

January 9, 2022

A detailed stained glass window depicting the Baptism of Christ. In the center, Jesus Christ stands waist-deep in a blue river, wearing a white robe. He has a halo and his hands are clasped over his chest. To his right, John the Baptist, also with a halo, stands waist-deep in the water. He wears a red robe over a brown, fur-like garment and holds a wooden cross. He is pouring water from a small golden vessel over Jesus' head. In the upper left corner, the Holy Spirit is depicted as a white dove with outstretched wings, perched on a golden sunburst. The background features a purple sky, green foliage, and a small stream with pink flowers. The entire scene is framed by a decorative border.

**St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church**  
**A Welcoming and Inviting Parish**



# Welcome

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## Cover

Baptism of Jesus

**We would like to extend a warm welcome to all of our new parishioners!**

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Total.....\$29,745.00

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From the desk of Fr. Jose Panthaplamthottiyil

## So Long Fr. Mel!

Fr. Melvin D. Hemann (93) died Tuesday, December 14, 2021. We celebrated a Memorial Mass for him on Wednesday, December 29, with our former pastor Fr. Jason Trull as main celebrant. Fr. Rob, Fr. Knight, Fr. Alex, Fr. George, and I concelebrated.

After Fr. Mel had a stroke a couple of months ago, he was bedridden until he died. I visited him a few times during this period, and I had the privilege to give him the last rites a few hours before he died. His body was shipped to the University of Iowa for medical research as he had requested.

As a retired priest, Fr. Mel served our parish over ten years with love and dedication. He always had a pleasant disposition and a sense of humor. We are grateful for all his priestly services, and he will be missed dearly by many. May he Rest in Peace! For your information, I am giving below his obituary.

### Obituary of Fr. Melvin Hemann

Cedar Falls: Fr. Melvin D. Hemann, 93, of Palm Coast, FL, died Tuesday, December 14, 2021, at the Stuart F. Meyer Hospice House in Palm Coast. He was born October 15, 1928, in Stacyville, IA, the son of Bernard J. and Olive S. Halbach Hemann.

He graduated from Visitation High School in Stacyville in 1946, Loras College in 1955, and Mt. St. Bernard Seminary in 1959, both in Dubuque. He was ordained into the priesthood on January 31, 1959, at St. Raphael Cathedral in Dubuque. He served as Associate Pastor at

parishes in Protivin, Holy Cross, Schley, Cedar Rapids, New Haven, Decorah, Ames, Mason City, Charles City, and Roseville, Pastor in Chelsea, Preston, Sabula, Green Island, Rickardsville, Sherrill, and Balltown.

He also served as Dean of the Bellevue Deanery, Executive Secretary of the Balltown-Sherrill Consolidated School, and Director of the Archdiocesan Family Life Office, retiring July 20, 1998. He was a leader and presenter on Marriage and Family Life Programs locally, nationally, and internationally for over 50 years. He was a Charter Member, Officer, and Leader of the National Association of Priest Pilots.



Fr. Mel

He is survived by his *three sisters*, Sister Camilla Hemann OSF of Dubuque, Kathleen Full of Iowa City, and Lucille Mueller of Ashville, NC; two brothers, James (Gladys) Hemann of Eden Prairie, MN, and Mathew (Karmen) Hemann of Stacyville; and many nieces, nephews, and friends. He was preceded in death by two brothers, Rev. Everett Hemann and Msgr. John Hemann; two brothers-in-law, Clemens Full and Helmut "Tom" Mueller; and niece, Janis Hemann. A Memorial Mass will be celebrated at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, January 13, 2022, at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Cedar Falls. Online condolences may be left at: [www.richardsonfuneralservice.com](http://www.richardsonfuneralservice.com). Memorial contributions may be directed to St. Stephen the Witness Catholic Student Center in Cedar Falls, St. Thomas Aquinas Student Center, Ames, or the Hemann Scholarship Fund, Loras Co.



## Funny Stories



**Baptism of a cat:** Johnny's Mother looked out the window and noticed him "playing Church" with their cat. He had the cat sitting quietly and he was preaching to it. She smiled and went about her work. A while later she heard loud meowing and hissing and ran back to the open window to see Johnny baptizing the cat in a tub of water. She called out, "Johnny, stop that! The cat is afraid of water!" Johnny looked up at her and said, "He should have thought about that before he joined my church." (via Fr. Tony)

**Baptized in luxury:** When our Church was renovated, adding a Baptismal pool, we were pleased. So was our daughter. While riding in the car with my daughter and her friend, we went past a pond. My daughter's friend proudly declared, "I was baptized in that pond." My daughter responded with no less pride: "Oh, I was

baptized in a Jacuzzi at our church." - Pastor Davis (via Fr. Tony)

**"Born again."** When Jimmy Carter was elected President of the United States, he described himself as a "born-again" Christian. For many Americans this was an unfamiliar term. By the time of the next election primaries, nearly all the candidates were claiming to be "born-again." Political satirist Mark Russell suggested, "This could give Christianity a bad name."

**God help the fish.** Sam Houston was the first president of the Republic of Texas. It's said he was a rather nasty fellow with a checkered past. Later in life Houston made a commitment to Christ and was baptized in a river. The preacher said to him, "Sam, your sins are washed away." Houston replied, "God help the fish." (via Fr. Tony)





Desde el Escritorio del Pastor, Padre Jose Panthaplamthottiyil

## ¡ Hasta Luego, Padre Mel...!

El Sacerdote, Padre Melvin D. Hemann (93) murió el Martes 14 de Diciembre de 2021. Celebramos una Misa Conmemorativa por él el Miércoles 29 de Diciembre, con nuestro ex Párroco el Padre Jason Trull como celebrante principal. P. Rob, el P. Knight, P. Alex, el P. George y yo concelebramos.

Después de que el P. Mel tuvo un derrame cerebral hace un par de meses, estuvo postrado en cama hasta que murió. Lo visité varias veces durante este período y tuve el privilegio de darle los últimos ritos unas horas antes de que muriera. Su cuerpo fue enviado a la Universidad de Iowa para una investigación médica, tal como lo había solicitado.

Como sacerdote jubilado, el P. Mel sirvió a nuestra parroquia durante diez años con amor y dedicación. Siempre tuvo una disposición agradable y sentido del buen humor. Estamos agradecidos por todos sus servicios sacerdotales y muchos lo extrañarán profundamente. ¡Pedimos que él descanse en paz! Para su información, le doy a continuación su obituario.

