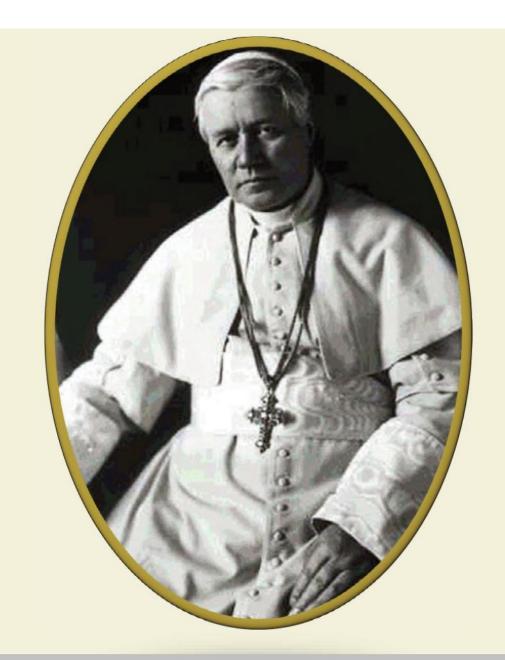
21th Sunday, Ordinary Time

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Memorial of Saint Pius X, Pope, Aug 21st



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21th Sunday in Ordinary Time August 23, 2020						
HOLY MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS			This Week's Liturgy: August 17- August 22			
Saturday, 8/22	SM	4:00 pm	Ray Zaleski	MON	24	St. Bartholomew, Apostle [Private]
Saturday, 8/22	HF	5:30 pm	Seton Catholic Schools	TUE	25	Ordinary Time [21] St. Mary
Sunday, 8/23	HF	8:00 am	Anna & Howard Turner Family	WED	26	Ordinary Time [21], St. Mary
Sunday, 8/23	SA	10:00 am	For the people	THU	27	St. Monica, St. Mary
Sunday, 8/23	SM	1:30 pm	For the people	FRI	28	St. Augustine, Bishop, DOC, St. Mary
Monday, 8/24	SM	12:00 pm	Private	SAT	29	Passion of St. John the Baptist, St. Mary
Tuesday, 8/25	SM	8:15 am	Harold Dalton			
Wednesday, 8/26	SM	8:15 am	Betty Brumfield	Sunday 10am LIVE Mass TELECAST in WWW.Setoncatholics.org or Facebook Live Tue, Wed & Thur 8:15 am Mass Live on St. Elizabeth Ann Seton parish FACEBOOK Page		
Thursday, 8/27	SM	8:15 am	Dick Clevenger			
Friday, 8/28	SM	8:15 am	Deacon Andrew Lucus			
Saturday, 8/29	SM	4:00 pm	Cheryl & Tom Kitchin			
Saturday, 8/29	HF	5:30 pm	Zana Chamoun			
Sunday, 8/30	HF	8:00 am	Sandra Doherty	Your generosity and faithfulness is greatly appreciated. Please enroll in Online Giving during this difficult time to fund our mission. If you need assistance in setting up online giving, please call the office!		
Sunday, 8/30	SA	10:00 am	Geogianna Gibson			
Sunday, 8/30	SM	1:30 pm	For the people			

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Stewardship report during Covid-19

Sunday regular	8/16/2020	12,969.72
Online Giving	August 10-14	16,130.47
Spanish	8/16/2020	(156.00)
Total		28,944.19
Budget Weekly		20,193.00
Parish needs	8/16/2020	290.00
Whitewater Pro Bono	8/16/2020	286.72

Message from Archbishop Thompson

As we begin another school year, it's clear that this is not a normal time. A recent article in The Criterion (see below), outlines many of the "challenges and hopes" facing our Catholic school communities during this time of pandemic. In this article, Mary McCoy, who now serves as Interim Superintendent of Catholic Schools in the Archdiocese of Indianapolis, and assistant superintendents, Rob Rash and Michelle Radomsky, outline these challenges and opportunities.



