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SUNDAY, MARCH 22, 2026 5TH SUNDAY OF LENT

ST ELIZABETH ANN SETON PARISH - LENT SCHEDULE

<p>*SPECIAL TIME* March 20</p>  <p>STATIONS OF THE CROSS 5:30 PM</p>	<p>SOUP NIGHT TUESDAY Feb 24 - Mar 24</p>  <p>BYO BOWL & SPOON 5:00 - 6:00 PM</p>	<p>EVERY WEDNESDAY</p>  <p>ADORATION 9:00 - 10:00 AM 7:00 - 9:00 PM</p>	<p>EVERY FRIDAY</p>  <p>STATIONS OF THE CROSS 6:30 PM</p>	<p>EVERY SATURDAY</p>  <p>CONFESSIONS 3:15 PM</p>	<p>EVERY SUNDAY</p>  <p>MASS SAT 4:00 PM SUN 8:00 AM SUN 10:30 AM</p>
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Vision...from the vantage point of Tradition

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Deacon William P. Kibler, *Pastoral Associate* 119
Deacon Cruz Rodriguez, *Hispanic Ministry* 104
Deacon Jose Sanchez, *Hispanic Ministry* 124

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(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

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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

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.

Christ the Teacher School / PreK3-8
2451 Frazer Road, Newark, DE 19702
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...

The raising of Lazarus becomes the event that takes it up a notch for those who want to target Jesus. Now it appears that He has somehow fouled the people and brought someone back for the dead. However, Lazarus who was dead and buried is now alive and living proof of the power of Jesus. The story also tells us how much Jesus loves us. He knew that to really enter into death He had to humanly feel the emotions. The story tells us that Jesus hears that Lazarus is dying and he waits. He hears about the mourning of Martha and Mary and He wanted to enter into that emotion Himself.

Jesus offers Lazarus new life to show His glory but that does not take away the experience of death for us and the ones we have loved. Jesus entered into that grief for us as well. To help you have to know the experience.

Next Sunday is Palm Sunday and then we enter into Holy Week. If you haven't attended the Liturgies of the Triduum, consider doing so. The liturgy over 3 days is the annual Catholic retreat.

*Untie ...and let go!
Fr. Carroll*

ST ELIZABETH ANN SETON PARISH - HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

PALM SUNDAY March 29 MASS SAT 4:00 PM SUN 8:00 AM SUN 10:30 AM	RECONCILIATION MONDAY March 30 CONFESSIONS 3:00 - 8:00 PM	HOLY THURSDAY April 2 MASS 6:30 PM	GOOD FRIDAY April 3 STATIONS 12:15 PM LITURGY 3:00 PM	HOLY SATURDAY April 4 MASS 7:30 PM	EASTER SUNDAY April 5 MASS 8:00 AM 10:30 AM
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FAITH & CHARITY ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

The 2026 Faith and Charity Annual Catholic Appeal Commitment is in its 50th year. Bishop Koenig invites our participation in the annual effort to make our important ministries possible. The Catholic Church in the Diocese of Wilmington does so much to support the mission of the Church which includes the Gospel mandate to care for our sisters and brothers, especially the poor and vulnerable. The diocese has asked every parish to work on *increasing the parish participation* (number of individuals and families that contribute). If you haven't given in past years, consider joining this important effort in the name of the local Catholic Community. Be a face behind the church people mean when they say: "If you need help, find a Catholic Church."

Our parish target remains the same at \$131,800. Last year 29% of the parish participated.

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.

March 24 Crochet Group

Thanks for your continued support. God Bless!
Susan Bookout, President of SVDP



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM UPDATES

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

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

REGISTRATION FOR THE 2026/2027 IN CLASS & HOME STUDY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES ARE NOW OPEN!

