



## 30<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Jesus said to him in reply, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man replied to him, "Master, I want to see." Jesus told him, "Go your way; your faith has saved you." Immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way. - Mk 10:51-52

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## Office Telephone Directory

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*For a priest at night and only in the event of urgent sickness or imminent death*

## CLERGY

Reverend John A. Valencheck.....Pastor  
Reverend Peter A. Morris.....Parochial Vicar  
Reverend Bede Kotlinski OSB.....Weekend Associate  
Reverend Justin D. Dyrwal OSB.....Weekend Associate  
Reverend Paschal Petcavage OSB.....Weekend Associate

## ADMINISTRATION

Milissa Smith.....Parish Business Manager  
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Kathy Holaday.....Director of Development  
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## EDUCATION

Anthony Rohr.....School Principal  
Keith Johnson.....Parish Catechetical Leader  
Cinnamon Chivers.....PSR Principal  
Scott Mason.....Director of the Academy of Culture & Arts  
Jason Wojnicz.....Julie Billiart School Principal

## Prayer Line

Legion of Mary 330-485-3731

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday, 7:00 to 7:30pm, Friday, 4:00 to 5:00pm, Saturday, 9:30 to 10:00am and by appointment

## Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesdays, 8:30am-8:00pm, closing with Benediction at 7:40pm

## Registration

New parishioners are most welcome to stop by the rectory office or visit the parish website to register.

## Office Hours

Rectory office hours are Monday-Friday, 8:30am-5:00pm, Saturday 8:30am-4:30pm and Sunday 8:30am-1:00pm.

## Bulletin Deadline

Requests must be submitted by 8:00am on Saturday morning. Requests for full page inserts must be submitted 2 weeks in advance using Microsoft Word or Publisher software. Drop off at the Rectory, fax to 330-836-2235 or email to [jonesj@stsebastian.org](mailto:jonesj@stsebastian.org).

## *From The Pastor*

Greetings:

Here are some activities that are coming up that might be interesting to put on your calendar:

**AUTUMN LIGHTS THIS SUNDAY:** This Sunday, October 24, at 6:30pm is our annual Autumn Lights celebration. The new rectory garden doors will be wide open as part of the grounds for this gathering and we will have our traditional bon-fires and snacks and close with Compline (night prayer) by candlelight in the church.

**PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY OCTOBER 30 & 31:** Next weekend is Priesthood Sunday! A seminarian will be speaking at all of the weekend Masses to tell us his vocation story. Please keep all Church vocations and those who are (or should be) entertaining an idea for such a vocation in your prayers.

**ORGAN CONCERT FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5:** While it will be live-streamed, there is NOTHING to be compared to hearing this wonderful instrument live and in person and in such capable hands (and feet) as Mr. Scott Montgomery. If you would like a sampling of his talents he is easily found by searching "Scott Montgomery organist" on YouTube.

The concert is free and open to the public. Donations will be gratefully accepted and applied toward the Lynn Frey-Steward Organ Scholarship Fund to help train young organists to take over the role of parish organists.

**EXPLORER DAYS NOVEMBER 19:** Do you have young folk in your family who are getting ready to begin kindergarten? Our parish school will be hosting an opportunity for these students and their families to tour the school, meet the principal, learn about our curriculum, see our students at work and young students will be given the chance to interact in the classroom with some fun activities. Register by calling the school office at 330-836-9170 or visit our parish school's website. I recommend sooner rather than later.

### IN OTHER NEWS:

**ALTAR SERVERS:** Having been asked when we will be training new servers, I asked Keith Johnson to put together our fall training. Keep an eye out in the bulletin for details coming soon!

**SERRA CLUB:** The Serra Club is an organization that promotes vocations. They invite you to become a part of their organization. Look up "Serra Club Akron" in your browser and keep an eye out for more information coming your way.

