Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish

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Weekday Mass Readings

March 6: Leviticus 19:1-2, 11-18;
Psalm 19;
Matthew 25:31-46

March 7: Isaiah 55:10-11;
Psalm 34;
Matthew 6:7-15

March 8: Jonah 3:1-10;
Psalm 51;
Luke 11:29-32

March 9: Esther 4:12-25;
Psalm 138;
Matthew 7:7-12

March 10: Ezekiel 18:21-28;
Psalm 130;
Matthew 5:20-26

March 11: Deuteronomy 26:16-19;
Psalm 119;
Matthew 5:43-48

From the Great Fathers

From a commentary on the psalms by Saint Augustine, bishop

In Christ we suffered temptation, and in him we overcame the Devil

Hear, O God, my petition, listen to my prayer. Who is speaking? An individual, it seems. See if it is an individual: I cried out to you from the ends of the earth while my heart was in anguish. Now it is no longer one person; rather, it is one in the sense that Christ is one, and we are all his members. What single individual can cry from the ends of the earth? The one who cries from the ends of the earth is none other than the Son's inheritance.

It was said to him: Ask of me, and I shall give you the nations as your inheritance, and the ends of the earth as your possession. This possession of Christ, this inheritance of Christ, this body of Christ, this one Church of Christ, this unity that we are, cries from the ends of the earth. What does it cry? What I said before: Hear, O God, my petition, listen to my prayer; I cried out to you from the ends of the earth.' That is, I made this cry to you from the ends of the earth; that is, on all sides.

Why did I make this cry? While my heart was in anguish. The speaker shows that he is present among all the nations of the earth in a condition, not of exalted glory but of severe trial.

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On the Cover: Gustave Doré, 1865. *The Expulsion from the Garden*. Engraving. From Milton's Paradise Lost.

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Lord:

The great season of Lent is underway. Just a few days ago, we received ashes on our foreheads as a sign and promise of conversion. Girded by prayer, fasting, and works of mercy, let us strive with God's help to make this Lent the most spiritually productive time of our lives.

How can we live this holy season in a way that will help us to draw closer to God? As always, Jesus has the answer: "If any man would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me" (Luke 9:12). Self-denial is an essential part of the Christian life because this practice opens our hearts to the presence of God.

St. Thomas Aquinas asserted that "It is not only necessary for the perfection of charity that a man should sacrifice his exterior possessions: he must also, in a certain sense, relinquish himself" (Aquinas, On the Perfection of the Spiritual Life, chapter 10). Sacrifice and acts of self-denial are means that enable us to give up our own will – even when it is directed towards good and legitimate purposes – and surrender ourselves more completely to the will of God.

Let me encourage each of you to be generous in your Lenten sacrifices. Making a common sacrifice as a family is often a way to encourage one another in spiritual progress. Our sacrifices don't have to be huge. In fact, they should not be so difficult that we find them impossible to fulfill. The consistent, small sacrifice often does more good for the soul, in that it gives us small victories (so necessary for building up good and virtuous habits) and helps to cultivate an inner spirit of self-denial, which can then remain with us once Lent is ended.

Prayer, fasting and sacrifice, and works of mercy establish a spiritual trajectory for these forty days. Let us set out with confidence on the path of repentance and atonement, so that the power of the Holy Cross might enter our lives more powerfully.

Sincerely Yours in Christ,

Fr. Stephen B. Reynolds

Pastor

My Sunday homilies are available on-line at www.SeasCatholic.org

Scholarship Opportunity

The Knights of Columbus and Ladies Auxiliary are offering scholarships to our parishioners. Applications are available in the Church office. If you are a graduating high school senior pursuing a post-secondary education at a university, community college or technical school, you are eligible to apply. Application deadline is April 18 - no exceptions.

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Mass Schedule

Monday—Friday
- 6:30 a.m. English
- 9:00 a.m. English
- 7:00 p.m. English

*On Friday, the evening Mass is in Vietnamese (**Tiếng Việt**)*

- 7:30 p.m. Miércoles en Español

Saturday
- 9:00 a.m. English

Anticipated Masses
- 5:00 p.m. English
- 6:30 p.m. Español
- 8:00 p.m. Tiếng Việt

Sunday Masses
- 7:00 a.m. English
- 8:30 a.m. English
- 10:30 a.m. English
- 12:15 p.m. English
- 2:00 p.m. Español
- 5:30 p.m. English
- 7:30 p.m. Español

Confession

Tuesday—Thursday
- 7:00 a.m.

Wednesday
- 5:45 p.m.—6:45 p.m.

Friday
- 5:45 p.m.—6:45 p.m.

Saturday
- 3:00 p.m.—4:30 p.m.

First Friday
- 8:00 a.m.—8:45 a.m.
- 5:45 p.m.—6:45 p.m.

