



St. Sebastian Catholic Church

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Weekend Masses:

Saturday 4:30 p.m.; Sunday 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Weekday Masses:

Monday—Friday 8:00 a.m.
Holy Days, Holidays, call the Parish Office

Sacrament of Penance:

Saturday 3:00—4:00 p.m.

Parish Office Hours:

Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

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Bulletin Deadline: 9:00 a.m. on Monday. Please print or type all announcements.

Ministry to the Homebound: For the Sacraments of the Eucharist, Reconciliation or Anointing of the Sick, call the Faith Formation Office.. Extraordinary Ministers are available for Communion to the Homebound on Sundays.

Catholic Charities: Counseling is available through the Diocesan Catholic Charities Office. Call 724-929-4699.

Religious Education/Formation: Please call the Faith Formation Office at 724-929-9300.

(RCIA) Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults: Anyone interested in becoming a Catholic, please contact the Faith Formation Office.

Sacrament of Marriage: Arrangements are to be made at least six months in advance. Couples must participate in Marriage Preparation sessions.

Sacrament of Baptism for Infants: Please call the Faith Formation Office to schedule Baptism. Parents must attend a Baptism Preparation prior to their child's Baptism.

MISSION STATEMENT We the Parish Family of Saint Sebastian, Belle Vernon, serve people in Westmoreland and Fayette Counties. We are Roman Catholics of various ethnic backgrounds with strong family values demonstrating a variety of skills, trades and professions. The purpose of the parish is to glorify God by assisting the community on the "Journey of a Lifetime" through the Liturgy and Sacraments, teaching and preaching the Word of God, and witnessing to our faith. As a community of faith, we are committed to love of God and neighbor through worshiping together and serving others in caring for their spiritual, emotional and physical needs. Each of us is called to strengthen and reach beyond our parish through being responsible stewards of our time, talent and treasure in the spirit of our patron, St. Sebastian.

ETHNIC FESTIVAL

Next Sunday, **November 4**, we will hold an Ethnic Fest in the Parish Hall following the 11:00 a.m. Mass. We are a parish of many different ethnic backgrounds.



Ethnic Basket Raffle

We would like to offer Ethnic Baskets at the Ethnic Fest. If you are interested in baskets with items that reflect an Ethnic background, please call Kathy Rygiel at 724-326-0129 for more information.



Travel Group

Trips to Look Forward to:

Sea to Shining Stars (Baltimore, Annapolis MD and Lancaster) May 21-22, 2019. Flyers are in the church pamphlet racks.

Sweet Treats & Salty Eats

York, PA

Midlife Crisis #2, Jennerstown

Million Dollar Quartet,

Jennerstown

Annual Erie Wine Trip, Erie PA

Plus more! Dates will be announced at a later time. For more information contact Sandy Wawro at 724-938-0865.

NEW MISSALETTES UPDATE

At the start of Advent this year, we will begin using new, permanent hardback missalettes which contain all three cycles (A, B. & C) of our lectionary readings. These are being purchased for a one-time cost of \$10k.

GREAT NEWS!

Two generous parishioners have come forward to cover the cost (\$10,000) of our new hardback missalettes. Our heartfelt thanks! Please remember them in your prayers.

Second Collections

The second collection next Sunday is for Retired Religious and Diocesan Priests.

Bishop Malesic has called for a second collection to be taken in all parishes the weekend of **November 10-11** to help individuals and families recover from the flooding that hit areas in the Greensburg Diocese on September 10, 2018. The proceeds from the collection will first go to Catholic Charities' relief efforts in that community, and any remaining contributions will be placed in a Diocesan Disaster Fund to help meet future needs. Over 10 homes were destroyed and many others were significantly damaged as a result of the storm. Thank you in advance for your generosity, and please pray for the people who have suffered losses.

Stewardship of Treasure—October 21, 2018

Regular Offertory: \$5,239.90 (251 envelopes out of 1,285 families)

Youth: \$ 31.00

Loose: \$ 730.00

Total Offertory: \$ 6,000.90

Amount budgeted for weekly regular offertory \$7,986.31

Over/(under) budget: (\$2,746.41)

Average adult donation this weekend \$10.00 per envelope

Utilities & Maintenance: \$ 167.00

Votive Candles: \$ 218.00

Catholic Accent: \$ 250.00

AC Loan Debt Reduction: \$ 125.00

Monthly target: \$920.13 October Total: \$1,000.00

World Missions: \$ 1,275.00

Catholic University: \$ 5.00

All Saints: \$ 5.00

Total October 20/21 collection: \$ 8,045.90

Altar Server Training

We are in need of new altar servers. Any person who has received his or her First Communion and is living according to the norms of the church is eligible to serve at the altar.

There will be **altar server training** on Monday evening, **November 19** at 6:30 p.m. If you are interested in becoming an altar server please call Scott Martin at the Faith Formation Office (724-929-9300).