God bless,

Fr. Valencheck

## MASS INTENTION

### Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time, October 23/24

*Jer 31:7-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Heb 5:1-6/  
Mk 10:46-52*

4:30pm Honey & Joe Messer - Fr. Morris

9:00am The People of St. Sebastian - Fr. Valencheck

11:00am Generose Marks - Fr. Morris

1:00pm *Extraordinary Form—Twenty-Second Sunday after  
Pentecost*

Marie T. White - Fr. Bede

### Monday, October 25

*Rom 8:12-17/Ps 68:2 and 4, 6-7ab, 20-21 [21a]/  
Lk 13:10-17*

8:00am For the Intentions of Sophia Mungo - Fr. Morris

### Tuesday, October 26

*Rom 8:18-25/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6 [3a]/  
Lk 13:18-21*

8:00am Elizabeth Neese Anderson - Fr. Valencheck

### Wednesday, October 27

*Rom 8:26-30/Ps 13:4-5, 6 [6a]/Lk 13:22-30*

8:00am Chris Berkesch - Fr. Morris

### Thursday, October 28, Sts. Simon & Jude, Apostles

*Eph 2:19-22/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5a]/Lk 6:12-16*

8:00am Judge Seikel - Fr. Valencheck

### Friday, October 29

*Rom 9:1-5/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Lk 14:1-6*

8:00am William & Mildred Loftus - Fr. Morris

### Saturday, October 30

*Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29/Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15,  
17-18 [14a]/Lk 14:1, 7-11*

8:00am Ryan Jarboe - Fr. Valencheck

4:30pm Carolyn Lancione - Fr. Morris

### Sunday, October 31, Thirtieth-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

*Dt 6:2-6/Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51 [2]/Heb 7:23-28/  
Mk 12:28b-34*

9:00am Michelle & Tony Villarreal 24th Wedding  
Anniversary - Fr. Morris

11:00am The People of St. Sebastian - Fr. Valencheck

1:00pm *Extraordinary Form—Christ the King*  
James R. White - Fr. Paschal

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

### Monday, October 25

8:40am	LOM, Our Lady of Humility	Library
6:00pm	Adult Bible Study	Byrider 2
6:00pm	Brownies – 2nd Grade	Byrider 3
7:00pm	Confirmation Meeting	Church
7:30pm	Young Adult Bible Study	Church Mtg. Rm

### Tuesday, October 26

8:40am	Adoration	Church
7:00-7:30pm	Confession	Church
7:00pm	Women of St. Sebastian	Byrider 3
7:00pm	Youth Ministry	Byrider 2
8:00pm	Gregorian Schola Rehearsal	Church

### Wednesday, October 27

7:00pm	Praise & Worship Ensemble	Church
7:00pm	K of C Officers Meeting	Forest Lodge

### Thursday, October 28

9:15am	Pre-School & Toddler Open Gym	Byrider Gym
7:00pm	Legion of Mary	Church Mtg. Rm
7:00pm	RCIA	Forest Lodge
7:00pm	St. Vincent de Paul	Byrider 2
7:00pm	Boy Scout Troop #96	Byrider 1 & 3
7:00pm	Parish Choir Rehearsal	Church

### Friday, October 29

4:00-5:00pm	Confession	Church
5:30pm	Knights of the Altar Practice	Church
7:30pm	Alcoholics Anonymous Mtg.	Church Mtg. Rm.

### Saturday, October 30

8:40am	LOM Virgin Most Powerful	Library
9:30-10:00am	Confession	Church
7:00om	Youth Ministry-All Saints Party	Byrider 2
7:00pm	Alcoholics Anonymous Mtg.	Church Mtg. Rm.

### Sunday, October 31

9:30am	PSR	School
12:15pm	Gregorian Schola Rehearsal	Church Mtg. Rm.



### All the sick of the parish:

Annette Bailey, Karen  
Brugmann, Megan Brugmann,  
Jill Buffa, Regina Buhalak, Dan

Canale, Christopher Casey, Emilio Cheuy, Rita Cummings,  
Anthony D'Attoma, Marjorie DeLuca, Melane Francis, Rita  
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and Terry Hogan, Rich Huber, Ann Hubiak, Carolyn Jeske,  
Janet Kendrick, Jean Labate, Myrna Marple, Don Matis,  
Ken Minrovic, Betty O'Hara, Keith Pecek, Robert Rader,  
Mary Ricks, Nancy Ropchock, Aaron Salisbury, Ann  
Sandvick, Michael Schnetzer, John Schultz, Cory Schulz,  
Tom Smith and Steve Watral.

## Autumn Lights

The Annual Festival of Light will be held at St. Sebastian on **Sunday, October 24**, between **6:30 and 8:30pm**. Please come celebrate with us all that is good, true and beautiful. Hot beverages will be provided.