Charismatic Prayer Group

"Be merciful O Lord for we have sinned" (Psalm 51)

We are reminded of the mortality of this world on Ash Wednesday, while the Lenten Gospels for March teach us the need for self-denial, repentance and sacrifice. These actions help us control our desires for the things of this world and enable us to walk closer with Jesus on the path to eternal life. Join us on Friday evenings from 7:30 to 9:00 pm in the Family Life Center Prayer Room for lively praise music, prayer, worship, and sharing God's Word. Fellowship and light refreshments follow.

March 10: "This is my beloved son with whom I am well pleased. Listen to Him."

March 17: "One sows and another reaps."

March 24: "I came into this world…so that those who do not see might see…"

March 31: "I am the resurrection and the life."

Discussion topics at our March gatherings are from: Matthew 4:1-11, 17:1-9 and John 4:5-42, 9:1-38, 11:1-45

STEWARDSHIP

Sunday, February 19, 2017

• Regular Offertory	$ 32,957
• St. Vincent dePaul Society	$ 9,549

Diocesan Services Fund (DSF)

• Parish Goal	$270,000
• Pledged-to-date	$ 59,351
• Paid-to-date	$ 36,036
• Number of participants	162

Parish Apostolates

Respect Life Committee

For information about upcoming pro-life activities, you are invited to call Lia Mclean at 832-766-2634, or contact her by e-mail: liapmc@gmail.com.

Once again you have come to our rescue! Respect Life's Maternal Assistance Program has been overwhelmed with clients needing our services, and one of the greatest needs, in addition to the pregnancy tests and ultrasounds, is the need for diapers and other items for their babies. Thanks to you, we received thirty boxes of assorted sized diapers! What a blessing for our clients. We can never thank you enough for all you have done for us over the years. God bless you!

St. Joseph's Freedom Men's Group

We are a confidential support group for men and their families. Our goal is to help develop skills to win the battle against alcohol, chemical, and porn/sexual addiction. Meetings are Saturdays, from 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Wife and family member meetings are held upon request on the last Saturdays of March, June, September, and December. More information is available at : HTTP://saintjosephfreedomgroup.blogspot.com/ and st.longinusrr0315@gmail.com

Northwest Ultreya

Deepen your relationship with Christ. Ultreya is part of Cursillo, a Catholic lay movement that offers an opportunity to meet Christ in a more complete way. "Cursillo" means "little course" and provides a lifetime plan for following Christ through prayer, study and action, in friendship with others. We meet at 9:45 a.m. on the third Saturday of each month in the FLC. Contact Duane King 281-615-8942.

Helping Hands Ministry

We assist families in pre-planning for funerals. To schedule an appointment, please call Beth Wood at 281-413-9682. Bereavement support in the form of printed Carenotes specific to a family's need is provided at the time of a Funeral or Memorial Mass. For a listing of grief support groups in the NW Houston area, contact Beth Wood (number above).

R.C.I.A

Inquiry classes for those interested in learning more about the Catholic Church will take place every Thursday at 7:00 p.m. in the FLC. Contact Nadia Jara at 281-463-7878, ext. 337, or at njara@seascatholic.org.

Parish Apostolates

R.C.I.A.

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is for people who are thinking about the possibility of becoming Catholic. It is for people who have not been baptized, people of other faiths or people who have been baptized Catholic but did not complete the sacraments of Initiation.

This is a beautiful process, with no pressure to commit to our faith community, in which interested persons slowly explore the beliefs of the Catholic Church and discern, over a period of many months, if they desire to become Catholic.

If you are interested, or have a relative, friend or co-worker who has expressed this interest, please call: Nadia Jara: 281- 463-7878 ext. 337 or at njara@seascatholic.org

Offertory Counters

Do you want to share your time and talents? We are searching for individuals who would like to count money for two hours once a month on Sunday. You may choose from three different time slots on Sunday mornings or perhaps you can help on Monday or Thursday mornings.

If you are able to volunteer, please call Linh Nguyen at 281 -463-7878 ext. 380 for more details.

Parish Nursing Ministry

The Seas Parish Nursing ministry is comprised of health care professionals and others who have the health of our parishioners at heart. They are nurses, therapists, educators, and experts in the fields of health promotion. Some work in home health, elderly assistance, aging, hospice, general medicine, surgery, oncology, obstetrics, domestic violence and intensive care. They work to coordinate care for parishioners in their time of need. Meetings are held the first Tuesday of the month.

Please feel free to call Wyona (281-433-5365) or Kim (832-746-1135) if you have health questions or would like to join this growing ministry.

