

SCHEDULE OF MASSES AND SERVICES FOR THE WEEK

OCTOBER 11—28th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
 4:30 pm **Sat.** (Birth) Marilyn Swantek—Gail Closkey
 9:00 am For All the People of Saint Sebastian Parish
 11:00 am (Birth) Robert Nelson, Sr.—Mary Ann Toth
 Liturgy of the Word for Children

MONDAY, OCTOBER 12
 8:00 am Raymond Bradish, Sr. & Deceased Family Members—
 Wife, Jean and Son, Ray
 After Mass: Miraculous Medal Novena & Rosary

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13
No Morning Mass Today

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14
 9:30 am *School Mass:* Deceased of Fundy & Santoro Family—
 Fred & Betty Fundy

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15—ST. TERESA OF JESUS
No Morning Mass Today
 6:30 pm *Rosary and Exposition*

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16—ST HEDWIG
No Morning Mass Today

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17—ST. IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH
 11:30 am Sacrament of Penance

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
 4:30 pm (Birth) Jean Bishop—M/M David Natali

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18
 9:00 am For All the People of Saint Sebastian Parish
 11:00 am (Anniv) Geno Tonarelli—Homer & Barbara Zucconi
Sacrament of Baptism

LITURGICAL MINISTERS—SERVERS & MASTER OF CEREMONIES

Weekdays, Oct. 12	8:00 am	J. & S. Pokol
Wednesday, Oct. 14	9:30 am	<i>School Mass</i>
Saturday, Oct. 17	4:30 pm	D. & J. Columbus (MC) M. Couser
Sunday, Oct. 18	9:00 am	J. Hartman & J. Rabe (MC) J. Hartman
	11:00 am	S. Anderson—L. Kutcy (MC) E. Russell

LECTORS	COORDINATOR	MINISTERS
Saturday, Oct. 17 4:30 M. Patterson	S. Rygiel	J. Moody, C. Farrier, K. Rygiel J. Stringhill, R. Couser, J. Barger
Sunday, Oct. 18 9:00 C. Williams	M. Pesi	P. Morigi, J. Morris, S. Wawro S. Battaglia, C. Peterson, J. Krosoff
11:00 C. Gorski	M. Nogy	D. Cooper, G. Rush, M. Blevins L. Keene, M. Druciak, E. Studnicki

Second Collection this Weekend is the monthly UTILITIES & MAINTENANCE collection. **Next weekend** is the annual MISSION SUNDAY collection.

SUNDAY COUNTERS:

Oct. 11—D. Lisovich, D. & J. Kerestan, S. & B. Monro
 Oct. 18—M. & K. Ramsier, S. Mavrakis, S. Wawro, S. Schussler

CONGRATULATIONS to our parishioners, BILL and MARGE WEAVER on the occasion of their 60th Wedding Anniversary.

ALTAR FLOWERS this weekend are given to the glory of God and in memory of DORIS KOLENC by her family.

SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS Please remember in your prayers those who died last week: CECELIA McCLINTOCK, our parishioner; ATTILIO FUNDY, brother of Fred Fundy and Mary Praskavich, our parishioners; MARIO MUCCINO, brother of Anthony & Joseph Muccino, our parishioners; and BEN LUBECKI, father of Richard Lubecki, our parishioner. We extend our sympathy to their families. May they rest in peace.

PARISH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Today, Sunday—Sr. Youth to Fright Night at Kennywood, 6 pm
 Monday - Rel. Ed. Class, Gr. 1-5, School, 6:15 pm
 - Valley of Hope, Hall, 8:00 pm
 Wednesday - Choir, Church, 6:30 pm
 - RCIA, Parish Center, 7:00 pm
 Saturday - 1st Penance Intergenerational Meeting, Parish Hall, **9:00 am—11:00 am**
 - Y.E.S. Jr. & Sr. Wreath Making, Epiphany Chapel garage, 11:30 am—1:30 pm
 Sunday - Y.E.S. Jr. & Sr. Group Meeting, Parish Hall, 6:30 pm