As they see things, the school communities are primarily concerned with the safety of all students, faculty and staff—while, of course, continuing to provide an outstanding education with opportunities for religious formation, spiritual growth and service. School leaders affirm that these fundamental elements of Catholic education are more important than ever in these uncertain times, and they require safe environments in order to ensure the health and wellbeing of all.

Catholic schools continue the teaching ministry of Jesus. They give witness to the Gospels and to the truth of our Catholic way of life. They help adults, youth and children in diverse regions of our archdiocese come to a deeper understanding of God's plan for human life and for all creation. Catholic schools are powerful instruments of evangelization—helping members of the Catholic community and others from many diverse faiths, cultures and economic backgrounds grow intellectually, personally and spiritually as members of the one family of God. Catholic schools are also vital to the social ministry of the Church—through the assistance they provide to students and families in need but also in their commitment to teaching social justice and to providing students with opportunities to serve others.

Catholic schools contribute directly to the health and vitality of the Church in central and southern Indiana. Along with parish religious education programs, youth ministry and other means of lifelong faith formation and education, our Catholic schools provide religious education classes, sacramental preparation, liturgical and prayer experiences, and opportunities for Christian witness and service. They help form the faith community, and they challenge us to look beyond our own needs to the urgent needs of individuals, families and society at large.

Considering the powerful effect that Catholic schools have on the lives of individuals, families and local communities, it is understandably painful—even tragic—when one of our schools closes. When a Catholic school closes it is almost always because of finances. This is especially true today when schools that were already struggling to make ends meet must deal with the economic effects of COVID-19.

Just last week, Archbishop José H. Gomez of Los Angeles and president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), Cardinal Seán P. O'Malley, OFM, Cap. of Boston, Cardinal Daniel N. DiNardo of Galveston-Houston, Cardinal Timothy M. Dolan of New York, Cardinal Blase J. Cupich of Chicago, Cardinal Joseph W. Tobin, C.Ss.R. of Newark and Bishop Michael C. Barber, SJ of Oakland and chairman of the USCCB's Committee on Catholic Education cosigned a letter requesting that emergency aid to Catholic schools be included in the next federal COVID emergency relief package.

"The economic devastation that has hit so many of America's families has made it impossible for many struggling families to continue paying tuition," the bishops wrote. "As a result, already 140 Catholic schools have permanently closed their doors, and hundreds more are in danger of being unable to open in the fall. The closure of schools that serve urban areas are disproportionately harmful to low-income and black children served by these schools."

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Faith Formation Commission

Faith Formation is a lifelong process, and through religious education classes, we provide formal catechesis for children 4 years old through Confirmation (11th grade). Guidelines for this formation are developed under the guidance of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis. Through this formation, the parish works in partnership with parents to assist with the development of your children's Catholic faith, prayer life, sacraments, and tradition.

FFC also collaborates with the Youth Ministry Commission, Young Adult Ministry Commission, and the various Adult Ministries of our parish in order to ensure that the whole person from womb to tomb is taught to love the Lord with all of their heart, soul, and mind (Matthew 22:37).

It will begin meeting quarterly with Parish Catechetical Leader, Kyle King.

Specific activities of the FFC include:

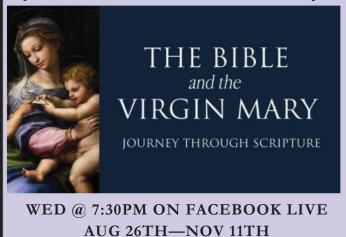
- 1). Oversight of the Religious Education program (CCD), Parish Children's ministry, and sacramental programming such Baptism Classes and the First Communion program.
- 2). Creating parish functions and programs geared toward children and families with elementary aged children (example: Totus Tuus, Catholic Vacation Bible School).
- 3). Updating and implementing policies and procedures for these programs.
- 4). Researching Catholic Catechetical Resources and Curriculum.
- 5). Collaborate with Seton Schools to promote Catholic Identity and a vibrant campus ministry program.
- 6). Praying, worshiping, and studying together.

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Junior High Meeting August 24th 6:30 - 8:00 pm 901 College Ave Let's build a Sundae and a Fire!!!

