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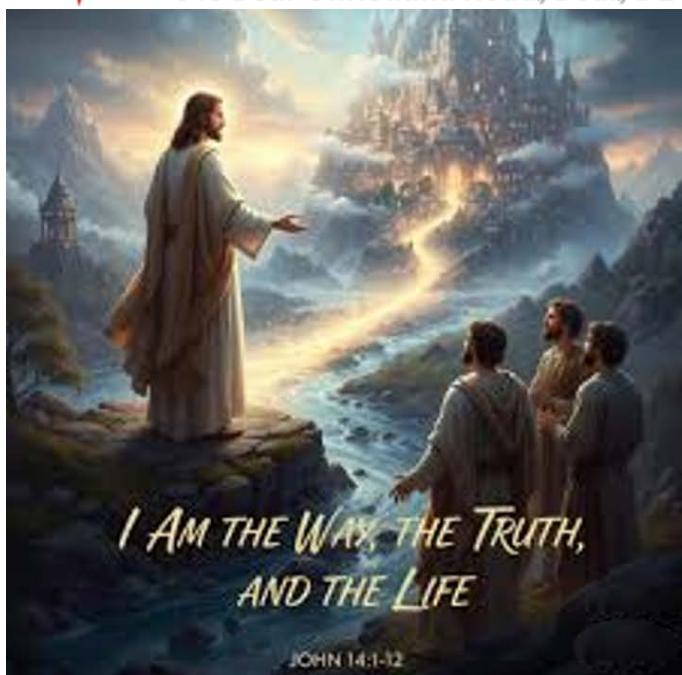
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Sunday, May 3, 2026

5th Sunday Of Easter

Vision...from the vantage point of Tradition

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Deacon William P. Kibler, Pastoral Associate 119

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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

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Cathy DeCrescenzo, Admin 101

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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

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

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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

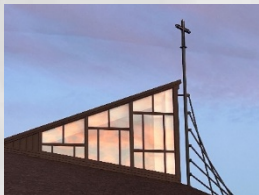
Email prayer request directly to: pray@setonparish.net provide the category in which you would like the prayer request to be placed. Names will appear in the Bulletin for approximately six weeks.

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...



The Gospel of John today talks about a “place” where we will be with the Father. While the disciples are thinking of a location, a house, or a dwelling place, Jesus invites them once again to think of the “place” as a relationship with the Father through Him. In intimacy with Jesus, we can be found and located. When we see Jesus with us, we can do the ministry and work of the Church as described in the Acts of the Apostles today. The church had to “organize” from the beginning. It needed people embracing specific needs and ministries. They are the example we follow today. We see the needs and we respond. Each discerning what the Spirit calls them to do to build up the church and the Mission of Jesus Christ.



May we be found in the place where Jesus dwells.

Fr. Carroll



I am grateful for the support and prayers over the last two months processing the loss of both of my parents: Mom (Marie) 2/14 and Dad (Norman) 4/13. I deal with the realities



of death in my ministry as a priest. I know the language and the things to be present to, but I embrace the reality that when it happens to you, you have to listen to yourself and those around you. Thank you for your words. I'll be patient and take care of myself.

Gratefully, Fr. Carroll



Faith & Charity Annual Catholic Appeal ~

Have you been able to participate in the 2026 Faith and Charity Appeal? There is still time. We want to increase the household participation so if you haven't

participated previously, please consider joining us. Envelopes can be found in the gathering space.

If you choose to pay your pledge online, please use the Diocesan platform to do so at:

<https://www.givecentral.org/appeals-form-registration/acp63918b0c36c7c/user/guest>

As of this last Dialog it was reported that we were at **\$108,949 towards our \$131,200** target. You can make the difference. We do not have any % of givers reported to date but help us increase that number.



On **Saturday, May 9** seminarian James Kimmel will be ordained to the Diaconate by Bishop Koenig at Holy Cross Church in Dover. The Mass begins at 11:00am. All are invited. He will serve as deacon and preach at an 11:00am Mass on Sunday, May 10 at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in north Wilmington. Pray for James as he prepares.



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!

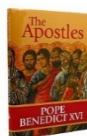
New families registering for the first time must be officially registered in the parish for 1 year prior to being accepted into the program. Contact RE Office for details.

