

ST. SEBASTIAN CHURCH

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10TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JUNE 5, 2016



“A great prophet has arisen in our midst, “
and “God has visited his people.”

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Evening.....5 PM
Sundays7AM, 9AM, & 11AM
Monday - Saturday ..7AM & 9AM

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays3:30 - 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

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR JUNE 6 - 11

Mon 7AM Carol Bennetts, *living*
9AM Larry Piatti

Tue 7AM Souls in Purgatory
9AM Mary King

Wed 7AM Mary Ann Greer
9AM Souls in Purgatory

Thu 7AM Sr. Mary Kellady, *living*
9AM Christina Piatti

Fri 7AM Souls in Purgatory
9AM Paul & Helen Smith

Sat 7AM Servicemen and Women
9AM Souls in Purgatory

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
Tanlund, & Sherry Willis.

POPE FRANCIS' JUNE INTENTIONS

Universal: **Human Solidarity**

That the aged, marginalized,
and those who have no one
may find—even within the huge
cities of the world—
opportunities for encounter and
solidarity.

For Evangelization: **Seminarians and Novices**

That seminarians and men and women entering
religious life may have mentors who live the joy of
the Gospel and prepare them wisely for their
mission.



CENACLE OF PRAYER

TODAY

3 to 4pm

Exposition of the Blessed
Sacrament, Rosary,
Meditation, & Benediction

**Spend an hour here with
Our Lord on the
first Sunday of each month.**



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!



PARISH CLEAN-UP DAY: SATURDAY, JUNE 18

A group of volunteers will get together on June 18 to
help with some gardening around the parish grounds
and to remove clutter from the “cave” down in the
church basement. We will meet at **9:30am**. We
expect it to be a fun working day, and we’ll provide
lunch to those who lend a hand. We’d be happy to
have you join us!

PARKING LOT STRIPING

We would like to re-stripe our parking spaces and
paint fresh numbers where appropriate, and we
would like to ask if any of our parishioners have
expertise in doing this, otherwise we will contact a
professional service.

If you are able to help us, please call the Parish
Office at 415-461-0791.

WORD OF LIFE

“When a patient says *I don’t want to be a burden*, it
may really be a question, *Am I a burden?* ...when a
patient says *I might as well be dead*, he may really
be saying *No one cares about me*. Many studies
show that assisted suicide requests are almost always
for such psychological or social reasons.”

— “*Life Matters: Doctor-Assisted Death*”
2013-14 Respect Life Program USCCB Secretariat
of Pro-Life Activities

SUNDAY COLLECTION

Weekly Goal	\$ 4,200.
Last Weekend	\$ 3,359.



Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship

WHAT IS CONSCIENCE?

In Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship, the Catholic Bishops of the United States remind us:

“The Church equips its members to address political and social questions by helping them to develop a well-formed conscience. ...Conscience is not something that allows us to justify doing whatever we want, nor is it a mere "feeling" about what we should or should not do. Rather, conscience is the voice of God resounding in the human heart, revealing the truth to us and calling us to do what is good while shunning what is evil.”

The Second Vatican Council wrote:

“Always summoning [one] to love good and avoid evil, the voice of conscience can when necessary speak to [one’s] heart more specifically: do this, shun that” (*Gaudium et Spes*).

Conscience does not simply “come to us”! Throughout our lives, we have to spend time forming our consciences so that we can make well-reasoned judgments about particular situations.

REFLECTIONS ON CONSCIENCE FORMATION

—from the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*

1784

The education of the conscience is a lifelong task. From the earliest years, it awakens the child to the knowledge and practice of the interior law recognized by conscience. Prudent education teaches virtue; it prevents or cures fear, selfishness and pride, resentment arising from guilt, and feelings of complacency, born of human weakness and faults. The education of the conscience guarantees freedom and engenders peace of heart.

1785

In the formation of conscience the Word of God is the light for our path, we must assimilate it in faith and prayer and put it into practice. We must also examine our conscience before the Lord's Cross. We are assisted by the gifts of the Holy Spirit, aided by the witness or advice of others and guided by the authoritative teaching of the Church.

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Moral conscience, present at the heart of the person, enjoins him at the appropriate moment to do good and to avoid evil. It also judges particular choices, approving those that are good and denouncing those that are evil. It bears witness to the authority of truth in reference to the supreme Good to which the human person is drawn, and it welcomes the commandments. When he listens to his conscience, the prudent man can hear God speaking.

1778

Conscience is a judgment of reason whereby the human person recognizes the moral quality of a concrete act that he is going to perform, is in the process of performing, or has already completed. In all he says and does, man is obliged to follow faithfully what he knows to be just and right. It is by the judgment of his conscience that man perceives and recognizes the prescriptions of the divine law.

TALK AT ST. ANSELM:

Wednesday, June 8th 7:00 pm
Centennial Hall, St. Anselm Church

Fr. Joe Eagan will speak about the *Joy of Love* and what Pope Francis has to say on the subject.

All are welcome to attend.

The *Joy of Love* (*Amoris Laetitia*) brings together the results of the two Synods on the Family convoked by Pope Francis in 2014 and 2015.

Striking for its breadth and detail—and firmly grounded in the challenges of family experiences—the *Joy of Love* affirms the rich and complex reality of family life with pastoral care, speaking the language of experience and hope.

Pope Francis reaches out to married couples, parents, and children in a spirit of accompaniment, asking everyone to read slowly, paying special attention to what applies most to our different needs. The *Joy of Love* is truly remarkable for its practical and concrete suggestions. It also challenges us to be understanding in the face of complex and painful situations.

JUNE 6 - ST. NORBERT



In the twelfth century in the French region of Premontre, St. Norbert founded a religious Order known as the Praemonstratensians or the Norbertines. His founding of the Order was a monumental task: combating rampant heresies (particularly regarding the Blessed Sacrament), revitalizing many of the faithful who had grown indifferent and dissolute, plus effecting peace and reconciliation among enemies.

Norbert entertained no pretensions about his own ability to accomplish this multiple task. Even with the aid of a goodly number of men who joined his Order, he realized that nothing could be effectively done without God's power. Finding this help especially in devotion to the Blessed Sacrament, he and his Norbertines praised God for success in converting heretics, reconciling numerous enemies and rebuilding faith in indifferent believers. Many of them lived in central houses during the week and served in parishes on weekends.

Reluctantly, Norbert became archbishop of Magdeburg in central Germany, a territory half pagan and half Christian. In this position he zealously and courageously continued his work for the Church until his death on June 6, 1134.

A different world cannot be built by indifferent people. The same is true in regard to the Church. The indifference of vast numbers of nominal faithful to ecclesiastical authority and essential doctrines of the faith weakens the Church's witness. Unswerving loyalty to the Church and fervent devotion to the Eucharist, as practiced by Norbert, will continue immeasurably towards maintaining the people of God in accord with the heart of Christ.

On the occasion of his ordination to the priesthood, Norbert said, *"O Priest! You are not yourself because you are God. You are not of yourself because you are the servant and minister of Christ. You are not your own because you are the spouse of the Church. You are not yourself because you are the mediator between God and man. You are not from yourself because you are nothing. What then are you? Nothing and everything. O Priest! Take care lest what was said to Christ on the cross be said to you: 'He saved others, himself he cannot save!'"*