Stewardship of Treasure

	Sunday Stewardship	Needed for Budget	Over/Under + / -
Oct. 3/4	\$10,756.22	\$9,800.00	+\$956.22
Fiscal Year to Date	\$123,892.87	\$137,200.00	-\$13,307.13

Today's Challenge, Tomorrow's Hope

Goal	Pledged	Paid	Families
\$720,000.00	\$297,800.00	\$7,300.00	19

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER THE SICK OF OUR PARISH especially Leda Arrigoni, Sister Mary Vera Bartley, Joseph Beresik, Donna Biagini, Greg Brooks, Peter Carrozza, Jenna Christner, Irene Colborn, Alex Danyi, Michael DeFrancisco, Angelina DeMarco, Edward Drotos, Ernest Ehlers, Darlene Engle, Joan Eversburg, Michael Fenyar, Margaret Foglia, Thomas W. Galley, Jr., Madison Marie Gardner, Mary Gira, Rudy Haldas, Betty Jean Henderson, Janice Hill, Ann Husovitz, Philomena Iacovangelo, Barbara Kubik, Debbie Kurtis, Ann Krosoff, Stanley Lubinski, Fr. Leonard McAlpin, Kathleen McCullough, Mike Mendicino, Janet Misenko, William Molnar, Sr., Mary B. Nagy, Joseph Naylor, Karen O'Neil, Joanne Pavalonis, Stella Povlich, George Rue, Mary Ann Rocco, Mathew Russell, Joylyn Sabolek, Barbara Sedlak, Steve Semancik, Loretta Senich, Guido Simboli, Joseph Smith, Patti Smith, Mary B. Snyder, Darla Staff, Chuckie Stringhill, Clara Tonarelli, Joseph Turcheck, Jim Webb. Lord, we ask that you bless our friends who are sick. Give them strength in body, courage in spirit, and patience in pain. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Rosary and Exposition

In honor of Our Lady of the Rosary during the month of October there will be recitation of the Rosary and/or Benediction/Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 6:30 p.m. here at Saint Sebastian.



LIGHTS OF LOVE

Saint Sebastian Regional School is undertaking a project this Christmas season called "Lights of Love." If you are interested in honoring the memory of a loved one (living or deceased), an outdoor light may be purchased. These lights will be displayed at the front entrance of Saint Sebastian Regional School during this festive season. There is a minimum donation of \$3.00 required per name. Your donations will include name displayed at the school and a postcard sent to a family member. Order forms for "Lights of Love" can be found in the pamphlet racks in the back of this church.

Lights of Love Order Form

I wish to have a "Light of Love" illuminated at Saint Sebastian Regional School this Christmas season. Please light it

In honor/memory (circle) of:

From: _____

Send the acknowledgement to:

Name: _____

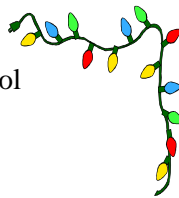
Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

* Minimum donation of \$3.00 per name. Donations include name displayed at the school and a postcard sent to a family member. If additional lights are needed, attach a sheet with the information requested. Please make checks payable to Saint Sebastian Regional School.

Send this form and donations to:

St. Sebastian Regional School
 Lights of Love Project
 815 Broad Avenue
 Belle Vernon, PA 15012

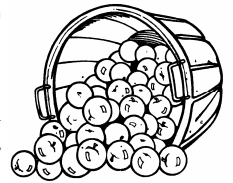


FIRST PENANCE INTERGENERATIONAL MEETING will be held on Saturday, October 17 in our Parish Hall from **9:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. (please note the new times)**. This meeting is for ALL parents and 2nd grade students regardless if the parents have attended the meeting for another child in recent years. The 1st Penance Intergenerational meeting will be repeated for your convenience on Saturday, October 24 at Epiphany Chapel Hall from 9:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m.

The Church of St. Anne, Rostraver has an 8:00 am Mass Tuesday, Thursday and Friday of this week for those wishing to attend daily Mass.

