



# Saint Sebastian Catholic Church

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## Mass Schedule

**Weekend: Saturday 4:30 PM, Sunday 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM**

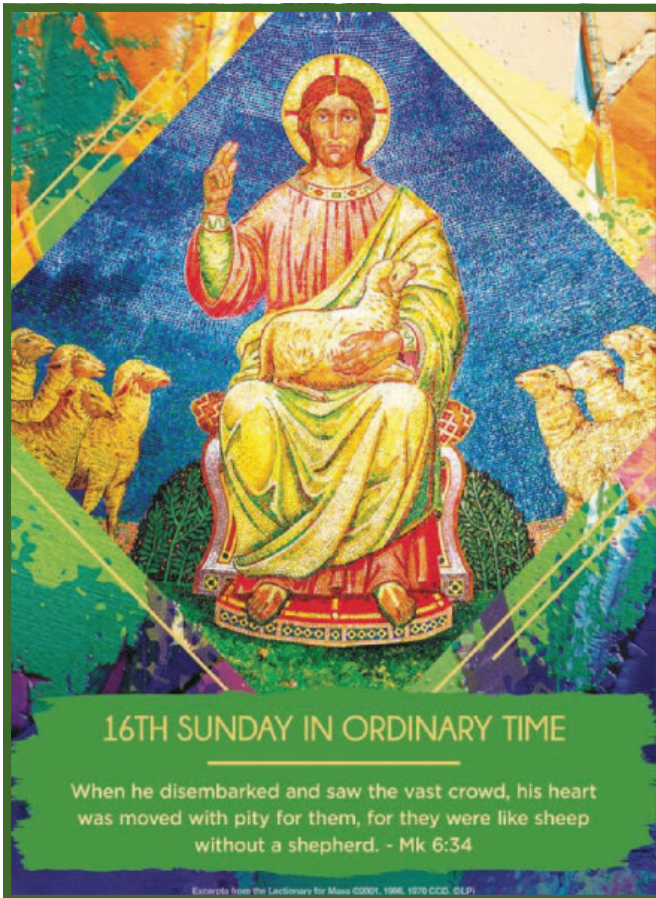
**Weekday: Monday, & Thursday—8:00 AM at Epiphany of Our Lord**

**Tuesday & Friday—8:00 AM at Saint Sebastian**



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## July 21, 2024—Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



### 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd. - Mk 6:34

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### Baptism Preparation

Third Monday of every month. Please call the Faith Formation Office, 724-929-9300.

### Religious Education/Formation

Please call the Faith Formation Office, 724-929-9300.

### (OCIA) Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

Anyone interested in becoming a Catholic, please call the Faith Formation Office.

### Reconciliation

**Confessions are on Saturday:** Epiphany—11:30 a.m. and St. Sebastian—3:30 p.m. You may also call at anytime for an appointment for confession.

## Liturgies this Week

### July 20—Vigil

4:30 PM (Death Anniv) Frank & Stella Kosik—  
Bernadette Zunic & Annette Snyder

### July 21—Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM (Date of Births) Matilda & Chester Welshans—  
Daughter, Barbara & Family

11:00 AM (Death Anniv) Dorothy Brecht—Husband, David

### Monday, July 22—St. Mary Magdalene

8:00 AM Mass at Epiphany of Our Lord

### Tuesday, July 23—St. Bridget

8:00 AM (Date of Birth) Thomas R. Hartman—Wife

### Wednesday, July 24—St. Sharbel Makhluf

No Mass Today

### Thursday, July 25—St. James

8:00 AM Mass at Epiphany of Our Lord

### Friday, July 26—Ss. Joachim and Anne

8:00 AM Clyde J. Rudy—Nieces, Patty & Mary Lee

### Saturday, July 27—Vigil

3:30 PM Sacrament of Reconciliation

4:30 PM John Monack—Parents, Frank & Deanna  
Monack

### July 28—Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM For the People of Saint Sebastian Parish

11:00 AM (Death Anniv) Joe Kubitza—Wife, Betty &  
Family



**THE ROSARY IS PRAYED  
SUNDAYS AT 8:30 AM, PRIOR TO  
THE 9:00 AM MASS. PLEASE  
JOIN US!**

### Sympathy and Prayers

Please remember in your prayers those who have died: .  
PETER BRUNO TALLERICO We extend our sympathy  
to his family. May he rest in peace.

### Altar Candle Flowers

The flowers this weekend are In Thanksgiving given by  
Barb Moskovitz.

### Scripture Reflection “Shepherding”



In Jesus’ day, the  
flocks were small. A shep-  
herd could indeed name  
each one and the herd  
knew his voice by heart, just as the family dog  
knows yours.

So, in Jesus’ day, good shepherds would  
search and search for a lost sheep. Or find one  
turned absurdly on its back, unable to roll over again  
because of its full fleece. The shepherd took his  
“crook,” which had a big curve on one end, and eas-  
ily maneuver the sheep to its feet.

Bad shepherds, on the other hand, would ac-  
tually scatter the sheep; drive them away without  
care. The sheep feared and trembled, and many went  
missing. Sometimes workers were hired who were  
not shepherds at all and who simply ran away when  
a wolf approached.

