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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2025 33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"All that you see here—the days will come when there will not be left a stone upon another stone that will not be thrown down."

Luke 21:5-19

Vision...from the vantage point of Tradition

PASTOR: Fr. Norman Carroll 112

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Deacon William P. Kibler, *Pastoral Associate* 119

Deacon Cruz Rodriguez, *Hispanic Ministry* 104

Deacon Jose Sanchez, *Hispanic Ministry* 124

PARISH OFFICE office@setonparish.net

(Mon-Thurs: 9:00am – 4:00pm Fri-9:00am-12:00pm)

Lucy Lopez (T, W) 100

Maxine Hall (M, Th, F) 103

Lisa Kennedy, *Bookkeeper* 108

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Deacon William P. Kibler 119

Cathy DeCrescenzo, *Admin* 101

Liturgy Deacon William P. Kibler 119

Dir. of Music Pat Maley

Preschool Dir Janet Gargani 215

Development Tom Cupples

OCIA Carol Wetty

Outreach Food/Financial Assistance 113

Parish Council *Ex. Officer* Ellen Ross

Finance Council *Ex. Officer* Danielle Brabson

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

1st Monday of Month

Godparents are welcome to attend

CLASES DE BAUTISMO PARA PADRES

1^{er} 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 ***

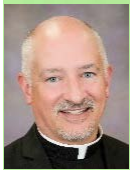
Email prayer request directly to: pray@setonparish.net

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

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ChristTheTeacher.org 302-838-8850

Pray for our seminarians: 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...

I hope that all of our veterans had a good Veteran's Day and felt acknowledged for their service to our country. The spirit that motivates a young recruit is at the heart of our Word. We have to believe in something much bigger than ourselves. We have to believe that we can make a difference or play some important part. In the Gospel, Jesus tells His disciples that many things will happen but not to be distracted by them. He tells them that they should focus on the here and now. They will have to defend their choice to follow him and His cause. He encourages them to stay strong for it will be by their perseverance that they will save their lives.

Are you in it for the long haul? Do you see your place in it? Paul tells the Romans to be imitators of Christ, to make Him real through themselves. The same challenge is ours. Choose to be you and something even bigger: a presence of Christ and His mission in the world.

In duty and honor,
Fr. Carroll

The imitation of Christ is the joyful participation in the sorrows of the world.

These days ahead will invite you into the great ministry of our **Outreach and St Vincent DePaul Society**. There is a "reverse collection" this weekend to stock our food closet for Thanksgiving and Christmas. Soon a "Giving Tree" will appear to invite you to participate to make someone's Christmas special. Thank you for the ways that you can respond.



ARE YOU READY FOR THANKSGIVING? How about Advent? Next Sunday is the Feast of Christ the King (Nov 23) and the next Sunday is the 1st Sunday of Advent (Nov 30). Make plans to prepare and focus on the right things –

Family, Faith and Traditions. Don't let the voices of the world overwhelm you. Put something special in your weekly calendar to pause and enjoy the blessings of the season. Feel Christ coming brighter into your life!

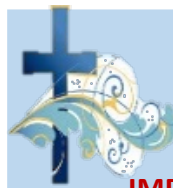


MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION ~ We are in need of more ministers to distribute Holy Communion, especially at the 8am Mass. If interested in joining this ministry see Deacon Bill or Fr. Carroll.



Altar Servers
Are you 10 or older and interested in being an altar server to assist Fr. Carroll and our deacons at Mass? If interested, see Fr Carroll or Deacon Bill. There are interest forms at the

minister's bulletin Board in the Sacristy.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM UPDATES

Coordinator: Deacon Bill Kibler~Ext 119
Admin Asst: Cathy DeCrescenzo~Ext 101

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

**REGISTRATION FOR
IN CLASS & HOME STUDY
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES
ARE CLOSED FOR THIS YEAR!**

