THE SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE
NOVEMBER 22, 2026

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



THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Just stop by the office or call for arrangements.

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 last minute may be too late.**

THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

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

PARISH REGISTRATION

If you haven't registered yet as a parishioner of St. Sebastian, we invite you to do so in order to be recognized as a member of our parish.

Registration form is available in the church, at the office, or online.

EUCHARISTIC 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!

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4 pm—Confessions
Saturday 5 pm (Sunday Vigil)
Sunday 8:30 am, 11:00 am & 6:00pm
Weekdays
8:30 am (Monday through Friday)

OFFICE : HOURS

Monday—Friday 9:00 am—3:00 pm
Weekends Closed

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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:

JESUS CHRIST, THE KING OF THE UNIVERSE AND LORD OF ALL

(Extract from "Jesus Son and Savior" by Pope St John Paul II Article "Jesus is Lord" page 544-545)

"It is true that Christ has always been "Lord" from the first moment of the Incarnation, for he is the Son of God, one in being with the Father, who became man for us. Undoubtedly, he became Lord in the fullest sense by the fact that "he humbled himself ('he emptied himself') and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross" (Phil 2:8). Lifted up, assumed into heaven and glorified, having thus completely fulfilled his mission, he remains in the Body of his Church on earth by mean of the redemption effected in individuals and in the whole of society through the Holy Spirit. The redemption is the source of the authority which Christ, through the Holy Spirit, exercises over the Church, as we read in the Letter to the Ephesians: " And his gifts were that some should be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, for the equipment of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for building up the body of Christ… to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ" (Eph 4:11-13).

By an extension of the kingship conferred on him over the whole economy of salvation, Christ is Lord of the entire universe. We learn this from the other great "fresco" of the Letter to the Ephesians: "He who descended is he who also ascended far above all the heavens, that he might fill all things" (Eph 4:10). In the First Letter to the Corinthians St. Paul adds that everything has been subjected to him: " For God has put all things in subjection under his feet" (referring to Psalm 8:5). " When it says ' All things are put in subjection under him,' it is plain that he is excepted who put all things under him" (1 Cor 15:27). The Apostle further develops this thought when he writes: " When all things are subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to him who put all things under him that God may be everything to everyone" (1Cor 15:28). " Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power" (1 Cor 15:24).

The Constitution *Gaudium et Spes* of the Second Vatican Council has taken up this fascinating theme by stating that: "The Lord is the goal of human history, the focal point of the longings of history and civilization, the center of the race, the joy of every heart and the answer to all its yearnings" (GS 45).(…)

Finally, we must add that Christ is Lord of eternal life. It is he who shall come to judge the living and the dead in the last judgment of which Matthew's Gospel speaks: "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne… Then the king will say to those at his right hand, "Come, O blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world"' (Mt 25:31, 34).

The full right to judge definitively human actions and consciences belongs to Christ as Redeemer of the world. He "acquired" this right through the cross. Therefore the Father "has given all judgment to the Son" (Jn 5:22). The Son, however, did not come precisely to judge, but to save; to bestow the divine life that is in him. "For as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son also to have life in himself, and has given him authority to execute judgment, because he is the Son of Man" (Jn 5:26-27).

It is therefore a power that coincides with the mercy that flows into his heart from the bosom of the Father, from whom the Son proceeds and becomes man "for us men and for our salvation." Christ crucified and risen, Christ who "ascended to heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father", Christ who is therefore the Lord of eternal life, towers above the world and above history as a sign of infinite love surrounded with glory, but desirous to receive from every man a reply of love in order to grant him eternal life."

FR ERNEST

Humor!

Q: What's the difference between a primary care doctor and a specialist?
A: One treats what you have, the other thinks you have what he treats. (From Dad Jokes)



"Special Message"
My dear parishioners, Our rumor collection is running low! I don't mind if you could send in some holy humor as well!!