## The Women of St. Sebastian Weekly Events

### Catholic Living, Part 2

Tuesday, October 26, 7:30pm in Byrider Hall. Come join us for a continued discussion on the 10 Commandments and what it means to live as an authentic Catholic woman. You will leave with a clear understanding of how God is calling us to live fearlessly in today's culture. Join us, even if you missed Part 1.

### Preschool and Toddler Open Gym

Thursday, October 28, 9:15-10:30am in Byrider Hall Gym. Come let your little ones burn off some energy and meet new friends in the parish.

Email: [womenofstsebastian@gmail.com](mailto:womenofstsebastian@gmail.com) for more information on these events or to join our weekly mailing list.

## Confirmation Meeting

The next Confirmation formation meeting will be Monday, October 25, from 7:00-8:00pm in the church. All candidates for Confirmation must attend with either a parent or sponsor.

## Special Music for the Extraordinary Form Mass

On Sunday, October 31, guest artists Elizabeth Crabtree and David Ciucevich will be helping our Schola celebrate the Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King. We will be singing William Byrd's Mass for 3 voices, Cantate Domino by Lassus, and an anonymous O Salutaris from the Gyffard Partbooks, copied during the reign of Queen Mary for use at St. Paul's Cathedral. Ms. Crabtree is a music educator and alto; Mr. Ciucevich is an experienced tenor and clarinetist, and first cousin to Johnny Mercer.

## Instructors Needed

The Academy of Culture and Arts at St. Sebastian Parish is searching for instructors for after school/evening Piano Lessons, Visual Arts and Foreign Language. All instructors need to be Virtus trained (tuition reimbursement available) and have a current FBI/BCI background check. Contact Scott Mason at [masonmusic2@gmail.com](mailto:masonmusic2@gmail.com) for more information.

## Financial Update

Week of October 17, 2021

4:30pm.....	\$2,372
9:00am .....	\$2,348
11:00am .....	\$2,878
1:00pm.....	\$1,009
Mailed in to Rectory .....	\$5,713
ONLINE GIVING (Electronic).....	\$11,696
<i>*weekly average based on a monthly total</i>	

Total Collection..... \$26,016

Thank you for your continued commitment to St. Sebastian Parish.

We pray for your continued generous support of God's work here at St. Sebastian.

## Parent Preparation Baptism Class



The next parent preparation class for the baptism of infants (birth to age 7) will be on

**Monday, November 8**, in Byrider Hall Room 3 at **7:00pm**. This is a requirement for all first time parents wishing to have their child/children baptized at St. Sebastian Parish. Please call the parish office at 330-836-2233 for more information or to register your child's baptism.

## World Mission Sunday

TODAY is World Mission Sunday. We celebrate this day by remembering our baptismal call - to bring the Gospel to all! The collection today for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith supports the work and witness of the Mission Church, as it provides for priests, religious and lay leaders who offer the Lord's mercy and concrete help to the vulnerable communities in the Pope's missions. Thank you for your generosity.

## Musical Arts Corner

**Scott Montgomery** on the organ for the Lynn Frey-Steward Organ Scholarship Concert **November 5, at 7:00pm** at St. Sebastian Church.

## Youth Ministry News

### High School

All Saints Party, October 30, 7:00-8:30pm, Byrider Hall. Come ready for some fun as we anticipate All Saints Day on November 1. Dress up as your favorite saint for more fun.

Youth Night- November 2, 7:00 - 8:30pm, Byrider Hall.

CLE 21:6 is the diocesan youth conference and will be held at John Carroll University on Saturday, January 8, 2022. Cost is \$35.00 and is due with registration by October 31. Spots are filling up fast so be sure to see Mr. Johnson if you would like to go.

Our Confirmation retreat will be February 18 - 19. We need high school students for the retreat team. Planning will begin in December. Contact Mr. Johnson if you would like to be part of the team.

### Jr. High Youth Ministry

Confirmation Meeting- October 25, 7:00-8:00pm. Eighth grade only.

For more information about youth ministry contact Keith Johnson at johnsonk@stsebastian.org or call 330-836-2233 ext. 134.

