

# ST. SEBASTIAN CHURCH

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4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 17, 2016



## MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Evening.....5 PM  
Sundays .....7AM, 9AM, & 11AM  
Monday - Saturday ..7AM & 9AM

## CONFESSIONS

Saturdays .....3:30 - 4:30PM

## EXPOSITION & ADORATION

Mon-Fri 7:30-8:55am, 9:30-10:30, 3-4pm

Pastor ..... Rev. Mark Taheny  
Parochial Vicar .... Rev. Paul Perry  
Deacon ..... Bill Turrentine  
Deacon ..... David Previtali  
Secretary..... Agata Konopka

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*Confirmation Youth Group:*  
Deacon Dave: StSebCYG@outlook.com

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR APRIL 18 - 23

Mon 7AM Ellis Family, *living*  
9AM Adeline Rose

Tue 7AM Lydia Collins, *living*  
9AM Rose, *unborn child*

Wed 7AM All Souls in Purgatory  
9AM Previtali Family, *living*

Thu 7AM Sr. Annunciata O'Sullivan  
9AM Annie Alphonso  
& Minnie Barron, *living*

Fri 7AM Mary Lou Smith  
9AM Carol Bennetts, *living*

Sat 7AM Lydia Taheny  
9AM Grace Lawrence

## PLEASE INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Angela, Joe, Kristen, Mary, Milton & Ivette,  
Monica, Patrick, Sandra L., Stephanie, Tim, Ann  
Boeri, Judy Christadore, Cathy Connor, Elizabeth  
Cook, Tony Gallagher, Nancy Lampe, Monte  
Maroevich, Chris Matthew, Mark Piatti, Rose  
Tannlund, & Sherry Willis.

## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CHILDREN

We ask for your prayer upon these children who will  
receive Jesus in their 1st Holy Communion  
Sunday, April 24, at the 9:00 Mass:



*Ivy Arnold*  
*Connor Clifford*  
*Tobias Foster*  
*Jarred Geissberger*  
*Camille Miloslavich*  
*Aidan Ring*  
*Spencer Springfield*  
*Tyson Violette*  
*Sebastian Willoughby*

## SUNDAY COLLECTION

*Weekly Goal* \$ 4,200.  
*Last Weekend* \$ 6,126.50

## CAN YOU BAKE?

There will be a Mass for vocations sponsored by the Marin Network for Life on Sunday, April 17 at 5 pm. Our parish has been asked to provide desserts for the reception following the Mass. If you are able to bake something, please bring it to the hall before 5 pm on that day. Thank you for your generosity.

## BIBLE STUDY

The Bible Study led by Deacon Bill Turrentine meets on Sundays after the 9am Mass, down in the Parish Hall.

*Drop in and take part!*



## ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL 2016

*"Blessed are the merciful,  
for they will receive mercy." Mt 5:7*

Saint Sebastian Parish goal for this year is \$58,424. As you reflect upon your blessings, we ask your help in the Annual Appeal. Thank you for your generous support of the ministries of our Archdiocese.

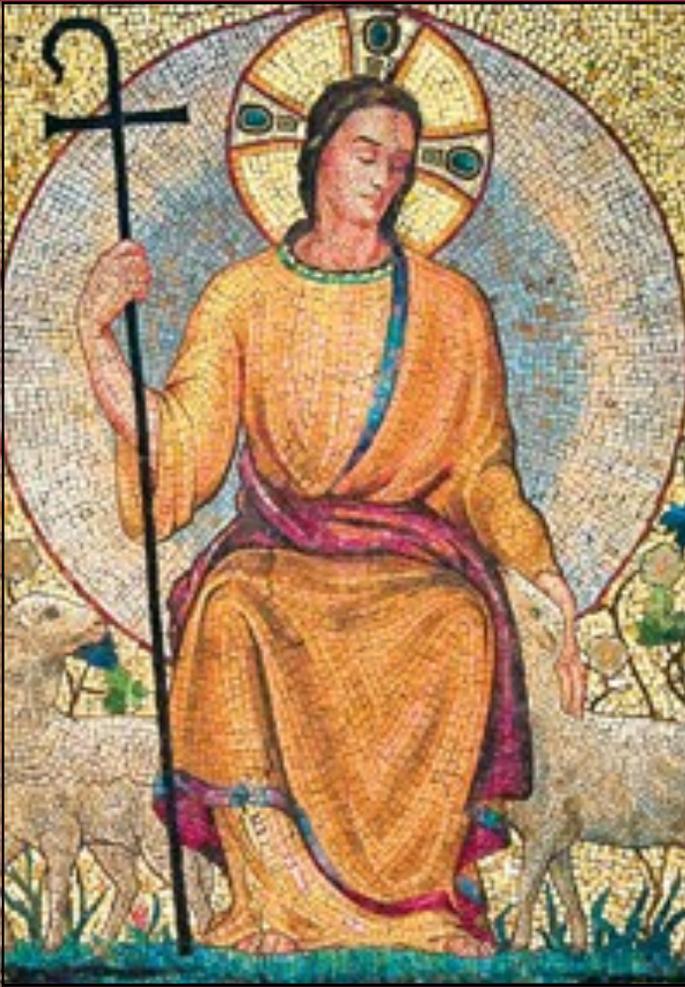
## WORD OF LIFE

"You may be thinking, 'I don't deserve to be forgiven. My sins are too great!' Thankfully, God's love is greater than all the sins of all time. Jesus offers his grace and forgiveness to every repentant heart."