Commuter Mass

The Holy Mass is now offered at 6:30 a.m. each day, Monday through Friday. Why not start your day by meeting the Lord in His holy Word and in the Holy Eucharist? Mass will end by 7:00 a.m., to enable everyone to get to work or school on time. Confessions will follow the Mass on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Training for Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, March 25
9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.
FLC, Rooms 4 & 5

This is initial training for any who would like to become liturgical minsters: Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC) including Communion to the Homebound, Lectors, Ushers and Greeters. There is a special need for more volunteers for the 12:15 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. Masses, but all are welcome.

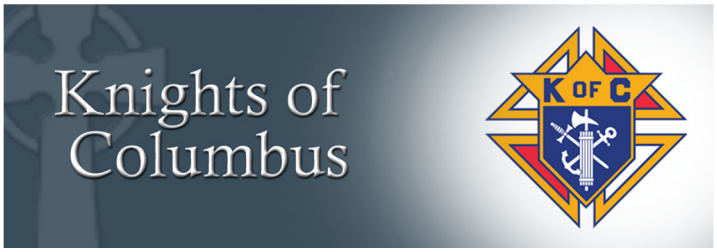
Requirements are as follows:

- EMHC must be at least 17years old and already confirmed.
- Lectors and Ushers must be at least in High School and have received their First Communion.

Please RSVP to Carmen Delgado by March 22 so that enough materials can be prepared. E-mail: cdelgado@seascatholic.org or call 281-463-7878, ext. 304 or stop by the office. Please leave your name and contact information.

Adult Confirmation

Confirmation perfects Baptismal grace; it is the sacrament which gives the Holy Spirit in order to root us more deeply in the divine affiliation, incorporate us more firmly into Christ, strengthen our bond with the Church, associate us more closely with her mission, and help us bear witness to the Christian faith in words accompanied by deeds CCC 1316 Confirmation Preparation for Adults registration is required. To register please contact Nadia Jara al 281-463-7878 x 337 or njara@seascatholic.org



Knights of Columbus Council no. 8096

If you are a Catholic man and you are not a member of the Knights of Columbus, you are missing a wonderful opportunity to transform your life. As a Knight, you have the opportunity to support your parish, give back to your community, grow in your faith plus many more benefits. We meet on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month at 7:30 p.m. (meal served at 7:00 p.m.), in the Community Life Center (CLC). Contact Grand Knight Bob Kossman @ seaskc8096@gmail.com or Membership Director, Ken Frey @ kenneth7@academicplanet.com. Visit us at KofC8096.org.

Viacrucis Cuaresmal

Del 3 de Marzo al 7 de Abril 5:00 p.m. en la iglesia

Fecha	Patrocinado por
Viernes **10 de Marzo**	Grupo de Jóvenes ,Coro Y Monaguillos
Viernes **17 de Marzo**	Ministerio de Hospitalidad y Grupo de Oración Carismático
Viernes **24 de Marzo**	Ministros Extraordinarios de Comunión y Movimiento Cursillo
Viernes **31 de Marzo**	Movimiento Familiar Cristiano y Estudio de Biblia
Viernes **7 de Abril**	Legión de María y Encuentro Matrimonial

Rito de Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos

Proceso de preparación para la celebración de los sacramentos del Bautismo, Primera Eucaristía y Confirmación para Adultos. ¿Está pensando en la preparación sacramental de Adultos?

RICA, Rito de Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos, es un proceso de discernimiento y preparación para las personas interesadas en aprender más sobre la Iglesia Católica,

Para aquellos que nunca han sido bautizados, o han sido bautizados en otras denominaciones, o que han sido bautizados en la Iglesia Católica pero no han recibido los sacramentos de iniciación (Eucaristía y Confirmación).

Este es un bellísimo proceso sin ningún compromiso a través del cual se explora lentamente las enseñanzas de la Iglesia Católica.

Si usted está interesado, o un pariente, amigo o compañero que le ha manifestado interés anímelo a comunicarse con: Nadia Jara al 281- 463-7878 ext. 337 njara@seascatholic.org

Grupo de estudio Bíblico

Les invitamos a ser parte de nuestro grupo, que se reúne todos los martes de 12:30-2:30pm en el FLC. Necesita solo el deseo de conocer más nuestra Fe Católica. Favor de mandar mensaje por texto con cualquier pregunta al 281-620-8308 atn: Guadalupe Ortiz.

Grupo de Oración Carismático

Misión: Dar testimonio del papel determinante de los carismas en la predicación del Evangelio y en la construcción de la comunidad cristiana. Facilitar la Educación en la Fe y la Experiencia de Comunidad Cristiana entre Adultos. Asambleas: Todos los Viernes de 7:30 a 9:45 pm., en los salones A&B del Edificio de Vida Familiar (FLC). Todos son Bienvenidos, Contamos con Servicio de Guardería.

Mis queridos hermanos y hermanas en el Señor:

La gran temporada de Cuaresma está en marcha. Hace apenas unos días, recibimos cenizas en nuestras frentes como signo y promesa de conversión. Cercados por la oración, el ayuno y las obras de misericordia, luchamos con la ayuda de Dios para que esta Cuaresma sea el tiempo más productivo de nuestras vidas.

