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SUNDAY, MARCH 8, 2026 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

ST ELIZABETH ANN SETON PARISH - LENT SCHEDULE

DEANERY LENT RETREAT

with
Fr. Jim
Greenfield,
OSFS
St. Margaret of
Scotland
Sat, March 7
9am – 12pm.

SOUP NIGHT TUESDAY

Feb 24 - Mar 24



**BYO BOWL &
SPOON**
5:00 - 6:00 PM

EVERY WEDNESDAY



ADORATION
9:00 - 10:00 AM
7:00 - 9:00 PM

EVERY FRIDAY



**STATIONS OF
THE CROSS**
6:30 PM

EVERY SATURDAY



CONFESSIONS
3:15 PM

EVERY SUNDAY



MASS
SAT 4:00 PM
SUN 8:00 AM
SUN 10:30 AM

Vision...from the vantage point of Tradition

PASTOR: Fr. Norman Carroll 112

frcarroll@setonparish.net

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

OCIA Carol Wetty

Outreach Food/Financial Assistance 113

Parish Council *Ex. Officer* Ellen Ross

Finance Council *Ex. Officer* Danielle Brabson

Christ the Teacher School / PreK3-8
2451 Frazer Road, Newark, DE 19702
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Pray for our seminarians: James K, Jakob B

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

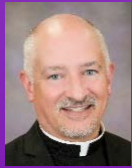
Parish and Religious Education Registration Forms are available in the Gathering Space.

"SETON PRAYS" COMMUNITY

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.

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...

Today we begin to tell the stories of conversion that have inspired generations of people of faith. The Woman at the Well, The Man Born Blind and Lazarus will serve to increase our conversion and often a need to see differently. Today the Woman at the Well has an encounter with Jesus while going to fill her water jar. The experience of Jesus through His words and actions makes the woman run to the village filled with good news and no more need for water. In haste she leaves her jar at the well. Can you be distracted by good news that you just have to tell? Can your life be changed by an encounter with the One who knows everything about you? Consider the possibilities when you open up.



*Thirsting with the Lord,
Fr. Carroll*

FAITH & CHARITY ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

~ Thank you for your participation in this year's appeal. Thank you especially to new participants! I am confident that we will once again reach our target of \$131,200 but I also hope that this is another opportunity to connect with one another and participation increases and we are able to better match names with real faces! I see and believe that we are a unique parish because the percent of Sunday worshippers is high compared to our recorded parish families. While we strive to reach out in many ways and you make yourself known through your active ministry, often we only know of a family's presence by their recorded offertory. Whatever we can do each day to make up for that is what we are about.

The OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) participants are on the last weeks of their Lenten Journey. Keep them in your prayers and let their witness to new found faith through the Catholic Church enkindle Easter faith in you. Over the next three weeks we will celebrate scrutinies with the elect to help deepen their commitment and their approach to the baptismal waters!



SETON PRAYS

Email prayer requests to:

pray@setonparish.net

"LET US PRAY"

For the repose of the soul of: **Janes Thornton, Jr; Allan Elazegui; Dr Botenciano Ortez; Alice Ortez;** Merville Koria, Jr; **Marie A Carroll;** Jeannie Dorris; Lew Warwick; Marie McFarlin; Stan & Mona Wilush; Shirley Ann Higbee; Ben Rosario; Dottie Lechmanik;

For those in need of healing: **Marlene Valle; Alissa Valle; Cecille Galvin; Anthony Tomczak; Gary Leader;** Charlotte M Lacy; Donald L Wilkerson; Paulete Wilkerson; Edmund Wells; Pat DiBella; Dom DiBella; Annette Guiberson; Lex Bleckley; Marilyn Partee; Brenda Barchock; Rick Barchock Jr; Cindy Delasser; George Brasure; Bill St. Marie; Daniel Kubacki; Ricky Sizemore; July Kubacki, David Aylesworth; **Deb Trala; Sarah Brown;**

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For the special intentions of: The Seton Family



**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!**

**FIRST EUCHARIST
Completed Workbooks due in RE Office
Wednesday, March 4th
Retreat for Students & Parents
Saturday, April 25th ~ 1:30-3:30pm ~ Parish Hall & Church**

**CONFIRMATION:
Confirmation Candidate Sessions
Wednesdays 6:30-7:30pm
March 4, 2026**

MASS INTENTIONS

- Sat, March 7**
4:00pm Pete Fitzgerald
- Sun, March 8**
 8:00am Frances Schneider
10:30am Catherine Brady
- Mon, March 9**
8:30am People of the Parish
- Tues, March 10**
6:30pm Rose Lind
- Wed, March 11**
8:30am John & Cecelia Drupreski; Cordell Ambrose
- Thurs, March 12**
8:30am Larry Loisaile
- Sat, March 14**
4:00pm People of the Parish
- Sun, March 15**
 8:00am Albert & Edith Mirto
10:30am Patricia Warner

