



# ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON

February 1, 2026 | Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time



## PARISH SCHEDULE

| DATE                                   | CALENDAR EVENTS                                                                                                                                                                           | READINGS                                                                    |
|----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Sunday,<br>February 1 <sup>st</sup>    | <b>4th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b><br>9:00 am Mass<br>10:00 am St. Vincent de Paul Meeting<br>11:00 am Mass<br>12:15 pm Lector Training                                                   | Zep 2:3; 3:12-13<br>Ps 146:6c-7, 8-9a, 9b-10<br>1 Cor 1:26-31<br>Mt 5:1-12a |
| Monday,<br>February 2 <sup>nd</sup>    | <b>The Presentation of the Lord</b><br><b>World Day for Consecrated Life</b><br>6:00 pm Eucharistic Adoration, Benediction and Confession<br>7:00 pm Mass                                 | Mal 3:1-4<br>Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10<br>Heb 2:14-18<br>Lk 2:22-4                  |
| Tuesday,<br>February 3 <sup>rd</sup>   | <b>St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr; St. Ansgar, Bishop</b><br>8:00 am Rosary and Confession<br>8:30 am Mass                                                                                 | 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30-19:3<br>Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6<br>Mk 5:21-4      |
| Wednesday,<br>February 4 <sup>th</sup> | 8:00 am Rosary and Confession<br>8:30 am Mass<br>5:30 Religious Education<br>7:00 pm Choir<br>7:00 pm OCIA                                                                                | 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17<br>Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7<br>Mk 6:1-6                           |
| Thursday,<br>February 5 <sup>th</sup>  | <b>St. Agatha, Virgin and Martyr</b><br>1:00 pm Mahjong<br>1:00 pm Craft and Chat<br>6:30 pm Bible Study                                                                                  | 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12<br>1 Chr 29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd<br>Mk 6:7-13        |
| Friday,<br>February 6 <sup>th</sup>    | <b>St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs</b><br><b>Parish Office Closed</b><br>11:30 am Rosary and Confession<br>12:00 pm Mass<br>4:00 pm Wedding Rehearsal: Paul Vincent and Jaymi Clark | Sir 47:2-11<br>Ps 18:31, 47 and 50, 51<br>Mk 6:14-29                        |
| Saturday,<br>February 7 <sup>th</sup>  | 12:00 pm Wedding: Paul Vincent and Jaymi Clark<br>3:00 pm Confessions<br>4:00 pm Mass<br>5:00 pm Marriage Blessing and Reception                                                          | 1 Kgs 3:4-13<br>Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14<br>Mk 6:30-34                  |
| Sunday,<br>February 8 <sup>th</sup>    | <b>5th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b><br><b>World Marriage Day</b><br>9:00 am Mass<br>11:00 am Mass<br>12:15 pm Pre-Baptismal Class                                                          | Is 58:7-10<br>Ps 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9<br>1 Cor 2:1-5<br>Mt 5:13-16             |

PARISHIONER ENVELOPE  
OFFERTORY

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|----------------------------|--------------|
| January 24 and 25:         | \$ 23,979.71 |
| Cash not in envelopes:     | \$ 792.00    |
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## WEEKLY OFFERTORY

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# The Transcendental Times...

By Fr. Dominic Macioce

Question: What are some practical considerations for serving the poor?



The Church has always taught that love of God cannot be separated from love of neighbor. Nowhere is this more clearly expressed than in the Church's call to serve the poor. From the words of Jesus, "Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me" (Matthew 25:40). To the consistent witness of the saints throughout history, we are reminded that service to the poor is not optional but essential for holiness.

Catholic teaching on service to the poor is rooted in Sacred Scripture and Tradition. Jesus Himself consistently reached out to the sick, hungry, thirsty and dying. The Church's social teaching emphasizes the **dignity of the human person**, affirming that every individual is made in the image of God and deserving of respect, regardless of economic or social status. And we can follow Jesus by serving the poor in both direct and indirect ways.

