

# Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

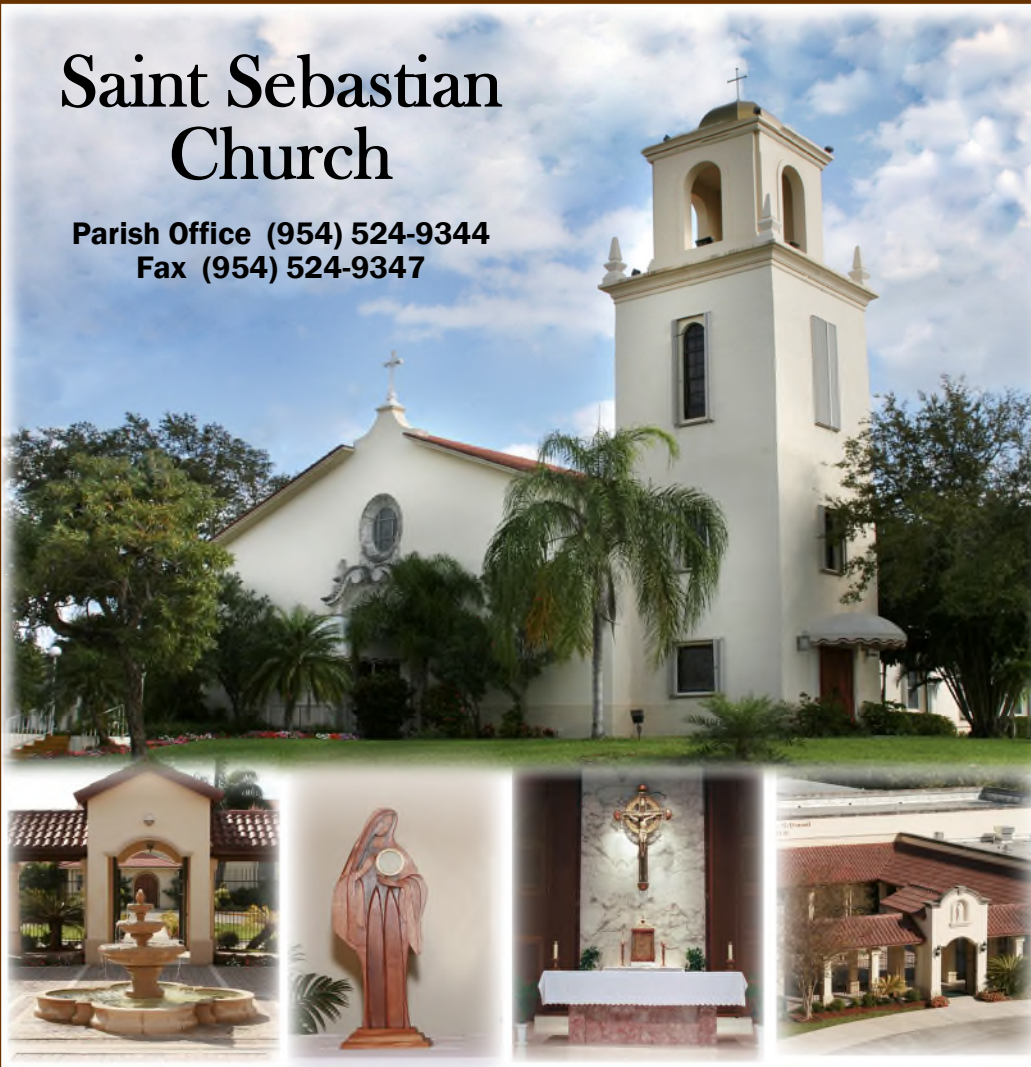
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## Saint Sebastian Church

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### MASSES

Saturday 5 pm  
(Sunday Vigil)

Sunday 8:30 & 11 am

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

Holy Days  
(Schedule varies)

### PARISH STAFF

Rev. Ernest Biriruka  
*Pastor*

Miss Anne M. Gardner  
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*Director of Music*  
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*Maintenance*

### PASTORAL COUNCIL

Nancy Adams  
Elizabeth Calhoun  
Judy Fisher  
Rosemary Guerin  
Frank Krauser  
Richard Page  
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



## 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***

### **THANK YOU VERY MUCH FATHER JIM!**

Dear Parishioners of Saint Sebastian,

The other week you said goodbye to Father Jim (Monsignor Jim Fetscher). I commend you very much for taking the time to express our deepest gratitude to a man of God who dedicated his last years of active ministry to us. You know him better than I, even though I also met him a long time ago when he was still Pastor of Saint Louis in South Miami:

A great charismatic priest, full of peace, great love, joy and humor, sharing with us, Sunday after Sunday, his wit, Twitches and inspiration. How wonderful to lead this family of Saint Sebastian in those ways of caring and sharing. Even his Prius announces constantly that 'nobody should go hungry'. Yes, serving God's people until he bends down 'nose over toes'!!! What a beautiful example of following that 'call'. That is why he wrote in his message last week:

*"That call is what empowers my weak knees but my willing spirit".*

With all our heart, we thank you, Father Jim, for that 'willing spirit'. The Parish of Saint Sebastian remains impacted for ever by your tremendous work, your touching liturgy and your caring service as you fulfilled Jesus' calling that we are his 'friends' (Jn 15:15-16). Your 'willing spirit' is radiant with joy and love. That 'willing spirit' radiates in Saint Sebastian and beyond for all the people you meet and serve.

