

ST. SEBASTIAN CHURCH

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SEPTEMBER 11, 2016

24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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 Rev. Mr. Bill Turrentine
Deacon Rev. Mr. David Previtali
Secretary..... Agata Konopka

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Gretchen Harris: StSebPSR@gmail.com

Adult Faith Formation / R.C.I.A.:
Deacon Dave: DcnDave@outlook.com

MASS INTENTIONS FOR SEPTEMBER 12 - 17

Mon 7AM Souls in Purgatory
 9AM Eithna Kilty

Tue 7AM Sibeal Whitty
 9AM Sibeal Whitty

Wed 7AM Souls in Purgatory
 9AM Frida Hallen, *living*

Thu 7AM Mary King
 9AM Vincent McGarry

Fri 7AM Souls in Purgatory
 9AM Carmella Kramer

Sat 7AM Souls in Purgatory
 9AM Elizabeth Manning

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, Mark Piatti, Rose Tannlund, & Sherry Willis.

TODAY IS "COFFEE SUNDAY"

Don't "run off", but be sure to come to the Parish Hall after the 9am or 11am Mass and visit with fellow parishioners who look forward to seeing you there!



"Coffee Sunday" is scheduled for the second Sunday of every month.

THE PSALMS: PRAYER SONGS OF THE CHURCH

(An Adult-Ed Opportunity)

Father David Anderson, pastor of St. Peter Byzantine Catholic Church in Ukiah, presents a series on the centrality of the Psalms in prayer and liturgy. The classes will be held at Marin Catholic High School on Thursday evenings at 7:30PM, beginning on September 15 and continuing until December 15 (*with no classes September 22 or October 20*). Father David's Adult-Ed classes have remained popular since they began in 2001, and newcomers are most welcome! He will provide a text of the psalms for each student.

Call Loretta at 415-457-5331

PSR and Confirmation classes for the 2016-2017 school year are beginning on Wednesday, September 14.

Registration for children is now underway!

Forms are available in the church. For more information, email Gretchen Harris at StSebPSR@gmail.com

SAVE THESE DATES !

Sept. 17: "Parish Clean-Up Day". Volunteers will gather to continue cleaning, gardening, repairing, and dumpster-filling; and then we'll have pizza!

Oct. 2: Parish BBQ Picnic. Our Annual Picnic, with fun for all the adults and the kids.

Nov. 5: Craft Faire: In the Parish Hall, exhibitors will sell their wares; people can do some Christmas shopping and have something delicious to eat.

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!



UPDATE ON THE ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

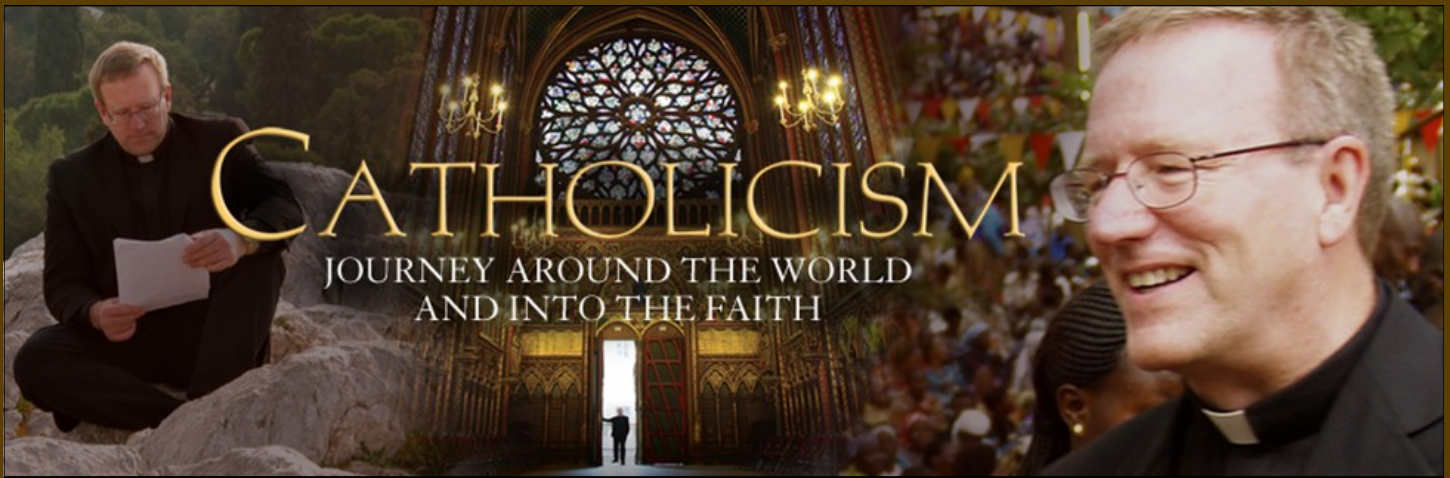
Our Thanks to all of you who have contributed or pledged to the 2016 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal.

