

July 13, 2025

# FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

St. Sebastian Catholic Parish in Fort Lauderdale, Inc. (954)524-9344



## MASSES

Saturday 5 pm (Sunday Vigil)  
Sunday 8:30 am, 11 am & 6 pm

## Weekdays

8:30 am (Mon. through Fri. )

## OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday 9:00 am - 4:30 pm

Lunch: 1:00 pm—1:30 pm

## Pastor

**Rev. Ernest Biriruka**

## Office Staff

Francy Gonzalez  
Kathryn Cabrisas  
Judy Fisher

## Director of Music

Peter J. Manfredi, Jr.  
(954) 868-6137

## Vocalist

Cathy Spitzer

## Facilities

Patricio Diaz-Pizarro

## Pastoral Council

Nancy Adams  
Mauricio Bautista  
Judy Fisher  
Rosemary Guerin  
Johnny Mann  
Sandi Mann  
Ed Rebholz  
John Mann

## THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Is arranged by appointment. Please call the office.

## THE SACRAMENT OF

RECONCILIATION (Confession) 4:00-4:45 pm on Saturday, or by appointment.

## THE SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Please call the office as soon as anyone is seriously ill.

## THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Please call the office at least six months in advance of the proposed wedding date.

## PARISH REGISTRATION

We invite anyone wishing to register in our Parish to visit or call the Parish Office, or stop by the Welcome table when you come for Sunday Mass to complete a census card and learn more about our Parish Family.

The Good Samaritan shows us that when we love our neighbor, we are serving Jesus.



THE GOOD SAMARITAN

## Mission Statement

We, the family of St. Sebastian Parish, are a stewardship parish, sharing God's Gifts. We are the hands and feet of Christ on Earth. In union with the Universal Roman Catholic Church, we endeavor to become a prayerful and unified community deeply committed to Jesus Christ, and loving service in His name. We hope to be a welcoming, caring and friendly Parish Family, wherein the gifts and talents of all - young and old - are recognized, nurtured and used to build the Kingdom of God in the world.

## **LOVE OF GOD AND LOVE OF NEIGHBOR CAN NOT BE SEPARATED**

EXTRACTS FROM VATICAN COUNCIL II (GAUDIUM ET SPES) #24-26

### **COMMUNITARIAN NATURE OF MAN'S VOCATION: DESIGN OF GOD**

24. God, Who has fatherly concern for everyone, has willed that all men should constitute one family and treat one another in a spirit of brotherhood. For having been created in the image of God, Who "from one man has created the whole human race and made them live all over the face of the earth" (Acts 17:26), all men are called to one and the same goal, namely God Himself.

For this reason, love for God and neighbor is the first and greatest commandment. Sacred Scripture, however, teaches us that the love of God cannot be separated from love of neighbor: "If there is any other commandment, it is summed up in this saying: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself.... Love therefore is the fulfillment of the Law" (Rom. 13:9-10; cf. 1 John 4:20). To men growing daily more dependent on one another, and to a world becoming more unified every day, this truth proves to be of paramount importance. Indeed, the Lord Jesus, when He prayed to the Father, "that all may be one. . . as we are one" (John 17:21-22) opened up vistas closed to human reason, for He implied a certain likeness between the union of the divine Persons, and the unity of God's sons in truth and charity. This likeness reveals that man, who is the only creature on earth which God willed for itself, cannot fully find himself except through a sincere gift of himself.

25. Man's social nature makes it evident that the progress of the human person and the advance of society itself hinge on one another. For the beginning, the subject and the goal of all social institutions is and must be the human person which for its part and by its very nature stands completely in need of social life. Since this social life is not something added on to man, through his dealings with others, through reciprocal duties, and through fraternal dialogue he develops all his gifts and is able to rise to his destiny.

### **THE COMMON GOOD**

26. Every day human interdependence grows more tightly drawn and spreads by degrees over the whole world. As a result the common good, that is, the sum of those conditions of social life which allow social groups and their individual members relatively thorough and ready access to their own fulfillment, today takes on an increasingly universal complexion and consequently involves rights and duties with respect to the whole human race. Every social group must take account of the needs and legitimate aspirations of other groups, and even of the general welfare of the entire human family.

