



# St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish

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October 1, 2023

26<sup>TH</sup>  
SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY  
TIME

## Vision...from the vantage point of Tradition

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Pray for our seminarians:

Deacon James G, Dennis, James K

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### MASS SCHEDULE:

**Mon Wed & Thu:** 8:30am

**Tue:** 6:30pm

**Sat:** 4:00pm

**Sun:** 8:00am (YouTube); & 10:30am

### SERVICE SCHEDULE

**Reconciliation: Sat.** 3:15pm

**Eucharistic Adoration:** Wed 9-10am; & Last Fri of the Month, 7-8pm

### BAPTISM, MARRIAGE & ANNOINTING:

(Call Parish Secretary for information to register for classes, or to schedule appointment)

### BAPTISM CLASSES FOR PARENTS

1<sup>st</sup> Monday of Month

Godparents are welcome to attend

### CLASES DE BAUTISMO PARA PADRES

1<sup>er</sup> Lunes del mes

Los padrinos son bienvenidos a asistir a las clases.

### HISPANIC MINISTRY OFFICE HOURS:

Wednesday: 10:00am-2:00pm and 6:00pm-8:00pm

### REGISTRATION FORMS

Parish and Religious Education Registration Forms are available in the Gathering Space.

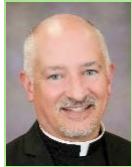
### "SETON PRAYS" COMMUNITY

Email prayer request directly to: [setonprays@gmail.com](mailto:setonprays@gmail.com).

Provide the category in which you would like the prayer request to be placed. Names will appear in the Bulletin for approximately six weeks.

**YOUTH MINISTRY PAGE:** [www.setonyouthministry.com](http://www.setonyouthministry.com)

**MISSION STATEMENT:** We, the Roman Catholic Parish of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, are an all-embracing, diverse Christian community who warmly welcomes everyone to join us. We draw closer to God and one another through Eucharist, which nourishes us for service to our brothers and sisters. We choose to combine our many gifts to teach, celebrate, evangelize and help those in need proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus in word and deed. Amen.



#### A WORD FROM YOUR PASTOR...

How many times do I have to tell you something before you get up and do it? Does this sound familiar? Have you said it? Was it spoken to you?

I think it's great to know that such conversations happened back in the first century. Jesus uses this familiar scenario to make a point about who will enter the Kingdom of God. It will not be simply those who profess belief but more so those who do something about it. Like last Sunday, Jesus confronts the religious leaders with the reality that God's ways are different. They may even seem unfair from our point of view but God welcomes those who seek him whether that has been a life long journey or a sudden conversion. Yes, like the criminal on the cross, Jesus will welcome those who realize when the time comes that His love and forgiveness is real and true. We should celebrate God's ways as we continue our prayers for others who need to find God's presence close to them so that when asked, they will get up and do something about it.



With encouragement in Christ!

Fr. Carroll

#### SETON PRAYS

"LET US PRAY"



**For the repose of the soul of:** Patricia Lester; Donna Price; Josephine Ferrante; Donald Ferrante; Frank Umstetter; Judy Wilbank; Edward & Ted Bergeron; Mary & Ray Olski; Katherine Belford; Maryann & Bert Piecuch; Mary Russo; Francis X. Reilly; Pauline Celona.

**For those in need of healing:** Mark Rubendal; Winston Cleland; Jim Welch; Joe Bucci; James Lux; Andrew Ranonis; Joseph Sweeny; Dottie Lechmanik; Bill Rumaker; Stan Wilush; Baby Emilia; Joseph Kercsmer; Rosaria Lind; Theresa Augat; Jack Augat.

**For the special intentions of:** JoAnn Kercsmer; The Seton Family.



**SAVE THE DATE ~** Boscov's will be

holding their **FRIENDS HELPING FRIENDS**

Shopping event on Wed. Oct. 18th.

Passes will be \$5 each. They will be sold in the Parish

Office during regular office hours.

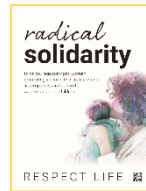
**All proceeds to benefit the St Vincent de Paul Society.**



**PANTRY IS IN NEED** ~Food Pantry is in need of powdered milk, canned chili, jelly, canned beets, and pouch or instant potatoes. All nonperishable foods are accepted in the food pantry with the exception of brown rice. Thank you for your generosity. To obtain food, please phone 302-322-6430 & select **option 3** or **ext. 113** and leave a message if no one answers. Hours are M-F 9am - 12noon to take calls; messages are answered during that time.



Join us to celebrate the **FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS** with a **BLESSING OF ANIMALS** next Saturday, October 7 at 1:00pm in front of the Formation Center where a statue of St. Francis greets us.