¿Cómo podemos vivir esta temporada santa de una manera que nos ayude a acercarnos a Dios? Como siempre, Jesús tiene la respuesta: "Si alguno quiere venir en pos de mí, niéguese a sí mismo, tome su cruz de cada día y sígame" (Lucas 9:12). La abnegación es una parte esencial de la vida cristiana porque esta práctica abre nuestros corazones a la presencia de Dios.

Santo Tomás de Aquino afirmó que "no sólo es necesario para la perfección de la caridad que un hombre debe sacrificar sus posesiones exteriores: también debe, en cierto sentido, renunciar a sí mismo" (Tomás de Aquino, sobre la perfección de la vida espiritual, capítulo 10). El sacrificio y los actos de abnegación son medios que nos permiten renunciar a nuestra propia voluntad -incluso cuando se dirige hacia fines buenos y legítimos- y entregarnos más completamente a la voluntad de Dios.

Permítanme animar a cada uno de ustedes a ser generosos en sus sacrificios de Cuaresma. Hacer un sacrificio común como familia es a menudo una manera de animarse unos a otros en el progreso espiritual. Nuestros sacrificios no tienen que ser enormes. De hecho, no deben ser tan difíciles que nos parezcan imposibles de cumplir. El sacrificio constante y pequeño a menudo hace más bien al alma, ya que nos da pequeñas victorias (tan necesarias para construir hábitos buenos y virtuosos) y ayuda a cultivar un espíritu interior de abnegación, el cual puede permanecer con nosotros una vez la Cuaresma ha terminado.

La oración, el ayuno , el sacrificio, y las obras de misericordia establecen una trayectoria espiritual durante estos cuarenta días. Empecemos con confianza en el camino del arrepentimiento y de la expiación, para que el poder de la Santa Cruz penetre más poderosamente en nuestras vidas.

Sinceramente Suyo en Cristo,

Fr. Stephen B. Reynolds

Párroco

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Retiro de Evangelización Nueva Vida

El grupo de oración carismático en español de la iglesia católica de Sta. Elizabeth Ann Seton te invita al retiro de evangelización nueva vida el 18 de Marzo a celebrarse en el salón principal del Edificio de Vida Comunitaria (CLC) a partir de las 7:45 a.m. hasta 6:00 p.m. Cerrando con la misa de 6:30 p.m. a 7:30 p.m.

El retiro tiene los siguientes objetivos:

- Ayudar a quienes asisten al retiro a que establezcan, restablezcan o profundicen su relación personal con Jesús.
- Ayudar a quienes asisten al retiro a que se dejen guiar por la acción del Espíritu Santo en sus vidas, de manera que puedan comenzar a experimentar su presencia y la obra que El hace en ellos y a través de ellos.
- Ayudar a quienes asisten al retiro a que se unan a Cristo más fuertemente al participar en una comunidad o en un pequeño grupo, en el que puedan compartir su vida cristiana y en donde puedan recibir apoyo para vivir esa vida.
- Ayudarles a que comiencen a hacer un uso efectivo de lo que significa crecer en su relación con Cristo.

Información: Gabino Tarango 281.758.5301; Cirenia Fuentes 713. 466.5816; Dcn. Gilbert Johnson 281.463.3913; Hugo y Xiomara González 281.550.8648

Todos son bienvenidos. No habrá cuidado de niños.

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Our pilgrimage on earth cannot be exempt from trial. We progress by means of trial. No one knows himself except through trial, or receives a crown except after victory, or strives except against an enemy or temptations.

The one who cries from the ends of the earth is in anguish, but is not left on his own. Christ chose to foreshadow us, who are his body, by means of his body, in which he has died, risen and ascended into heaven, so that the members of his body may hope to follow where their head has gone before.

He made us one with him when he chose to be tempted by Satan. We have heard in the gospel how the Lord Jesus Christ was tempted by the devil in the wilderness. Certainly Christ was tempted by the devil. In Christ you were tempted, for Christ received his flesh from your nature, but by his own power gained salvation for you; he suffered death in your nature, but by his own power gained glory for you; therefore, he suffered temptation in your nature, but by his own power gained victory for you.

If in Christ we have been tempted, in him we overcome the devil. Do you think only of Christ's temptations and fail to think of his victory? See yourself as tempted in him, and see yourself as victorious in him. He could have kept the devil from himself; but if he were not tempted he could not teach you how to triumph over temptation.

BEST LENT EVER

DON'T GIVE UP *chocolate* FOR LENT

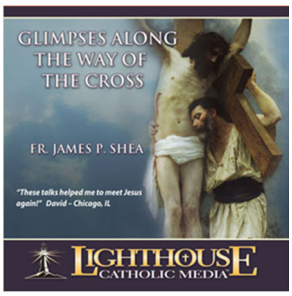
We all know the things that make us happy, but we don't always do them. Lent is an opportunity to change that. This year we invite you to do something different.