OUR PARISH HARVEST FESTIVAL

will be held on Sunday, November 1, from 3:00 pm until 7:00 pm in our Parish Hall. This is a **PARISHIONER ONLY** social event. We will have food, refreshments, music and entertainment for the children. For a minimal admission fee (\$5.00 for adults; \$2.50 for children aged 5-10; children under 5 are admitted free), parishioners can enjoy live music by the *Townsmen Plus One*, refreshments and food. The meal will include your choice of sandwich (kielbasa, pulled pork, brat, hot dog) choice of various side dishes, and dessert. This will be a great way to spend an afternoon of fellowship with other members of Saint Sebastian Parish Family. *Note that the Steelers don't play that Sunday.* Admission is by **TICKET ONLY**, and tickets will be sold following all Masses today and throughout the month of October. Only 300 tickets will be sold, so get your tickets early!!! **SPECIAL NOTE:** A committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 20 at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Center. All volunteers who have offered to cook, serve or set-up are asked to attend. If you would like to help in any way, you are most welcome to attend this meeting.



HOLIDAY WREATHS

Fresh-cut, hand-tied Holiday Wreaths will be delivered direct to your home by **UPS**.



The wreaths are beautiful and come in eight different arrangements. Please take a brochure from the pamphlet racks to fill out and return to the Parish Office.

Final date to turn in Wreath order is

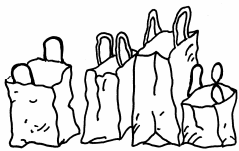
Tuesday, November 17.

Proceeds benefit Saint Sebastian Parish.

Y.E.S. GROUP NEWS

Our Youth Group will be involved in many exciting and service oriented tasks this year. Please mark your calendar for upcoming events.

TRICK OR TREAT EVENT On Halloween afternoon, as the North Belle Vernon community sends its children out to Trick or Treat, members of the Y.E.S. Group will be collecting non-perishable food items, paper products and/or cleaning supplies that will be distributed to the needy in the Christmas Baskets this year. Watch for our Teens to arrive at you door with proper ID labels on their costumes and donate a non-perishable item. Thank you and God bless you for your gift.



HELP OUR YOUTH ATTEND THE 2009 NCYC!

In November, five members of our Youth Group will be traveling to Kansas City for the National Catholic Youth Conference, they are: ERIN POKOL, KATE POKOL, BRADLEY ANTAL, MICHAEL COUSER, and GARRETT McLAUGHLIN. Catholic youth from across the country will gather together to learn, share and proclaim their Faith. Although some financial aid comes from the Diocese Francis Fund, we are asking for your help. A \$10 donation to help defray the cost of the trip (about \$1,000 per student) would be greatly appreciated. As a thank-you, we are offering a 7-inch votive candle with the NCYC logo on it. Candles are available at the Faith Formation Office in the Parish Center. For more information on NCYC you may "Google It" to NCYC 2009. If you have any questions, please call 724-930-8504.

ADVENT WREATHS—Members of our Youth Group have made sturdy, wooden based ADVENT WREATHS which they are offering for sale. During the months of October and November, one of these wreaths will be on display in the Church vestibule along with order forms. The cost is \$12 per Wreath and forms may be turned in at the Parish Center. Wreaths will be available for pick up at the Parish Office during regular office hours. Even if you already have an Advent Wreath, adding an additional Wreath to your home will always be a blessing.



The **Bereavement Support Group** at Saint Vincent Parish in Latrobe will meet on Monday, October 19 at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center Conference Room. Fr. Thomas Curry, O.S.B., pastor of St. Vincent Parish, will be speaking. The support group is open to anyone who is grieving the loss of a loved one. There is no charge to attend. To register or for more information please call Teri at 724-539-8629 ext. 15.

OCTOBER: RESPECT LIFE MONTH

At every Mass, we should offer special prayers for our nation and her leaders, in order that the culture of death may be overcome and a civilization of love may be steadfastly advanced. All Catholics throughout the nation should take part in Eucharistic adoration and in the praying of the Rosary for the restoration of the respect for human life and for the safeguarding of the integrity of the family. In our prayers, we should seek, above all, the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, under her title of the Immaculate Conception.