SACRAMENT PROGRAM

FIRST EUCHARIST

Retreat for Students & Parents

Saturday, April 25th ~ 1:30-3:30pm ~ Parish Hall & Church

Children will celebrate receiving 1st Eucharist

Saturday, May 2nd
12:00pm in the Church

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat, March 21

4:00pm Patricia Warner

Sun, March 22

YouTube 8:00am People of the Parish
10:30am Arin Hauck

Mon, March 23

8:30am Luke Vannicola

Tues, March 24

6:30pm Danny Driscoll

Wed, March 25

8:30am Dec Mem of Schexnayder & Zeringue Families

Thurs, March 26

8:30am Helen Pawlowski

Sat, March 28

4:00pm Joseph Dinh Nguyen & Rose Hanh Nguyen

Sun, March 29

YouTube 8:00am John Burlew
10:30am People of the Parish

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Ezekiel 37:12-14; Romans 8:8-11; John 11:1-45



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**



THE TABLE IS SET! The final session of **The CHOSEN-Season 5** will be in the Hall, on Monday, March 23rd from 6:30-8:30. Come view the episode, discuss its relevance, and share light refreshments. **Adults only please.** We are saving a place for you!



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:		
<i>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)</i>		
Mon, March 23	6:30pm	The Chosen~Hall
Tues, March 24	5:00pm	Soup Night~Hall
	7:00pm	OCIA~FC
	7:00pm	Finance Council-Seton CR
	7:00pm	K of C~McGivney CR
Wed, March 25	9:00-10:00am	Adoration~Chapel
	6:30pm	Rel Ed Classes~FC
	7-9:00pm	Adoration~Chapel
Thurs, March 26	11:00am	Crochet Group~Hall
Fri, March 27	6:30pm	Stations of the Cross~Church
	7:00pm	Men's Choir Practice~Church

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	\$ 13,903.00
15-Mar	Offertory	\$ 13,101.00
22-Mar	Offertory	\$
29-Mar	Offertory	\$
OFFERTORY TOTAL		\$ 41,286.50
	SPECIAL COLLECTIONS	TOTALS
	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT	\$ 305.00
	LANDSCAPING AND SNOW	\$ 65.00
	ENERGY COSTS - FUEL & AC	\$ 262.00
	OUTREACH	\$ 145.00
	ST. VINCENT DE PAUL	\$ 465.00
	PRESCHOOL	\$ 35.00
	RICE BOWL	\$ 625.00
	EASTER FLOWER OFFERTORY	\$ 625.00



SETON PRAYS

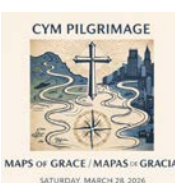
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"LET US PRAY"

For the repose of the soul of: Marie A Carroll; Shirley Ann Higbee; [Merville Korja, Jr.](#)

For those in need of healing: Beth Schwenk; Cindy Delasser; George Brasure; **Bill St. Marie; Pamela Lussier; Stephen Forrest Alejandro Ramos Sr & Jr; Amneris Ramos; Lizette Ramos; Princeton Silverira; 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; Olivia Johnston; Marilyn Partee; Brenda Barchock; Rick Barchock Jr;**

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For the special intentions of: The Seton Family



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.



St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish



19th Annual Seton Memorial Golf Tournament

Wednesday, April 22, 2026

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\$200/Player 9:00am - 5:00pm
Shotgun Start / Best Ball
Drink Cart/Grab n Go Breakfast/Box Lunch
Awards, Raffles, 50/50
Dinner Buffet & Bar

Guests welcome for Dinner only (\$75.00)