Direct service includes acts such as volunteering at soup kitchens, visiting the sick or elderly at home or in nursing care facilities, donating food or clothing, and supporting Catholic charities like St. Vincent de Paul, CRS, Solanus Casey Center, SOS and other parish outreach programs. These acts meet immediate needs and reflect Christ's compassion in tangible ways.

Indirect service involves addressing the root causes of poverty. Catholics are encouraged to educate themselves about injustices, advocate for fair wages and just policies, and support initiatives that promote access to education, healthcare, and housing. Participation in civic life, guided by Catholic moral teaching, is one way to work toward long-term solutions that uphold human dignity. Serving the poor is a concrete way we can live out the Gospel. It strengthens faith, deepens prayer, and brings believers closer to Christ, who is present in the suffering of others. Whether through small daily sacrifices or lifelong dedication, every act of love contributes to building a more just and compassionate world.

The Church teaches that serving the poor is not merely about giving things, but about **encounter and solidarity**. Pope Francis repeatedly emphasized the importance of drawing close to the poor, listening to their stories, and recognizing them not as problems to be solved but as brothers and sisters. True service involves humility and allowing oneself to be changed by the encounter. When we serve with this attitude, service becomes mutual. The poor offer lessons in resilience, faith, and hope, and those who serve are spiritually enriched. This reciprocal relationship reflects the communion at the heart of the Church.

Email your questions to me at [frdominic@saintliz.org](mailto:frdominic@saintliz.org)



## Celebrate World Marriage Day

All couples celebrating a milestone anniversary are invited to participate in our marriage blessing as we celebrate their participation in the sacrament of matrimony!

**Saturday, February 7th**

4:00 pm Mass and Marriage Blessing

Reception following Mass in the Shepherd's Hall for couples celebrating a milestone anniversary in 2026.

Please RSVP by Monday, February 2nd by visiting the events page on our website.



St. Elizabeth Ann Seton would like to welcome these new members and their families who have recently joined our Parish!