We hope to that all our parishioners will take part in the Annual Appeal so that it will be a true response from St. Sebastian's. Pledges are expected to be fulfilled by the end of the year, so whether you'd like to make a pledge, or send a one-time gift, we appreciate your participation!

AAA brochures are available in most of the pews.

SUNDAY COLLECTION

<i>Weekly Goal</i>	\$ 4,200.
Last Weekend	\$ 4,772.
Parish Improvement	\$ 1,678.



CATHOLICISM VIRTUAL PILGRIMAGE COURSE STARTING THURSDAY OCTOBER 6!

Deacon Dave will be leading an adult study of Catholicism for 6 Thursdays, in the hall, 7-8PM, beginning on Oct. 6. The course will meet weekly for 6 weeks, ending on Nov. 10. This will be a VERY unique study our Faith because it will bring us on a virtual pilgrimage (via DVD) led by Auxiliary Bishop Robert Barron of Los Angeles. We will be journeying to various shrines and sites of the Holy Land, Europe, and various other places to SEE what we are STUDYING. Participants will each have a Catholicism Pilgrimage Journal to make the lessons more personal and life-applicable.

This initial 6-week segment will cover the life and person of Jesus (Weeks 1 & 2), the Beatitudes and Gospel of Jesus (weeks 3 & 4) and the Reality & Mystery of God (Weeks 5 & 6). There will be 3 more 4-6 week courses of the Pilgrimage Study in the Winter & Spring of 2017, covering the other aspects of our Faith (Mary & the Saints. Sacraments, Church, etc).

If you want to experience the fullness of our Faith and "travels" then sign up NOW and come on this special pilgrimage-study with us! Suggested offering to cover cost of Journal is \$15, but no one is turned away for lack of payment. You can always drop-in on a weekly class but signing up will be a huge help in preparation and ordering materials. To sign up email Deacon Dave (DcnDave@outlook.com) or call Agata at the parish office (415-461-0791, M/W/ F 9AM-2PM) and leave your name and contact information.

2016 PRIESTS RETIREMENT FUND

The Archdiocese is blessed to have hundreds of priests who dedicated, in some cases, as many as 50 years or more of their lives to ministering to us. Even in retirement, many continue to give of themselves in countless ways of service for which we are grateful.

Next weekend, September 17 and 18, our parish will participate in the special collection for the Priests' Retirement Fund. Please prayerfully reflect on how you can best contribute to the Priests Retirement Fund. Please return your collection envelope during next weekend's Masses.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

An unforgettable "break" for your marriage!

Want something more lasting than a weekend vacation in Bahamas, Bermuda or the Mountains? Give your marriage the "best vacation break" by making the unique Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Marriage Encounter Weekend is November 11-13, 2016 at Vallambrosa Center, Menlo Park.

For more information visit our website at: sanjosewwme.org or contact Ken & Claranne at applications@sanjosewwme.org or 408-782-1413.

9/11: THE CATHOLIC CHURCH REMEMBERS

The war-like acts of September 11 were appalling attacks on our nation, our citizens and citizens of many other countries. The Holy Father rightly called these acts crimes against humanity. Terrorism is not a new problem, but this terrorist threat is unique because of its global dimensions and the sheer magnitude of the terror its authors are willing and able to unleash. It is also new for us because we have not experienced war-like acts of violence on our own soil for many decades.

It has been said many times that September 11 changed the world. That is true in many ways, but the essential tasks of our community of faith continue with a new urgency and focus.

Above all, we need to turn to God and to one another in hope. Hope assures us that, with God's grace, we will see our way through what now seems such a daunting challenge. For believers, hope is not a matter of optimism, but a source for strength and action in demanding times. For peacemakers, hope is the indispensable virtue. This hope, together with our response to the call to conversion, must be rooted in God's promise and nourished by prayer, penance, and acts of charity and solidarity.

Our nation and the Church are being tested in fundamental ways. Our nation has a right and duty to respond and must do so in right ways, seeking to defend the common good and build a more just and peaceful world. Our community of faith has the responsibility to live out in our time the challenges of Jesus in the Beatitudes – to comfort those who mourn, to seek justice, to become peacemakers. We face these tasks with faith and hope, asking God to protect and guide us as we seek to live out the Gospel of Jesus Christ in these days of trial.

— from *A Pastoral Message: Living With Faith and Hope After September 11*, USCCB, November 14, 2001

WORD OF LIFE

“God of peace, bring your peace to our violent world...
Comfort and console us, strengthen us in hope,
and give us the wisdom and courage
to work tirelessly for a world
where true peace and love reign.”

— Pope Francis, “Prayer of Remembrance”
New York, September 25, 2015