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IN-PERSON CLASSES WILL NOW BEGIN AFTER LABOR DAY ON SUN, SEP 13TH

Please visit the link below in order to register your children for classes. <u>www.setoncatholics.org/</u> religious-education

After consulting with many others, we have decided to delay the start of our Religious Education program (Sunday morning CCD) from Sunday, August 16th to Sunday, September 13th. Please know that I am still passionate about providing an 'in-person' option for most of the year on Sunday mornings.

In Person Catechesis: (Sep 13th - May 2nd)

Students in elementary, middle school, and high school are invited to join us for religious education classes on Sunday mornings throughout the school year, September through May. All classes meet in Seton Catholic High School classrooms from 11:15 am -12:15 pm.

Home-based Catechesis: (Sep 13th - May 2nd)

Due to the high demand of requests in 2020, we are also offering a home-based, parent-led catechesis who have trouble making it to the parish every Sunday morning due to health reasons or circumstances outside of their control. With our home-based model, families are given the same materials as the students in the classroom, but parents are also directed to additional online resources that will help them teach a particular lesson in the home.

All home-based catechesis families are expected to submit online assessments weekly to me (kking@setoncatholics.org) corresponding to the chapter the students are working on with his/her class here at the parish.

All students will switch over to a home-based catechesis model during the winter of 2020-21 (November 15 to Feb 21).

Educación Religiosa en Persona Pospuesta para el 13 de Septiembre.

Mensaje por Kyle King. Catesismo Parte 3.

Después de consultar con muchas personas, hemos decidido retrasar el inicio de nuestro programa de Educación Religiosa (domingos por la mañana CCD), del domingo 16 de agosto al domingo 13 de septiembre. Tenga en cuenta que todavía prefiero ofrecer la opción de en persona durante la mayor parte del tiempo los domingos por la mañana. Este tiempo adicional nos permitirá hacer ajustes importantes a medida que gran parte de nuestro mundo cambia a nuestro alrededor, y tratamos mantenernos al día con las políticas gubernamentales y arquidiocesanas, las adaptaciones familiares y el monitoreo de la salud y seguridad de nuestros catequistas y familias de Educación Religiosa.

A continuación encontrará información sobre el plan general de estudios que se ofrece. ¡ Incluso tendremos una clase de educación religiosa para adultos/padres sobre "La Biblia y la Virgen María"!

Si aún no ha registrado a sus hijos en línea hágalo, ya que la comunicación será cada vez más crítica. Si tiene alguna pregunta, inquietud o palabras de aliento por favor envíemelas.

Catecismo en persona: 13 Septiembre - 2 Mayo

Los estudiantes de primaria, secundaria y preparatoria están invitados a unirse a nosotros para las clases de Educación Religiosa los domingos por la mañana durante todo el año escolar, de septiembre a mayo. Todas las clases se reúnen en los salones de la preparatoria Seton de 11:15 am -12:00 pm. Los estudiantes bautizados y no bautizados son bienvenidos a unirse a nosotros mientras exploramos las creencias, enseñanzas y celebraciones de la iglesia católica. Nuestros catequistas guiarán a nuestros estudiantes cada semana en oración y aprendizaje interactivo a través de una variedad de recursos. Los padres son bienvenidos a ser voluntarios durante todo el año, pero deberán de tener la capacitación de seguro y sagrado (Safe and Sacred). Los estudiantes de las escuelas públicas que están inscritos en primera comunión o confirmación deben asistir para completar los requisitos de preparación sacramental.

Catecismo en el hogar: 13 Septiembre - 2 Mayo

Debido a la gran demanda de solicitudes en 2020, también ofrecemos una catequésis en el hogar dirigida para padres que tienen problemas para llegar a la parroquia por razones de salud o circunstancias fuera de control. Con nuestro modelo basado en el hogar, las familias reciben los mismos materiales que los estudiantes en el aula, pero los padres recibirán recursos en línea para que ayuden a enseñar las lecciones en el hogar. Se requerirá que todas las familias de catequésis en el hogar me envíen evalulínea aciones en semanalmente (kking@setoncatholics.org) correspondientes al capítulo que los estudiantes están trabajando en su clase aquí en la parroquia.