Register Today! Pick Up Brochure in Gathering Space

THE RAISING OF LAZARUS

John 11:1-45

Now a man was ill, Lazarus from Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who had **anointed** the Lord with perfumed oil and **dried** his feet with her hair; it was her brother Lazarus who was ill. So the sisters sent word to him, saying, "Master, the one you love is ill." When Jesus heard this he said, "This illness is not to end in **death**,* but is for the glory of God, that the Son of God may be **glorified** through it." Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus. So when he **heard** that he was ill, he remained for two days in the place where he was. Then after this he said to his disciples, "Let us go back to **Judea**." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just trying to stone you, and you want to go back there?" Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours in a day? If one walks **during** the day, he does not stumble, because he sees the light of this world. But if one walks at **night**, he stumbles, because the light is not in him." He said this, and then told them, "Our friend Lazarus is asleep, but I am going to awaken him." So the **disciples** said to him, "Master, if he is asleep, he will be saved." But Jesus was talking about his death, while they thought that he meant ordinary sleep. So then Jesus said to them clearly, "Lazarus has died. And I am glad for you that I was not there, that you may believe. Let us go to him." So Thomas, called **Didymus**, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go to die with him."

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, only about two miles away. And many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to comfort them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went to meet him; but Mary sat at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have **died**. [But] even now I know that whatever you ask of God, God will give you." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise." Martha said to him, "I know he will rise, in the **resurrection** on the last day." Jesus told her, "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord. I have come to believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one who is coming into the world."

When she had said this, she went and called her sister Mary secretly, saying, "The **teacher** is here and is asking for you." As soon as she heard this, she **rose** quickly and went to him. For Jesus had not yet come into the village, but was still where Martha had met him. So when the Jews who were with her in the house comforting her saw Mary get up quickly and go out, they followed her, presuming that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came to where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping and the Jews who had come with her weeping, he became perturbed* and deeply troubled, and said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "**Sir**, come and see." And Jesus wept. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him." But some of them said, "Could not the one who opened the eyes of the blind man have done something so that this man would not have died?"

So Jesus, perturbed again, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone lay across it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the dead man's sister, said to him, "Lord, by now there will be a stench; he has been dead for four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus **raised** his eyes and said, "Father, I thank you for hearing me. I know that you always hear me; but because of the crowd here I have said this, that they may believe that you sent me." And when he had said this, he cried out in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, tied hand and foot with burial bands, and his face was wrapped in a cloth. So Jesus said to them, "Untie him and let him go."

Now many of the Jews who had come to Mary and seen what he had done began to believe in him.

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.

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|-------------------------|---|
| _ _ _ _ _ | a historical region traditionally dominated by the city of Jerusalem and homeland of the tribe of Judah |
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| _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | to have honored or made holy by applying oil as part of a religious ceremony |
| | |
| _ _ _ _ _ | The end of life in any living thing |
| | |
| _ _ _ _ _ | to have received sounds with the ears |
| | |
| _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | those who follow a leader or teacher |
| | |
| _ _ _ _ | a form of address for a man, usually used in place of his name |
| | |
| _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | a return to life after death |
| | |
| _ _ _ _ _ | the hours of darkness between sunset and dawn |
| | |
| _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | instructor |
| | |
| _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | to have moved to a higher position, lifted |
| | |
| _ _ _ _ _ | to have stopped living |
| | |
| _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | throughout the entire time of |
| | |
| _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | to have praised, honored or worshiped |
| | |
| _ _ _ _ _ _ | having had all the water or moisture removed |
| | |
| _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | another name for the apostle Thomas |





Breakfast With The Easter Bunny

Sponsored by: Knights of Columbus, Worthy Ladies

Date: Sunday, March 29, 2026 – Time: 8 – 11 a.m.

Time: Admission: Adults \$12. 00 Kids 5 – 12 yrs. \$ 7.00

Activities: 50/50 & Easter Baskets Raffles

Baskets Compliments of the Worthy Ladies

Games & Crafts Easter egg hunt for the Kids

Provided by the Youth Volunteers

Menu: **PANCAKES, TATER TOTS, SCRAMBLED EGGS,
BACON, AND SAUSAGE**

Drinks: **ORANGE JUICE, APPLE JUICE, HOT TEA & COFFEE**

****** One Family Photo with the Easter Bunny
Included in Purchase of Breakfast***





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