

# ST. SEBASTIAN CHURCH

373 Bon Air Road  
Greenbrae, CA 94904

Parish Office Hours:  
MWF 9AM-2PM  
415-461-0704



JANUARY 15, 2017 2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### MASS SCHEDULE

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

### CONFESSIONS

Saturdays ..... 3:30 - 4:30PM  
or by appointment

### ANOINTING of the SICK

Call a Priest at the Parish Office

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

*Parish School of Religion / Confirmation:*  
Gretchen Harris: StSebPSR@gmail.com  
R.C.I.A. DcnDave@outlook.com

## Parish Ministries & Groups

### Adult Faith Formation / R.C.I.A.

Deacon Dave Previtali  
DcnDave@outlook.com (email)  
www.dcnave.blogspot.com (homilies)

### Altar Society

Anne Marie Schlesselmann  
Gretchen Harris

### Bible Study - 10AM Sundays

Deacon Bill Turrentine

### Children's Choir

Celeste Chapman celeste360@aol.com  
Gretchen Harris StSebPSR@gmail.com

### Adult Choir

Eric Maddox

### CYO

Robert McCullough

### Garden Club

Barbara Cancilla bacancilla@sbcglobal.net

### Eucharistic Ministers to the Sick

Homebound / Hospital / Rehab Centers  
Fr. Paul Perry

### Greeters at Mass

Marian Previtali

### Hospitality Ministers

Coffee Sundays (2nd Sunday each Month)  
Jerry & Fran Doherty

### Life in Christ Marian Cenacle

Elizabeth Tremel (415) 331-7861

### Liturgical Lay Ministries

Lectors / EMHCs / Altar Servers  
Deacon Dave Previtali

### Men's Club

Deacon Dave Previtali, coordinator  
DcnDave@outlook.com

### Natural Family Planning

Deacon Bill & Pat Turrentine

### Parish Council

Marian Previtali dm121281@yahoo.com

### Parish School of Religion (PSR)

Grade K-6; Confirmation: Grade 7-8  
Mrs. Gretchen Harris

### St. Martha Women's Club

Parish Social & Service  
Marian Previtali dm121281@yahoo.com

### St. Vincent de Paul Conference

Works of Mercy for Needy / Poor  
Meets 4th Sat. of each Month at 10am  
Phil Fant, President pfant@fantlaw.com

### Young Vincentians Group

High School / College Youth  
in Service to the Needy / Poor  
Mrs. Gretchen Harris, Adult Moderator

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR JANUARY 16 - 21

Mon 7AM Sean de Rutte, *living*  
9AM Life in Christ Prayer Group

Tue 7AM Mary Mannion  
9AM Tomás Urbano, *healing*

Wed 7AM Sister Kathleen Corbett  
9AM Brian Ott & Family, *living*

Thu 7AM Mary Burns  
9AM Massucco Family, *living*

Fri 7AM Special Intention  
9AM Andrues Family, *living*

Sat 7AM Tim Pult  
9AM Norma Geissberger

## PLEASE INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS:

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

## NEXT SUNDAY'S 2ND COLLECTION ST. PATRICK'S SEMINARY

For over a century, St Patrick's Seminary and University in Menlo Park, California has been preparing men for the Roman Catholic priesthood. At a time when well-prepared priests are needed more than ever, we are blessed with an encouraging enrollment of men. With great blessings and opportunities, however, come great challenges.

The Seminary needs your support to continue providing outstanding academic programs and nurture the formation of priests for the Church.

Seminary Website: [www.stpsu.org](http://www.stpsu.org)

## OFFERTORY ENVELOPE USERS

Next weekend, envelopes may be picked up from the table in the vestibule. End-of-Year Letters, for income tax purposes, will be sent out this month to those who contributed \$250 or more during 2016. Using the envelopes enables us to acknowledge your contributions. If you are not an offertory envelope user and would like envelopes, please call the office at 461-0704. Thank you for your support!

## PANCAKE BREAKFAST "THANK YOU"

We thank the Men's Club for preparing and serving pancakes and bacon, orange juice, and coffee last Sunday morning.

Though the lights were dim, then went out, everyone had a great time and enjoyed each other's company.

Special thanks to Wayne Batmale for directing everything in the kitchen.

## PARISH HALL NEWS

We are currently remodeling the Kitchen in the Parish Hall, and making other improvements. We plan to have a Pasta Dinner & Talent Show in the near future. Watch the bulletin for details!

## WORD OF LIFE

"To be actively pro-life is to contribute to the renewal of society through the promotion of the common good. It is impossible to further the common good without acknowledging and defending the right to life, upon which all the other inalienable rights of individuals are founded and from which they develop."

— Pope Saint John Paul II, *Evangelium vitae*, 101.

## 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!*



“One can offer himself as a victim for 8-15 days for the conversion of sinners. One can suffer cold, heat, deprive oneself of looking at something, go visit someone who would appreciate it, make a novena, attend daily Mass for this intention in places where it is possible. Not only would one contribute to God's glory by this holy practice of praying for sinners, but one would obtain an abundance of grace.”