Join Dynamic Catholic for Best Lent Ever, a free, video-based email program featuring internationally acclaimed speaker and *New York Times* bestselling author Matthew Kelly. From Ash Wednesday to Easter, Matthew will help you identify what stands between you and happiness . . . and what to do about it. Are you ready for your best Lent ever?

TO SIGN UP, VISIT **BestLentEver.com**

Lighthouse CD of the Week

Glimpses Along the Way of the Cross
by Msgr. James P. Shea



Msgr. James Shea teaches us how to open our hearts to the suffering and loneliness of Jesus. Weaving together the insights of Fr. Richard Neuhaus, Caryll Houselander, Abp Fulton Sheen, and Dr. James Edwards, these meditations take us through Christ's agony, and back out again into the relief and joy of what His sacrifice means for us.

Parishioner Comments: *"Fr. Shea knows how to relate to someone in the pew who has felt pain and needs the healing only Christ can give. These talks helped me to meet Jesus again!" "I felt as though I was right there with Jesus and Simon and Veronica, walking with my Lord and experiencing His love. Wonderful!"*

Your generous donations to cover our cost assure continued availability of these great resources!

That Man is You!

MEN'S LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

Wednesday mornings 5:30—7:00 a.m. at SEAS in the CLC!
Spring Program: *Discerning the Will of God*

Invest a little time in yourself to become a better husband, father and spiritual leader in your family! Coffee, juice, donuts & kolaches are served to jump start your morning. No cost or commitment! Just come, listen and learn!

Topic this week: Enter into Great Silence

- How St. Joseph Teaches Silence
- Finding God in Interior Silence
- The Four Parts of Lectio Divina
- Where Does God Speak to Us?
- The Still Small Voice
- Pilgrimages: Heaven Meeting Earth
- Maintaining Silence in the Home

Register on-line at www.paradisusdei.org and click on "Learn More" in the THAT MAN IS YOU section or contact Leon Fontana 713-291-3581 lvflsu@yahoo.com

St Vincent de Paul Society
good works

We'd like to graciously thank our SEAS parishioners and SEEDS Preschool families for their wonderful support of our February food drive. We took in 1,067 pounds of non-perishable food items, and received $114 in donations to the ministry at the food drive. Additionally, this month's drive included a partnering with John Paul XXIII School and they donated 479 pounds of non-perishable food items. Our local pantry, the Houston Northwest Community Center in Bear Creek, was elated to receive our total donation of 1,546 pounds of food, which helped tremendously to restock their cupboards! What a caring community of families we are here at SEAS!

Remember that in between our monthly food drives, food donations can be placed in the drop box in the Narthex.

Have a blessed week and thank you for your support!

Phone: 281-463-4560
Email: SVDPOne@gmail.com
Hours: M-W-F 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 Noon

Free English Class

Mondays, Sept. 12, 2016-May 22, 2017,
9:00-11:00 am & 7:00- 9:00 PM Join us any week! Must be 18 or older. Copperfield Church, 8350 Hwy. 6 N. NO baby -sitting. Jan 832-443-4248 or jan.garza@comcast.net

Celebrate St. Joseph Italian Style

The St. Joseph Altar originated in Sicily during a period of drought and famine. The people prayed to St. Joseph asking for intercessions and promising to prepare a feast in his honor to which everyone, especially the poor, would be invited. The SEAS Italian Club will be hosting a celebration to St. Joseph in the CLC, on Sunday, March 12th beginning at 10:30 for the blessing and feeding of the "saints" followed by a "traditional" pasta dinner from 11:00 a.m. until 2:30 p.m.

Donations will be accepted in exchange for the meal, but there is a charge for dessert. To-go orders are accepted. Proceeds go to feed the poor in our community.

Anh chị em thân mến trong Chúa:

Mùa Chay đã đến. Chỉ một vài ngày trước đây, chúng ta nhận tro trên trán như một dấu chỉ và lời hứa cải thiện đời sống. Hy sinh hãm mình bằng lời cầu nguyện, ăn chay, và việc lành phúc đức, chúng ta hãy cố gắng với sự trợ giúp của Thiên Chúa để làm cho Mùa Chay là thời gian đem lại lợi ích tinh thần nhất trong cuộc đời của chúng ta.

Chúng ta có thể sống mùa chay thánh này bằng cách nào để giúp chúng ta đến gần Chúa hơn? Luôn luôn, Chúa Giêsu có câu trả lời: "Nếu ai muốn theo Ta, phải từ bỏ chính mình, vác thập giá mình hằng ngày mà theo Ta" (Lc 9:12). Bỏ mình là một phần thiết yếu của đời sống Kitô hữu, vì cách thực hành này sẽ mở lòng chúng ta với Thiên Chúa.