## Catechetical Corner

When we speak of the Last Things, we are referring to four specific components: death, judgment, heaven and hell. Hebrews 9:27 says, "... it is appointed for men to die once, and after that comes judgment." We call this the Particular judgment, in which each soul is judged individually after death. At some point in the future we will all experience the General Judgment in which we will be bodily resurrected and judged to enter into eternity either in heaven or hell. What about purgatory? Purgatory is a temporary process to prepare us for heaven. It is not a final destination. How can we prepare for judgment? By trusting in Christ, coming to know Him, love Him, and serve Him and by actively participating in the life of the Church, which is the life of Grace.

Have a question you would like to see addressed in the Catechetical Corner? Send to Keith Johnson at johnsonk@stsebastian.org.

--Keith Johnson, Parish Catechetical Leader

## —ST. SEBASTIAN PARISH SCHOOL

**Faith and Science Retreat** – A group of our 6<sup>th</sup> grade students recently traveled to Camp Damascus to attend a retreat focusing on faith and science. All of the activities and experiences taught the students that Jesus came to restore relationships and that Jesus came to serve, not to be served. Therefore, we must do the same and embrace a culture of encounter.

**Akron University Racing Team** – Special thank you to the University of Akron Race Team for bringing their racing cars to our parish school. They spoke with the students, answered questions and, of course, drove the cars for the students. The students were able to see the cars up close and a couple of students even got to get in the cars. Students were able to learn about the design process including how the race team uses 3D printers for their car parts.

**Living Rosary** – Last Monday, our students and staff enjoyed a beautiful day outside and together formed a living rosary on the parish school's playground and prayed the rosary together. It was a wonderful way to start a new week with fellowship and prayers.

**Service Learning** – Our first graders recently took some time away from their classroom and made cookies for the Peter Maurin Center's meal program. The center is a non-profit charitable organization passionate about serving those in need in the Greater Akron area with prepared meals, clothing, friendships and warm hearts.

**Halloween Parade** - St. Sebastian Parish School will hold its annual Halloween Parade on Friday, October 29. Students will be dressed in their favorite costumes and parade around the school grounds beginning at 1:15pm. After the parade, our students will return to their classrooms for some Halloween fun! Students in the Center for Early Learning will have their Halloween parade through the parish school the day before.

**Explorer Day** – Remember to register for this year's Explorer Day program on our school's website. This year's event for families thinking about kindergarten for their preschooler will be held on Friday, November 19, beginning at 8:15 am.



CORNER

## Extraordinary Form Mass Weekly Readings

Monday:	2 Corinthians 6: 4-10 & Luke 11: 47-51
Tuesday:	Peter 5: 1-4, 10-11 & Matthew 16: 13-19
Wednesday	Philippians 1: 6-11 & Matthew 22: 15-21
Thursday:	Ephesians 4: 7-13 & John 15: 17-25
Friday:	Philippians 1: 6-11 & Matthew 22: 15-21
Saturday:	Ecclesiasticus 24: 14-16 & Luke 11: 27-28
Sunday:	Colossians 1: 12-20 & John 18: 33-37

<http://www.extraordinaryform.org/properssundays.html>

## Sharing Secrets

The Legion of Mary, Our Lady of Humility shares from **The Secret of the Rosary** by St. Louis Marie de Montfort. The saint writes of 50 “Roses” or secrets of the most Holy Rosary.

### Thirtieth Rose: Confraternity Privileges (Part 1 of 2)

The Confraternity of the Most Holy Rosary is one of the most valuable confraternities to join, if only because of the number of indulgences attached to it. It has been awarded more indulgences than any other confraternity in the Church.

St. Louis explains that an indulgence is the remission before God of the temporal punishment due to sins which have already been forgiven. In order to receive an indulgence, one must be a baptized Catholic, repentant and in the state of grace. The most recent Catholic Catechism will explain indulgences and the conditions for receiving them.

Knowing that a good example is more valuable than glowing words, countless popes have chosen to join the Confraternity to attest to its merits. There have been some revisions and modifications to the conditions of the indulgences over the years, most notably by Pope Leo XIII.

(to be continued)

*Have a Blessed Week!*

## St. Sebastian Social Justice Ministry

### Human Trafficking

The International Labour Office estimates that there are approximately 25 million men, women, and children subjected to labor or sex trafficking worldwide. It is important to understand how to prevent and recognize incidents of human trafficking within your own community. The USCCB strives to fulfill the Church's commitment to combat human trafficking and fight for a fair way of life for all through outreach and engagement programs. These initiatives rely on community and faith leaders like you to join the movement in defending the inherent right of every human being to freedom, justice and protection.