### Obituario del Padre Melvin Hemann

Cedar Falls, Iowa: P. Melvin D. Hemann, 93, de Palm Coast, FL, murió el Martes 14 de Diciembre de 2021 en Stuart F. Meyer Hospice House en Palm Coast. Nació el 15 de Octubre de 1928 en Stacyville, Iowa, hijo de Bernard J. y Olive S. Halbach Hemann. Se graduó de Visitation High School en Stacyville en 1946, Loras College en 1955 y Mt. St. Bernard Seminary en 1959, ambos en Dubuque, Iowa. Fue ordenado sacerdote el 31 de Enero de 1959 en la Catedral de San Rafael en Dubuque. Se desempeñó como Pastor Asociado en parroquias en

Protivin, Holy Cross, Schley, Cedar Rapids, New Haven, Decorah, Ames, Mason City, Charles City y Roseville, pastor en Chelsea, Preston, Sabula, Green Island, Rickardsville, Sherrill y Balltown.

También se desempeñó como *Decano del Decanato de Bellevue*, *Secretario Ejecutivo* de la Escuela Consolidada Balltown-Sherrill y *Director* de la *Oficina de Vida Familiar* de la Arquidiócesis. Se jubiló el 20 de Julio de 1998. Fue *líder y presentador* de Programas de matrimonio y vida familiar a nivel local y nacional, e internacionalmente desde hace más de 50 años. Fue *miembro fundador*, oficial y líder de la *Asociación Nacional de Padre Curas Pilotos*.

Le sobreviven sus tres hermanas, la Hermana Camilla Hemann OSF de Dubuque, Kathleen Full de Iowa City y Lucille Mueller de Ashville, NC; dos hermanos, James (y esposa, Gladys) Hemann de Eden Prairie, MN, y Mathew (y esposa, Karmen) Hemann de Stacyville; y muchas sobrinas, sobrinos y amigos. Le precedieron en la muerte dos hermanos, el *Rev. Everett Hemann* y *Monseñor John Hemann*; dos cuñados, Clemens Full y Helmut "Tom" Mueller; y sobrina, Janis Hemann.

Se celebrará una *Misa Conmemorativa* a las 11:00 a.m. el Jueves 13 de Enero de 2022 en la *Iglesia Católica St. Patrick* en Cedar Falls, Iowa. Puede dejar sus condolencias en línea en: [www.richardsonfuneralservice.com](http://www.richardsonfuneralservice.com). Las Contribuciones Conmemorativas pueden dirigirse al *Centro de Estudiantes Católicos St. Stephen the Witness* en Cedar Falls, Iowa; al *Centro de Estudiantes* de St. Thomas Aquinas, en Ames, Iowa; o al *Fondo de Becas Hemann*, Loras College, en Dubuque, Iowa.



### Cuentos Graciosos



**Bautismo de un gato:** La madre de Johnny miró por la ventana y lo vio "jugando a la iglesia" con su gato. Tenía al gato sentado en silencio y le estaba predicando. Ella sonrió y siguió con su trabajo. Un rato después escuchó fuertes maullidos y silbidos y corrió hacia la ventana abierta para ver a Johnny bautizando al gato en una tina de agua. Ella gritó: "¡Johnny, detén eso! ¡El gato le tiene miedo al agua!" Johnny la miró y dijo: "Debería haberlo pensado antes de unirse a mi iglesia". (a través del P. Tony)

**Bautizados en lujo:** Cuando nuestra Iglesia fue renovada, agregando una piscina bautismal, nos complació mucho. A nuestra hija también. Mientras viajaba en el automóvil con mi hija y su amiga, pasamos por un estanque (charca, un lagito). La amiga de mi hija declaró con orgullo: "Me bauticé en ese estanque". Mi hija respondió con no menos orgullo: "Oh, yo me bauticé en

un jacuzzi en nuestra Iglesia". - Pastor Davis (a través del P. Tony)

**"Nacido de nuevo."** Cuando Jimmy Carter fue elegido Presidente de los Estados Unidos, se describió a sí mismo como un Cristiano "nacido de nuevo". Para muchos Estadounidenses, este era un término desconocido. En el momento de las próximas elecciones primarias, casi todos los candidatos decían haber "nacido de nuevo". El satírico político Mark Russell sugirió: "Esto podría darle un mal nombre al Cristianismo".

**Dios ayude a los peces.** Sam Houston fue el primer Presidente de la República de Texas. Se dice que era un tipo bastante desagradable con un pasado accidentado. Más tarde en su vida, Houston se comprometió con Cristo y se bautizó en un río. El predicador le dijo: "Sam, tus pecados han sido lavados". Houston respondió: "Dios ayude a los peces". (a través del P. Tony)





## Adeus, Padre Mel!

O padre Melvin D. Hemann (93) morreu na terça-feira, dia 14 de Dezembro de 2021. Celebrámos uma Missa memorial por ele na quarta-feira, dia 29 de Dezembro, com o nosso ex-pastor Padre Jason Trull como celebrante principal. Padres Rob, Knight, Alex, George, e eu con-celebrámos. Depois que o Padre Mel teve um derrame cerebral, ele esteve acamado até morrer. Eu visitei-o algumas vezes durante este período, e tive o privilégio de lhe dar os últimos sacramentos algumas horas antes de morrer. O seu corpo foi enviado para a Universidade de Iowa para uma pesquisa médica como ele havia solicitado.

Como padre reformado, o Padre Mel serviu a nossa paróquia durante dez anos com amor e dedicação. Sempre teve uma disposição agradável e um bom senso de humor. Estamos gratos por todos os seus serviços sacerdotais, e sentiremos a sua falta. Que ele descanse em paz! Para vossa informação, dou abaixo o seu obituário.

### Obituário do Padre Melvin Hemann

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Graduou da Visitation High School em Stacyville em 1946, Loras College em 1955, e Mt. St. Bernard Seminary em 1959, ambos em Dubuque. Foi ordenado para o sacerdócio no dia 31 de Janeiro de 1959, na Catedral de São Rafael, em Dubuque. Serviu como

Pastor Ajudante em paróquias em Protivin, Santa Cruz, Schley, Cedar Rapids, New Haven, Decorah, Ames, Mason City, Charles City, e Roseville, e como Pastor em Chelsea, Preston, Sabula, Green Island, Rickardsville, Sherrill e Balltown.

Ele também actuou como Reitor da Bellevue Deanery, Secretário Executivo da Balltown-Sherrill Consolidated School, e Director do Escritório de Archdiocesan Family Life Office, reformando-se em 20 de Julho de 1998. Foi líder e apresentador em Marriage and Family Life Programs local, nacional e internacional por mais de 50 anos. Foi Charter Member, Oficial e Líder da National Association of Priest Pilots.