At the same time, however, there is a growing awareness of the exalted dignity proper to the human person, since he stands above all things, and his rights and duties are universal and inviolable. Therefore, there must be made available to all men everything necessary for leading a life truly human, such as food, clothing, and shelter; the right to choose a state of life freely and to found a family, the right to education, to employment, to a good reputation, to respect, to appropriate information, to activity in accord with the upright norm of one's own conscience, to protection of privacy and rightful freedom even in matters religious.

Hence, the social order and its development must invariably work to the benefit of the human person if the disposition of affairs is to be subordinate to the personal realm and not contrariwise, as the Lord indicated when He said that the Sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath.

This social order requires constant improvement. It must be founded on truth, built on justice and animated by love; in freedom it should grow every day toward a more humane balance. An improvement in attitudes and abundant changes in society will have to take place if these objectives are to be gained.

*Keep Praying and continue your special devotions during this time of the year!*

Mass Intentions

**Saturday**

8:00 am

**JULY 12**

† Joan Fuccillo, by Family  
 † Emmet McTigue, by Mini Bauer  
 Wellbeing of Kate Heloise Gabucan,  
 by Joseph and Jennifer

**Sunday**

8:30 am

**JULY 13**

† Richard Grable III, Fr. Ernest and Parish Staff  
 † Abigail Tovar, by Gredys Grable & Angela Cowherd  
 Wellbeing of Kathy Cabrisas, by Gredys Grable  
 Wellbeing of Gene and Kelly Kelley,  
 by Joseph and Jennifer

11:00 pm

Living and Deceased of St. Sebastian

6:00 pm

† Michele Pittler, by Arnold and Lois Pittler  
 Wellbeing of Mauricio Bautista,  
 by Joseph and Jennifer

**Monday**

8:30 am

**JULY 14**

† Isabel Pena, by Eva Aurea  
 Wellbeing of Mauricio Bautista,  
 by Joseph and Jennifer  
 Wellbeing of Michael Fisher,  
 by Grace Middlemiss

**Tuesday**

8:30 am

**JULY 15**

Wellbeing of Jenna Melgren,  
 by Joseph and Jennifer  
 Wellbeing of Mauricio Bautista,  
 by Joseph and Jennifer

**Wednesday**

8:30 am

**JULY 16 OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL**

† Hugo Biondi, by Anna Marie Pierotti  
 Wellbeing of Mauricio Bautista,  
 by Joseph and Jennifer

**Thursday**

8:30 am

**JULY 17**

Wellbeing of George McCauley,  
 by Chris McCauley  
 Wellbeing of Mauricio Bautista,  
 by Joseph and Jennifer

**Friday**

8:30 am

**JULY 18**

Wellbeing of Mauricio Bautista,  
 by Joseph and Jennifer

**Saturday**

5:00 pm

**JULY 19**

† Lila Thomas  
 Wellbeing of Mauricio Bautista,  
 by Joseph and Jennifer  
 Birthday Blessing for George McCauley,  
 by Chris McCauley

**Sunday**

8:30 am

**JULY 20**

† Jim Cowgill, by Bob and Carol Cowgill

11:00 am

† Richard Grable III, by Cabrisas Family

6:00 pm

Wellbeing of Doleen Borba,  
 by Joseph and Jennifer Borba

**A PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS**



Lord Jesus Christ, we pray for the men and women that you have called to discern the calling to priesthood and religious life. We beg your continued blessing on our Archdiocese of Miami and on

all our families. Call forth more women and men of generous spirit and fervent love whom you desire for this holy work. We make this prayer in Jesus' name, Amen.

**PRAYER FOR FATHER ERNEST!**

Please join us in prayer for Father Ernest's happy and safe travels.

Office staff

**THE HOLY EUCHARIST**  
 Conditions to receive the Eucharist

- Be a practicing Catholic and without mortal sin.
- Must confess mortal sins before receiving.
- Divorced who are single can receive.
- Those in a civil marriage or cohabitating cannot receive until they are married in the Church.
- *Note:* For any question or to begin the annulment process for a previous marriage, please contact the Pastor.



