



# St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish

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

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### MASS SCHEDULE:

Mon Wed & Thu: 8:30am  
Tue: 6:30pm  
Sat: 4:00pm  
Sun: 8:00am (YouTube) 10:30am

### RECONCILIATION/CONFESSIONS:

Sat. 3:15pm or upon request after daily Mass

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Wed. 9-10am & 7-9pm

### 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

\*\*\* NEW EMAIL ADDRESS AS OF JAN 26, 2025 \*\*\*

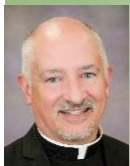
Email prayer request directly to: [pray@setonparish.net](mailto:pray@setonparish.net).  
Provide the category in which you would like the prayer request to be placed. Names will appear in the Bulletin for approximately six weeks.

**Christ the Teacher School / PreK3-8**  
2451 Frazer Road, Newark, DE 19702  
[ChristTheTeacher.org](http://ChristTheTeacher.org) 302-838-8850

Pray for our seminarians:

Deacon Dennis, James K, Jakob B

**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...**

On this 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time we pick up the story with Jesus calling the first of His disciples. From their perspective they call into it. They witness His words and powers and drop their nets. But Jesus knew what He was doing and who He was calling. The Gospel account today from Luke combines a few events that we hear extended in other Gospels. Jesus teaches from the boat just off shore, He instructs the fishermen to put out their nets for a great catch and He calls disciples. All of the experience off shore was initiated to call forth disciples, fishermen with eyes on a different catch of the day.



Like those first disciples we too feel hesitant and unworthy for the task but Jesus says not to be afraid. The first reading tells us about Isaiah's vision and His hesitation. He then has a vision of an angel taking a hot coal from the sanctuary to touch his lips. Isaiah responds: "Here I am Lord, send me." Perhaps we too need moments of inspiration and maybe they are happening but we aren't tuned in. God calls us into action and new life but we need to listen. Listening takes time and today we might even have to put it on our schedules.

Enjoy these Ordinary days! A later Easter (April 20) brings a late Lent (March 5). Embrace these days before our annual retreat leading to the journey to joy.

*Fr. Carroll*



#### **ST. VALENTINE'S DAY IS THIS FRIDAY.**

Valentine of Rome was a 3<sup>rd</sup> century figure of which there is very little known about and yet his name has survived and become the title of an annual holiday when we celebrate genuine love and its draw towards another. This world gives us those experiences so that we might know and feel the draw towards Christ who loves us



#### **FOOD PANTRY~ The Food Pantry is in need of jelly, canned pasta and canned tomatoes.**

All non-perishable foods are accepted in the Food Pantry **with the exception of brown rice and baby food.** Thank you your generosity.

To obtain food, please phone 302-322-6430 and select option 3 or ext. 130 and leave a message if no one answers. Hours are M-F 9am-12noon to take calls: messages are answered during that time.



#### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM UPDATES**

Admin Asst: Cathy DeCrescenzo~Ext 101

#### **IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER**

##### **FIRST EUCHARIST PREPARATION:**

##### **REQUIRED PARENT MEETING**

Monday, February 10<sup>th</sup>; **OR**

Wednesday, February 12<sup>th</sup>

Parish Hall ~ 6:30 – 7:30pm

##### **WORKBOOK & ASSESSMENT DUE IN R.E. OFFICE**

Wednesday, March 26<sup>th</sup>

##### **RETREAT & REHEARSAL FOR STUDENTS & PARENTS**

Sat. April 12<sup>th</sup> ~ 12:30pm ~ Parish Hall

##### **CHILDREN WILL CELEBRATE FIRST EUCHARIST ON**

Sat., May 3<sup>rd</sup> ~ 12:00pm ~ Church

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Sat, Feb 8

4:00pm Jim Sauder

Sun, Feb 9

8:00am Albert & Edith Mirto

10:30am Erastus Karani and

Sierra & Richie Newman

Mon, Feb 10

8:30am William H. Wolf

Tues, Feb 11

6:30pm Arin Hauck

Wed, Feb 12

8:30am Claramma Kalapurackal

Thurs, Feb 13

8:30am Charles Sullivan

**Fri, Feb 14 (moved from Fri, Feb 7<sup>th</sup> due to Priest's Retreat)**

**9:00am 1<sup>st</sup> Friday Mass Intentions**

Sat, Feb 15

4:00pm People of the Parish

Sun, Feb 16

8:00am People of the Parish

10:30am Claramma Kalapurackal

#### **NEXT WEEK'S READINGS**

Jeremiah 17:5-8; 1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20; Luke 6:17, 20-26