É sobrevivido por suas três irmãs, Irmã Camilla Hemann OSF de Dubuque, Kathleen Full de Iowa City, e Lucille Mueller de Ashville, NC; dois irmãos, James (Gladys) Hemann de Eden Prairie, MN, e Mathew (Karmen) Hemann de Stacyville; e muitas sobrinhas, sobrinhos e amigos. Foi precedido na morte por dois irmãos, o Reverendo Everett Hemann e John Hemann; dois cunhados, Clemens Full e Helmut "Tom" Mueller; e sobrinha, Janis Hemann.

Uma Missa memorial será celebrada às 11:00 am na Quinta-feira, dia 13 de Janeiro de 2022, na Igreja Católica de St. Patrick em Cedar Falls. Podem deixar condolências online em: [www.richardsonfuneralservice.com](http://www.richardsonfuneralservice.com). As contribuições podem ser direcionadas ao St. Stephen the Witness Catholic Student Center em Cedar Falls, St. Thomas Aquinas Student Center, Ames, ou ao Hemann Scholarship Fund, Loras Co.



## Anedotas



**O baptismo de um gato:** A Mãe de Johnny olhou pela janela e viu-o "a brincar de Padre" com seu gato. Ele tinha o gato sentado e estava pregando para ele. Ela sorriu e continuou o seu trabalho. Algum tempo depois, ouviu um miar de gato assanhado e correu depressa para a janela aberta para ver Johnny a baptizar o gato numa banheira de água. Ela gritou: "Johnny, pára com isso! Os gatos têm medo da água!" Johnny olhou para ela e disse: "Ele devia ter pensado nisso antes de entrar na minha igreja." (via Padre Tony)

**Baptizados de luxo:** Quando a nossa Igreja foi restaurada, adicionamos uma pia baptismal, e ficamos satisfeitos. Parece-nos que também a nossa filha. Enquanto eu conduzia a minha filha e a sua amiga, passámos por um lago. A amiga da minha filha disse orgulhosamente: "Fui baptizada naquele lago." A minha filha respondeu também com muito orgulho: "Oh, eu

fui baptizada num jacuzzi na nossa igreja." - *Pastor Davis (via Padre Tony)*

**Renascido:** Quando Jimmy Carter foi eleito Presidente dos Estados Unidos, descreveu-se como um Cristão "renascido". Para muitos Americanos este era um termo desconhecido. Durante as próximas primárias eleitorais, quase todos os candidatos afirmavam ser "renascidos". O satírico político Mark Russell sugeriu: "Isto pode dar um mau nome ao Cristianismo."

**Deus ajudai os peixes.** Sam Houston foi o primeiro presidente da República do Texas. Dizem que ele era um sujeito desagradável com um passado turbulento. Mais tarde, Houston comprometeu-se com Cristo e foi baptizado num rio. O pregador disse-lhe: "Sam, os seus pecados vão ser lavados." Houston respondeu: "Deus ajude os peixes." (via Padre Tony)



Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11; Titus 2:11-14, 3:4-7; Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

## Baptism of Jesus

### Introduction

The Christmas season, celebrating the Self-revelation of God through Jesus, comes to an end with the feast of the Baptism of Our Lord. Christmas is the feast of God's Self-revelation to the Jews, and Epiphany celebrates God's Self-revelation to the Gentiles. At his Baptism in the Jordan, Christ reveals himself to repentant sinners. The Baptism of the Lord Jesus is the great event celebrated by the Eastern churches on the feast of Epiphany because it is the occasion of the first public revelation of all the Three Persons in the Holy Trinity, and the official revelation of Jesus as the Son of God to the world by God the Father. It is also an event described by all four Gospels, and it marks the beginning of Jesus' public ministry. The liturgical season of Christmas comes to a conclusion this Sunday with the celebration of the Baptism of the Lord.

**Origin of baptism:** Neither John nor Jesus invented baptism. It had been practiced for centuries among the Jews as a ritual equivalent to our Confession. Until the fall of the Temple in 70 AD, it was common for Jewish people to use a special pool called a *Mikveh* -- literally a "collection of water" -- as a means of spiritual cleansing, to remove spiritual impurity and sin. Men took this bath weekly on the eve of the Sabbath; women, monthly. Converts were also expected to take this bath before entering Judaism. The Orthodox Jews still retain the rite. John preached that such a bath was a necessary preparation for the cataclysm that would be wrought

by the coming Messiah. Jesus transformed this continuing ritual into the one single, definitive act by which we begin our life of Faith. In effect, He fused His Divine Essence with the water and the ceremony.

**Couple of questions:** 1. Why did Jesus, the sinless Son of God, receive the "baptism of repentance" meant for sinners? 2. Why did Jesus wait for thirty years to begin his public ministry? In his humble submission in baptism, we see a foreshadowing of the "baptism" of his bloody death upon the cross. Jesus' baptism by John was the acceptance and the beginning of his mission as God's suffering Servant. He allowed himself to be numbered among sinners. Jesus submitted himself entirely to his Father's will. Out of love, He consented to His baptism of death for the remission of our sins. Many Fathers of the Church explain that Jesus received John's baptism to identify himself with his people, who, as a result of John's preaching, became aware of their sins and of their need for repentance.

The Jews had the traditional belief that only the Gentiles who embraced Jewish religion needed the baptism of repentance, for, as God's chosen people, the Jewish race was holy. Jesus might have been waiting for this most opportune moment to begin his public ministry. The Fathers of the Church point out that the words which the Voice of the Heavenly Father speaks are similar to Psalm 2:17, revealing Jesus' identity ("This is My



beloved Son") and to Isaiah 42:1 referring to the "suffering servant" ("with whom I am well pleased"), revealing Jesus' mission of saving mankind by His suffering and death.

**Turning point:** Jesus' baptism by John was a mystical experience that Jesus felt deep within his soul at the crucial turning point of his life. The opening of the Heavens with Holy Spirit descending as a dove upon Jesus, and the Voice declaring of Jesus, "This is My beloved Son with Whom I am well pleased," are God's revelation to mankind of the Mystery that He is Triune.

The presence of the Triune God at this baptism, reveals Jesus' true identity and mission. The Heavens' opening also indicates that this was a moment of God's powerful intervention in human history and in the life of His Son. His baptism by John was a very important event in the life of Jesus. First, it was a moment of decision. It marked the end of Jesus' private life, which had prepared him for his public ministry.

Second, it was a moment of identification with his people in their God-ward movement initiated by John the Baptist (quality of a good leader). Third, it was a moment of approval. Jesus might have been waiting for a signal of approval from his Heavenly Father, and during his baptism Jesus got this approval of himself as the Father's "beloved Son."