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ephesians 5:8-14; John 9:1-41



CAN YOU HELP MAKE A CHILD'S EASTER A LITTLE SWEETER THIS YEAR? The St. Vincent DePaul group is asking for your support for our Easter basket program which helps us to provide Easter baskets to children in need in our area. We are asking for donations of individually wrapped candy, Easter Bunnies, bags of jelly beans, Robin eggs, Peeps, Cadbury Cream eggs, and Reese's peanut butter eggs are some suggestions. We also need medium and large size baskets, Easter grass and basket bags! This is a wonderful opportunity to spread Easter joy and is truly appreciated! **Please return the items to the Gathering Space no later than March 22nd. Thank you and God bless**



FOOD PANTRY~ The Food Pantry is in need of canned and powdered milk, Cereal, and Peanut Butter and Jelly. NO PASTA, CANNED GREEN BEANS, OR CORN PLEASE! 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.

HAPPENING THIS WEEK:



Note that just because it is not published does not mean that a space is free to use. Communication with the Parish Office for meeting space is essential to community)

Mon, March 9	6:30pm	The Chosen~Hall
Tues, March 10	5:00pm	Soup Night~Hall
	7:00pm	OCIA~FC
	7:00pm	K of C~McG CR
	7:00pm	LOAH~Hall
Wed, March 11	9:00-10:00am	Adoration~Chapel
	6:30pm	Rel Ed Classes~FC
	7-9:00pm	Adoration~Chapel
Thurs, March 12	11:00am	Crochet Group~Hall
Fri, March 13	6:30pm	Stations of the Cross~Church
	7:15pm	Men's Choir~Church
Sat, March 14	5:00pm	Shamrock Shenanigans~Hall



THE TABLE IS SET! Come and find your seat at the table for **The CHOSEN-Season 5** in the Hall, on Mondays now through March 23rd from 6:30-8:30. We view the episode, discuss its relevance, and share light refreshments. **Adults only please.** We are saving a place for you!



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. The application deadline is March 17, 2026. Questions can be addressed to:

NewarkAOH@gmail.com.

REQUEST FOR 2025 YEAR END TAX STATEMENT FOR DONATIONS

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 Envelope #: _____
 Email Address: _____

Please indicate how you would prefer receiving your statement:

Pick up paper copy in Gathering Space: _____
 Electronic Copy by Email: _____

Please complete and drop in the offertory basket OR Email request, including information listed above to either:

Lucy.Lopez@setonparish.net OR
Maxine.Hall@setonparish.net

TO FIND OUT MORE INFORMATION ABOUT ELECTRONIC DONATION VISIT: setonparish.net/parishgiving

ST ELIZABETH ANN SETON PARISH MARCH 2026 STEWARDSHIP ENVELOPES

		TOTAL
1-Mar	Offertory	\$ 14,282.50
8-Mar	Offertory	\$
15-Mar	Offertory	\$
22-Mar	Offertory	\$
29-Mar	Offertory	\$
OFFERTORY TOTAL		\$ 14,282.50
	Capital Improvement	\$ 215.00
	Landscaping & Snow	\$ 35.00
	Energy Costs - Fuel & AC	\$ 125.00
	Outreach	\$ 145.00
	St. Vincent DePaul	\$ 313.00
	Preschool	\$ 50.00
	Rice Bbowl	\$
	Easter Flower Offertory	\$

CYM PILGRIMAGE



MAPS OF GRACE / MAPAS DE GRACIA

SATURDAY, MARCH 28, 2026

ANSWER BISHOP KOENIG'S INVITATION TO JOIN HIM FOR THE 15TH CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTRY PILGRIMAGE!

Join Bishop Koenig for the fifteenth Pilgrimage on Saturday, March 28, 2026. We will carry the diocesan pilgrimage cross through

the streets of Wilmington, symbolizing Jesus' entry to Jerusalem and His journey to Calvary.

The day starts at St. Elizabeth Parish with an opening prayer and a concert at 10:00 am, and ends with a 4 pm Mass at the same location. Don't miss this opportunity to wrap up your Lenten journey with hundreds of your peers. The cost is \$15 per person or \$45 max per family (bring your own lunch).