Today, human trafficking is pervasive throughout the world, and no one is immune to its evils or its impact, including in our country's fifty states. Bishop Mario E. Dorsonville, auxiliary bishop of Washington and chairman of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' (USCCB) Committee on Migration released the following statement regarding the Church's commitment to raising awareness of and eradicating human trafficking: “Let us reflect upon our responsibilities as individuals and as a Church to make the well-being and protection of victims of human trafficking a priority. We are called by our Holy Father to take a firm stance against this terrible violation of the dignity of the human person and to do everything in our power to eradicate it.”

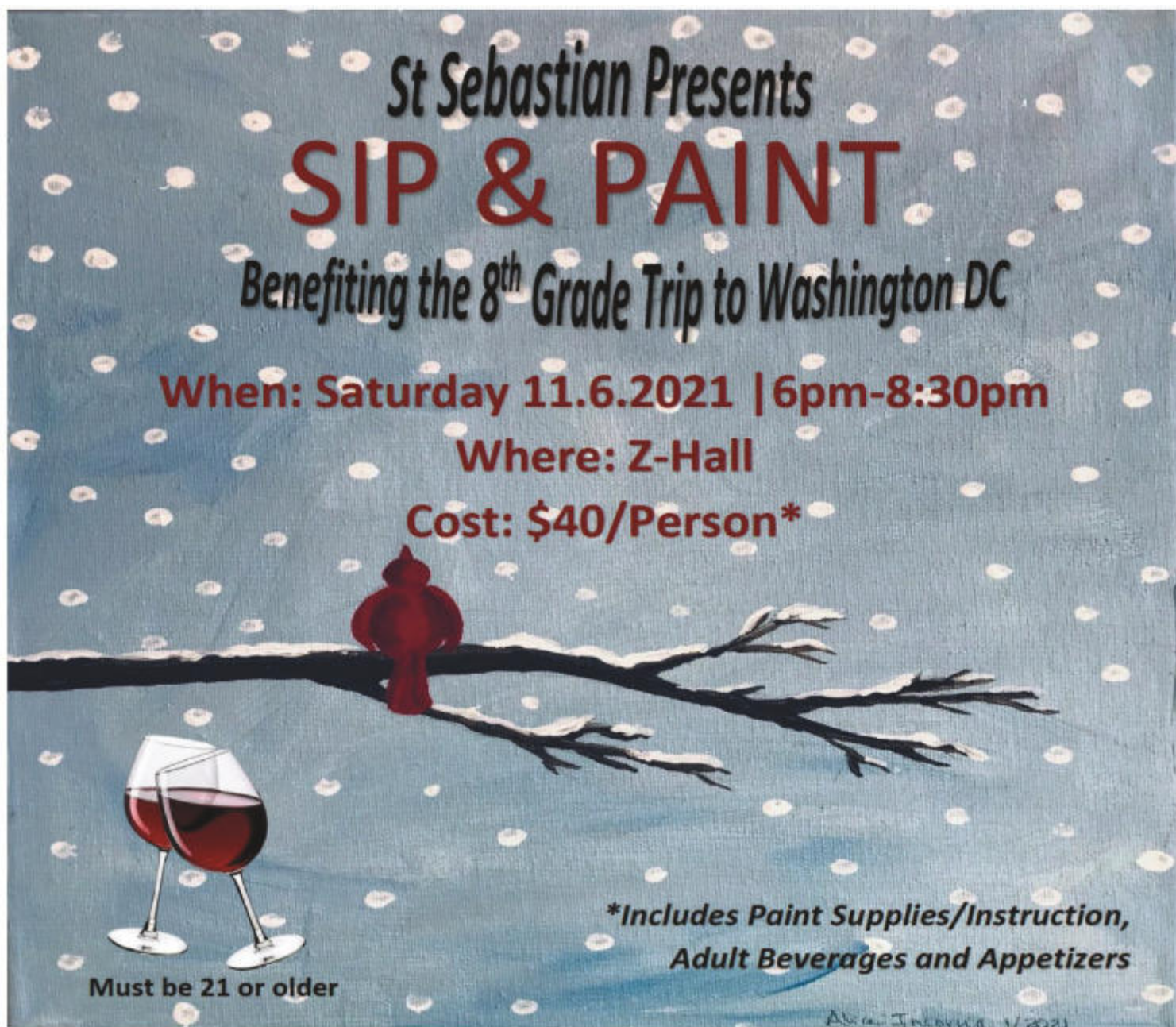
For help in raising awareness about human trafficking throughout the year and expanding anti-trafficking ministries at the local level, visit USCCB's "Become a SHEPHERD" program for downloadable educational materials and resources- <https://brycs.org/become-a-shepherd/>.