Fourth, it was a moment of conviction. At this baptism, Jesus received certainties (assurances) from Heaven about his identity and the nature of his mission: a) He was the "Chosen One" and the "beloved Son of God"; b) his mission of saving mankind would be fulfilled, not by conquering the Romans, but by becoming the "suffering servant" of God, i.e., by the cross. Fifth, it was a moment of equipment. When He descended on Jesus in the form of a dove (symbol of gentleness), the Holy Spirit equipped Jesus with the power of preaching the "Good News" (that God is a loving Father, Who wants to save all human beings from their sins through His Son Jesus), in contrast to the "axe" and "fire" preaching of John the Baptist about an angry God's judgment on sinners.

**Significance of Christ's baptism:** The exalted identity of the "Son of God" revealed at his baptism is the starting point for all that Jesus will undertake—his self-giving ministry, death and Resurrection. It is because Jesus knows who he is that he does as he does. As we

begin Ordinary Time, we do so knowing that, in our own Baptism, God has named us beloved sons and daughters. Like Jesus, all that we undertake must flow from who we are—God's beloved. We are called to follow in the footsteps of our Savior, Jesus Christ. This means that we, too, must humbly submit ourselves to God's wise and loving plan for our lives. He, in turn, anoints us with the Holy Spirit that we may be clothed with His power and grace. According to the Navarre Bible commentary, in Christ's baptism we can find a reflection of the way the Sacrament of Baptism affects a person.



Christ's baptism was the exemplar of our own. In it the mystery of the Blessed Trinity was revealed, and the faithful, on receiving Baptism, are consecrated by the invocation of and by the power of the Blessed Trinity. Similarly, Heaven's opening signifies that the power, the effectiveness, of this Sacrament comes from above, from God, and that the baptized have the road to Heaven opened up for them, a road which Original Sin had closed. Jesus's prayer after His baptism teaches us that "after Baptism man needs to pray continually in order to enter Heaven; for though sins are remitted through Baptism, there still remains the inclination to sin which assails us from within, and also the flesh and the devil which assails us from with-

out." Each time we dip our hand into the Holy Water font in a church to bless ourselves, we need to remember, that act is a renewal of our Baptism.

## Life Messages

**1. The baptism of Jesus reminds us of our identity and mission.** First, it reminds us of who we are and Whose we are. By Baptism we become the adoptive sons and daughters of God, brothers and sisters of Jesus, members of his Church, heirs of Heaven and temples of the Holy Spirit. We become incorporated into the Church, the Body of Christ, and made sharers in the priesthood of Christ [CCC #1279]. Hence, "Baptism is the basis of the whole Christian life, the gateway to life in the Spirit and the door which gives access to the other Sacraments" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, #1213).

Most of us dipped the fingers of our right hand into the holy water font and blessed ourselves when we came into Church today. *Why?* This blessing is supposed to

remind us of our Baptism. And so when I bless myself with Holy Water, I should be thinking of the fact that I am a child of God; that I have been redeemed by the Cross of Christ; that I have been made a member of God's family and that I have been washed, forgiven, cleansed and purified by the Blood of the Lamb.

Second, Jesus' baptism reminds us of our mission: a) to experience the presence of God within us, to acknowledge our own dignity as God's children and to appreciate the Divine Presence in others by honoring them, loving them and serving them in all humility; b) to live as the children of God in thought, word and action so that our Heavenly Father may say to each one of us what He said to Jesus: "You are My beloved son/daughter with whom I am well pleased." It means that we are to let His thoughts direct our thoughts, His mind control our mind, His concerns be our concerns. In the Church we all share the same intimate connection with Christ; we are all brothers and sisters in Christ; c) to lead a holy and transparent Christian life and not to desecrate our bodies (the temples of the Holy Spirit and members of Jesus' Body) by impurity, injustice, intolerance, jealousy or hatred; d) to accept both the good and the bad experiences of life as the gifts of a loving Heavenly Father for our growth in holiness; e) to grow daily in intimacy with God by personal and family prayers, by reading the Word of God, by participating in the Holy Mass, and by frequenting the Sacrament of Reconciliation; and f) to be co-creators with God in building up the "Kingdom of God" on earth, a Kingdom of compassion, justice and love, and to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world. In other words,



He has called us to help others to see, through the love that we show and the help that we give, that God loves them, that He invites them to also be His sons and daughters and that He wants to be their helper and strength through all the troubles that life in this world can bring.

## 2. This is the day for us to remember the graces we have received in Baptism and to renew our Baptismal promises:

On the day of our Baptism, as Pope St. John Paul II explains, "We were anointed with the Oil of Catechumens, the sign of Christ's gentle strength, to fight against evil. Blessed water was poured over us, an effective sign of interior purification through the gift of the Holy Spirit. We were then anointed with Chrism to show that we were thus consecrated in the image of Jesus, the Father's Anointed One. The candle lighted from the Paschal Candle was a symbol of the light of Faith which our parents and godparents must have continually safeguarded and nourished with the life-giving grace of the Spirit."

This is also a day for us to renew our Baptismal promises, consecrating ourselves to the Holy Trinity and "rejecting Satan and all his empty promises," which our profane world is constantly offering us through its mass-media of communication. Let us ask Our Lord today to make us faithful to our Baptismal promises. Let us thank Him for the privilege of being joined to His mission of preaching the "Good News" by our transparent Christian lives of love, mercy, service and forgiveness.

## Stewardship Reflections

As we celebrate this feast of the Baptism of the Lord, we can study His actions at the Jordan River as a powerful example of servant leadership. We see in Jesus a type of leadership that is characterized by humility and leading by example.

Certainly, the sinless Savior did not need a baptism of repentance! But Jesus humbly made Himself one with his people to draw us to Him and create a relationship with us so that we would be open to His teachings and influence. As a servant leader, we also see that Jesus leads by example. He doesn't just tell the people they need to be baptized. He shows them how and does it Himself to teach them. To lead like Jesus, we, too, must

"walk the walk" and not just "talk the talk." If we want those who we lead to be generous and hard-working, then we must show them how to do this by demonstrating generosity and hard work ourselves.

Immediately after His baptism, we learn of the powerful affirmation of the Father who opens the heavens, sends the Holy Spirit upon Jesus in bodily form, and says audibly, "This is my beloved Son with whom I am well-pleased." Let us be filled with gratitude for our amazing God and be reminded that when we are grateful followers of Jesus and servant-leaders in imitation of Him, the Father will be well-pleased with us, too. —

*Catholic Stewardship Consultants*





*Beautifully decorated for Christmas.*

# Mother Seton Parish Ministry Appreciation Dinner

At 5:30 pm on Thursday, January 13 at the Parish Hall



**All the Ministry Volunteers of the parish, old and new, who give their time, talent and treasure for building up our parish community are invited.**

Since we need a headcount, kindly register your name at the Welcome Desk or the Rectory Office.

