

# ST. SEBASTIAN CHURCH

373 Bon Air Road  
Greenbrae, CA 94904

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



**MAY 7, 2017**

**4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

## 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  
Email: DcnDave@Outlook.com  
Blog (Homilies): www.DcnDave.Blogspot.com  
Secretary .....Agata Konopka

Parish School of Religion / Confirmation:  
Gretchen Harris: StSebPSR@gmail.com

## **Parish Ministries & Groups**

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

Deacon Dave Previtali

### Altar Society

Anne Marie Schlesselmann  
Gretchen Harris

### Bible Study - 10AM Sundays

Deacon Bill Turrentine

### CYO

Robert McCullough  
StSebastianCYO@gmail.com

### Eucharistic Ministers to the Sick

Homebound / Hospital / Rehab Centers  
Fr. Paul Perry

### Garden Club

Barbara Cancilla

### 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

Faith Formation, Food & Fellowship  
Meets last Tues. of the Month 7-8:30PM  
Deacon Dave Previtali, coordinator

### Music Ministries

Eric Maddox  
Celeste Chapman celeste360@aol.com

### Natural Family Planning

www.ccli.org, www.live-the-love.org

### 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 MAY 8 - 13**

Mon	7AM	Dylan Jones & Alyssa Nash, <i>living</i>
	9AM	Colleen Rettig, <i>living</i>
Tue	7AM	Tim Fewell, <i>living</i>
	9AM	Barbara Moran
Wed	7AM	Eileen Sullivan, <i>living</i>
	9AM	Chas & Nancy Hoffman
Thu	7AM	Lloyd Dulbecco, <i>healing</i>
	9AM	Richard Browne
Fri	7AM	Wayne Batmale & Family, <i>living</i>
	9AM	Mildred Miller
Sat	7AM	Helen Smith
	9AM	Souls in Purgatory

**PLEASE INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

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

**SUNDAY, MAY 7<sup>TH</sup>**  
**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS**

2017 marks the 54<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the “World Day of Prayer for Vocations”.

The purpose of the World Day of Prayer for Vocations is to publicly fulfill the Lord’s instruction to, “Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest” (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). As a climax to a prayer that is continually offered throughout the Church, it affirms the primacy of faith and grace in all that concerns vocations to the priesthood and to the consecrated life. While appreciating all vocations, the Church concentrates its attention this day on vocations to the ordained ministries (priesthood and diaconate), to the Religious life in all its forms (male and female, contemplative and apostolic), to societies of apostolic life, to secular institutes in their diversity of services and membership, and to the missionary life, in the particular sense of mission “ad gentes”.

Please pray that young men and women hear and respond generously to the Lord’s call to the priesthood, diaconate, religious life, societies of apostolic life or secular institutes.

**SUNDAY COLLECTION**

<b>Weekly Goal</b>	<b>\$ 4,200.</b>
<b>Last Weekend</b>	<b>\$ 3,061.</b>



**Fr. Paul Perry’s**  
**June 3<sup>rd</sup> Jubilee**

We hope that you will be able to join us at 12:00 Noon on Saturday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> to celebrate Fr. Paul’s 50 Years of Priesthood!

**Mass will be at Noon,**  
**followed by a Luncheon in the Parish Hall.**

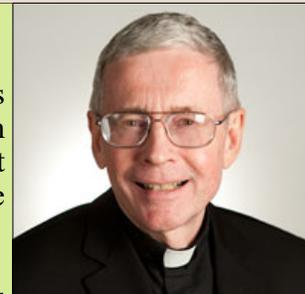
Since being ordained on June 3, 1967, Fr. Paul has served at a number of parishes and institutions in San Mateo, San Francisco, and Marin, but in 1999 he began eighteen years (*so far*) here at St. Sebastian’s, while serving also at San Quentin State Prison and Marin General Hospital.

**Your presence is requested!**

If you will attend, please RSVP at 415-461-0791 so that our committee can prepare the luncheon.

**Our Next Pastor**

Archbishop Cordileone has appointed Fr. Bill Thornton to be the next Pastor of Saint Sebastian Parish, effective July 1, 2017.



Fr. Thornton very much looks forward to coming, and having heard many good things about Saint Sebastian Parish and its people!

**CENACLE OF PRAYER**

**TODAY**

3 to 4pm

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

Spend an hour here with Our Lord.



**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!*



**WHY DOES MARY HAVE A  
SPECIAL ROLE  
IN HELPING US?**

As the Mother of God, the Virgin Mary has a unique position among the saints, indeed, among all creatures. She is exalted, yet still one of us.

Redeemed by reason of the merits of her Son and united to Him by a close and indissoluble tie, she is endowed with the high office and dignity of being the Mother of the Son of God, by which account she is also the beloved daughter of the Father and the temple of the Holy Spirit. Because of this gift of sublime grace she far surpasses all creatures, both in heaven and on earth. At the same time, however, because she belongs to the offspring of Adam, she is one with all those who are to be saved.

