



San Sebastian Catholic Church Religious Education Newsletter

October 2017

REMINDER: the Diocesan Children & Youth Personal Safety Program will be presented as part of the class next week, (October 18 and 19) for Grades 1, 3, 5, 7, & High School. See Ms. Susan for more details.

Class Schedule

10/04 - Class at St. Joseph's
10/11 - Class at St. Joseph's
10/18 - Class at St. Joseph's
(Child Safety class for odd grades)
10/25 - Class at St. Joseph's

October Birthdays

10/01—Jaxon Banks
10/01—Esa Brenneman
10/05—Jason Garcia
10/06—Justin Clarke
10/10—Alex Aquino
10/10—Emily Gagliardi
10/14—Sierra Jones
10/16—Jake Guillory
10/17—Mia Oxendine
10/20—Alex Ranick
10/21—Nelson Benitez



10/24—Julia Watkins
10/28—Andrew Hampton-Pusey
10/28—Jared Law
10/30—Jacob Miller
10/30—Owen Onstott

Join us for our
"Trunk or Treat"



on Tuesday,
October 31 from 5—7pm
in the San Sebastian Parking Lot.
Car trunks will be decorated for
Halloween. Children are invited to
Trick or Treat at each car.
Hosted by our Youth Group/
Squires/Ladies Guild.

Our Hurricane Relief Bake Sale earned \$1620.00. Great Job!

Pet Blessing SERVICE



San Sebastian Annual Pet Blessing **Saturday October 7th at 10am** under the Big Oak Tree near the Parish Hall. We will also be accepting donations for the St. Johns County Pet Adoption & Holding Center. Needed : Dog & Cat food, blankets, towels, dog & cat treats, & toys for more info, call the church office 824-6625.
Sponsored by the San Sebastian Ladies Guild

Sacramental Preparation

Next **First Reconciliation** Preparation Session is Monday, Oct 9 at 6pm at church.
Next Youth **Confirmation** Preparation Session is Friday, Oct 20 at 6:30pm at church.

About the Mass ... Rite of Sprinkling with Holy Water



On some Sundays we are blessed with holy water to remind us of our baptism. We ask God the Father to help us be faithful to the Holy Spirit whom we have been given at Baptism. The Holy Spirit helps us live as children of God and followers of Jesus.

San Sebastian celebrates mass at 4pm on Saturdays, 8am, 10am (Sign Language), and 12noon (in Spanish) on Sundays. Daily mass Tues—Fri at 8am.

Prayer for October: *Hail Mary*

Hail Mary, full of grace,
the Lord is with you!
Blessed are you among women,
and blessed is the fruit
of your womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray
for us sinners, now and at the
hour of our death. Amen

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SCRIPTURE CORNER

Bible Stories every Catholic should know:

Abraham Genesis Chapter 12 and following
Baby Genesis Chapter 18
Isaac Genesis Chapter 21
Sodom & Gomorrah Genesis Chapter 19
Jacob Genesis Chapter 25 and following

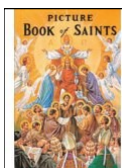
What did God change Jacob's name to?

Joseph Genesis Chapter 37 and following
Why were his brothers jealous of Joseph?



SAINT OF THE MONTH:
St. Theresa of the Child Jesus
Feast Day: October 1
Born: 1873 :: Died: 1897

Theresa wanted very much to enter the Carmelite convent where two of her sisters were already nuns. But since she was only fifteen, they did not let her. She kept praying and asking the superior to let her join the convent. She even dared to ask Pope Leo XIII himself to grant her heart's desire and finally she was allowed to enter. Sister Theresa tried hard to be humble. She called her great belief in God her "little way" to holiness. She always had a burning desire to become a saint. After my death, I will let fall a shower of roses. I will spend my heaven doing good on earth." The Little Flower died on Sept. 30, 1897.



Parish Library has several books and DVDs on the lives of the saints. Why not check one out and share the stories with your family this month.

Wednesday, November 1st—All Saints Day—a holy day of obligation.
NO CLASS—San Sebastian will celebrate mass at 8:00am and 7:00pm.

San Sebastian has a parish app: "My Parish App" - Download by texting APP to 88202 or at The Play Store for apple or android then select San Sebastian as your parish. Be sure to join the RELIGIOUS EDUCATION GROUP so you will get scheduling reminders and changes.



Aluminum Cans - To help support our Church, we will be collecting aluminum cans for recycling. Please only aluminum cans —no dog food or vegetable cans—rinse out and bring to class on Wednesday or mass on the weekend. A volunteer will periodically turn them in for recycling.



When you wake up in the morning,
before you get out of bed, even before you
open your eyes, or raise your sleepy head
Give thanks to the God who made you.
Thank Him for the day.
"Good morning, Lord! I love you, Lord!"
That's all you have to say.

By Lou Fleming

Upcoming Events at San Sebastian Church:

Ladies Guild—next meeting is Thursday, October 5th at 6:30pm

Trunk Or Treat—Tuesday, October 31 from 5pm—7pm

All Saints Day— Wednesday, November 1st - holy day of obligation. Mass at 8am and 7pm.

First Reconciliation Penitential Service—Monday, November 6th at 6:00pm. Everyone is welcome.

Fall Festival—Our Fall Festival will be November 11 & 12. Huge Rummage Sale, Food Booths, Basket Raffle, Live Entertainment, Auctions, Kiddie Booths and much more. Great fun for the whole family.