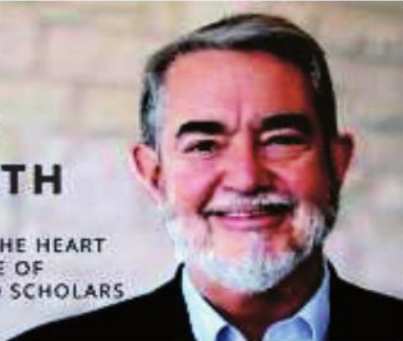




Scott Hahn

## THE RICHES OF OUR FAITH

STUDY SCRIPTURE FROM THE HEART  
OF THE CHURCH WITH ONE OF  
TODAY'S MOST RESPECTED SCHOLARS



Sat, Jan 29, 8:30AM-12:35 PM/ Cost-\$20

4600 Belle Terre Pkwy, Palm Coast, FL

To register: [stpaulcenter.com/product/palmcoast/](http://stpaulcenter.com/product/palmcoast/)  
or by phone, please call 740-264-9535.

Don't miss Scott Hahn and the St. Paul Center in Palm Coast on Saturday, January 29, 2022. Study Scripture with one of today's most respected Catholic scholars and make the faith come to life.

### Relics of St. Padre Pio Coming to St. Anastasia

In preparation for the veneration of the relics of St. Padre Pio, the community is invited to a presentation on the life of St. Pio: the Capuchin friar, the priest, the stigmatist and mystic. The presentation will be given by Deacon Robert DeLuca on Thursday, Jan. 13, at 6:30 p.m. in St. Jude Hall. For more information and a schedule, email Denise Pressley at [dre@sacfl.org](mailto:dre@sacfl.org).

### Angel Tree

Thank you,  
thank you,  
thank you!!!!  
Because of  
your generous  
spirit of giving,  
the Angel  
Tree was a  
huge success!  
We were able  
to supply gifts  
to 234 children



from 94 families in Flagler County. Each child received at least 3 gifts. Through your donations were able to fulfill 90 requests for new bikes!

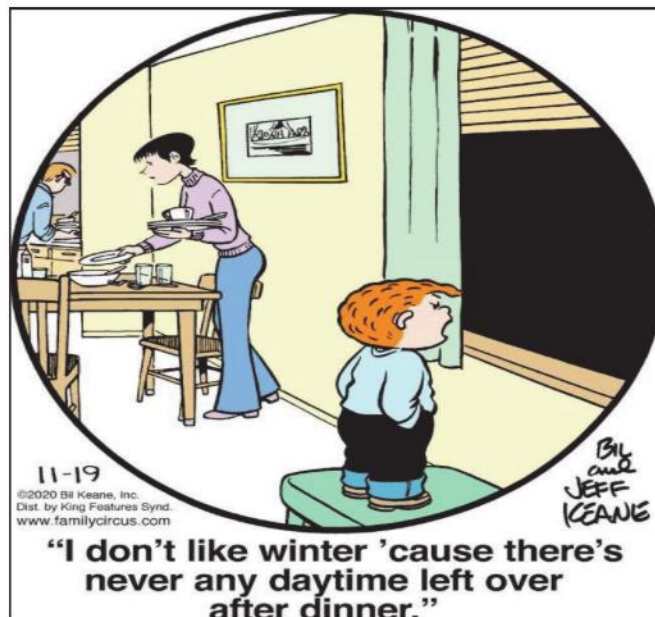


### Parish Photo Directory

It is time for a new parish photo directory for our parish. Since our church directory will not be complete without you, kindly sign up with Universal Church Directories immediately.

Everyone who Universal photographs will receive a complimentary 8x10 portrait and a directory! Universal provides a complete professional portrait studio right here at our church.

To sign up, please visit [ucdir.com](http://ucdir.com), choose photography appointment scheduling login. Then log in to make your appointment. The church code is FL738. Church password is photos (in lower case).







## Worship Aid for Mass/QR Code

Go to our website at  
<http://seaspcfl.org/worship-aids>  
to download the  
Worship Aid.

## Adult Catechism in Spanish



Fr. Rob and other catechists are offering adult catechism in Spanish to anyone interested in learning basic tenets of the Catholic faith. Classes are held at Mother Seton social hall on Wednesdays from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm and will run to the end of the school year. Contact: Marina Medina, 386- 445-2200, velez41@yahoo.com or Fr. Rob, 386-445-2246, ext 105.

## All are Welcome to Kerygma Meeting

The Kerygma Group meets at 6 pm in the Church on the last Monday of every month. The session begins with praise and worship music, followed by a talk on a spiritual topic. The meeting ends after discussions and more praise and worship music. All are welcome to join. For more information, contact: Deacon Mike McKenna, deaconmike430@gmail.com



### Rosary Cenacles

The Rosary Cenacle meet on Wednesdays at 1pm in the Rectory Meeting room. Contact Marie at 386 447-0847.

### SEASONS of HOPE

Bereavement Support Group  
Wed @ 10:00am  
in the  
Rectory Meeting Room.



### The Sunday Scripture Prayer Group

The Sunday Scripture Prayer Group meet on Friday at 1:00 PM in the Rectory Meeting Room. We read the scripture readings for the upcoming Sunday and then discuss them. "Come and see the goodness of the Lord."

### Padre Pio Prayer Group

Our St. Padre Pio Prayer Group will meet every Second Friday of the month at 9:30 AM from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. in the Russo. Please join us. All are welcome!



### Our Lady of Fatima Portuguese Committee

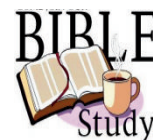
Meets at 7:00pm on Wednesdays in the Rectory Meeting Room.  
For more info call the Rectory.



**St. Joseph & Sorrowful Mother Rosary Makers Ministry** is back. We have resumed our weekly meeting in the Russo Room on Mondays at 9:30 AM.



## Bible Study with Fr. Jim May



Reading the Bible should bring us closer to Christ, but understanding it is often difficult. The good news is that you can understand the Bible, and *The Bible Timeline*, a twenty-four-week Bible study, makes it easy. Presenter Fr. Jim May shows you how fourteen of the Bible's narrative books tell the biblical story from beginning to end and gives you the keys to understanding the amazing story woven throughout Scripture. You will learn the major people, places, and events of the Bible and discover how they all come together to reveal the remarkable story of our faith. Beginning on Monday, Jan.10 at 7:00pm (or Tuesday mornings at 9:30am), participants will meet every week to view an engaging video presentation followed by a group discussion and fellowship. The cost of the program is \$39.00. For more information or to register contact Fr. Jim at 386 527-2247.