Mass Intentions

Saturday	**November 21**
5:00 pm.	**† Bioni Marchetti Pierotti, by Anna Marie Pierotti**
	† Joan Fuccillo, by Bill Fuccillo
	† Jean Montello, by Heather Kelleher
Sunday	**November 22**
8:30 am	**† Luke Facarazzo Sr.**
	by Family Madelyn Facarazzo
	† Mitchell John Sajdera, by Sajdera Family
	† Ossi Pierotti, by Anna Marie Pierotti
11:00 am	**Living & † Deceased Members of our Parish**
6:00 pm	**† Margarita Lazano, by Julie Newman**
	† Víctor Ponce
	† Maria Badilla
Monday	**November 23**
8:30 am	**† Brad Leal, by Jennifer and Joseph Borba**
	† Maria Greene Pereira, by Donald Bourke
Tuesday	**November 24**
8:30 am	**† Wayne Taylor, by Donald Bourke**
	Wellbeing of Bill Fuccillo, by Johnny and Sandi
Wednesday	**November 25**
8:30 am	**†Grace and Murray Toomey,**
	by Helen and Mary L Toomey
Thursday	**November 26 Thanksgiving Mass**
10:00 am	**†John Koons, by Rosie Koons**
	† Helen Burke, by Donald Bourke
	† Marie and Albert Bourke, by Donald Bourke
Friday	**November 27**
8:30 am	**† Brad Leal, by Jennifer and Joseph Borba**
	† Norma Giardelli, by Donald Bourke



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.* ***If you are in a civil marriage, please contact us for convalidation or blessing of the marriage in the church.***

REMEMBER THE SICK

Fr. Liam Quinn, Suzanne Plum, Jr., John Harris, Stephen Black, Alvaro Arevalo, Paul Ristow, 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, Jean Gorman, Ed Kidd, Mary Beth Vogler, Joel Rivera, Anthony Cotilus, Mark Bromage, Jonathan Hughes, Sean Ennis, William Hirsch, Lawrence Biondi S.J., Angela Cowherd, Danielle Barisch, Deborah Castillo, Georgianna Eschen, Ruth McKelvie, Mona Terry, Douglas Ham, Taylor Ellis, Monica Albelo, Jul Lenihan, Marian Lenihan, Lilia Garcia, Rick Morris, Richard Stockinger, Edward Heyden, Loretta Polizano, Johanna Donson, Linda Schaan, Lewis Day , Mary Orfino, Theresa Orlow, Aline , Ariana De Gourville, Angelee and Kelly Davies

Please note that names will be kept on the list for a month to allow us to update the list.

SAINTS' CORNER

11/23 Saint Clement I: (+c 100) Bishop and Martyn under Trajan; fourth bishop of Rome after Peter, Linus and Cletus ; wrote famous epistle to the Corinthians; mentioned in the Roman Canon.

Saint Columban or Columbanus, (+ 615); Irish monk and missionary to France; wrote a strict monastic rule and Penitential; founded monasteries at Luxeuil, Bobbio, and elsewhere; exiled to Italy for denouncing court immorality and lax bishops; died at Bobbio.

11/24: Saint Andrew Dũng-Lac and Companions, was a Vietnamese priest who converted to Christianity and was ordained a priest in 1823. He devoted his life to preaching the Gospel during a time of severe persecution of Christians in Vietnam. Arrested several times for his faith, he was eventually executed in 1839 for refusing to renounce Christ. He is honored along with 116 companion martyrs who suffered and died for their faith in Vietnam. Together, they were canonized by Pope St. John Paul II in 1988. Their courage and fidelity remain a powerful witness to faith, perseverance, and devotion to Christ.

11/25: Saint Catherine of Alexandria:(+305) was a learned woman of the early fourth century who, according to legend, following her conversion at the age of eighteen, preached the Gospel throughout Alexandria in Egypt. While imprisoned by the emperor Maxentius (reigned 306-312), she converted both the empress and the leader of the armed forces, and for this she was martyred. Legends has it that upon her death, after a wheel of torture (known as Catherine's wheel") broke, her body was carried by angels to Mt Sinai. St. Joan of Arc (30 May) was thought to have heard her voice. Venerated in the East since the 9th century, she is a patron saint of Philosophers, preachers, and young unmarried woman.