MASS INTENTIONS

- Sat, May 2
4:00pm John & Cecelia Drupieski; Cordel Ambrose
- Sun, May 3
YouTube 8:00am Bill & Livia Candeloro
10:30am Michael Melancon
- Mon, May 4
8:30am People of the Parish
- Tues, May 5
6:30pm Emmanuel & Emeka Okocha
- Wed, May 6
8:30am Victor Capodanno
- Thurs, May 7
8:30am Dottie Lechmanik
- Sat, May 9
4:00pm Rose & Sandy Quattro
- Sun, May 10
YouTube 8:00am Albert & Edith Mirto
10:30am Charles Onochie

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Acts 6:1-7; 1 Peter 2:4-9; John 14:1-12



IN 2007 POPE BENEDICT PUBLISHED A SMALL BOOK ENTITLED "THE APOSTLES". It is a 21-chapter book, 174 pages, about the mission of the early Church, the 12 Apostles and their first co-workers. There is a study guide available for it. Let me know if you would like to join a book club for these weeks of Easter concluding with Pentecost. The book is available on Amazon for \$18.95. I have the study guide. If interested we can come up with a good meeting time each week. – Fr. Carroll



FOOD PANTRY~ The Food Pantry is in need of canned and powdered milk, & Pasta Sauce. 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. PG 2-314



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)

Tues, May 5	7:00pm	Parish Council~Hall
Wed, May 6	9-10:00am	Adoration ~ Chapel
	7-9:00pm	Adoration~Chapel
Thurs, May 7	8:30am	Mother's Day Tea~McGivney CR
	11:00am	Crochet Group~Hall
Sun, May 10	12:00pm	Baptism~Church
	12:00pm	CWA~McGivney CR
	2:30pm	SM Rel Ed~Formation Center
	4:00pm	SM Service~Church



SETON PRAYS

Email prayer requests to: pray@setonparish.net
"LET US PRAY"

For the repose of the soul of: Bill St. Marie; Norman W Carroll; George Brasure; Ronald Walters; Gloria D'Amico; Marie A Carroll; Shirley Ann Higbee.

For those in need of healing: Paradeep Reddy; Pat DiBella; Dom DiBella; Annette Guiberson; Sebron Fleming IV; Owen Arnold; Ron Flora; Eufemiano "Effy" D'Souza; Dee Ellis; Deacon José Sanchez; Janice Konsavich; Fran Giegerich; Al Volpe; Lisa Garber; Beth Schwenk; Cindy Delasser; Olivia Johnston; Mary Rose Femia; Tom Femia; Pamela Lussier; Stephen Forest; Alejandro Ramos, Sr & Jr; Amneris Ramos; Lizette Ramos; Princeton Silverira; Marlene Valle; Alissa Valle; Cecille Galvin; Anthony Tomczak; Gary Leader.

For the intentions of: The Seton Family



ARE YOU, OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW, IN NEED OF A WALKER? There are 4 that were donated and available for anyone who can use them. Maybe you need an extra? They are near the pastor's office.



Eternal rest grant unto:

Effy DeSousa
Antonio Fregapane

NEED SERVICE HOURS? It is amazing what gets thrown out the window on route 7. The most popular item: phone holders that drivers were done with. There is a constant need to clean up trash on the property and mostly along the road. We can get you the supplies to do the work and this is also an important ministry that can be done at a convenient time for you.

MAY IS MARY'S MONTH ~ Online, click this picture for a link for 8 tips for celebrating Mary.



See this video link for catechesis from Fr. Mike Schmidt:

https://youtu.be/pGRGv9_60il?si=MQ1GqmDoX4g5aYB9



WELCOME AND CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF OUR FIRST COMMUNICANTS!

In addition to our 2nd graders, we were able to respond to a number of older children who needed to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist. I know that they are happy to see this day when they join us at the table and receive Him. The diocesan requirement for the reception of a Sacrament is participation in Religious Education or Catholic School at least the year prior. We have a wonderful religious education program that many volunteers make possible every Wednesday night. We also have an online option for those who need it. We will not be able to respond to older children who need to complete sacraments every year. If we do so it becomes an alternative program and eventually an option. Formation in our Catholic Faith should be a regular part of a family's life. We offer classes for Grade 1 through 8. We have Sacramental Preparation for Reconciliation and Eucharist in 2nd grade and Confirmation in 8th grade.



