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August 23, 2026

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday	8/23	8:00 AM 10:00 AM	Larry (deceased) & Alice Vanden Langenberg ~ 67th Wedding Anniversary Mass at St John's Betty & Lee Schmit and Living & Deceased Family Members
Tuesday	8/25	8:15 AM	Mass at St John's OPEN
Wednesday	8/26	8:15 AM 9:00 AM	Mass at St John's OPEN Holy Communion Outside of Mass
Thursday	8/27	8:15 AM	Mass at St John's Jordan Schadrie Men's Group in Parish Hall 8pm-9pm
Friday	8/28	8:15 AM	Struggling Marriages & Families
Saturday	8/29	4:00 PM	Mass at St John's Clarence, Margaret & Sue Smet and the Living & Deceased Members of the Smet, Micke, & Baumgart Families
Sunday	8/30	8:00 AM 10:00 AM	Donald Roskom & Karen Vander Veldon From Shirley Roskom Mass at St John's Rosalie Christensen and Deceased Family Members



**The August Bulletin
Is Sponsored In Memory of
the Deceased Members of the
Mary Vande Walle Hill
& DJ Hill Families**

**Pilgrimage with Fr Sengole
Wednesday, Sept 23rd to The Shrine of
Our Lady Guadalupe, La Crosse.
Please see the bulletin insert
for additional information .**



Matthew 16:13-20

The first time I stood inside St. Peter's Basilica in Rome, its majesty overwhelmed me. The sheer beauty of Michelangelo's dome seemed to lift my soul right out of my body. Later, I joined the Scavi tour that winds below the basilica, down into the ancient pagan cemetery where Peter was buried. There, in the dim light and narrow passageways, I found myself looking at the bones of a murdered Jewish fisherman, his feet cut off so his crucified body could be taken down more easily.

What a paradox. Above me, the most glorious church ever built. Beneath me, the remains of a backwater fisherman. But this man dared to answer Jesus' question, **"Who do you say that I am?"** And crowning that immense dome above his tomb are the words from today's Gospel, **"You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church."**

Within you and me is the drama of the lowest and the highest. Every time we confess Christ, humbly, imperfectly, maybe even trembling, we enter that same mystery. The dust of our humanity, touched by the splendor of heaven. God's presence and our dry bones together. Humility and glory. May our lives embrace both the lowest and the highest, like that great basilica, as we profess Jesus.

— Father John Muir

Ten Commandments

Question:

In Sunday school, the students are studying the Ten Commandments. I know that kids are important in the eyes of God, so I'm just wondering why there isn't a commandment about honoring children.

Answer:

Commandments provide EOO-Equal Opportunity for Observance! They are meant for everyone, children as well as adults. There are several assumptions that would make such a commandment a bit redundant. One, children are entrusted to the care of their parents. So, respect, love, and care — as well as teaching them — are assumed to be part of the responsibility of parents. They are the first teachers in the ways of faith and, as such, participate in God's work of loving and creating. The child has the obligation and responsibility towards their parents. Only when they are adults will they make decisions on their own.

In Biblical times, and in many societies today, children are responsible for caring for elderly parents, providing for their needs. In our culture today, too often kids have more rights than responsibilities, and oftentimes long before they are able to handle them. If we follow the Commandment of Jesus to love others and treat them as we would want to be treated, everyone is included, children too.

DAY/TIME	LECTORS	DISTRIBTORS	SERVERS	USHERS
Sunday 8:00 AM August 30	Dan Rynish	Dcn Rich	Levi Main Brady Vander Heiden	Adam Vander Heiden Preston Vander Heiden

St. Sebastian Monthly Stewardship and Expense Report 2027 Fiscal Year			
Ordinary Revenue	July	Year to Date	
Parish Support	\$ 9,285	\$ 9,285	
Offerings and Other Unrestricted Income	537	537	
Total Revenue	\$ 9,822	\$ 9,822	
Ordinary Expenses			
Worship, Music, non-Religious Ed Catechesis	\$ 486	\$ 486	
Personnel Expenses and Salaries	6,377	6,377	
Purchased Services and Supplies	1,755	1,755	
Utilities	816	816	
Building and Grounds	1,422	1,422	
General and Office Expenses	504	504	
Diocesan Assessments	693	693	
Other Expenses	113	113	
Parish Donations	143	143	
Total Expenses	\$ 12,309	\$ 12,309	
Revenue Net of Expense	\$ (2,487)	\$ (2,487)	

RE REGISTRATION OPEN NOW!!!



To sign up for RE
at St. Sebastians for
2026-2027,
please scan the QR code
or use the following link:

<https://www.jotform.com/assign/262016260120035/262017239257053>

INCOME FOR WEEK:

Church Support	\$ 930.00
Loose Collection	\$ 227.09
Mass Intentions	\$ 20.00
Votives	\$ 13.75

DISBURSEMENTS FOR WEEK:

WE Energies	\$ 779.51
GIA Publications	\$ 36.00
Parish Center/Church Keys	\$ 12.66
The Bug Blaster	\$ 175.00
ISP Background Checks	\$ 30.00
Country Vision Coop	\$ 105.50
WeShare CC Fees	\$ 3.01

NEW Homeless Shelter Meal ~ Lunch September 5th

We are sponsoring lunch. We could use help with hot dogs, hamburger & hot dog buns, potato chips, cookies, baked beans, sliced cheese, assorted fruit. Servers will leave the parking lot at 10:15am. There is a sign-up sheet in the entrance of church.



Prayer for the Pope

Dear God, Be with Our Holy Father in his ministry. Bless, anoint, and protect him in his comings and goings. Inspire his words, direct his interactions, guide his prayer. Amen.

Virtues, Explained! Valor

Though valor itself is not a cardinal or theological virtue, as a Latin-based word that means "strength," we associate it with the gift of fortitude. It conjures an image of fortitude on the battlefield—of fidelity to the good fight, regardless of the coming attack.

Parish Membership Invitation

If you are not currently members of St Sebastian Church, but would like to be part of our parish community, please contact the parish office #(920) 833-2558.

Live the Liturgy— Inspiration of the Week

"Who do you say that I am?" Jesus asks his apostles. Peter is the first to answer. He knows who Jesus is. Do we? In everything we do and everything we are, let us say together with Peter: "You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God."



Bishop's Appeal 2026

Parish Goal: \$16,357
Given to date: \$14,747
Still Needed: \$1,610



Perpetual Monthly Giving Calendar
Seymour Food Pantry
St Vincent de Paul to collect & deliver.
AUGUST: Toilet Paper & Bar Soap



Ministry of the Sick: Please notify the parish office if a member of your family is confined to their home or is hospitalized. Also, please inform the hospital of your affiliation with your parish.

Baptisms: Please call the parish office two months in advance.

Marriage: Please call St. John's parish office eight months in advance.

Funeral Arrangements: Please call St. John's parish office.

Anointing of the Sick and Dying: Please call St. John's parish office.

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Current Hours: Mon & Thurs 8:00 – 4:00
Wed: 8:30 - Noon, Closed: Tues & Fri