*"For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink. (Matt. 25:35).*

How often have we heard these words spoken by Jesus? Through our weekly contributions of non-perishable food and hygiene items to the needy of Fort Lauderdale, we respond to Jesus. To care is to share. **PLEASE REMEMBER— in addition to food and hygiene items, the Pantry needs plastic grocery bags for food distribution and empty, clean egg cartons for 6 or 12 eggs.** You can also place these items in the shopping carts. If you know of anyone in need, please tell them that a drive thru grocery distribution takes place every Friday from 1:30-4:00 PM at Blessed Sacrament Church, and closes at 3:15 PM. The Food Bank is currently in special need of canned meat, fish or similar protein items.

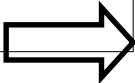
First time must provide proof of residency in Broward County.

**Thank you! Your donations are greatly appreciated!**

**REMEMBER THE SICK**

Msgr. James Fetscher, Mary Lou Mann, Suzanne Plum, Gail Mills, Don Loughran, Jr., John Harris, Stephen Black, Alvaro Arevalo, Paul Ristow, Matt Keyzers, Judy Flood, Sister Frances Voss, O.S.C., Rob Messerschmidt, Anne McCormick, Ray Wicklander, Kathy Mahoney, Linda Spitzer, Blake-Leigh Riley, Melissa Mirabile, Marge Mitchell, Rasoul Karimi, Jean Gorman, Ed Kidd, Mary Beth Vogler, Joel Rivera, Fred Zagone S.J., Anthony Cotilus, Mark Bromage, Jonathan Hughes, Margaret & Donato Montanaro, William Hirsch, Gary Demberg, Bill Fuccillo, Lawrence Biondi S.J., Angela Cowherd, Mauricio Bautista, Michael Fisher.

**PARISH EVENTS AND DATES**



**LET'S PRAY THE ROSARY**



We invite everyone to join us in praying the Rosary, **Monday - Friday, at 7:50 am**, before daily mass, in the Chapel of the Divine Healer. Let us come together in prayer and deepen our devotion to Our Blessed Mother.

All are welcome!

**NEW AMERICAN BIBLES!**

Now available  
In the parish office  
for a ten dollar donation



**PRAYER TO OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL**

Oh, most beautiful flower of Mount Carmel, fruitful vine, splendor of Heaven.  
Oh, Blessed Mother of the Son of God; Immaculate Virgin, Assist us in our necessities.  
Oh, Star of the sea, help us and show us you are our mother.  
Oh, Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, We humbly beseech you From the bottom of our heart To succor us in our necessities.  
Oh, Mary, conceived without sin, Pray for us who have recourse to thee, Holy Mary, we place this prayer in your hands.

Amen!

**BIBLE SHARING**

Joins us for **Scripture sharing every Thursday** in the Parish Hall from **9:15 to 10:30 am**.

We will begin studying **The Acts of the Apostles** starting Thursday **July 10**.

Come and be part of this journey! Together we can grow stronger in our faith.

You may also join us online by dialing 848-777-1212; when prompted, put in 1431434#.

For more information, please contact **Miriam Rivas** At 954-673-1522



**WEEKDAY 8:30 AM MASS**

**IN THE CHAPEL OF THE DIVINE HEALER**

Located in THE PARISH CENTER

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**



Takes place in our **chapel of the Divine Healer** on **Fridays** after morning Mass until 5:00 pm.

We still need adorers of the **Holy Eucharist** for the following times: 1-2 pm, 2-3 pm & 3-4 pm

Please contact the office if you are able to come to any of those hours.

Thank you!

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATION**

You may use this QR code to donate to our Parish



**SANDWICH MINISTRY**

Meet once a month to make sandwiches for the needy  
**Last Saturday of the month at 8:30 am.**  
in the Parish Hall

For more information email : [Lois.pittler@gmail.com](mailto:Lois.pittler@gmail.com)

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**For Prayers, go to Mass Prayer or Order of Mass.**  
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**PRAYER TO AVERT HURRICANES**

Father, all the elements of nature obey your commands. Protect us and all your people during this season of storms and hurricanes. Calm our fears and help us prepare our hearts as well as our homes. Help us to see you in all we may encounter, and help us to minister to each other in your name. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.