Of course these sheep and shepherds were  
symbols representing God’s people and their  
“shepherds” or pastors.

The question for you and me is whether our  
own hearts are ever moved with pity for the scat-  
tered and fear-filled sheep of our own time. And  
they are many. Can we love them as Jesus does? As  
he loves each of us? Can we imitate the “Good  
Shepherd?”

John Foley, S.J



**Order of Christian  
Initiation for  
Adults**

### Are you or someone you know interested becoming Catholic?

Becoming a member of the Catholic faith is a big  
step in your life. The summer is a good time to meet with  
us and ask questions. When autumn rolls around, people  
who wish to join the church begin a serious and more  
structured phase of preparation.

So take this opportunity to find out in a relaxed  
and comfortable way if you are ready to start this jour-  
ney. Call Scott Martin, 724-929-9300 or 724-469-1095.

## SAINT SEBASTIAN CHURCH, BELLE VERNON, PENNSYLVANIA

### From Monsignor Gaston

The Annual St. Sebastian Junque Sale is next weekend. I encourage you to visit our annual fundraiser and browse through the treasures to be found there. Following are the dates and times of this special event:



**July 25—Pre Sale, 6 PM to 8 PM, only 18 yrs. & up, \$5.**

**July 26—9:00 AM to 3:00 PM**

**July 27—9:00 AM to 3:00 PM**

**July 27—5:30 PM to 7:30 PM, \$2 a bag.**

*There is a need for volunteers (clearances are needed for all those over 18).* If you have any questions or concerns, please call Bonnie at 724-322-0355.

I am looking forward to seeing you there!

Msgr. Gaston

### Epiphany Festival 2024

This year, the Epiphany Parish Festival will begin on Friday, **August 2** from 5:00 PM 10:00 PM and on Saturday, **August 3**, from 3:00 PM to 9:30 PM. The Festival will conclude with an outdoor Mass at 10:00 PM. There will be homemade ethnic foods, games, raffles and live music, something for everyone. Come and join in the fun at 44 Pennsylvania Blvd, Monessen. For more information visit [www.eolparish.com](http://www.eolparish.com).



### St. John the Baptist Parish Play Group

St. John the Baptist Parish, Perryopolis, offers its Luceccitas (Little Lights) play group in its bilingual classroom **Tuesdays** from 10:30 a.m.-12-Noon. Children newborn through age 6 are welcome. Call 724-736-4442.

### Magnificat breakfast July 27 in Crabtree

The Greensburg Chapter of Magnificat – A Ministry to Catholic Women will hold a breakfast Saturday, **July 27**, from 9 a.m.-noon at Rizzo’s Banquet Hall, Crabtree. Speaker will be Deborah Keefe, a Catholic therapist who developed the Music as Medicine program at the University of New Hampshire. Cost is \$25 (\$20 for students). For information on speakers and registration, visit [www.magnificatgreensburg.com](http://www.magnificatgreensburg.com) or call 724-836-2094. The next breakfast is planned Saturday, October 26.

### Golden Wedding Anniversary

Bishop Kulick desires to recognize all couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary during 2024. Please contact Linda, at the parish office to register couples for this recognition. The Jubilarians will be invited to join the bishop for a special Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass at Blessed Sacrament Cathedral, Sunday, **September 29**. Call Linda (724-929-9300) even if couples cannot participate in the Mass. They will receive a scroll signed by the bishop commemorating their anniversary.



### Pilgrimage to National Shrine

Plan to join in a Diocese of Greensburg pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, D.C., Saturday, **September 21**, led by Bishop Larry J. Kulick. This will be the first Diocesan pilgrimage to our magnificent National Shrine since 2006, and is sure to be a very holy and special experience.. For information on the itinerary, transportation options and costs, visit <https://www.dioceseofgreensburg.org/national-shrine-pilgrimage/>.

### Parish Picnic COME ONE! COME ALL!



St. Sebastian Picnic will be at Cedar Creek Park on Saturday, **September 14**. All parishioners, family and friends are invited. Festivities begin at 1:00 p.m. More information will be in future bulletins.

### Bulletin OnLine

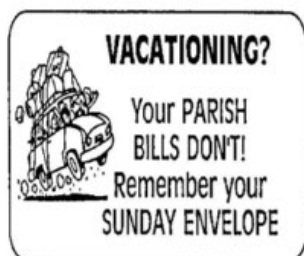
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Consider online giving, click the “my Offering” button on our parish website.

### Stewardship of Treasure—July 14, 2024

Regular Offertory:	\$ 6,353.00
Utilities & Maintenance:	\$ 805.00
Votive Candles:	\$ 179.00
Catholic Accent:	\$ 119.00
Easter:	\$ 20.00
Good Friday:	\$ 10.00
Holy Thursday:	\$ 10.00
Sanctuary Flowers:	\$ 5.00
Ascension:	\$ 10.00
Ash Wednesday:	\$ 10.00
Lenten Offering:	\$ 40.00
Peter’s Pence:	\$ 5.00
Capital Project:	\$ 99.00

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