourke
<b>Friday</b> 8:30 am	<b>May 27</b> Wellbeing of Janet Bergin, req. by Don Bourke
<b>Saturday</b> 5:00 pm	<b>May 28</b> Living & Deceased of our Parish
<b>Sunday</b> 8:30 am	<b>May 29</b> † Dolores Hesse Fink, req. by The Fink Family † Michael Cavallaro, req. by Judy & Joe Kelly † John & Eileen Flood, req. by Al & Lila
11:00 am	† William J. McShane, req. by Rose Marie McShane † August Bauer, req. by Wini & Joe Amaturio

## REMEMBER THE SICK

Nanchine McManus,  
Mary Lou Mann, Suzanne Plum, Don Loughran, Jr., Jim Cowgill, Jr., Peter Hanna, Sandy Rodrigues, Margaret Reitz, John Harris, Stephen Black, Jo Neumann, John E. Hurley, Jonathan Hughes, Kathleen Gerium, Mary Alice Zittle, , Alvaro Arevalo, Michelline Toulouse, Dr. Laura Evatt, Kari Albertson, Diane & Alexander Garville, Paul Ristow, Betty O'Gorman, Craig & David Mitchell, Carol Houghton, Mary Connors, Ed Fetscher, Joan Morson, Margaret Donato, Mark & Ariana Gotley, Margaret Rose Goldman

## 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 on-line by dialing 848-777-1212. When prompted put in 1431434#. For more information, please call Mary Kennedy at 954-290-1194. We will be sharing from the Gospel of Luke.



With the scorching summer sun soon approaching, let's add suntan lotion along with non-perishable foods to our church shopping carts to help some of the needy families in the county. To care is to share. **If you know of anyone in need, please let them know that The St. Vincent De-**

**Paul 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 residency in Broward County.**

SPECIAL COLLECTION  
NEXT WEEKEND

The special collection next weekend is for the Catholic Communication Campaign. This campaign engages and builds Catholic communities in the United States and developing countries using the internet, television, radio, and print media. Half of the money collected remains here in the Archdiocese of Miami to fund local communications efforts. Please plan to use the specially designated envelopes which you will find in your boxed set or in the pews next weekend. Your support helps spread the Gospel message!

## ST. SEBASTIAN PARISH CRUISE

November 5, 2022, 14 Night Spanish Farewell on the Oosterdam sailing from Barcelona, Spain to Ft. Lauderdale. Ports of Call: Murcia (Cartagena) Spain, Malaga, Seville (Cadiz) Spain, Lisbon, Portugal, Funchal (Madeira) Portugal. Oosterdam, a Vista-class ship, recently emerged from dry dock with exciting updates - including completely refreshed suites and new lounge, dining and entertainment venues. Package includes shipboard accommodations, ocean transportation, entertainment and daily activities, on-board meals, and some beverages. Limited Ocean View Balcony cabins available starting at \$1854. per person, based on double occupancy, which includes all taxes and fees, but no insurance and no air transportation to Barcelona. **Initial payment is due June 1** with the final payment due on July 27. Contact Lou Abitabilo, Independent Vacation Specialist, Dream Vacations at: labitabilo@dreamvacations.com or 570-955-0470 or 570-237-5128.

## 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 household items and clothing. All items should be clean and in working order. The truck is open for one half hour before and after each Mass.

## HELP FOR UKRAINE

**Catholic Relief Services** and its Caritas partners are providing safe shelter, hot meals, hygiene supplies, transport to safe areas, counseling and more. Donations can be made directly to CRS: [Online: support.crs.org/ukraine](https://support.crs.org/ukraine); Phone: 1-877-HELP-CRS; By check: Ukraine Response, Catholic Relief Services, P.O. Box 17090, Baltimore, Maryland 21297-0303.



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### **Mission**

To help recover individuals suffering from substance use, focusing on the physical, mental and spiritual condition as a whole; contributing to the individual 's social reintegration in a dignified and efficient way.

### **Vision**

To become a model program that continuously improves the recovery of drug addicts and establishes self-sufficient communitarian centers in areas of need.

### **Values**

#### **Dignity:**

Conscious that drug addiction is a health problem and not something to be ashamed of, we strive to recover our dignity; first by assuring that we operate mainly in a volunteer basis, without the use of unacceptable treatments or punishments. Also, by offering an amicable space, healthy foods and carrying out recreational activities of recovery that characterize a fraternal atmosphere, inducing self-esteem and a sense of belonging.

#### **Honesty:**

The program on which our recovery is based encourages us to be honest in all aspects of our life, as a fundamental base to liberate us from the use of drugs. Our actions should be performed with true transparency in order to reach the prevention and rehabilitative intentions that so many individuals like us need

#### **Unity:**

We are convinced that fomenting the unity and good will between each member of this association will not only fortify the work we have carried out but will maintain the practice of our effective principles. We constantly create activities that involve our members; where experiences are transmitted and joys shared in order to maintain the feeling of comradeship and true friendship.

#### **Service:**

Our mutual aid spiritual program, encourages us to transmit this message in the same way we received it: free of charge and without personal gain to other people who suffer from the use of drugs. We are a community that empowers our members to continue with their recovery while following our principles of gratitude, helping others in need.