—www.hopeafterabortion.com  
"Project Rachel: Peace Starts Here"

## NEXT WEEK SECOND COLLECTION: CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL

Next week our parish will take up the National Black and Indian Mission Collection. Our support of this collection helps build the Church in African American, Native American, and Alaska Native communities from coast to coast. Schools, parish religious education programs, and diocesan ministries depend on your generosity to help them spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ!



### MASS FOR VOCATIONS

You are invited to attend a special Mass for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life, to be held on

**April 17th, 5:00 PM**

**World Day of Prayer for Vocations,  
at St. Sebastian Church in Greenbrae.**

This special Mass was initiated and organized by the laity, as a way to show support for all our priests, and to implore God for an increase in vocations.

The Mass will be followed by a reception and buffet supper. Fr. Mark Taheny will be our celebrant, and all priests from Marin County have been invited to concelebrate.

The choir for this Mass will consist of members of the Marin Baroque Chamber Choir, and other talented singers from around the Bay Area. The music will include Gregorian Chant, modern English Chant and traditional hymns and classical sacred motets.

*All are welcome!*

### THE CHURCH, MOTHER OF VOCATIONS

It is my great hope that, during the course of this Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy, all the baptized may experience the joy of belonging to the Church and rediscover that the Christian vocation, just like every particular vocation, is born from within the People of God, and is a gift of divine mercy. The Church is the house of mercy, and it is the “soil” where vocations take root, mature and bear fruit.

(...)The call of God comes to us by means of a mediation which is communal. God calls us to become a part of the Church and, after we have reached a certain maturity within it, he bestows on us a specific vocation. The vocational journey is undertaken together with the brothers and sisters whom the Lord has given to us: it is a con-vocation. The ecclesial dynamism of the call is an antidote to indifference and to individualism. It establishes the communion in which indifference is vanquished by love, because it demands that we go beyond ourselves and place our lives at the service of God’s plan, embracing the historical circumstances of his holy people.

On this day dedicated to prayer for vocations, I urge all the faithful to assume their responsibility for the care and discernment of vocations. (...)

Vocations are born within the Church. From the moment a vocation begins to become evident, it is necessary to have an adequate “sense” of the Church. No one is called exclusively for a particular region, or for a group or for an ecclesial movement, but rather for the Church and for the world. “A sure sign of the authenticity of a charisma is its ecclesial character, its ability to be integrated harmoniously into the life of God’s holy and faithful people for the good of all” (ibid., 130). In responding to God’s call, young people see their own ecclesial horizon expand; they are able to consider various charismas and to undertake a more objective discernment. In this way, the community becomes the home and the family where vocations are born. (...)

Among those involved in pastoral activity, priests are especially important. In their ministry, they fulfill the words of Jesus, who said: “I am the gate of the sheepfold [...] I am the good shepherd” (Jn 10: 7, 11). The pastoral care of vocations is a fundamental part of their ministry. Priests accompany those who are discerning a vocation, as well as those who have already dedicated their lives to the service of God and of the community. (...)

We ask the Lord to grant to all those who are on a vocational journey a deep sense of belonging to the Church; and that the Holy Spirit may strengthen among Pastors, and all of the faithful, a deeper sense of communion, discernment and spiritual fatherhood and motherhood.

—From *Message of His Holiness Pope Francis on the Occasion of the 53rd WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS*

## *Searching for God*

O Lord, my God, teach my heart this day where and how to see you, where and how to find you. You have made me and remade me, and you have bestowed on me all the good things I possess, and still I do not know you. I have not yet done that for which I was made. Teach me to seek you, for I cannot seek you unless you teach me, or find you unless you show yourself to me. Let me seek you in my desire; let me desire you in my seeking. Let me find you by loving you; let me love you when I find you.

—*Saint Anselm of Canterbury (1033-1109)*

### **The Department of Music and Performing Arts**

*presents*

#### **Dominican University Winifred Baker Chorale and the Orchestra of St. Catherine**

Francisco Ortiz, Conductor

**Friday, April 29, 2016 at 8PM**

**Saint Raphael Church**

1104 5th Ave., San Rafael

*Magnificat*

**John Rutter**

*Magnificat*

**Gerald Finzi**

\$15 gen'l admission; \$10 seniors

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### **ST. RAPHAEL CONFERENCE AND ST. ISABELLA CONFERENCE OF THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY 12TH ANNUAL BOCCE BALL TOURNAMENT AND PICNIC**

Sunday, May 1, 2016 is the 12th Annual Bocce Ball Tournament and Picnic benefiting the St. Raphael and St. Isabella Conferences of the St. Vincent de Paul Society. The event will be held at the Bocce Federation Courts on B St. in San Rafeal. Join us for a day of fun including a delicious BBQ lunch prepared by Marin Joe's Restaurant. Picnickers and spectators of all ages are welcome, as well as players. You will be helping a worthy cause and 100% of all proceeds fund our work with the needy in our parishes.

For information and/or sign up forms, contact Dean DiGiovanni @ 415 585 3855 or Joe Martino @ 415 479 8477.