(Notes from *ORDO 2026*)



First of all, I wish to thank you for your continued consistent support through your monthly food drives for our food distribution program at Blessed Sacrament Church. Each week we serve 200+ clients.
We will be doing our Thanksgiving distribution on Friday, November 20. On that day, we would like to give an extra bag of Thanksgiving related items to each client. Please consider donating the following items during October and November: canned or boxed potatoes, sweet potatoes, pumpkin, cranberry
sauce, gravy, etc. We prefer them to be one pound or less and no glass so we can put 5 or 6 different items in each bag. The food pantry will be closed the entire week of November 22 so please do not plan to bring any donations at that time. We will reopen on Monday, November 30.
Thank you in advance and may you be richly blessed by God for your
participation in this ministry.
Pat Burke

PLEASE REMEMBER— in addition to food and hygiene items, the Pantry needs plastic grocery bags for food distribution. . **NO MORE EGG CARTONS**



POOR BOXES

Located at each entry door. Help support the work of St. Vincent de Paul.

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November 22: The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

ABCD: Our Faith community is home to more than one million brothers and sisters in Christ. Each year, the ABCD sends of a message of love and hope, by raising funds to support and help improve the lives of those in need. Make a gift of hope and love to the ABCD and make a difference today! Support ABCD: www.isupportABCD.com. **Planned Giving:** As we celebrate Christ our King, we are reminded that our mission is to build His Kingdom, not only today, but for the future. A Planned Gift to the Archdiocese or one of its ministries is a powerful way to continue Christ's work through education, charity, and evangelization. Explore legacy giving options: www.adomgift.org. or contact us today via email at kblanco@theadom.org or call us at 305-762-1053

Save the Date St. Sebastian Christmas Gala December 4, 2026, located at Coral Ridge Yacht Club, LIVE BAND! Extensive Silent Auction including jewelry, Sports and Entertainment Memorabilia and Travel, Door Prizes Galore. Sponsorship Opportunities Available. You won't want to miss this! More details to follow.

CHRISTMAS GALA DINNER

Use this QR code for Tickets/Donations



Coffee and Donuts

Please join us in the Parish Hall after the 8:30am Mass every Sunday!

THANKSGIVING MASS WILL BE ON THURSDAY NOVEMBER 26, 2026 AT 10 AM



Parish News & Ministries

BIBLE SHARING Join us every Thursday in the Parish Hall from 9:15 to 10:30 am Now sharing about: The Gospel According to Saint John, For more information, please contact Miriam Rivas at 954-673-1522

LET'S PRAY THE ROSARY: We invite you to join us in praying the Rosary, Monday - Friday, at 7:50 am. Before daily Mass. Daily Mass is now being celebrated in the church. Fr. Ernest

ST. SEBASTIAN COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN is now accepting donations for the " Trinkets and Treasures" rummage sale. This is a good time to clean out nagging drawers, closets, and garages. To coordinate a drop-off, contact Sandi Mann at 954-235-4005. Thank you.

ST. SEBASTIAN MEN'S CLUB: The Men's Club will host another Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, December 13, 2026, at 9:30 a.m. More information will be provided soon. We look forward to seeing you there!

RCIA SESSION: Our next RCIA session will be help on Wednesday, December 2 and 16, 2026 at 6:00 pm in the Parish Hall, Please remember to bring your Bible and your Catechism of the Catholic Church.

RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY: *TBA*

WEEKDAY MASS
8:30 AM
IN THE CHURCH

FOR BETTER PARTICIPATION IN THE MASS

With your smart phone or computer, you can find Daily Mass Readings and Prayers easily. Search for: Daily Bible Readings USCCB or WWW.USCCB.ORG For Prayers, go to Mass Prayer or Order of Mass. (USCCB, stands for US Conference of Catholic Bishops).

THANK YOU
FOR YOUR DONATION
QR code to donate

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 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.

Al-Anon A.F.G.

Are you concerned about someone else's drinking?
We can Help!

A. A.

Closed meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous for those who have a desire to stop drinking.

Meetings are held every Monday, at 7:30 pm., at St. Sebastian Church Parish Hall.