## ARE YOU SOMEONE OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO...

- Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- Has a child over the age of seven who hasn't been baptized?
- Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?

We offer an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. For information please contact Katie Allio at 386-445-2246, ext 112 or by email at kallio@seaspcfl.org.

## Caregiver Support Group

Support groups create a safe, confidential, supportive environment for participants to develop informal mutual support and social relationships as they deal with a loved one suffering from Alzheimer's/ Dementia. For more information, please call Pam Cowles at the rectory.



As part of the celebration of the History of Diocese of St Augustine, our Parish has been invited to participate in the sale of a book about it's history. Available in the gift shop and the rectory for \$25.00.

## Cancer Support Group

Support Group for Caregivers and Survivors affected by cancer at SEAS in rectory meeting room every second Thursday of the month at 9:30 am and every fourth Thurs. of the month at 2:30 pm.





# SEAS School News



## The Year in Review....



5th Grade STEM Activity in Science Class



SEAS Cross Country Team



VPK/PreK Support Outreach



Celebrating St. Nicholas Day at SEAS



"Pink Out"



8th Grade/Kindergarten 'Kinder-Buddies'



8th Grade Field Trip to St. Joseph Academy



# Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



## Monday, January 10

7:00am John Wund  
8:30am Josephine Morrea

## Tuesday, January 11

7:00am Thomas & Florence M. McCarthy & family  
8:30am Deacon James Casapulla

## Wednesday, January 12

7:00am Joseph O'Hara  
8:30am William Ilavsky

## Thursday, January 13

7:00am Fred Rooney  
8:30am Sally Hatcher

## Friday, January 14

7:00am Maria L. Homem  
8:30am John C. Wund

## Saturday, January 15

8:30am Andrew Hili  
4:00pm Fioldaliza Murphy  
6:00pm(\*) Robert Bodosi  
6:00pm(P) Christina Sousa

## Sunday, January 16

8:00am Ana Becerro  
10:00am SEAS Parishioners  
12:00pm Carmen Campanella  
5:00pm(S) Minerva Olivo  
5:00pm(\*) James Daxon

\* St. Stephens



## Prayer Garden

Our Prayer Garden is a peaceful place for prayer and meditation. Purchasing a brick in the Prayer Garden for someone who has died is a wonderful way to remember that the person is still with you in thoughts and through prayer. The purchase of a brick is \$100.00; please consider honoring a loved one. Contact the Rectory Office for more details.

## In Memoriam

We remember all our departed brothers and sisters with love and gratitude.



Louis Joseph Geneve  
April 27, 1930 -  
November 30, 2021

Eternal rest, grant unto them O Lord  
and let perpetual light  
shine upon them.  
May they rest in peace.  
Amen.



Fr. Jose never sends out email or text messages requesting money or gift cards for his personal use or for the benefit of parishioners or anybody else. Hence, kindly do not respond to the messages you receive in my name for financial help. It is a scam by misguided people to extort your money. Also, kindly report to the rectory office if you receive such a message.



## Mark Your Calendar Spiritual Life Committee Presents Parish Spiritual Life Events

**Jan. 29, 2022: 9.15 AM-12.35 PM:**

Dr. Scott Hahn's Conference on the Eucharist

**March 28,29,30, 2022**

Lenten Retreat with Fr. Roy Palatty, CMI

**March 29, 2022: 5:00 PM**

Lenten Penance Service

**April 1, 2022: 3:00 PM to April 2, 2.30 PM:**

Shroud of Turin Conference with Dr. John and Rebeca Jackson

**Sept. 5,6,7,8, 2022**

Parish Mission with Fr. Wade Menezes

**Last Monday of every month, 6 PM:**

Kerygma Evening with Fr. Jose

## Readings for the Week of January 9

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Baptism of the Lord</b> Is 42:1-4, 6-7/ Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10/ Acts 10:24-38/ Lk 3: 15-16, 21-22
<b>Monday</b>	1 Sm 1: 1-8/ Ps 116: 12-13, 14-17, 18-19/ Mk 1: 14-20
<b>Tuesday</b>	1 Sm 1: 9-20/ 1 Sm 2: 1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/ Mk 1: 21-28
<b>Wednesday</b>	1 Sm 3: 1-10, 19-20/ Ps 40: 2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/ Mk 1: 29-39
<b>Thursday</b>	1 Sm 4: 1-11/ Ps 44: 10-11, 14-15, 24-25/ Mk 1: 40-45
<b>Friday</b>	1 Sm 8: 4-7, 10-22a/ Ps 89: 16-17, 18-19/ Mk 2: 1-12
<b>Saturday</b>	1 Sm 9: 1-4, 17-19; 10: 1/ Ps 21: 2-3, 4-5, 6-7/ Mk 2: 13-17
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Second Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Is 62: 1-5/ Ps 96: 1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 (3)/ 1 Cor 12: 4-11/ Jn 2: 1-11

## Bread & Wine



donated this  
week  
by  
Joseph  
Abbazia  
in memory of  
**Jeanne  
Harkins**



## Ten Candles Burning in the Holy Of Holies

January 8 – January 14

### IN MEMORY OF:

Roseann Bradley; Isabel Chambino;  
Vito Scarna; Margaret Klein; Sharon Cox; Jack Cox;  
M/M John Lipari; John J. Lipari;  
Joseph Bentzley

In our Holy of Holies, we have ten candles always burning around the tabernacle, just as in the temple in Jerusalem there were ten lights always burning around the Ark of the Covenant. They indicate the presence of our precious Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

The candles used are seven day candles and may be purchased either in memoriam or for the intentions of a loved one for a \$10 donation through the Seton Shop. This space lists the names of those for whom candles have been purchased.

### Please Pray for Our Military

Although we pray for all of our military, space does not permit everyone's name to be printed.

Please advise when a person above is no longer deployed so we can remove their name from our list.

1st Lt. Brendan Leonard (US Army)  
ENS Amanda Langhauser (US Navy)  
Sgt. Patrick Prevot (US Army)  
SSGT Christian Rodriguez (USAF/Iraq)  
Lt. Col. Robert A. Forte (US Army/Iraq)  
Lt. John Reidy (US Navy/Submarine)  
SSgt. Charles Salerno (USAF/Germany)  
BU1 Brandon Twing (US Navy Seabee)  
Sgt. James Allgor (US Army/Kuwait)  
Michael Alexander Alvarado (USAF)  
ETSN Luis V. AlmaJose (US Navy Submarine)  
MM3 Holden Garrison/ (US Navy)  
Kyle McCrossen (US Army/Iraq)  
Terisa Toussaint (USMC/Iraq)  
Erin & Ben Walker (Iraq)  
2nd Lt Christian San Miguel (US Army)

### Prayer for the Unborn

Lord, Creator of Life, you have blessed us with the privilege of bringing new life into the world. May your Holy Spirit open our hearts and minds to recognize Your special gift of children, and Your great love for each of us created in Your image and likeness. You sent Your son Jesus to redeem us and through love He entered our world. We now turn to Mary, our Mother, for her intercession as we struggle to protect innocent unborn children. Following Mary's example may we proclaim the truth of our faith, assist those in crisis and protect those most vulnerable. We ask this through Christ, Our Lord. Amen.