*Matthew Shewchuck*

*Jeanette Eastburn*

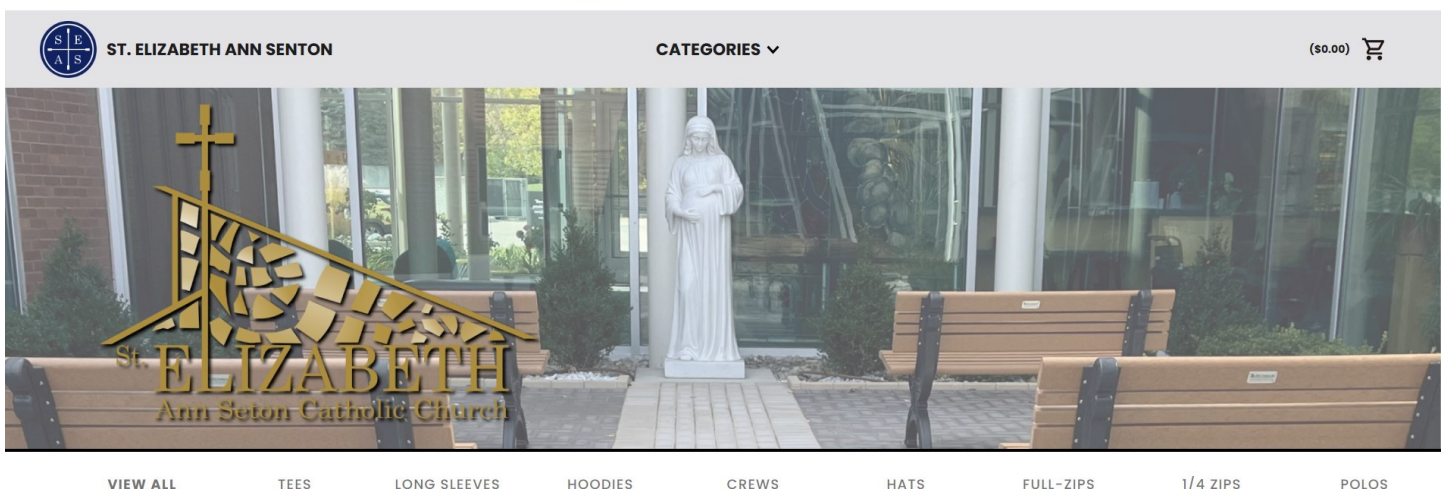
*Mark & Mary Gunn*

*Ruth Stevens*

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## Prayer for Archdiocesan Restructuring

Come, Holy Spirit.

Make your presence known  
as we restructure the parishes and ministries  
of our archdiocese.

Be our light on the path we walk together.  
Help us hear your voice  
in the quiet of our own hearts,  
in the wisdom of others,  
and in the world around us.

We know you are with us  
in every step of the process.  
Give us clarity, understanding, and direction.  
In all things, help us share the light of your love. Amen.

Ste. Anne, pray for us.  
Blessed Solanus Casey, pray for us.  
Mary, Mother of the Church, pray for us.

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## LENTEN MISSION: PROPHETS OF HOPE



Join Tom Shaheen from the  
Catholic Biblical School of  
Michigan to explore the prophets.  
Discover how Zechariah's call to  
return to the Lord offers fresh  
hope for your Lenten journey.



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## Men's Fellowship Breakfast February 15<sup>th</sup> to Support Kenyan Orphans

Men's Fellowship will be holding a breakfast fundraiser on **Sunday, February 15<sup>th</sup>** after the 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Masses. Free will donations collected at the breakfast will go to **Friends of Kenyan Orphans**, a non-profit organization based in metro Detroit that raises funds to help orphaned and vulnerable children in Kenya receive education, shelter and living necessities.



Friends of Kenyan Orphans was formed in 2009 by Bud and Sue Ozar, a Detroit area couple who have assisted in the rescue of hundreds of orphaned and abandoned children by building the St. Clare Centre for Girls.

SEAS Men's Fellowship has supported the organization since shortly after its inception.

Enjoy a delicious home-cooked breakfast that includes:

*Egg Casserole*

*Chocolate chip, blueberry and plain Pancakes*

*Sausage*

*Fresh Fruit*

*Coffee, Tea and Juice*

For more information about Friends of Kenyan Orphans or to donate directly to the organization, visit <https://www.friendsofkenyanorphans.org/>.



## SACRAMENTS

### Weddings:

Please make arrangements at least 6 months in advance.

Contact the Parish Office for more information.

### Baptisms:

Baptisms take place during the 11:00AM Mass on the third Sunday of the month. Online baptismal prep is available through "Belonging – Baptism in the Family of God" (Ascension Press), with a follow up meeting on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month at 10:00AM. Call the Parish Office to register for the online prep program (It is advisable to schedule and complete the prep program before the baby is born).

### Confessions:

Saturdays, 3:00 - 3:30 pm; Mondays, 6:00 - 7:00 pm; 30 minutes before Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday Daily Masses; confessions can also be scheduled by appointment.

### Deadline for Bulletin Articles:

Friday 4:00 pm (1 week prior)

E-mail [abrewer@saintliz.org](mailto:abrewer@saintliz.org)

### Pulpit Announcements:

E-mail [rhoppe@saintliz.org](mailto:rhoppe@saintliz.org) by Monday 4 pm

## SILENCE BEFORE MASS: A GENTLE REMINDER

A few years ago, Pope Francis called out the common habit of chatting with people before Mass, stressing that this is a time for silent prayer, when we prepare our hearts for an encounter with the Lord. "When we go to Mass, maybe we arrive five minutes before, and we start to chitchat with those in front of us," the Pope said.