**SACRAMENT PROGRAM
REGISTRATION FOR
THIS YEAR'S SACRAMENT PROGRAMS
ARE CLOSED!**

RECONCILIATION
Reconciliation Workbooks Due in RE Office
Wednesday, December 17th

CONFIRMATION:
Confirmation Candidate Sessions
Wednesdays 6:30-7:30pm
Dec 10, 2025 ~ Jan 14, 2026 ~ Feb 11, 2026 ~ March 4, 2026

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat, Nov 15

4:00am

John & Cecelia Drupieski & Cordel Ambrose

Sun, Nov 16

YouTube 8:00am
10:30am

Stephen Tудay
Joseph George

Mon, Nov 17

8:30am

Antonia Gallagher

Tues, Nov 18

6:30pm

Frank Lorusso

Wed, Nov 19

8:30am

Mish Sharkley

Thurs, Nov 20

8:30am

People of the Parish

Sat, Nov 22

4:00am

DiBona Family

Sun, Nov 23

YouTube 8:00am
10:30am

Pete Fitzgerald
Mary Lamkey & Manjo

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

2 Samuel 5:1-3; Colossians 1:12-20; Luke 23:35-43



FOOD PANTRY~ The Food Pantry is in need of **canned soup, oatmeal, NO PASTA.** 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.

PARISH GIVING ELECTRONIC DONATIONS ... TO FIND OUT MORE INFORMATION VISIT: https://www.setonparish.net/parishgiving			
November, 2025			
	ENVELOPES		TOTAL
2-Nov	Offertory	\$ 9,913.00	\$ 9,913.00
9-Nov	Offertory	\$ 11,197.00	\$ 11,197.00
16-Nov	Offertory	\$	\$ 0.00
23-Nov	Offertory	\$	\$ 0.00
		\$	\$ 0.00
OFFERTORY TOTAL			\$ 21,110.00
	All Saints	\$ 1,121.00	\$ 1,121.00
	Thanksgiving	\$ 210.00	\$ 210.00
	Hunan Development	\$ 90.00	\$ 90.00
	Christmas Flowers	\$ 125.00	\$ 125.00



SETON'S CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS CHOIR ~

Registration for the Children's Christmas Choir is open! We have a University student who is a music major volunteer to help with the training and coordination. Look for registration forms in the **Gathering Space**. At present, we believe that we can have 6 rehearsals, three in November and 3 in December on Thursday evenings at 6:30 pm practicing for 60 - 90 minutes on average. Children will sing at the 4 pm mass on Christmas Eve.

We will accept children who are between 5 - 15 yrs. in age. The children must WANT to be there, and be capable and prepared to sit and learn for an hour per session. **There is no cost for participation.**

Parents are strongly encouraged to come and remain in the church the entire time while the group rehearses. Parents who are musicians, vocal and/or instrumental are also encouraged to participate with the children (making it a "family" choir).

Questions? Contact Pat Maley, the Director of Music Ministries at Trish1225@aol.com or leave a message with the Parish Office.



Members of Seton's 2 standing choirs are reminded that practices have begun for our **ADULT CHRISTMAS CHOIR** have begun! Rehearsals are Tuesday evenings in the church right after the 6:30pm mass. Not a member of our choirs? NO PROBLEM! Former choir members along with anyone curious to see how enjoyable singing with a group of folks can be (as well as worshipful) are invited to join! Contact Pat Maley at:

- one of our Tuesday evening sessions, or
- right after the 8am Mass on Sundays, or
- Leave your contact information with the Parish office



HOLIDAY FUN ON DECEMBER 19 ~

The **FIFTY PLUS** Group wants to have a **HOLIDAY DINNER-DANCE** on Friday December 19 in the Parish Hall of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church, 345 Bear-Christiana Road, Bear DE. As in the past, we are planning to have a delicious Catered Dinner provided by Trattoria di Napoli restaurant. After dinner we plan to have live music provided by the award-winning FLASHBACK Band (inducted into the Delaware Rock & Roll Hall of Fame in 2023) for your dancing and listening pleasure.