## Please Pray for Our Sick

Alex Calder  
Alexander Lumaj  
Anne Garbarino  
Anthony Janna  
Anthony Panetta  
Ariana Marcette  
Ashley Clarke  
Ashley Cooper  
Bill Clark  
Bobby Phillips  
Bryan Detro  
Cash Krempecki  
Charlene Carbino  
Charles Heil  
Charles & Christine Salerno  
Cindy Heiregin  
Diane Purcell  
Desi Fleming  
Donald Martin  
Drude Riba  
Edward Xanders  
Elizabeth Cataldo  
Estelle Bauer  
Evelyn Rodriguez  
Frank Varga  
Irma Merced  
Henry Gardner  
Jack Leger  
Jack Verrette  
James Brendan McCallen  
James Russell  
Jeanne Eakins  
Jennie Martin  
Jerry (Gerard) Jenkins  
Joanne DeSouza  
Joanne Mulligan  
John Merced  
John Relgan  
John Sandor  
John Walczak  
Joseph Bartolotta  
Joseph Pavon  
Joseph Vascellaro  
Kara Whaley  
Karen Murphy  
Karen Overbey  
Kay Kerins  
Larry DeCamillo  
Laura Holmes  
Liz Campbell



Louis Lubin  
Margaret Berkley  
Margaret Torell  
Margarita Condezuloaga  
Maryalice P. Ralston  
Mary Clarke  
Mary Gaudio  
Mary Doris Kolesar  
Mary Zuccaro  
Maureen G.  
Mel Meo  
Melanie Rielly  
Melinda Scriver  
Michael Foley  
Michael Post  
Michael Rosa  
Michelle Pinto  
Mina Bico  
Nicole Merced  
Nora King Heinrich  
Olga Conway  
Paul Flaherty  
Raymond Lawson  
Remington Walczak  
Renee Verostek  
Richard Heinrich  
Robert Allen  
Robert Dowling  
Roger L. Muller  
Ron Czies  
Ron Gaines  
Rose Gulli  
Rosemarie Modica  
Roy Johnston  
Ruth O'Keefe  
Sally Lombardo  
Salvatore Catapano  
Samuel Marzano  
Stacey Morris  
Steve Jackson  
Tera Frassrand  
Terry Lilly  
Theodore Simmons  
Thomas Bradley  
Thomas Hemstreet  
Thomas Solokowski  
Vi Dooley  
Wendy Bentzley  
Yvonne Roper



Please contact the parish office if you wish to have the name of someone listed for 4 weeks.



As a courtesy please notify the office when the name can be removed or if you wish to have the name continued.

**Be sure to get the persons permission first!**

### Mass on TV for the Homebound

<https://www.ewtn.com/tv/schedule>  
Sunday Mass-8:00am

DIRECTV – Channel: 370  
DISH – Channel 261  
SPECTRUM – Channel 169  
ATT U – Verse – Channel 562  
SIRIUS Radio – Channel 130 / XM







## 2022 Respect Life Collection.

Join us in restoring the culture of life, one heart at a time, by supporting the 2022 Respect Life Collection, January 15-16. Proceeds directly benefit your parish Respect Life ministry, 32 Pregnancy Resource Centers, 4 Maternity Homes, 2 Post-Abortion Programs Rachel's Vineyard and Project Rachel, and 3 College Campus Ministry programs. To donate, use the envelope in your church pew or donating electronically on the SEAS website. Thank you for changing "crisis to caring". **Your donation is vital to save precious lives.**

On January 22, 2021, our country will mark the 48th heartbreaking anniversary of the *Roe v. Wade* and *Doe v. Bolton* U.S. Supreme Court decisions, which legalized abortion on demand throughout the nation up to the moment before birth. Each year, pro-lifers mark this tragic occasion by participating in marches, prayer vigils, and other activities. The Respect Life Ministry invites all parishioners to attend the following local events in January:

**Friday, Jan 15th:** 5:30 PM March for Life St Augustine Kick-Off, Mass at 5:30 PM at the Shrine of Our Lady of La Leche, Rosary Mass, food trucks, Adoration under the stars on the Shrine grounds!

**Saturday, January 16th:** St. Augustine March for Life. We will be marching under our banner. We will carpool from SEAS at 8 a.m. or you can meet us at Mission *Nombre de Dios*. The march on Saturday begins with a 9:00 am mass with bishop Estevez. Speakers and entertainment follow. The march begins at 10:30 AM. This year's keynote speakers are Dr. Monique Rubero, who graduated from the University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston in 2002. She works in Meadowbrook, PA and 1 other location and specializes in Family Medicine and Obstetrics & Gynecology, Pam Stenzel Founder of ENLIGHTEN COMMUNICATIONS Inc., tackles today's tough issues of sex with candor, insight, humor, and the challenge for young people to make the healthiest choice and save sex for marriage.

Sara DEJulio-APR is a Pro-Life speaker from the Tampa Bay area. In 2014, she started the medical abortion process at an abortion clinic. During the process she changed her mind. She started the abortion pill reversal process after connecting with a Pro-Life doctor in California that had recently started doing a study. Sara's daughter is now 5 years old and a thriving Kindergartener. She is excited to educate you about Abortion Pill Reversal.

Pam, and Andy Secola. Students For Life FL. Call Dave Flynn at (386) 627-8741 if you'd like to join us for this inspiring event or check [marchforlifestaugustine.com](http://marchforlifestaugustine.com).

**Saturday, January 22nd:** Stand for Life. 12:00-1:00 p.m. Right here in front of our Church. Rain or shine. Signs will be provided.

The Respect Life Ministry of SEAS is always looking for new members especially the young. Our next meeting will be on February 12, 2022, at 9:30 in the Cody Room.

## Adoration

The hours of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament are from 9 am to 9 pm, seven days a week.

The Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Fridays also are from 9 am to 9 pm.

Please remember that if the Holy of Holies is filled you are encouraged to pray in the main worship area of the church.