Todos los estudiantes cambiarán a un modelo de catequesis en el hogar durante el invierno del 15 de noviembre del 2020 al 21 de febrero del 2021.

News from Catholic Women United

"There will be NO CATHOLIC WOMEN UNITED MEETINGS until further notice.

Keep watching the bulletin for future announcements."

"St. Theresa's Treasures is now closed.
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The Criterion, Q & A on Coronavirus Pandemic by Fr. Kenneth Doyle

Q During the current coronavirus pandemic, when we are not obligated to attend Mass, I believe that we should be required to watch the Mass on television when possible. Does this obligation carry from diocese to diocese?

Some people take this dispensation to mean that they don't have to bother about Mass at all, I believe that this could lead to lower Mass attendance when the crisis is over. Another concern I have is the possibility of spreading the virus when Communion is given on the tongue. I would be more comfortable f everyone received in the hand.

A There is no binding obligation, in any diocese I am aware of, to watch the Mass on television for those who are at home because of the pandemic. However, there is stronger encouragement to do so, and I know of many instances where families are making this a part of their regular Sunday routine. I, too, share your concern that some may not come back to regular practice when the crises is over —although my experience has been that people are eager to return.

As for your worry about those who receive Communion on the tongue, the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (in an advisory sent in April) said that people should continue to have that option. In the two parishes where I serve, we ask those who prefer to receive on the tongue to wait until the others have received before approaching the altar. That way, the Communion ministers can sanitize their hands anew before and after someone chooses to receive the host on the tongue.

All people 65 or older and those who are sick or have medical conditions that make them especially vulnerable to the coronavirus are encouraged to remain at home.

Magnificat Pick - Up

MAGNIFICAT: Pick up for the September Magnificat booklets will take place as a drive by at Holy Family Campus from 9 -11:30 am after the 8:15 am Mass on Thursday, August 27th. Please try your best to collect your booklet at this time. If you are unable, all leftover booklets will be available for pick up at the church office following beginning July 28th.

They continued, "Not only is this devastating to each of those school communities, their staff and business partners, but it has a detrimental impact on local taxpayers. For every student educated in a Catholic or non-public school, taxpayers save thousands of dollars. Nationwide, Catholic schools save state and local governments more than \$20 billion annually." The letter asked for the U.S. Congress to designate 10% of emergency K-12 education funding for scholarship aid to low-middle income private school families.

I urge all Catholics in the Archdiocese of Indianapolis to contact members of Congress to urge them to support emergency assistance for our nation's Catholic Schools. This should not be a partisan political issue. It is, or should be, an issue of vital concern to all Americans. We want all our Catholic schools here in central and southern Indiana to demonstrate a vibrant, hope-filled spirit that proclaims to the whole world that Christ is alive and active—in our homes, in our parishes and school communities and in our world. Every Catholic school in our archdiocese needs to be a vibrant community of faith that is carrying out the teaching ministry of Jesus in ways that are visible, transformative and service-oriented. The challenges are enormous. In order to remain vibrant, a Catholic school must be able to demonstrate that it is Alive in Christ! Three priorities for our schools are: 1) strong Catholic identity, 2) evidence of growth and vitality and 3) financial health and the ability to help those who otherwise could not afford a Catholic school education.

The measures that we use to assess all three of these priorities can vary, but they will always involve a combination of factors ranging from deeply spiritual values to extremely practical considerations. The growth and vitality of a school community is directly related to its Catholic identity and its financial health. To keep our schools growing, we must keep them Catholic. And we must help them meet their financial obligations. These are enormous challenges today—and every day—but with God's grace all things are possible.

We owe a tremendous debt of gratitude to the pastors, parents, teachers, staffs and generous benefactors who work together to keep our schools Alive in Christ. The witness that they give to the teaching of Jesus and to the mission of His Church is powerful – often life-changing! Let's show them how much we value their efforts on behalf of our students, our Church and our communities by remembering them in prayer, by advocating for our Catholic schools at the local, state and federal levels, and by giving our time, talent and treasure to support this vitally important parish and archdiocesan ministry.

+ Charles C. Thompson





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