



Angelus Letter  
5 January 2022  
LETTER #205  
Saint John Neumann

Dear Parish Family,

#### WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW FOR THIS WEEKEND

**Friday Mass at 8 a.m. with Fr. Valencheck**  
**Friday Confessions at 4 p.m.**

**Saturday Mass 8 a.m. with Fr. Bozek**  
**Saturday Confessions at 4 p.m.**  
**Saturday Vigil Mass at 4:30 p.m. with Fr. Valencheck**

**Sunday Mass at 9 a.m. with Fr. Bozek**  
**Sunday Mass at 11 a.m. with Fr. Valencheck**  
**Sunday Mass at 1 p.m. with Fr. Bede OSB**

#### REQUIESCAT IN PACE POPE EMERITUS BENEDICT XVI

Today will be the Funeral Mass for Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI. There is also a Mass at our Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist. I am sure both of these can be found live and are also able to be seen on demand via the web. St. Sebastian Parish held a Mass on Monday evening, and I was touched at how many people came to pray and show their respects.

A particular connection that our parish had with the late Pope was during our choir's tour of Rome. We made a stop at the Palace of Castel Gandolfo, for centuries and until recently the summer residence and vacation retreat for popes. Pope Benedict came out on his balcony and the choir sang for him in German. (See the pictures of that day below.)

There are many "firsts" for these funeral proceedings. It will truly be one for the history books and in the forming on how such things might be handled in the future. If you would like to do more reading, below are some links:

Bishop Malesic's statement on the death of Pope Benedict may be found [HERE](#).

General Diocesan News which will have related stories can be found [HERE](#).

Extensive information about Pope Benedict can be found at the Vatican website [HERE](#).

You can watch any Mass at the Cathedral live or on-demand. There will be a Mass on Thursday for Pope Benedict. Their website is [HERE](#).





#### FEAST OF ST. SEBASTIAN PASTA DINNER

Parish pasta dinner on January 21<sup>st</sup> in Zwisler Hall following the 4:30pm Mass.  
 Tickets must be purchased at church after Mass on January 7/8 and January 14/15.  
 Tickets will also be available for purchase at the Rectory during office hours January 9-13.  
 Cost is \$5 per person or \$20 for families of 4 or more.  
 There will be no tickets sold at the door.

#### FROM THE FORGOTTEN CABINET

The folders for 1936 and 1935 are thin and meager. A letter from the Creutz Platers Inc., SILVERSMITHS in Cincinnati wishes to call attention to an attached letter of recommendation from the Archbishop of Cincinnati stating that he approves of the work that they do in the replating, refinishing and repairing of Church chalices, ciboria and other Church vessels. We do not receive such letters of recommendation much anymore, though it wouldn't be a bad thing if we did. More We are more likely to receive a letter of warning. Not too many years ago, there was a "company" (to put it loosely) that was going about the diocese promising to replate such vessels on sight and at significant savings. When it was apparent that their work was so bad that "poor" was not a sufficient enough word to describe it, a letter was sent out to avoid them at all costs and to report their movements within the diocese.

Another letter was about repairs to the church's "stoker," a mechanical device for supplying fuel to a furnace. It was an estimate from the Fairlawn Supply and Coal Company stating that the materials would cost \$115. Today it would be difficult to get an outdoor poster made for that amount. The interesting thing about this letter is that it was signed, "Don Yahner." I wonder what relation to Fr. Yahner this would be!

Finally, Mr. Ascherl wrote to say he had been notified to write Fr. Zwisler about some art-glass work he wanted done. This would have been for the "old" church.

Happy last couple of days of the Christmas season to you!

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### PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Please keep all of our sick and distressed in your prayers:

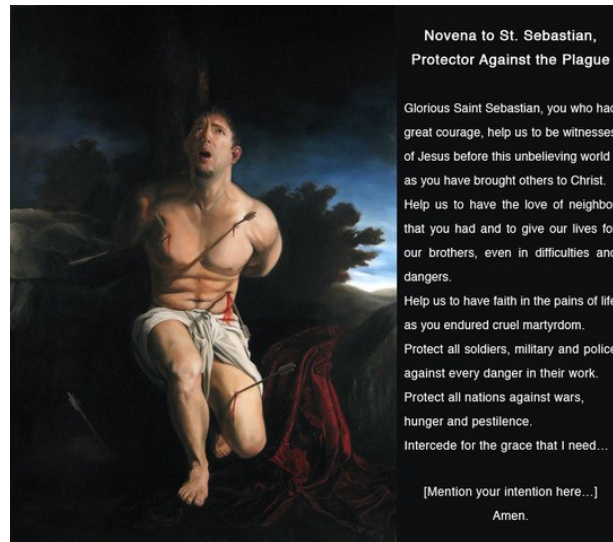
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God bless you,

Fr. Valencheck

St. Sebastian, pray for us.

Saint John Neumann, pray for us.



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