

ST. SEBASTIAN CHURCH

373 Bon Air Road
Greenbrae, CA 94904

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

MAY 28, 2017

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD



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

PastorRev. Mark Taheny
Parochial VicarRev. Paul Perry
DeaconRev. Mr. Bill Turrentine
DeaconRev. Mr. David Previtali
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SecretaryAgata 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

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 29 - JUNE 3

Mon	7AM	Eamon Murphy, <i>living</i>
	9AM	Chas & Nancy Hoffman
Tue	7AM	Robert McLoughlin, <i>living</i>
	9AM	Tami Tanner
Wed	7AM	de Rutte Family, <i>living & dec'd</i>
	9AM	Annemarie Lechner, <i>living</i>
Thu	7AM	Freeman Andrews
	9AM	Phillis & Joe Moreno & Family, <i>living</i>
Fri	7AM	Unbelievers
	9AM	Richard Sweeny
Sat	7AM	Freeman Andrews
	9AM	Mary Heaney

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.

TODAY'S 2ND COLLECTION: CATHOLIC COMMUNICATIONS CAMPAIGN

Today, we are taking up the collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC). Your support helps the CCC connect people to Christ, here and around the world, through the internet, television, radio, and print media. Half of the funds we collect remains in our diocese to support local efforts. Be a part of this campaign to spread the gospel message and support the collection today! To learn more, visit www.usccb.org/cc.

WORD OF LIFE

“If a woman plans to terminate her pregnancy, she commonly refers to the life within her as the ‘fetus’. But if she intends to deliver and love and care for the little child, she affectionately calls him ‘my baby’.”

— Dr. James C. Dobson
www.pro-lifearticles.org

SUNDAY COLLECTION

<i>Weekly Goal</i>	\$ 4,200.
Last Weekend	\$ 3,586.



Fr. Paul Perry's June 3rd Jubilee

We hope that you will be able to join us at 12:00 Noon on Saturday, June 3rd 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.

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!



SUFFERING WILL NOT SHAKE YOU

If you act on Jesus's words (not just listen but act on them) you'll be like the fellow who builds on rock. Your life will be steady, unshaken, permanent. Notice that Jesus does not say that you won't encounter any storms in your life. The one who builds on rock still has to face the rains and the winds. Believing in God, and acting on Jesus's words, does not guarantee that your life will be free of suffering. But following the word of God means that the suffering will not shake you.

— James Martin, SJ, “Kabina's Cry: Why Building a House on Rock doesn't Mean Rain Won't Fall,” The Huffington Post

“Everyone then who hears these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on rock.”

— Mt 7:24

**“HE ASCENDED INTO HEAVEN
AND IS SEATED
AT THE RIGHT HAND OF THE FATHER”**

659 “So then the Lord Jesus, after he had spoken to them, was taken up into heaven, and sat down at the right hand of God.” Christ’s body was glorified at the moment of his Resurrection, as proved by the new and supernatural properties it subsequently and permanently enjoys. But during the forty days when he eats and drinks familiarly with his disciples and teaches them about the kingdom, his glory remains veiled under the appearance of ordinary humanity. Jesus’ final apparition ends with the irreversible entry of his humanity into divine glory, symbolized by the cloud and by heaven, where he is seated from that time forward at God’s right hand. Only in a wholly exceptional and unique way would Jesus show himself to Paul “as to one untimely born”, in a last apparition that established him as an apostle.

660 The veiled character of the glory of the Risen One during this time is intimated in his mysterious words to Mary Magdalene: “I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to my brethren and say to them, I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.” This indicates a difference in manifestation between the glory of the risen Christ and that of the Christ exalted to the Father’s right hand, a transition marked by the historical and transcendent event of the Ascension.

661 This final stage stays closely linked to the first, that is, to his descent from heaven in the Incarnation. Only the one who “came from the Father” can return to the Father: Christ Jesus. “No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man.” Left to its own natural powers humanity does not have access to the “Father’s house”, to God’s life and happiness. Only Christ can open to man such access that we, his members, might have confidence that we too shall go where he, our Head and our Source, has preceded us.

664 Being seated at the Father’s right hand signifies the inauguration of the Messiah’s kingdom, the fulfillment of the prophet Daniel’s vision concerning the Son of man: “To him was given dominion and glory and kingdom, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him; his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom one that shall not be destroyed.” After this event the apostles became witnesses of the “kingdom [that] will have no end”.

— *Catechism of the Catholic Church*



**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 (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.

ORDINATION OF PRIESTS

Saturday, June 10, 10:00 am
Cathedral of Saint Mary of the Assumption,
1111 Gough St., San Francisco

All the faithful are invited to attend the Ordination to the Priesthood of two men on June 10. Reception will follow the liturgy, where people may greet the new priests. The candidates for priestly ordination are Michael Liliedahl and Alvin Yu.

If you can't attend, watch this liturgy livestreamed on the homepage of the archdiocesan website sfarch.org

TRAINING TO VISIT INCARCERATED YOUTH IN SAN FRANCISCO

You are invited to visit incarcerated youth at:
"San Francisco Juvenile Justice Center"

Attend a two-day training
Saturday, June 17 and 24, 2017
8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

St. Brendan's Parish Hall
29 Rockaway Avenue, SF, CA 94127

Register Today! Call Julio Escobar (415) 244-5594
for more information.

CAN YOU SPARE ONE HOUR A WEEK TO TUTOR A CHILD?

There is need of tutors for children, ages 5 thru 12, who attend the after-school and summer programs at the Manzanita Child Development Center located in Marin City. Tutor-volunteers are invited to start in the summer or the fall.

Instruction: Help children with homework during the school year with emphasis on READING using the "Raz Kids" Accelerated Reading Program on iPads, or reading one-on-one from books. Summer programs include art classes, board games, Raz Kids and other informal activities. Parents and children welcome our tutors.

For more information, please contact any of the following:

Ann Hunt, Volunteer Coordinator, St. Hilary,
Tiburon 415-435-2764

Debbie Ford-Scriba, St. Mary Star of the Sea,
Sausalito dfordscriba@gmail.com.

Joyce Wilson, Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Mill Valley
415-383-7833

Sharon Lewis, St. Hilary, Tiburon 415-383-2380