## Adoration for Vocation Campaign

Vocations are everyone's business

Please come and offer one hour on Tuesday  
from 8:30am to 8:00pm  
for vocations

Benediction at 7:40pm  
The Harvest Is Great - the Laborers Are Few



JOANN

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*Please complete and return to School Office by October 29, 2021*

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Number Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

QUESTIONS? Contact Ana Borges (apbsaab@gmail.com) OR  
Alice Incorvia (330-990-5630)

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## Happy 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary St. Sebastian Parish Foundation



The St. Sebastian Parish Foundation was started in 1971 with a mission to provide financial support to the parish, including both the church and the school. Since 1971, the Foundation has provided over \$11 million in support to the parish.

The first fund established at the Foundation was the Unrestricted Fund, which to this day provides essential funding for the areas of greatest need in the parish. Today, the Foundation oversees more than 70 named funds and endowments that provide ongoing support for everything from school scholarships to faith formation activities.

A quick glance at a few of the many capital improvements that have been funded by The Foundation over the years:

- Renovation of the former convent in to the Beringer Center for Early Learning
- Construction of the Victor Buehrle, Jr. Science Laboratory
- Complete renovation of Monsignor Zwisler Hall
- Reconstruction of the brick parking
- Overhaul of the church organ
- Construction of the Helen Barry Hamlin Library
- \$1 million Cornerstone of Our Faith, church restoration project

For more information about The St. Sebastian Parish Foundation, please contact:  
Kathleen Zehenni Holaday at 330-836-2233 x113, [holadayk@stsebastian.org](mailto:holadayk@stsebastian.org)

*Please Join us for The 8th Annual St. Sebastian  
Ladies Christmas Boutique & Luncheon*

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You are cordially invited to join us for a lovely day filled with food, friendship, Christmas spirit and shopping! For the past 8 years this event has provided the ladies of St. Sebastian a fun day together, but more importantly **100% of your ticket price goes to the Teacher Appreciation and Wellness Fund**. Our teachers have gone above and beyond this last year and a half, and deserve to be celebrated more than ever!

There will be unique local vendors at the event where you will find everything from jewelry to specialty foods to clothing. Some of your favorite vendors from previous years are returning and we have found some new ones we know you will love. A cash bar and valet will be available. Jump start your Christmas shopping or find something for yourself while supporting amazing small businesses. Please come and spend the day with us!



*Please RSVP by November 5th*

☐ **YES, I WILL ATTEND THE LUNCHEON & BOUTIQUE!** HOW MANY ATTENDING: \_\_\_\_\_ X \$30 = \_\_\_\_\_

NAME(S): \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE LIST WHO YOU WOULD LIKE TO SIT WITH (TABLE OF 8) \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to the **St. Sebastian Parish Foundation** (sorry, no cash accepted).  
Deliver RSVP via mail to St. Sebastian Parish School, Attn: Socials, 500 Mull Ave, Akron, OH 44320

☐ **YES, I'D LIKE TO BECOME A SPONSOR FOR THE 2021 LADIES CHRISTMAS BOUTIQUE AND LUNCHEON**

Please check level of participation below. Multiple contributors may join to create a group sponsor.


- ☐ **Green & Gold: \$1,500.** This level of sponsorship will include 10 tickets to the event as well as being named the Event Sponsor. (\$1,250 is tax deductible)
- ☐ **Tartan Sponsor: \$1,000.** This sponsorship will include 8 tickets to the event. (\$800 is tax deductible)
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- ☐ **Mulled Wine Sponsor: \$250.** This sponsorship will include 2 tickets to the event (\$200 is tax deductible)
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