Register with your parish or Catholic school leaders to participate as a group. Families can register at

www.cdowcym.org/pilgrimage

SOUPS ON!!!! Please come out for a hot bowl of soup and a fun night with friends! Soup will be served from 5:00pm to 6:00pm. Please bring your own bowl and spoon. All donations will be used to help our Neighbors in Need. The following groups are hosting:

- March 10 Knights of Columbus
 - March 17 SVDP
 - March 24 Crochet Group
- your continued support. God Bless!
 Susan Bookout, President of SVDP

ANOINTING OF THE SICK



At all Masses next weekend, we will offer the **Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick**. If you would like to receive the Sacrament complete this form and bring it with you. Seating will be reserved in the front pews. You will notice that pews in between will be reserved to be empty so Father can reach the sick. Those in wheelchairs or needing the padded seats can sit in those spots.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK AT MASS MARCH 14/15, 2026

Name of person anointed _____

Reason for request _____

Best contact (email or phone) _____



THE SAMARITAN WOMAN John 4:5-42

He had to pass through **Samaria**. So he came to a town of Samaria called Sychar, near the plot of land that Jacob had **given** to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there. Jesus, tired from his journey, sat down there at the well. It was about noon.

A woman of Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." His disciples had gone into the town to buy food. The Samaritan woman said to him, "How can you, a Jew, ask me, a Samaritan woman, for a drink?" (For Jews use nothing in common with Samaritans.) Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God and who is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him and he would have given you **living** water." [The woman] said to him, "Sir, you do not even have a bucket and the well is deep; where then can you get this living water? Are you greater than our father Jacob, who gave us this well and drank from it himself with his children and his **flocks**?" Jesus **answered** and said to her, "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again; but whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst; the water I shall give will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may not be **thirsty** or have to keep coming here to draw water."

Jesus said to her, "Go call your husband and come back." The woman answered and said to him, "I do not have a husband." Jesus answered her, "You are **right** in saying, 'I do not have a husband.' For you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true." The woman said to him, "Sir, I can see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain; but you people say that the place to worship is in Jerusalem." Jesus said to her, "Believe me, woman, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father **neither** on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You people worship what you do not understand; we worship what we understand, because salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when true worshipers will worship the Father in Spirit and truth; and indeed the Father **seeks** such people to worship him. God is Spirit, and those who worship him must worship in Spirit and truth." The woman said to him, "I know that the Messiah is coming, the one called the Anointed; when he comes, he will tell us everything." Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one who is speaking with you."

At that moment his **disciples** returned, and were amazed that he was talking with a woman, but still no one said, "What are you looking for?" or "Why are you talking with her?" The woman left her water jar and went into the town and said to the people, "Come see a man who told me everything I have done. Could he possibly be the Messiah?" They went out of the town and came to him. Meanwhile, the disciples urged him, "**Rabbi**, eat." But he said to them, "I have food to eat of which you do not know." So the disciples said to one another, "Could someone have brought him something to eat?" Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of the one who sent me and to finish his work. Do you not say, 'In four months the harvest will be here'? I tell you, look up and see the fields ripe for the harvest. The reaper is already receiving his payment and **gathering** crops for **eternal** life, so that the sower and **reaper** can **rejoice** together. For here the saying is verified that 'One sows and another reaps.' I sent you to reap what you have not worked for; others have done the work, and you are sharing the fruits of their work." Many of the Samaritans of that town began to believe in him because of the word of the woman who testified, "He told me everything I have done." When the Samaritans came to him, they invited him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. Many more began to believe in him because of his word, and they said to the woman, "We no longer believe because of your word; for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the **savior** of the world."

Fill in the spaces with the word described in the definition to the right. The last letter of that word is the first letter of the next word. The first word has been completed as an example. All words can be found in the scripture reading.

F L O C K S	_____	a group of animals or birds of one kind that stay or are kept together
S	_____	the northern kingdom of ancient Israel
_____	_____	to have replied in words or with an action
_____	_____	one who follows a leader or teacher
_____	_____	when one tries to find or looks for someone who rescues or saves people from danger or destruction
_____	_____	a machine that cuts standing grain
_____	_____	to be full of joy or show great pleasure having no beginning or end; lasting always and forever
_____	_____	to have life bringing together into one place or collection
_____	_____	presented
_____	_____	not either; not one or the other
_____	_____	in keeping with what is fair and good
_____	_____	feeling a need to drink



St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Shamrock Shenanigans Dinner & Auction

March 15, 2025 ~ Parish Hall

6:00 ~ 10:00pm

\$30.00/person ~ \$50.00/couple

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