#### **SETON PRAYS**

**Please note new email address on bulletin cover!**

**"LET US PRAY"**

**For the repose of the soul of:** Ana Maria Gonzalez

**For those in need of healing:** Marie Hughes; Lisa Muehlbauer Griffith; Cruz Rodriguez, Jr; Cacky Parakewich; Lisa Kulesza; Sandy Sullivan; Evelyn Olszweski; Cindy Delasser; Rich Yotter; Pat DiBella; Dom DiBella; Gail Christmann; Greg Amoriello

**For the special intentions of:**

## UPCOMING EVENTS:



**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9 IS THE DIOCESAN MARRIAGE MASS AT ST. MARGARET OF SCOTLAND** at 1:00pm. Join Bishop Koenig especially if you are celebrating a milestone anniversary this year. This Mass will fulfill your Sunday obligation.



**LENT BEGINS WITH ASH WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5.** Easter falls on Sunday, April 20. Enjoy the fruits of a later Lent and Easter.



**SATURDAY, MARCH 15, SETON SHAMROCK SHENANIGANS DINNER AND AUCTION.**

Tickets will go on sale on Saturday, February 1<sup>st</sup> after all weekend masses and in the Parish Office during regular business hours.

PARISH GIVING ELECTRONIC DONATIONS ... TO FIND OUT MORE INFORMATION VISIT: <a href="https://www.setonparish.net/parishgiving">https://www.setonparish.net/parishgiving</a>			
FEBRUARY, 2025 WEEKLY OFFERTORY TOTALS			
FEBRUARY, 2025 BUDGET = \$50,000.00			
WEEK	G. OFFERTORY	ELECTRONIC	TOTAL
1	\$ 5,530.00	\$ 3698.00	\$ 9,228.00
2	\$	\$	\$ 0.00
3	\$	\$	\$ 0.00
4	\$	\$	\$ 0.00
			\$ 9,228.00
BUDGET VS. ACTUAL = %			18%

### COME AND SEE **"THE CHOSEN -SEASON 4"**



and follow Jesus and the Apostles as they "get used to different".

Every Thursday evening, 6:30 pm,  
February 20-April 10, 2025

in the McGivney Conference Room in the Formation Center.

We will view each episode, discuss its relevance, and fellowship with light refreshments. (Adults only please.)

Can't wait to see you all there.



**THIS MONTH THE MEN OF FAITH** are stepping out of our normal routine and moving to the 3rd Saturday of the month. This is so our members can attend the memorial to Sister Sandy Grieco. On February 8th. We will meet on the 15th and dissect readings from Isaiah and 1st Corinthians. So if the third Saturday works for you, why not come and join us on Saturday 2/15 at 10:00 am, room 102 in the Formation Center.



As the Universal Church looks toward the Jubilee Year 2025 (the 2,025th anniversary of the Incarnation of our Lord), the USCCB is thrilled to support the Holy Father in this "event of great spiritual, ecclesial, and social significance in the life of the Church."

Pope Francis stated in his February 2022 letter announcing the Jubilee 2025: "We must fan the flame of hope that has been given us and help everyone to gain new strength and certainty by looking to the future with an open spirit, a trusting heart and far-sighted vision. The Jubilee can contribute greatly to restoring a climate of hope and trust as a prelude to the renewal and rebirth that we so urgently desire..."



### THE ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIANS invite

High School Seniors whose families are registered at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish to apply for our \$1,000 James P. Brennan Memorial College Scholarship. Details and an application can be found by visiting our website,

[www.NewarkAOH.com](http://www.NewarkAOH.com). The application deadline is March 17, 2025.

Questions can be addressed to

[NewarkAOH@gmail.com](mailto:NewarkAOH@gmail.com).



### THE 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 Tuesday

February 25 meeting in the Parish Hall, start time

is 7:00 PM. We meet on the last Tuesday of every month.

Questions can be addressed to [NewarkAOH@gmail.com](mailto:NewarkAOH@gmail.com). We look forward to welcoming you.

### REQUEST FOR 2024 YEAR END TAX STATEMENT FOR DONATIONS

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**Please complete and drop in the offertory basket OR**

**Email request, including information listed above to either:**

[Lucy.Lopez@setonparish.net](mailto:Lucy.Lopez@setonparish.net) OR

[Maxine.Hall@setonparish.net](mailto:Maxine.Hall@setonparish.net)

## Luke 5:1-11

A black and white line drawing depicting a biblical scene. In the foreground, two men are in a small boat, viewed from behind. They are wearing simple robes and head coverings. The boat is overflowing with fish. In the background, a third man, presumably Jesus, stands on the shore, looking towards the boat. He is also wearing a robe and has a beard. The scene is set on a body of water with simple wavy lines representing waves.

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St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

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