ON PENTECOST SUNDAY, May 24 at 2:00pm, Bishop Koenig will celebrate the **Sacrament of Confirmation** for any adults (over 18) who need to complete the Sacrament. If you are interested

contact Fr. Carroll or Deacon Bill. We need to schedule 1 preparation session, gather your baptismal record and get you signed up.



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

ST ELIZABETH ANN SETON PARISH April 2026 STEWARDSHIP

	ENVELOPES	TOTAL
5-Apr	Offertory	\$ 14,337.00
12-Apr	Offertory	\$ 10,126.00
19-Apr	Offertory	\$ 17,049.00
26-Apr	Offertory	\$ 11,236.00
		\$
	OFFERTORY TOTAL	\$ 52,748.00
SPECIAL COLLECTIONS		TOTALS
	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT	\$ 340.00
	LANDSCAPING AND SNOW	\$ 108.00
	ENERGY COSTS - FUEL & AC	\$ 94.00
	OUTREACH	\$ 221.00
	ST. VINCENT DE PAUL	\$ 2,021.00
	PRESCHOOL	\$ 20.00
	EASTER OFFERING	\$ 4,582.00
	HOLY LAND SANCTUARARIES	\$ 1,412.00
	CATHOLIC RELIEF SVCS & LATIN AMERICA	\$ 705.00



MEN OF FAITH ~ Many of the full-blown delights of God's spring creation are in full bloom as we enter into Mary's month of May. Another treat is while we're still in Easter season both readings for next week are in the New Testament. In our first reading from Acts Philip is in Samaria, where he will be joined by Peter and John. As for the second, the Apostle Peter prepares us for defending our Faith in Christ. Want to learn more? Men of Faith, Saturday May 9, 10:am, room 102, Formation Center. Come and see.