However, "it is not a moment for chitchat." "It is a moment of silence for preparing ourselves for dialogue, a time for the heart to collect itself in order to prepare for the encounter with Jesus," he said, adding that "silence is so important."



# Fellowship Opportunities

## Women's Fellowship

Our Women's Fellowship meets every 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm for a meeting & faith sharing in Shepherd's Hall. Women of the parish engage in social, fundraising, charitable, and Christian Service projects. High School age and up are welcome to attend. For more information, contact Carolyn Plague at [cmplague@gmail.com](mailto:cmplague@gmail.com).

**Next meeting: Tuesday, February 10 at 7:00 pm**



## Men's Fellowship

Our Men's Fellowship meets every 2nd Saturday of the month at 8:00 am for a meeting and faith sharing in Shepherd's Hall. Men's Fellowship is involved in assisting the poor and homeless and supporting the men of the parish. If you would like to join, contact Gary Ward at [gward6446@wowway.com](mailto:gward6446@wowway.com).

**Next meeting: Saturday, February 14 at 8:00 am**



## Widows' /Widowers' Group

Our Widows' and Widowers' Group meets every 3rd Saturday of the month in Shepherd's Hall or another agreed upon location. It is a great opportunity for our widowed parishioners to socialize and pray together. If you would like to join, contact Sally Raffler at [sallyraffler@wowway.com](mailto:sallyraffler@wowway.com) or Jane Hime at [jbusdriver@wowway.com](mailto:jbusdriver@wowway.com).

**Next meeting: Saturday, February 21 at 10:00 am at Kerby's Koney Island**



## Marian Motherhood: Getting to the Heart of Mary

A monthly gathering for moms of all ages and stages to grow in faith, fellowship, and spiritual support—rooted in Mary's example of love, humility, and strength. We meet on the 4th Saturday of the month (September-May, excluding December) at 9:00 am in Shepherd's Hall. Coffee and light refreshments are provided. Please note: This is a moms-only group. Nursing infants may attend as needed. To learn more, contact Aubrey at [alquiza.aubrey@gmail.com](mailto:alquiza.aubrey@gmail.com)

**Next meeting: Saturday, February 28 at 9:00 am**



## Craft and Chat

Welcome Crafters. Let your crafts shine in on Thursday's from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. in Shepherd's Hall. We are making this a simple gathering for anyone who would like to bring their knitting/crochet/hand sewing/embroidery/art, anything that does not require an electric outlet. All are welcome, if you have any questions, please call Grace Vettraino at 248-224-7690.



# Community Information

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5.30 PM - SOUP & SALAD  
6.00 PM - REFLECTION  
7.00 PM - HOLY MASS



**February 25**  
*The Importance of the Heart*  
- Br. Antony Julius Milton

**March 4**  
*Actions and Words of Love*  
- Br. Nick Blattner

**March 11**  
*The Heart that Has Loved so Greatly*  
- Br. Javier Rodriguez

**March 18**  
*A Love that Gives Itself a Drink*  
- Br. Jose Vera

**March 25**  
*Love for Love*  
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Brother Thomas Skowron is a Capuchin Franciscan friar. He began painting icons in 2017. Br. Thomas studied at Eikonon Schola in Uzhgorod, Ukraine, an iconography school of the Greek Catholic Eparchy of Mukachevo and the Capuchin Custody of Ukraine and Russia, as well as with Fr. Anthony Gunin and George Kordis. He focuses on classical Byzantine and Neo-Byzantine iconography and traditional technique of egg tempera, but he's also interested in contemporary trends, in particular in the art of Jerzy Nowosielski and new iconography of Lviv, Ukraine.

## QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

### 1st Reading Question

Zephaniah speaks of a "remnant" of Israel who will live humbly and seek justice. Are there people in your life who live this way?

### 2nd Reading Question

Paul describes members of the Corinthian church as foolish, weak and despised. How would you characterize your faith community?

### Gospel Question

Jesus begins his "Sermon on the Mount" with the many ways that people are blessed. What do you consider your biggest blessing?