Mary embraces God's will and freely chooses to cooperate with God's grace, thereby fulfilling a crucial role in God's plan of salvation. Throughout the centuries, the Church has turned to the Blessed Virgin in order to come closer to Christ. Many forms of piety toward the Mother of God developed that help bring us closer to her Son. In these devotions to Mary, "while the Mother is honored, the Son, through whom all things have their being and in whom it has pleased the Father that all fullness should dwell, is rightly known, loved and glorified and . . . all His commands are observed." The Church honors her as the Mother of God, looks to her as a model of perfect discipleship, and asks for her prayers to God on our behalf.



— *uscgb.org*

**NEXT WEEK 2ND COLLECTION:  
CATHOLIC CHARITIES CYO APPEAL**

This annual second collection asks parishioners to live their faith by generously supporting the good work of Catholic Charities, the social services arm of the Catholic Church in our Archdiocese. Your contributions directly support programs that provide housing services for homeless families, refugee and immigrant services for newcomers, aid for the working poor, children and youth, and thousands of others who are struggling to meet their most basic needs. Put your faith into action and change a life for the better today with a donation to Catholic Charities.



**MINISTRY OF THE MONTH:  
LITURGICAL MUSIC MINISTRIES**

The primary purpose of liturgical music is tied to the very purpose of the liturgy itself: the praise and glory of God. The aim of our music ministry is to encourage active participation of the congregation gathered at St. Sebastian's to offer God this praise and worship with their voices as well as their hearts. We really want to grow our music ministry and for this to happen, we need more people to participate at the liturgy as choir members, cantors or liturgical musicians.

**Choir members** are those who want to sing the Mass in group with others. All ages (adults and children) and all voices are desired and needed! You do not need to know how to read music. You do not need to have a voice that awes and inspires! What you will need is a generous heart that wants to contribute to the praise and worship of God and be someone willing to simply give your best, whatever that might be! The choir usually sings at the weekly 11AM Mass and with children at the monthly PSR Masses. Contact one of the persons listed below for more details.

**Cantors** are individuals who are experienced singers and who have a knowledge of music. These are men, women and youth who are willing to make a commitment to a regular schedule of assignments for our weekend Liturgies. The cantor leads the congregation in song throughout the Liturgy. Our Cantors are very dedicated to commitment to their ministry and to sharing their "gift of song" for the good of the parish! If you qualify as a cantor and wish to be a song-leader contact the parish office for further details.

**Liturgical Musicians** are those who have received from God the ability to play a musical instrument and would like to give Him thanks for this talent by offering its use in the liturgy. While the organ is the traditional liturgical instrument, it is by no means the only one which the Church uses in her praise and worship of God. Talk with one of the contact persons listed below to see how your instrument might contribute to our praise and worship.

**Liturgical Music Ministry Contact Persons:**

Eric Maddox [sebastian94904@yahoo.com](mailto:sebastian94904@yahoo.com) (with "Attn: Eric" in the subject line and the parish secretary will pass it on to him - or see Eric in person before or after the 9AM & 11AM Sunday Masses); Celeste Chapman [celeste360@aol.com](mailto:celeste360@aol.com).

**REST IN PEACE**  
**ARCHBISHOP GEORGE NIEDERAUER**

Archbishop Niederauer died on Tuesday, May 2, at Nazareth House in San Rafael, after a long illness. He had been the 8<sup>th</sup> Archbishop of San Francisco from 2006 until his retirement in 2012, succeeding his long-time friend, Archbishop (now Cardinal) William Levada, as Archbishop. May he now rest in peace.

**SERVICES:**

**Thursday, May 11:**

Viewing at 3:30 PM

Vigil at 6:30 PM

St. Anne of the Sunset Church, 850 Judah St.,  
San Francisco

**Friday, May 12:**

Mass of Christian Burial at 11:00 AM

Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption,  
1111 Gough St., San Francisco

Please join in praying for  
the repose of the soul of Archbishop Niederauer.

**POPE FRANCIS' MAY INTENTION**

*Christians in Africa.*

That Christians in Africa, in imitation of the Merciful Jesus, may give prophetic witness to reconciliation, justice, and peace.



**MARIN HANDICAPABLES MASS**

Persons with special needs (shut-ins, developmentally disabled, etc.) who would enjoy fellowship are cordially invited to the Marin Handicapables Mass and Luncheon on May 13, 2017, to be held at Marin Catholic High School Chapel, 675 Sir Francis Drake Blvd., Kentfield, with Mass at noon in the Chapel, followed by lunch in the Student Center. Sponsors are The Order of Malta Western Association. There is no fee to attend, but reservations are requested.

RSVP: Cheryl Giurlani 415-308-4608  
or Ferrari1954@yahoo.com

**O**ur Lord has created persons for all states in life, and in all of them we see people who achieved sanctity by fulfilling their obligations well.

— St. Anthony Mary Claret