Thánh Thomas Aquinas khẳng định rằng "Thật không chỉ cần có lòng bác ái hoàn toàn mà một người nên hy sinh của cải bên ngoài của mình: người đó cũng phải, trong một ý nghĩa nào đó, phải bỏ mình" (Aquinas, On the Perfection of the Spiritual Life, chapter 10). Hy sinh và bỏ mình là cách giúp chúng ta từ bỏ ý riêng của mình - ngay cả khi nó là hướng về mục đích tốt và chính đáng- và đầu phục mình hoàn toàn với thánh ý của Thiên Chúa.

Tôi khuyến khích mỗi anh chị em hãy rộng lượng hy sinh trong Mùa Chay của bạn. Làm một sự hy sinh chung của gia đình thường là một cách để khích lệ nhau trong tiến trình tâm linh. hy sinh của chúng tôi không cần phải là to tát. Thực sự, hy sinh không nên quá khó khăn để chúng ta thấy không thực hiện được. Các hy sinh nhỏ bé nhưng kiên trì thường đem lại lợi ích hơn cho tâm hồn, qua đó nó cho chúng ta những bước tiến nhỏ bé(rất cần thiết cho việc xây dựng những thói quen tốt và đức hạnh) và giúp nuôi dưỡng một tinh thần bên trong của sự bỏ mình, và điều này sẽ ở lại với chúng ta khi Mùa Chay kết thúc.

Cầu nguyện, ăn chay và hy sinh hãm mình, thực thi bác ái thiết lập hướng đi tinh thần cho bốn mươi ngày này. Chúng ta hãy khởi sự với vững tin trên con đường của sự ăn năn và sự chuộc tội, để sức mạnh của Thánh Giá có thể bước vào đời sống của chúng ta cách mạnh mẽ hơn

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LỚp HỌC TIẾNG anh MIỄN phi

Các ngày THỨ HAI, Ngày 12 tháng 9/2016 - Ngày 22 tháng 5/2017, từ 9:00-11:00 sáng & 7:00 - 9:00 chieu' Tại nhà Thờ Copperfield, 8350 Highway 6 N. Jan Garza 832-443-4248 Phải từ 18 tuổi trở lên. Không cung cấp giữ trẻ Tham gia bat Ky cua Tuan.

Save the date for the SEASCS Second Annual Golf Tournament

Monday, May 1
Hearthstone Country Club
For sponsorship inquiries, email
golftourn@seascs.org

Thank you to everyone who supported SEASCS through Steps 4 Students! The 5K race was a great success bringing together parishes and schools from around the archdiocese. Our school raised over $25,000!

The annual Archdiocesan spelling bee took place at St. Dominic chancery on Friday, February 24.

There were forty-eight participants in the event and the first round was tough for many. When the dust cleared our own Marcela Piquet was still standing.

Marcella was very brave and courageous throughout the bee and took her time spelling each word and asking for language of origin, as well as asking for the word in a sentence, for clarification. .

The bee was a grueling ten rounds and in the end, Marcela was our "third place winner"!

Home-Grown Vocations: Family as the Seedbed

March 11 from 8:30 a.m.—2:30 p.m. at St. Mary Seminary, 9845 Memorial Dr.

Cardinal DiNardo will open the day with Mass, followed by a panel of parents, break-out groups, presentations by religious communities and more.

Cost is five dollars ($5.00) per person, and includes lunch. Deadline: March 6. www.houstonvocations.com/vocation-expo

Legión de María

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- Rosario después de la misa de las 2:00 p.m. del domingo.
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Por favor llame a Susan Porter al 281-855-7235, o por correo electrónico, saporter@sbcglobal.net.