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# Mass Intentions

**Monday, February 2, 2026**

**7:00 pm** St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parishioners

**Tuesday, February 3, 2026**

**8:30 am** Special Intention (req. by M. Zylka)

**Wednesday, February 4, 2026**

**8:30 am** St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parishioners

**Thursday, February 5, 2026**

**No Mass**

**Friday, February 6, 2026**

**12:00 pm** For the Souls in Purgatory (req. by Natali Asic)

**Saturday, February 7, 2026**

**4:00 pm** James Chalifoux (req. by family)  
Margaret Chalifoux (req. by family)

**Sunday, February 8, 2026**

**9:00 am** Jerry Richart (req. by family)  
Mary Jane Rankel (req. by family)

**11:00 am** Generoso & Marcelina Fernandez (req. by family)

**Candles can be purchased  
in the parish office anytime  
during regular weekday and  
weekend hours.**



This is a gentle reminder that if you would like to have an intention said for a specific date, please call the office ahead of time. Our Mass intentions fill up very quickly and we are allowed only two per Mass. It is best to schedule special intentions months in advance of the date. Thank you for understanding.

**If you wish to have a Mass intention  
said for a loved one, please call the  
Parish Office at 248-879-1310**

## Prayer List

**Please continue to pray for the sick and suffering.**

Laura Arkils, Dorothy Blake, Scott Breeding, Bill Dowd, Rosemary Dowd Elizabeth Faron, Josh Hamilton, Jane Hime, Phoebe Hulse, Luke Juricic, Darnell Kelsey, Shirley Kesteloot, Patricia Kramer, Dorothy Lawson, Agnes Mecoli, Dane Nowosatko, Mike Nowosatko, Charles Peters, Marie Pietila, Caleb Upton, Therese Warger, Cathy Webb, Fr. Steve Wertenan.

*Please call the parish office or email [secretary@saintliz.org](mailto:secretary@saintliz.org) if you would like to add a loved one to the prayer list.*

*Please pray for those serving in our armed services:*

**Lorenzo Garcia**, United States Marine Corps  
**Matthew J. Panella**, United States Navy  
**Joseph T. Berry**, United States Navy  
**Lt. Anna Hanson**, United States Navy  
**Evan Paul Holland**, United States Marine Corps  
**John M. Barnett**, United States Marine Corps  
**Evan Shawver**, United States Army Reserves

**Matthew Falardeau**, United States Marine Corps  
**Erin Freedom Hawtin**, United States Army  
**Edward Alsip**, United States Marine Corps  
**Sarah Alsip**, United States Marine Corps  
**David Miller, Jr.**, United States Army  
**Jeffrey Schuele**, United States Marine Corps  
**Justin Schade**, United States Marine Corps  
**Trevor Ulewicz**, United States Army

*Lord God, Almighty Father, Creator of mankind and Author of peace, as we are ever mindful of the cost paid for the liberty we possess, we ask You to bless the members of our armed forces. Amen.*

## St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church Mission Statement

*Proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ. He was born, lived, died, and rose to save us from our sins.  
We will make His good news known through worship, education, and service.*



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### Parish Office Hours:

Monday

10:00 am to 12:00 pm and 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday

9:00 am to 12:00 pm and 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Closed on Friday

Saturday—2:30—5:30 pm

Sunday—8:00 am—12:30 pm

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LizAnn  
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### Mass Schedule:

*Sunday Masses*

Saturday 4:00 pm;

Sunday 9:00 am and 11:00 am

*Weekday Masses*

Monday evenings 7:00 pm

Tuesday and Wednesday mornings 8:30 am

Friday 12:00 pm (Labor Day  
to Memorial Day)

Confessions:

Saturdays, 3:00 - 3:30 pm or during the week  
by appointment.

Mondays, 6:00—7:00 pm

30 minutes before Tuesday, Wednesday, &  
Friday Daily Masses