**RESPECT LIFE MONTH – OCTOBER** ~ The Catholic Church takes a special focus on the Respect for Human Life in the month of October. This year's theme is **"Radical Solidarity"** and focuses on being in union with women on life issues. See this link

<https://www.respectlife.org/respect-life-month>



#### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

##### PROGRAM UPDATES

**DRE:** Olga Matias~Ext 102

**Admin Asst:** Cathy DeCrescenzo~Ext 101

#### IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

##### Sacramental Information

##### Reconciliation

**Required Parent Meeting ~ Parish Hall**

Monday, November 6<sup>th</sup> – En Español OR

Wednesday, November 8<sup>th</sup> – in English

**Reconciliation Workbooks Due in RE Office**

Wednesday, December 20<sup>th</sup>

#### FECHAS IMPORTANTES PARA RECORDAR

##### Información sacramental

##### Reconciliación

**Reunión de padres requerida ~ Salón Parroquial**

Lunes 6 de noviembre – en Español O

Miércoles 8 de noviembre – en inglés

**Libros de Reconciliación vencidos en la oficina de**

**Educación Religiosa**

Miércoles 20 de diciembre

#### MASS INTENTIONS

Sat, Sept 30

4:00pm

Mercy Ngenuev (L)

Sun, Oct 1



8:00am

Anna Torres

10:30am

Ryan Nkongnyu & Taneeshe Che (Living)

Mon, Oct 2

8:30am

Bill Merlino

Tues, Oct 3

6:30pm

Edith & Albert Mirto

Wed, Oct 4

8:30am

Joe DeCrescenzo

Thurs, Oct 5

8:30am

Theresa Aims

Sat, Oct 7

4:00pm

Frances K. Cramer

Sun, Oct 8



8:00am

CWA-in Thanksgiving

10:30am

Don Franklin, Jr.



#### PARISH GIVING

##### ELECTRONIC DONATIONS ...

TO FIND OUT MORE INFORMATION VISIT:

<https://www.setonparish.net/parishgiving>

September 2023 WEEKLY OFFERTORY TOTALS

September 2023 BUDGET = \$44,230.76

WEEK	G. OFFERTORY	ELECTRONIC	TOTAL
1	\$ 6,260.50	\$ 6,048.87	\$ 12,309.37
2	\$ 9,204.50	\$ 5,987.92	\$ 15,192.42
3	\$ 5,266.50	\$ 5,303.00	\$ 10,569.50
4	\$ 5,367.00	\$ 4273	\$ 9,640.00
5	\$		0.00
			\$ 47,711.29

BUDGET VS. ACTUAL = %

108%





**PARISH DATA** - With the spirit and intention of better knowing our parish families and individuals to serve you better we have been cleaning up our parish census. This process also practically reduces mailing costs. We have maintained information but in a most cases marked families who have no record of religious education or offertory giving in the last 5 years as inactive. People move from the parish for a lot of reasons and often don't think about notifying us. If you noticed that you did not receive envelopes or a mailing when you have, we may have removed you from that mailing list because there was no record of you using envelopes. Do not hesitate to call us to maintain your active status or update us on any changes in your family. We are aware of most of our elder parishioners who are homebound and understandably unable to financially support us.



### ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON PARISH September Update

**319 Givers**  
**\$128,000 Target**  
**\$139,823 Pledged**  
**\$112, 032.02 Collected to Date**  
**Please do your best to honor your pledge.**  
**Thank you! – Fr. Carroll**



Have you lost a child in the womb or at birth? Were you able to mourn the loss? Did those around you recognize the need for grief? Did you? Does the child have a name? Remember your child at this year's **Footprints Mass** Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup> at St Joseph on the Brandywine at 10:00am. For more information see [www.cdow.org](http://www.cdow.org)



**ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIANS** If you are a man 18 years or older and a practicing Catholic with some Irish Heritage, even just a wee bit, the **Ancient Order of Hibernians** invites you to our September meeting in the Social hall of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish in Bear, DE on Tuesday September 26, start time is 7:00 PM. We meet on the last Tuesday of every month, except for June and July. Questions can be addressed to [NewarkAOH@gmail.com](mailto:NewarkAOH@gmail.com). We look forward to welcoming you.



**ON SUNDAY OCTOBER 8** we will welcome **Bishop Koenig** for the celebration of the **10:30 Mass**. It is not a special occasion. The diocese is preparing for the 2024 Faith & Charity Catholic Appeal and wants some video footage of Bishop Koenig celebrating Mass in a "full and diverse Church". We can make that happen!...and celebrate a prayerful and powerful Eucharist with our Bishop.

**Join us and be a part of our movie star parish!**

*Fr. Norm*



**Attention active and retired police, fire, EMT and military:** You are invited to the Annual Diocese of Wilmington Blue Mass to honor the work of all public safety personnel and military on Friday, October 6, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. at St. Elizabeth Church 809 South Broom Street, Wilmington, Delaware.