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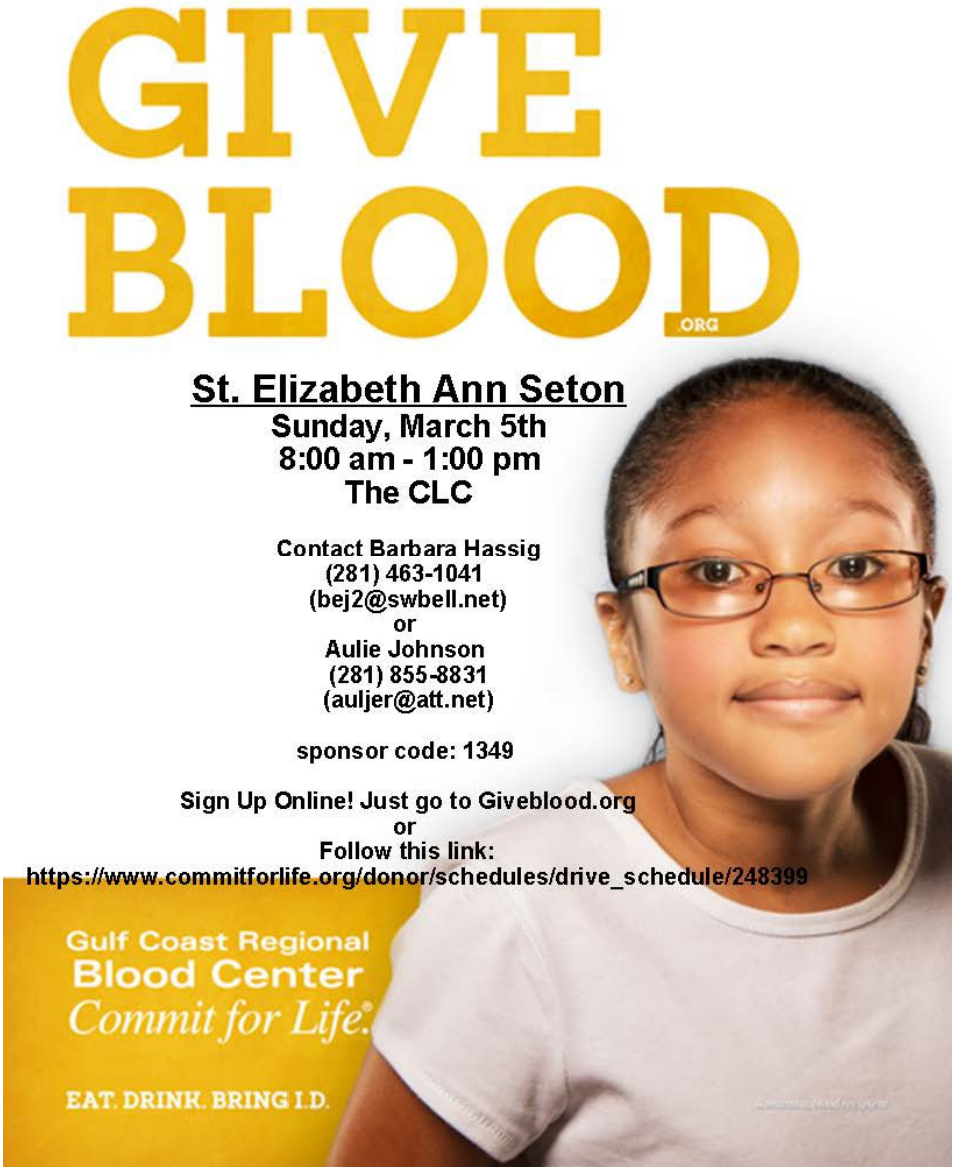

Men's' ACTS Retreat

Are you looking for more ways to develop a closer relationship with God through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and at the same time meet other good men that are searching for the right path just like you are? Then attending an ACTS retreat may be just what you need to be encouraged, strengthened and enlightened.

Our next retreat is being held at Mother of Perpetual Help Shrine and Retreat Center on **April 27-30**, 2017.

Registrations will be accepted on March 26th from 1:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. in the CLC. More information is available in the SEAS office or contact Mike Jackson at 832-593-2689 or email jackson16923@sbcglobal.net.

Dear SEAS Parishioners,

The 2017 International Spring Festival is coming up fast. Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your Chair for this event.

We are looking forward to another fun filled festival weekend in May. We are in need of donations and volunteers to make the Festival a success. I am always amazed at the continuous outpouring of generosity by our community, whether in the form of time, talent or treasure. We are so blessed to be a part of this community.

We are placing a donation box in the parish office, the Narthex of the church and at the School for stuffed animal donations and non-perishable food items. In addition, we are requesting the following donated items which may be donated at the School or Parish Office (please mark them FESTIVAL):

- 2 Liter sodas for the Ring Toss
- Baked Goods for the Dessert Table and the Cake walk
- New or gently used stuffed animals for the Stuffed Animal Booth
- Plants for the Plant Booth
- Silent Auction Items
- Gift Cards ranging from $5 to $25
- Red or White Wine (price range $8 to $15 bottle)
- Non-perishable Food items, Cleaners and Toiletries
- Reusable grocer Bags
- Books, CDs and DVDs, Video Games
- Paper Towels
- Cash Donations

We need volunteers to chair game and food booths and to work the Festival. Service Hour Forms will be provided to those who need them. T-Shirts and Raffle Tickets will be ready soon. The next Festival meeting is March 9th at 7:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center. Visit our Festival webpage at: **www.seascatholicfestival.org** or go to the link on the parish website.