Mass of Remembrance

Each year, in conjunction with All Souls Day, we have a special remembrance within Mass, for all who have celebrated a funeral service for a loved one from our church within the past year. **This year, we will celebrate this special Mass on Thursday, November 8, at 6:00 p.m.** All members of our parish are encouraged to participate in the Mass and join with the families and friends of those whom we will remember by name.

Anointing of the Sick: Monday, November 19 at 10:00 a.m.,

The Anointing of the Sick is for all Catholics who are seriously weakened by sickness or age. The priest will pray over all to be anointed, lay hands upon them and **anoint their forehead and palms** with the Oil of the Sick. We invite all who are sick to come and be anointed on **Monday, November 19 at 10:00 a.m.**

Opportunity to Pray for Vocations

The first full week of November is designated as National Vocation Awareness Week. Please join Catholics from around the diocese on Thursday, November 8 for an opportunity to pray for vocations. The Office for Priestly Vocations is sponsoring a Diocesan Day of Prayer for Vocations at St. Paul Church in Greensburg. Eucharistic Adoration will begin at 11:00 a.m. and continue through the day, concluding at 6:00 p.m. with evening prayer being sung and benediction. Please stop in throughout the day to pray for our seminarians and those discerning God's call.

Liturgies of the Week

October 27—Vigil

4:30 pm (Death Anniv) Dennis A. Zucconi II—Mother

October 28—30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am For All the People of Saint Sebastian Parish

11:00 am The Zemencik & Semancik Deceased
Family Members—Joan & John Ciccarelli

Monday, October 29

8:00 am Thomas Hartman—Catherine Martin

Tuesday, October 30

8:00 am Ralph Hufford—Mary Hufford
Holy Hour followed by Benediction

Wednesday, October 31—Vigil

No Scheduled Morning Mass Today

6:00 pm Stella Povlish—John & Lorraine Povlish & Family

Thursday, November 1—All Saints Day

9:00 am For All the People of Saint Sebastian Parish

Friday, November 2—All Souls Day

8:00 am Intention of All Souls

Saturday, November 3

3:00 pm *Sacrament of Reconciliation*

Saturday, November 3—Vigil

4:30 pm Phil & Sam Iacovangelo—Tammy & Tim

Sunday, November 4—31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am Susan Raymond—Husband, Ron

11:00 am (Death Anniv) John Krempasky—Jack & Frances
Hayduk Koschalk

Liturgical Ministers—Servers

Saturday, Nov 3 4:30 pm M. Lancy, S. Molesky

Sunday, Nov 4 9:00 am G. & J. Pokol

11:00 am E. & T. Breckenridge

Lectors Lit. Coordinators Ministers

Saturday, Nov 3

4:30 S. Wawro C. Farrier K. Rygiel, J. Stringhill, L. Aul
J. Wiggins, M. Grados, J. Moody, C. Farrier

Sunday, Nov 4

9:00 M. Shaughnessy B. Moskovitz D. Seman, J. Russell
M.A. McMillen, B. A. Linskens, D. Stasko, L. Kibler, B. Moskovitz

11:00 T. Sebetich M. Iacoboni F. Aleman, D. Bisceglia
R. & W. Hoffman, C. Korber, R. Messick, M. Iacoboni
Choir—S. Messick

Parish Office will be closed on Thursday, November 1, All Saints Day. The office will reopen on Friday, November 2 at 9:00 a.m..



**Reminder:
2nd Grade Students and
Their Parents**

There will be a First Penance Workshop at Epiphany of Our Lord Parish Hall (44 Pennsylvania Blvd, Monessen) on Saturday, November 3 from 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

The Sacrament of First Penance will be celebrated on Tuesday, December 4 at Epiphany of Our Lord Church.

**“Transformation,”
Men’s Prayer
Gathering October 30**

Bishop Edward C. Malesic and men from the diocese will gather for “Transformation,” a men’s prayer gathering, to center their lives on Christ and help heal and renew the church, October 30 from 6:45-9:00 p.m. in the Saint Vincent Basilica Crypt. The evening will include prayer, adoration, small group discussion, reconciliation and leadership development. For information, email cmsmith@dioceseofgreensburg.org.

School News



Thank you all for sending your children, grandchildren, and neighbor’s children to SSRCS. Another new student is starting next week. Your support in this manner, through fundraisers, and your prayers is making SSRCS flourish. If you need someone added to our prayer intentions, please send them to: (nzetty@sssbv.org). It has grown exponentially; so many in need of God’s blessings. We are still desperately in need a 2-day/week Spanish teacher and a full-time **custodian/maintenance person** (email Ms. Miller at tnmiller@sssbv.org). Also, in the back of the church are Texas Roadhouse order forms. God Bless!