—St. John Vianney

## SUNDAY COLLECTION

<i>Weekly Goal</i>	<b>\$ 4,200.</b>
<i>Last Weekend</i>	<b>\$ 3,293.</b>

## NONVIOLENCE: A STYLE OF POLITICS FOR PEACE

“I would like to reflect on nonviolence as a style of politics for peace. I ask God to help all of us to cultivate nonviolence in our most personal thoughts and values. May charity and nonviolence govern how we treat each other as individuals, within society and in international life. When victims of violence are able to resist the temptation to retaliate, they become the most credible promoters of nonviolent peacemaking. In the most local and ordinary situations and in the international order, may nonviolence become the hallmark of our decisions, our relationships and our actions, and indeed of political life in all its forms.”

“Violence is not the cure for our broken world. Countering violence with violence leads at best to forced migrations and enormous suffering, because vast amounts of resources are diverted to military ends and away from the everyday needs of young people, families experiencing hardship, the elderly, the infirm and the great majority of people in our world. At worst, it can lead to the death, physical and spiritual, of many people, if not of all.”

“The Jubilee of Mercy that ended in November encouraged each one of us to look deeply within and to allow God’s mercy to enter there. The Jubilee taught us to realize how many and diverse are the individuals and social groups treated with indifference and subjected to injustice and violence. They too are part of our “family”; they too are our brothers and sisters. The politics of nonviolence have to begin in the home and then spread to the entire human family. Saint Therese of Lisieux invites us to practice the little way of love, not to miss out on a kind word, a smile or any small gesture which sows peace and friendship. An integral ecology is also made up of simple daily gestures that break with the logic of violence, exploitation and selfishness.”

“All of us want peace. Many people build it day by day through small gestures and acts; many of them are suffering, yet patiently persevere in their efforts to be peacemakers. In 2017, may we dedicate ourselves prayerfully and actively to banishing violence from our hearts, words and deeds, and to becoming nonviolent people and to building nonviolent communities that care for our common home. Nothing is impossible if we turn to God in prayer. Everyone can be an artisan of peace.”

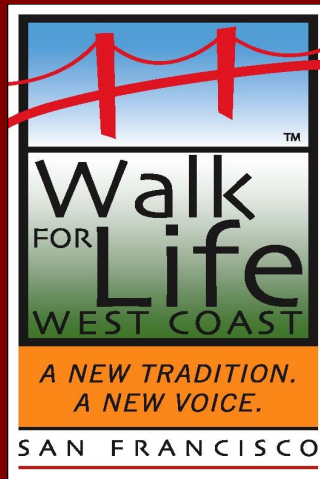
— excerpts from 50th World Day of Peace Message,  
Pope Francis, 1 January 2017.



## WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

*January 18-25, 2017*

The theme of this year’s Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is “Reconciliation-The Love of Christ Compels Us.” (cf. 2 Cor 5:14-20). According to Graymoor Ecumenical & Interreligious Institute (GEII), “it was in the context of the Reformation Anniversary that the Council of Churches in Germany took up the work of creating the resources for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2017. It quickly became clear that the materials for this Week of Prayer for Christian Unity would need to have two accents: on the one hand, there should be a celebration of God’s love and grace, the ‘justification of humanity through grace alone’, reflecting the main concern of the churches marked by Martin Luther’s Reformation. On the other hand, the materials should also recognize the pain of the subsequent deep divisions which afflicted the Church, openly name the guilt, and offer an opportunity to take steps toward reconciliation.”



**13<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL**

**WALK FOR LIFE—  
WEST COAST**

**Saturday, January 21**

**Rally 10:45 am  
Walk at 1:30pm**

**Civic Center Plaza  
San Francisco**

**9 DAYS FOR LIFE**  
PRAYER • PENANCE • PILGRIMAGE

**PRAY WITH THE  
BISHOPS TO  
END ABORTION**

**4 WAYS TO JOIN**

UNITED STATES CONFERENCE OF  
CATHOLIC BISHOPS

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**9 DAYS FOR LIFE**

The U.S. bishops annual novena 9 Days for Life takes place Saturday, January 21 – Sunday, January 29. Pray for the respect and protection of all human life with new intentions, brief reflections, and more each day. Download the novena online, or participate through Facebook, email, text message or an App. Join at [www.9daysforlife.com](http://www.9daysforlife.com)!

**ANNIVERSARY MASS AT CATHEDRAL  
FOR NATIONAL MARRIAGE WEEK**

Saturday, February 4, 10:00 am  
St Mary's Cathedral, 1111 Gough St., San Francisco

The Archdiocese of San Francisco will offer its annual Wedding Anniversary Mass on February 4, at the Cathedral of Saint Mary of the Assumption, at 10:00 am. We will honor wedding anniversaries for those celebrating sacramental marriages reaching “5-year” milestones (5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, or more) in 2017. The principal celebrant will be the Most Reverend Carlos Sevilla, Bishop Emeritus of Yakima, Washington, and formerly a Bishop of San Francisco. Registration is required by January 27 at [anniversariymass.info](http://anniversariymass.info), and a donation of \$20 is requested. For more information, Ed Hopfner [HopfnerE@SFArch.org](mailto:HopfnerE@SFArch.org) or 415-614-5680.