Blessings,

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WE NEED YOUR HELP IN RAISING FUNDS TO HELP MAKE THE FESTIVAL A SUCCESS. THERE ARE SO MANY OPPORTUNITIES TO MAKE OUR FESTIVAL A FINANCIAL SUCCESS. PLEASE CONSIDER SPONSORING OR PARTIALLY SPONSORING ONE OR MORE OF THE ITEMS BELOW. ALL DONATIONS OF $250.00 OR MORE WILL RECEIVE SIGNAGE/RECOGNITION DURING THE FESTIVAL.

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Chair: Candace Freed **www.seascatholicfestival.org**

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Monday, March 6
6:30 a.m. ✠ Frank & Josephine Coselli
9:00 a.m. ✠ Faithful Departed of SEAS
7:00 p.m. Jose & Roxanna Estrella

Tuesday, March 7
6:30 a.m. Fr. Charles Van Vliet
9:00 a.m. ✠ Francis Layton
7:00 p.m. ✠ Souls in Purgatory

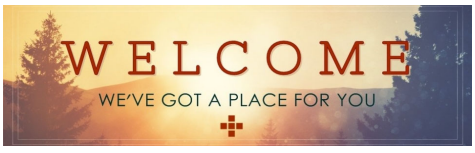
Wednesday, March 8
6:30 a.m. Maria Colon (health)
9:00 a.m. Sandra M. Negron(health)
7:00 p.m. Alexandria & Zaria Strawter
7:30 p.m. ✠ Bryan Arturo Rodriguez

Thursday, March 9
6:30 a.m. Liz-beth, Katrina & Heidi Estrella
9:00 a.m. ✠ Souls in Purgatory
7:00 p.m. Miguel, Justin, Kim & Alyssa Kisijara

Friday, March 10
6:30 a.m. Fr. James Long Do
9:00 a.m. Jonathan Morales (birthday)
7:00 p.m. ✠ John Mary Nguyen family

Saturday, March 11
9:00 a.m. ✠ Souls in Purgatory
5:00 p.m. ✠ Jeanette Nettie Napleton
6:30 p.m. ✠ Flora Cortez
8:00 p.m. ✠ Scott LaCourse

Sunday, March 12
7:00 a.m. Jocelyn Lee Estrada
8:30 a.m. ✠ Frank & Josephine Coselli
10:30 a.m. *Pro Populo*
12:15 p.m. Crystal Marie Parra
2:00 p.m. Jorge Solorzano (birthday)
5:30 p.m. Ryan (birthday)
7:30 p.m. Pamela Garza (birthday)



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If you know anyone who is sick or in need of prayer support, please call 281-463-7878.

Comuníquese al teléfono anterior si conoce algún enfermo que necesita el apoyo de la oración de nuestra familia parroquial.

How to go to Confession

In order to make a good confession, we examine our conscience, asking God's help to know our sins and to be truly sorry for them.

Rite of Reconciliation

Priest: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Penitent: **Amen.**
Bless me, Father, for I have sinned.
It has been (say how long) **since my last confession.**
My sins are (confess your sins).

When you are done, the priest will give you spiritual advice and assign a penance. He will then ask you to pray an Act of Contrition, for example:

Lord Jesus Christ, son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

- or-

O my God, I am heartily sorry for having offended Thee, and I detest all my sins, because I dread the loss of heaven and the pains of hell; but most of all because they have offended Thee, my God, Who art all good and deserving of all my love. I firmly resolve wit the help of Thy grace, to confess my sins, to do penance, and to amend my life. Amen.

The Priest then says the Prayer of Absolution while the penitent listens. At the conclusion of the prayer, make the sign of the Cross and say, "Amen."

Priest: Go in peace.
Penitent: **Thanks be to God.**

Complete your penance as soon as possible. If you were given prayers to say, try to pray them in church before departing.

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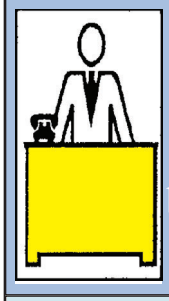

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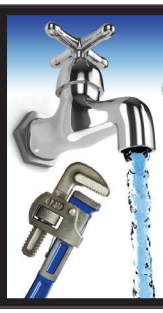
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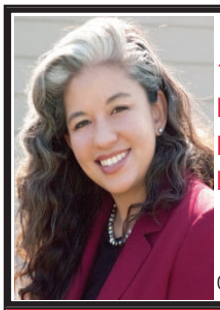

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Felicity gave birth to a girl a few days before the games commenced.

Before her martyrdom, Perpetua's father—a pagan—tried to convince her to renounce her faith. She wrote, "when my father in his affection for me was trying to turn me from my purpose by arguments and thus weaken my faith, I said to him, 'Do you see this vessel—water pot or whatever it may be? Can it be called by any other name than what it is?' 'No,' he replied. 'So also I cannot call myself by any other name than what I am—a Christian.'"

This year, this feast is not celebrated liturgically, since it falls during Lent.

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