We are asking that you contact Gilda Sadio, (386 225-7261 or [gilda.sadio@yahoo.com](mailto:gilda.sadio@yahoo.com)) our Adoration Facilitator, and select ONE hour which you will commit to. There's no limit to how many parishioners can be present every hour since it's in the Church not the Holy of Holies, we just want to be sure that there's at least one or two persons who will be present every hour.

**Anyone interested in spending time with Our Lord in Adoration should call Gilda Sadio at 386-225-7261 for availability and information.**



## Catecismo en Español

Con el fin de crecer en nuestra experiencia de fe como comunidad hispana integral a la vida parroquial de St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, vamos a dar inicio al programa de catecismo en español para niños y adultos que necesitan recibir los sacramentos. Las personas interesadas deben registrarse (en la oficina o con Marina Medina al 386-445-2200 o [velez41@yahoo.com](mailto:velez41@yahoo.com))



**Rachels Vineyard Ministries**  
(904) 221-3232  
[rachelsvineyard.org](http://rachelsvineyard.org)  
Email: [rachelsvineyardjax@yahoo.com](mailto:rachelsvineyardjax@yahoo.com)

Healing the Pain of Abortion A Rachel's Vineyard weekend retreat is a beautiful opportunity for any man or woman who is struggling with the emotional and spiritual pain of an abortion in their life. Come and receive peace, forgiveness of self and others and the compassion of God. These retreats are private, strictly confidential and for people of all faiths. Our next retreat is March 4-6, 2022. Call 904-221-3232 or email [rachelsvineyardjax@yahoo.com](mailto:rachelsvineyardjax@yahoo.com). All calls & inquiries are very confidential. Come and be restored!

## Sacraments

### Baptism

Every First and Third Sunday of the month after Noon Mass. One preparation class is required. Classes are offered every second Monday of the month at 7 pm in the Rectory Meeting Room. Please contact the Rectory office in advance.

### Holy Matrimony

Please contact the Rectory office at least 8 months prior to wedding.

### Anointing of the Sick

If you or your loved one is in need of the Sacrament of Anointing please call the Rectory office. We also have dedicated Eucharistic Ministers to bring Holy Communion to the sick and the homebound.

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 2:45-3:45pm, Sunday 30 minutes before Mass, & by appt.

## Devotions

### Eucharistic Adoration (\* New Covid Hours -see page 15)

6 am to 12 midnight every day except during the time of Mass. Exposition and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 9 am on Fridays till 4 pm.

### Rosary

8 am on weekdays; 4:30pm on Sundays (Spanish)

### Miraculous Medal Novena

After 8:30 am Mass every Tuesday.

### Novena to St. Joseph

After 8:30am Mass for the Year of St. Joseph

## Religious Education

### Parish Religious Education Program (PREP)

Classes for Grades 1-8 on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 6.15 pm to 7.30 pm. For more information, please contact the Director of Religious Education at the Rectory office (386-445-2246; extension 112)

### Children's Catechism Classes

All children from 1st through 8th grade who are not attending Catholic school should be attending PREP classes. Children preparing for the Sacrament of the Eucharist or Confirmation need to attend a two-year catechetical program.

### First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion

Children preparing for the Sacrament of Reconciliation and the Sacrament of the Eucharist need to attend a two-year catechetical program which includes six Sunday classes of Sacramental preparation prior to each Sacrament.

### Confirmation Formation

Children preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation need to attend a two-year catechetical program which includes three Sunday classes of Sacramental preparation and the annual Confirmation retreat. For more information about Catechism, First Holy Communion or Confirmation, please contact Katie Allio at 386-445-2246 extension 112.

### Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Please call the Director of Christian Formation at the Rectory office if any non-Catholic is interested in joining the Catholic Church (386-445-2246; extension 112). Classes will begin in October.

### Holy Orders and Religious Life

If you believe that you or someone you know has a vocation to the priesthood or religious life, please contact Fr. Jared DeLeo at [frjared@sacfl.org](mailto:frjared@sacfl.org)

JANUARY 4

SAINT  
ELIZABETH  
ANN SETON



## Feast Day Celebration of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

January 16 12:00PM Mass  
celebrated by Bishop Felipe Estevez  
Fellowship following Mass in  
Seton Hall



### Seton Shop Hours

#### OPEN

Tues/Thurs  
after 8:30am Mass,  
Saturdays

after 4:00pm Mass  
and after ALL Masses  
on Sundays

#### CLOSED

Mon/Wed/Fri

Beginning in early November the Seton Shop will offer surprise wrapped gifts of your choice for \$5.00 each. We will also begin our Christmas display. Stop by and check out what we have to offer.

We hope to see you soon.

### Outreach Ministry

597-3359  
Mon, Wed, Fri  
10am - 1pm

### Poor Box Donations

December 26  
\$2,112.47

January 2  
\$1,256.26

### Pantry Needs:

canned fruit & vegetables,  
oatmeal packets, spaghetti  
sauce, rice, soup



God bless!

## Give Smarter to Your Church

Did you know you can use your IRA, appreciated stock, or real estate to make a smart gift to your parish, Catholic school, or favorite ministry? Notify your IRA administrator that you wish to make a "qualified charitable distribution" to your parish, Catholic school or favorite ministry. Your IRA gift may fulfill all or part of your required minimum distribution -Your gift (up to \$100,000) may avoid taxes. Contact: Cliff Evans/Catholic Foundation: [cvsans@dosafll.com](mailto:cvsans@dosafll.com) 904-262-3200, ext. 139 [cf.dosafll.com](http://cf.dosafll.com)



## Diocese of St. Augustine- How to Report Abuse

**ATTENTION:** The Diocese of St. Augustine treats all allegations of sexual misconduct seriously and deals with all allegations in a prompt, confidential, and thorough manner. To Report Abuse, call the police or the Department of Children and Families at (800) 962-2873. Or call the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator at (904) 208-6979 or email [inquiries@dosafll.com](mailto:inquiries@dosafll.com). To report abuse by a bishop, call (800) 276-1562 or visit [www.reportbishopabuse.org](http://www.reportbishopabuse.org).

**ATENCION:** La Diócesis de San Agustín trata seriamente todas las acusaciones de conducta sexual inapropiada, de manera rápida, confidencial y minuciosa. Para reportar Abuso, llame a la policía o al Departamento de Niños y Familias al (904) 962-2873. O llame al Coordinador Diocesano de Asistencia a Víctimas (904) 208-6979 o envíe un correo electrónico a [inquiries@dosafll.com](mailto:inquiries@dosafll.com). Para denunciar abuso por parte de un obispo, llame al (800) 276-1562 o visite [www.reportbishopabuse.org](http://www.reportbishopabuse.org)

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