So, you fulfilled perfectly that call, that we are to love one another as the good Savior loved us. We are so proud of you, Father Jim and wish you a very happy and enjoyable retirement as you tremendously deserve. We are so proud to repeat to you those words you read, meditated and cherished all along your priestly ministry: *"You are a priest for ever of the order of Melchizedek"* (Heb 5:6).

Mass Intentions

SAVE THE DATE!

**Saturday** 5:00 pm **August 12**  
 † Gene Nelson, req. by Michael Young  
 Wellbeing of Arthur Cholakis,  
 req. by Bible Group  
 † Delfina Horta, req. by Gisella Reyes

**Sunday** 8:30 am **August 13**  
 † Dolores Fink, req. by Sandra Polselli  
 11:00 am Living & Deceased of St. Sebastian

**Monday** 8:30 am **August 14**  
 Wellbeing of Susan Albertson

**Tuesday** 8:30 am **August 15**  
 † Grace & Murray Toomey,  
 req. by M.L. Toomey  
 6:00 pm † Dlefina Horta, req. by Gisella Reyes

**Wednesday** 8:30 a.m. **August 16**  
 Priests of our Archdiocese

**Thursday** 8:30 am **August 17**  
 Wellbeing of Barry Hogan,  
 req. by Marcia Hogan

**Friday** **August 18**  
 People of Ukraine

**Saturday** 5:00 pm **August 19**  
 † Gene Nelson, req. by Michael Young

**Sunday** 8:30 am **August 20**  
 Living and Deceased of Our Parish  
 11:00 am

**Sunday, August 13** - Bloodmobile in our parking lot.  
**Tuesday, August 15** - FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION  
**Saturday, August 19 at 8:30 am** - Sandwich Ministry in the Parish Hall.  
**Weekend of August 26-27** - St. Vincent de Paul truck scheduled to be here.  
**Saturday, October 7 - 5:30 pm** - 65th Anniversary of the Archdiocese of Miami Mass, Cathedral of St. Mary, Miami  
**Saturday, November 11 - 6:30 pm** - Archdiocese of Miami 65th Anniversary Gala & Concert, Miami Beach Convention Center

ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Tuesday, August 15th, is the Feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and a holy day of obligation. Masses will be celebrated at 8:30 am and 6:00 pm in the main church.

July was a very challenging month for food distribution with the extreme heat, some heavy rains, and volunteer's vacations. In spite of this, the loyal crew of Blessed Sacrament Food Pantry was able and willing to "get the job done." They are truly blessed to have such a dedicated group of volunteers. For the 4 Fridays, they served 724 clients representing 2,129 individuals. This is possible because of your continued generous donations of non-perishable food and hygiene items placed in the grocery baskets each week. **PLEASE REMEMBER:** 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 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**



REMEMBER THE SICK

Mary Lou Mann, Suzanne Plum, Don Loughran, Jr.,

Sandy Rodrigues, John Harris, Stephen Black, Mary Alice Zittle, Alvaro Arevalo, Paul Ristow, Matt Keysers, Judy Flood, Sister Frances Voss, O.S.C., 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, call Mary Kennedy at 954-290-1194. We will be sharing from Galatians with Arthur Cholakis facilitating.

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: \$4,285.00, includes economy round trip airfare (from Miami); all taxes & airport fees; Round trip airport transfers; 4 star hotel accommodations; professional Tour manager; admissions for all sanctuaries & places to visit, Daily Mass & more. For more info, contact Antonio or Lilliam Morales at QVI Travel Group: 305-274-0453 or email: qualityvacations@hotmail.com.

Have a splendid week, and stay cool!

MAGNIFICAT OF BROWARD

Women are invited to attend the next all county meal Saturday, Aug. 26th, from 10 am to 1:30 pm at Nativity Catholic Church 5220 Johnson St., Hollywood. Special guest speaker Monique Moussot will witness to the transforming love of Christ in her life. Cost: \$25 Call Sharon Pfeifer 407-756-7999.

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.

***"Lord, Save me!"...***



***"Why did you doubt?"***