**World Youth Day
Washington, D.C.,
Jan. 26, 2019**

The Diocese of Greensburg is sponsoring a trip for young adults (ages 18-39) to a one-day Catholic festival at The Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C., **Jan. 26, 2019**, in conjunction with World Youth Day in Panama. The event will include a livestream of Pope Francis’ Mass in Panama. Cost, including overnight accommodation, is \$160 per person, \$95 per person for double occupancy. Visit www.dioceseofgreensburg.org/WYD for information.

Baptism Preparation

Parents must attend a Baptism Preparation session prior to their child’s Baptism. Sessions will be held on the **3rd**



Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. Please call Darleen at the Faith Formation Office (724-929-9300) to register for the Baptism Preparation session.

**FRIENDSHIP DINNER
NOVEMBER 22, 2018
11:30 AM – 1:30 PM**

The annual Thanksgiving Friendship Dinner sponsored by the Belle Vernon Area Ministerium will be held again at St. Sebastian Church on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 22, 2018! This **FREE** turkey dinner is open to ALL members of our community. Volunteers of all ages are welcome and appreciated! Dinner will be served from 11:30 AM to 1:30 PM.

Turkeys and Desserts are needed. Please call 724-326-8722 if you are able to donate a turkey or dessert. Volunteers can meet in St. Sebastian Parish Hall on Thanksgiving Day at 10:30 AM. Set-up, serving, and clean-up help is needed. Please call Pastor Vann Walchock at 724-326-8722 or email davidwalchock@msn.com for further information.

Do You Knit or Crochet?

Prayer Shawl Ministry



If you like to knit or crochet, make lap blankets, bibs, or other items that would benefit someone in need, bring your items and join the Prayer Shawl Ministry group at the Parish Center on **November 12** at 6:00 p.m. For more information call Carol Korber at 724-929-4249.

The Saint Vincent de Paul Society

St. Sebastian Conference of the St. Vincent de Paul Society will meet this week on **Tuesday, October 30**, at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center.

Reality Tour—Getting “Real” About Drugs

Reality Tour (RT) is a national parent and child drug education and prevention program held at the Belle Vernon High School.

The next scheduled program is on November 12. Preregistration is required. For more information, go to realitytour.org or call 724-797-0955.

Valley of Hope Prayer Meeting

The Valley of Hope Catholic Prayer Group, meets this **Tuesday October 30** from 6:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. in our Parish Hall. Call 412-403-4542 for more information.

Lord, please remember the sick, the homebound and those in nursing homes from our parish and community:

Doreen Abler, Minerva Albert, Donna Biagini, Sally Biava, Anthony Boyle, Dane Breakwell, Brennan Breakwell, Tricia Pelissero Bruenn, Adam Canigiani, Jr., Elizabeth Cannizzaro, Ron Carson, Eric Cecchetti, Nicholas Cekinovich, Jenna Christner, Albert Cialone, Joe Ciferno, Sr., George L. Cowan, Bernadette Dayner, Frank Delia, James Delongchamp, David Dubinsky, Darlene Engel, Jean Ferreri, Autumn Fields, Betty Fisher, John Fisher, Dolores Frazier, Rose Gaggini, Mary Gira, Wayne Granchai, Michael J. Hazy, Betty Jean Henderson, Maureen Jenkins, Avery Kazakewicz, John Kelemen, Jr., Bronson Keller, Sr., Jared Konsugar, Terry Krolik, Cole Layhue, Catherine Lennex, James Litterini, Lori, Marge Marek, Stephen McCulloch, Brandon Morris, David Moskovitz, Val Novak, Paul Novakovich, Melissa O'Brien, Julia Paholski, Laura Pankiewicz, Shirley Patten, Jack Pesl, James Pozum, Joy Pozum, Barbara Riffle, Joel Rivera, Dorothy Rodgers, Mary Ann Rocco, Matthew Ross, George Rue, Laurie Sabolek, Betty Savarino, Patricia Senko, Betty Smereczniak, Ralph Swantek, William Tansmore, Joseph P. Trenk, Christopher Valerio, Arlene Vargo, Janet Volpe, Melvin Walkush, Sr., Helene Wozniak, John & Nina Zetty. Lord, give them strength in body, courage in spirit, and patience in pain. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

PANCAKE & SAUSAGE BREAKFAST

St. John the Baptist Church, Perryopolis is sponsoring a breakfast next Sunday, November 4 from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m. in their social hall. The cost is \$8 for adults and \$4 for children. Children under 2, free.

MANDATED CLEARANCES FOR VOLUNTEERS

If you are involved in any ministry that would put you in contact with a child or vulnerable adult you must have passed the PA Mandatory Training Course. This course is online. We will be in contact with those who need this clearance. Please see the instructions below:

1. Pull up Diocese of Greensburg web page
2. Click on the Youth Protection tab at the top
3. Click on PA Child Services
4. Scroll down to the Mandated/Permissive Reporting Training Course
5. Click on website for online Mandated Reporter Training
6. You will need to click on Registration at the top of the page to register

If you need Tech Support call 717-605-0236.