**DIOCESE OF WILMINGTON CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTRY** will host Damascus Camp's **"Jesus Night"** on Oct. 6 at Holy Cross Parish in Dover. Jesus Night is an event for middle and high school students "focused on a joy-filled eucharistic encounter," according to CYM. It includes praise and worship, spiritual speakers and eucharistic adoration.

The cost of the event is \$15 per person, with a maximum cost per family of \$45 for immediate family members. All young people registered as individuals must be accompanied by at least one parent or guardian. Parish and school leaders registering groups must have the proper number of cleared adult chaperones.

Registration for the event closes on Oct. 5. For more information, go to [www.cdowcym.org/events/detail/damascus-camps-jesus-night1](http://www.cdowcym.org/events/detail/damascus-camps-jesus-night1).

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## Seton's Monthly BINGO

**Date:** October 6, 2023  
**Doors:** Open at 5:30pm  
**Game Time:** 7:00pm  
**Cost:** \$25.00 for the 20 Game Packet  
 \$35.00 for 2 Packets  
 3 or more packets are an additional \$5.00 each  
***Each attendee must purchase at least 1 packet!***

**For your health and safety as well as the volunteers, all CDC & DE COVID safety protocols will be enforced:**  
 The DELAWARE GAMING BOARD regulations state that **NO ONE UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE** is allowed at the bingo events.

## DIOCESE of WILMINGTON | UNITED in Christ

### Pastoral Planning for Our Parishes and Schools

On May 15, Bishop Koenig published his pastoral year to introduce United in Christ, Pastoral Planning for our Parishes and Schools. You can read the letter at this link:

<https://www.cdow.org/?s=united+in+christ>

To help us understand this synodal process, we will include some information in the bulletin to offer catechesis in church concepts and will continue to tell you about developments.

Our deanery includes the most mission or connected churches of any of the deaneries. Mission churches are those who are not parishes on their own but are connected to another parish church and pastor. Our mission churches are: St. Rose of Lima, St. Jude, St. Teresa and St. Agnes. Resurrection is now connected to Holy Family sharing a pastor. St. John the Baptist on Main St in Newark was the original parish church for the parish we know as St. John/Holy Angels. So, there are 8 pastors and 14 church buildings. Our deanery also has 4 associate pastors.

**Next week** you will hear about some opportunities to participate in offering your feedback for this process.



**Christ the Teacher Catholic School** ~ Are you looking for a way to contribute your enthusiasm and expertise to the success of Catholic Schools, especially to our school? If you would like to be considered for a position on the CTTS Advisory Board see Fr. Carroll



### Miracle of Christmas

Sight & Sound Theater, Lancaster, PA  
 Wednesday, December 20, 2023 ~ 11:00am Show  
 (Bus Departs from Seton at 9:00am)  
 \$140 per person  
 For Tickets Contact: Bill Mariano at 302-229-1926  
 or blm810@verizon.net

# THE PARABLE OF THE TWO SONS Mt 21:28-32

## Symbol / Alphabet Key

○	∩	☆	📖	👤	💧	✝	☼	🌊
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I
●	◻	◆	⬢	⌘	⊗	☸	☹	⚡
J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R
✦	✨	☆	🎯	🏠	🏠	🏠	📞	
S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	

Use the Symbol/Alphabet Key to decipher the Scripture Reading below.

What is your \_\_\_\_\_? A man had two \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_, He \_\_\_\_\_ to the \_\_\_\_\_  
 and said, 'Son, \_\_\_\_\_ the  
 \_\_\_\_\_ today.' He said in \_\_\_\_\_,  
 \_\_\_\_\_, but \_\_\_\_\_ he changed his \_\_\_\_\_ and  
 went. The \_\_\_\_\_ came to the \_\_\_\_\_ and gave the \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ He said in \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, but did  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Which of the \_\_\_\_\_ his father's will?" They  
 \_\_\_\_\_, "the first." \_\_\_\_\_ said to them, "  
 I say to you, tax \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_  
 are entering the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ before you. When John came to you in the  
 way of \_\_\_\_\_, you did not \_\_\_\_\_  
 him; but tax \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_  
 did. Yet even when you \_\_\_\_\_ that, you did not later \_\_\_\_\_ your \_\_\_\_\_  
 and \_\_\_\_\_.







**Saturday, October 21, 2023, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church Hall.**

**345 Bear Christiana Road, Bear, DE 19701.**

**Doors Open 6:00 PM, Buffet 7:00 PM, Show starts 8:00 PM**

**Tickets \$40.00**

**On sale after all Masses, in the parish office, online at [Setonparish.net/store](http://Setonparish.net/store).**

**Price includes: Complete Italian Buffet Dinner with bread & salad, dessert, coffee & tea.**

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**Mixed drinks for sale.**

## **A Stand-up Comedy Show and Dinner**

**Questions: [Thomas.Cupples@Setonparish.net](mailto:Thomas.Cupples@Setonparish.net)**

**Ed McGonigal**



**Wayne Cotter**



**Vince Valentine**



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