- Archbishop Raymond L. Burke

ALL SOULS DAY: Remembering the Dead Basket of Remembrance

We remember and pray for our deceased brothers and sisters on Monday, November 2, All Souls Day, and throughout the month of November. We celebrate All Souls Masses here at St. Sebastian throughout November; the regulations of the Diocese of Greensburg does not permit any priests or parishes to accept money for these All Souls Masses. If you would like to have family members, friends, or loved ones remembered at these Masses, you are asked to write their names on the forms provided and place them in the basket located in front of the Blessed Virgin Mary Shrine in the Church for all of October; it will be placed near the Paschal Candle on All Souls Day.

ALL SOULS INTENTIONS

Please list the names of loved ones to be remembered during the All Souls Masses; place in Basket of Remembrance.

- 1.) _____
- 2.) _____
- 3.) _____
- 4.) _____
- 5.) _____
- 6.) _____

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY—Next Sunday is World Mission Sunday. United with the Catholics of the world at the Table of the Lord, we recommit ourselves to our vocation, through Baptism, to be missionaries. Our prayers and Eucharistic celebration next Sunday are directed in a special way toward our brothers and sisters throughout the world who are waiting to hear the joyous “Good News” of Jesus. Our offerings, through the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, will support the work and witness of those who selflessly give up all for the sake of our Lord and His Gospel—the local priests, Religious and lay catechists who daily provide loving service to the poor and suffering of the Developing World.

OCTOBER COUNT CONTINUES Every year in our diocese all parishes are required to take a “head count” of people attending each parish weekend Mass. This year the numbers obtained will be derived from Mass attendance thru the weekend of October 31/November 1.

The count is taken by our ushers, and they literally are asked to count “heads”. In counting heads there isn’t a distinction made between parishioner and visitor. If we have any visitors here during the weekends counted, they will simply increase our numbers.

Conversely, if any of our parishioners attend another church during those weekends, that will only ensure an increase in their number and a decrease in ours. Keeping our attendance count up keeps our parish open for years to come.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASS

Wednesday, November 11 at 11:00 A.M.

The Anointing of the Sick is for all Catholics who have reached the use of reason (around 7 years of age) and are weakened by sickness or age. The priest will pray over all to be anointed, lay hands upon them and anoint them with the Oil of the Sick. We invite all who are sick to come and be anointed on Wednesday, November 11, during at the 11:00 a.m. Mass. If you have difficulty walking and wish to be anointed, please sit in the front pews and a priest will come to you rather than you walking up to the altar. Members of the Parish will be there to assist you.

CAKE BAKERS, DESSERT MAKERS & VOLUNTEERS NEEDED COMING UP IN NOVEMBER—ANY TYPE OF DESSERT is needed for the reception which follows the All Souls Mass on Monday, November 2; and GELATIN SALADS are needed for the reception following the Anointing Mass on Wednesday, November 11. Please call Betty Fundy if you can help with any of these desserts.

From the kindness of your heart, please remember Saint Sebastian Parish in your will.

A PARISH COOKBOOK We are planning a new Parish Cookbook for Spring of 2010. All parishioners are invited to share their favorite recipes by printing/typing them on the forms available in the church pamphlet racks. You may drop your recipes off at the Parish Office, place them in the collection or send them in the mail, or you may email your recipe to:



dkoury@dioceseofgreensburg.org

Please include your name and phone number for recipe verification if needed. **DEADLINE to accept recipes HAS BEEN EXTENDED TO MONDAY, OCTOBER 19.**

A portion of the Cookbook will be devoted to special holiday recipes—such as, Christmas, Easter, Thanksgiving, Birthday’s etc. If you have a recipe that is a tradition in your family, please include this with a short footnote!

FUNDRAISER

Our choir will be holding an ongoing Avon Fundraiser starting this weekend and running through the month of October. This is being done to pay for the installation of a new Sound System in the choir loft. If you would like to help our choir with the endeavor, as well as purchasing your favorite Avon products, please see one of our choir members or contact Terry Krolik at 724-929-2876 to place an order. Brochures available upon request. Thanking you ahead of time for your help with this project!



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, Saint Sebastian.