LAST SUPPER DISCOURSES

JOHN 14:1-12

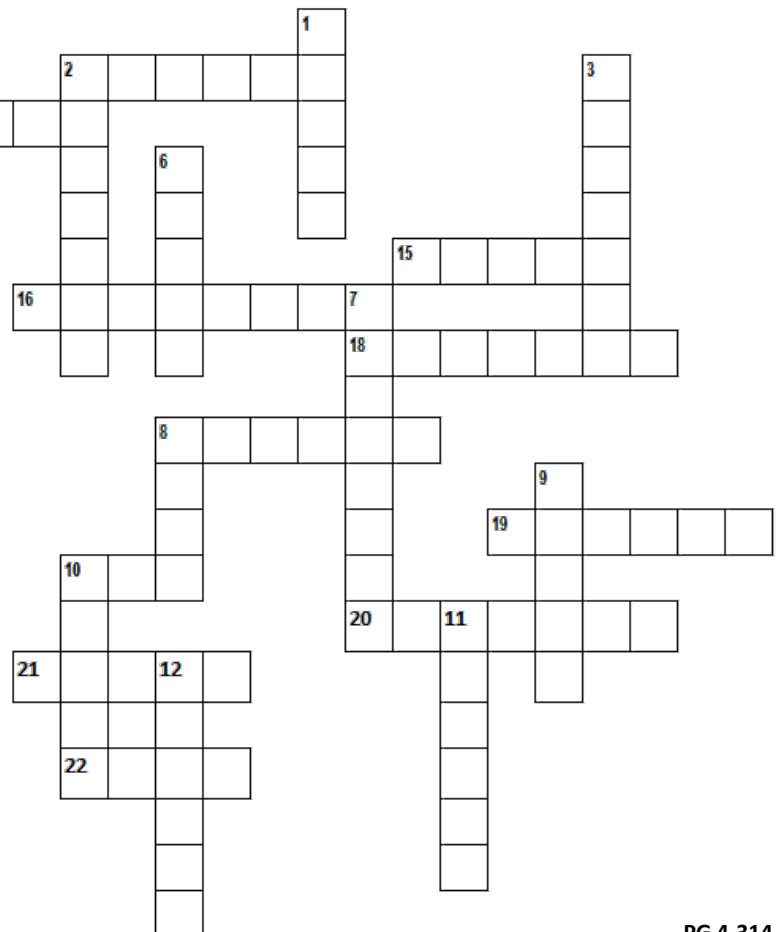
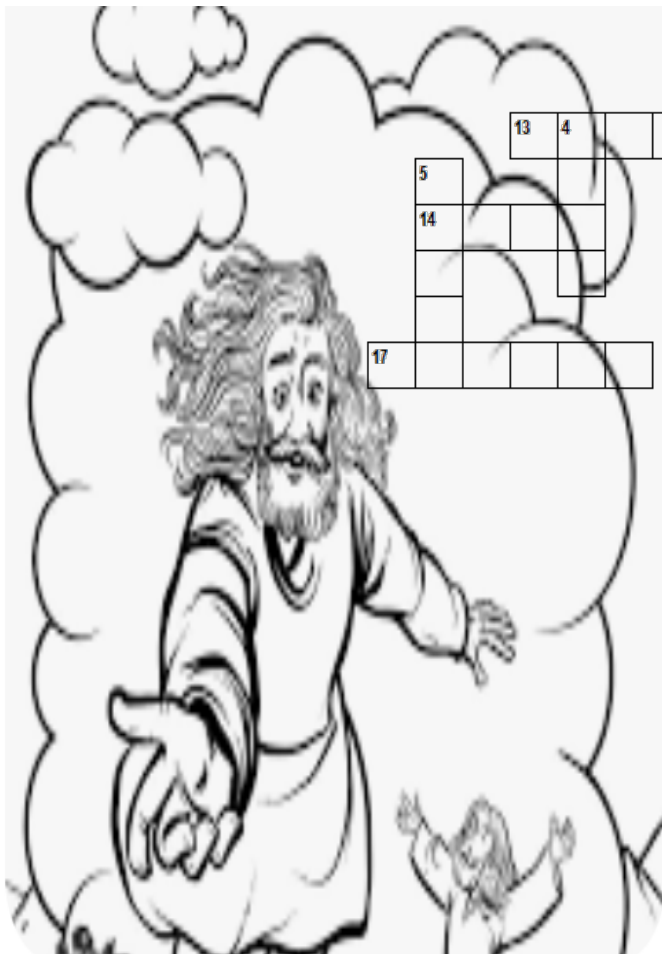
“Do not let your **hearts** be **troubled**. You have **faith** in God; have faith also in me. In my Father’s **house** there are **many dwelling** places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a **place** for you? And if I go and **prepare** a place for you, I will come back again and take you to **myself**, so that where I am you also may be. Where [I] am going you know the way.” **Thomas** said to him, “**Master**, we do not know where you are going; how can we know the way?” Jesus said to him, “I am the **way** and the **truth** and the **life**. No one comes to the **Father except** through me. If you know me, then you will also know my Father. From now on you do know him and have seen him.” **Philip** said to him, “Master, **show** us the Father, and that will be enough for us.” **Jesus** said to him, “Have I been with you for so long a time and you still do not know me, Philip? **Whoever** has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I **speak** to you I do not speak on my own. The Father who dwells in me is doing his works. **Believe** me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, or else, believe because of the **works** themselves. **Amen**, amen, I say to you, whoever believes in me will do the works that I do, and will do **greater** ones than these, because I am going to the Father.

DOWN:

1. To utter words in one’s usual voice
2. To make ready
3. To accept as honest or true
4. A word used at the end of a prayer or statement to mean “May it be so”
5. A space used for a specific purpose
6. The Son of God
7. A place where a person lives
8. A large number of
9. Trust or confidence
10. Jobs
11. Only
12. Apostle who Doubted the truth of Christ’s resurrection without proof

ACROSS:

2. An apostle of Jesus
8. My own self
10. A road or path leading from one place to another
13. A person with power or control
14. The time between birth and death
15. A building with connected rooms in which people of the same family or group live
16. Disturbed or worried
17. A person’s truest feelings
18. Anyone that
19. A male parent
20. Very large in size or number
21. A fact or principle that has been proved
22. To cause or allow to be seen



Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish Invitation



Who: All Parishioners

When: Saturday May 16th

at the conclusion of the 4:00 Mass

What: May Procession and Crowning of Our Lady

The Seton Circle of Grace Associates of the Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary cordially invite you to join us in a beloved Catholic tradition, a May Procession and the Crowning of Mary, our Holy Queen.

All who feel called are invited to participate in the procession: First Holy Communion and Confirmation Recipients, OCIA members, Religious Education Students, CWA, Girl and Boy Scouts, parishioners and anyone who loves Mary. You are welcome to bring a flower or a rosary to be donated to Christiana Hospital and Nursing Homes.



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