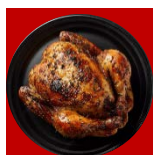
We need to have an accurate count of exactly how many will be attending so that we can order the proper amount of delicious food. Therefore, we require those who want to attend to pay their \$25 per person IN ADVANCE. Please pay your \$25 to either Patricia Bush or to Bob Miller between now and December 3. If for any reason we have to cancel this event, you may request a refund.

If you have any questions or if you want to make payment arrangements, please call either Pat Bush at 302-983-2477 or Bob Miller at 302-369-6688. **MERRY CHRISTMAS!**

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SAINT MARK'S HIGH SCHOOL warmly invites you to its upcoming theater production of Charles Dickens' beloved holiday classic, **A CHRISTMAS CAROL**. Performances will be held on November 21st, 22nd, and 23rd at Saint Mark's High School. Tickets can be purchased at the door or by going to our website at <https://www.stmarkshs.net/visual-and-performing-arts-presents>. All are welcome!



SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DEPAUL ANNUAL CHRISTMAS EVENT

The past year has continued to be an extremely difficult period for many in our community. At this time of year, our society hosts its annual Christmas Event and as part of this event, we supply a Christmas meal which includes a turkey, turkey breast, ham or chicken for about 50 to 60 families. Can you help us by bringing in a turkey, turkey breast, ham or chicken by **December 7th**? You can drop them off at the church office. **Many thanks and God bless our Seton family.**



FOOD PANTRY is collecting now for the **SVDP CHRISTMAS FOOD BASKETS**: stuffing, gravy, canned sweet potatoes, green beans, sweet peas, and fruit. **There will be a REVERSE COLLECTION for Christmas Foods on the weekend of November 15th & 16th!**



SETON PRAYS

Email prayer requests to:

pray@setonparish.net

"LET US PRAY"

For the repose of the soul of: Joan Quinn; Colin Ryan Chinski; Mildred & Joe Hernandez; Lew Warwick; Jeannie Dorris; Vince & Jean Caricchio; Cory Schmidt; Marianne Bianco;

For those in need of healing: Cruz Rodriguez, Jr Betty Lee Olson; Cindy Delasser; Annette Guiberson; Pat DiBella; Dom DiBella Vickie Brown; Leta Aljadir; Delaney Bush & Family; George Brasure; Richard Irlbacher; Nancy Caricchio; Steve Noetzel; Amy C; Lori Hawkins; Linda Middleton; George Middleton; Naomi Solorio; Michele Sharkey;

For the special intentions of: The Seton Family

SIGNS OF THE END

Luke 21:5-19

While some people were **speaking** about how the temple was adorned with **costly stones** and votive offerings, he said, "All that you see here—the days will come when there will not be left a stone **upon** another stone that will not be thrown down."

Then they asked him, "**Teacher**, when will this happen? And what sign will there be when all these things are about to happen?" He answered, "See that you not be deceived, for many will come in my name, saying, 'I am he,' and 'The time has come.' Do **not** follow them! When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for such things must happen first, but it will not immediately be the end." Then he said to them, "**Nation** will **rise** against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be powerful **earthquakes**, famines, and plagues from place to place; and awesome **sights** and mighty **signs** will come from the sky.

"Before all this happens, however, they will seize and persecute you, they will hand **you** over to the synagogues and to prisons, and they will have you led before kings and **governors** because of my name. It will lead to your **giving** testimony. **Remember**, you are not to prepare your defense beforehand, for I myself shall give you a wisdom in speaking that all your adversaries will be powerless to resist or refute. You will **even** be handed over by parents, brothers, relatives, and friends, and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name, but not a hair on your head will be destroyed. By your perseverance you will **secure** your lives.



Unscramble the letters in the left hand column to fill in the grid in the right hand column.

Use the letters highlighted in "**YELLOW**" to fill in the phrase below. All words can be found in the Scripture Reading.

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