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JANUARY 22, 2023
3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sun	1/22	8:00 AM 10:00 AM	For the People of St Sebastian Parish Mass at St John's - James & son Dean Effa	 <i>Happy Feast Day, St. Sebastian!</i>
Tues	1/24	8:15 AM	Mass at St John's - Greg Ullmer	Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children Monday, January 23rd
Wed	1/25	8:15 AM	Mass at St John's - Kelly Vanark No Services at St Sebastian	
Thurs	1/26	8:15 AM	Mass at St John's - Harlen Blumreich	
Fri	1/27	8:15 AM	In Memory of Barbara Hauser Req by Anna Mae Matuszak	
Sat	1/28	4:00 PM	Mass at St John's - June Linsmeyer	
Sun	1/29	8:00 AM 10:00 AM	In Memory of Ryan Socha Req by Alice VandenLangenberg Mass at St John's - Regina Maroszek	

Thank You

Thank you to Jim & Jodi Soltvedt for the January bulletin sponsorship in
Memory of Gary & Dori Kropp and Norman & Julie Soltvedt

Brothers and sisters, let us not forget the battered people of Ukraine who are suffering so much!
Let us stay close to them with our thoughts, with our help, and with our prayers. ~ Pope Francis, Twitter

Gospel Meditation - When I was a young seminarian, I asked a wise old priest how to pray better. He said simply, "Don't lie when you pray." He helped me to see how much energy I waste in trying to appear acceptable to God when I pray. For me, prayer was showing off for God and hiding what was ugly. It's stunning that the Gospel of Matthew tells us of Jesus, "He left Nazareth and went to live in Capernaum by the sea, in the region of Zebulon and Naphtali..." This isn't just the Lord's relocation up north. It's his moving into places of shame and defeat. This region was where the enemy invasion of Israel

began centuries before. Jesus left the comfortable confines of Nazareth and sought out a place of darkness, not to bring shame, but to announce the dawning of his light. When we pray, we usually prefer Jesus to stay put in our little Nazareths — where we feel comfortable, successful, and in control. But he moves. He re-locates into the Zebulons and Naphtalis of our shame, embarrassment, fear, and sense of being defeated. The question for us is: will we allow him to take up residence in those places in our prayer time? Will we talk to him honestly about our places of darkness? If we do, we're no longer lying when we pray.

— Father John Muir



St. Sebastian
Monthly Stewardship and Expense Report
2023 Fiscal Year

Ordinary Revenue	December	Year to Date
Parish Support	\$ 27,498	\$ 62,500
Offerings and Other Unrestricted Income	279	1,448
Total Revenue	\$ 27,777	\$ 63,947
Ordinary Expenses		
Worship, Music, non-Religious Ed Catechesis	\$ 337	\$ 1,422
Personnel Expenses and Salaries	6,741	46,424
Purchased Services and Supplies	629	4,406
Utilities	1,071	3,987
Building and Grounds	117	1,695
General and Office Expenses	1,436	3,804
Diocesan Assessments	695	5,260
Other Expenses	28	122
Parish Donations	-	-
Total Expenses	\$ 11,054	\$ 67,119
Revenue Net of Expense	\$ 16,724	\$ (3,172)

DAY/TIME	LECTOR	DISTRIBUTORS	GREETERS	SERVERS	USHERS
SUNDAY	Amanda Nagel	Janet Matuszak		Clara VanderHeiden	Kurt Schuh
8:00AM / JAN 29				Gracelynn VanderHeiden	Ron Matuszak Jr

INCOME FOR WEEK:

Church Support	\$ 7,962.99
Loose Collection	100.00
Cemetery Plot Sales	1,250.00
Other	330.00

DISBURSEMENTS:

AON Risk Insurance	\$ 608.77
St John's Cost Share	7,041.76
St Therese of Little Flower	823.60
Kailhofer's	410.50
Other	134.70

Attention Married Couples

Join Green Bay Marriage Encounter on Feb 18 & 19, 2023 in Green Bay at the Quad-Parish Faith Formation Center for an enriching weekend experience you will treasure for a lifetime. Call 920-809-3496 or visit www.gbme.org for more information or to register.

Congratulations to Paul & Alison Posbrig who were united in marriage yesterday. May God bless the two of them abundantly in love, joy, and happiness.



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St Sebastian Feast Day
Breakfast **Today**
following Mass
Hosted by the Christian Women
Everyone Welcome!



RE Classes **Today**
Grades 1-11
following
Breakfast
to 11am



The Salvation Army would like to thank the congregation for adopting Families/Person this Christmas.

The impact that your donation makes on our clients is valued.

Thanks you for Caring and Sharing your Christmas with others.

Blessings,
The Salvation Army, Outagamie County
Service Extension - Bread of Life Center



(Practicing) Catholic - Recognize God in Your Ordinary Moments By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman -

The Art of Retreat

Social media has made it far too easy for me to share my opinion.

These virtual spaces tend to strip our words of all empathy. Someone will post something that I think is nonsense, and I just have to tell them why — and quickly! Hurry! Before they delete it!

Nine times out of ten, when the dust is settled, I find that I've said too much and listened too little.

As I've gotten older, the motto I try (not always successfully) to live by is this: You do not have to be on the attack all of the time, even if it's for what you think is the truth.

I can't help but notice that the first thing Jesus does when he hears of the arrest of John the Baptist is to retreat. He doesn't punch a hole in a wall or take to the streets in protest. He withdraws.

And what does he do after withdrawing? A lot of praying, I would imagine. A lot of thinking, a lot of reflecting. A lot of listening to the voice of his Father.

Sometimes we mistake stillness with vulnerability. But Christ shows us that to withdraw, to contemplate, can actually be a tremendous show of strength. Even the fiercest dogs wait for the command of their master before they act.

For Christ did not send me to baptize but to preach the gospel, and not with the wisdom of human eloquence. — 1 Corinthians 1:17

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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Hours – Mon/Tues/Thurs/8:00 – 4:00
Wednesday 8:30 - Noon, Closed Friday