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Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish

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CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

THE LORD'S DAY

Saturday: 5:30PM (Birthday Blessing, 1st Sat)
Sunday: 7:00 (no music), 8:00, 9:30 (Family Mass)
11:00 AM (Solemn Choir Mass), 12:30 PM

Monday-Friday, 7:00AM, 9:00AM
Saturday, 9:00AM
Morning Prayer: Monday-Saturday 8:45AM
For Holy Day schedule, consult bulletin

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ADVENT 3

CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS

Baptism/Becoming a Catholic

Adults (RCIA): call the rectory for information
Infants: Parent Instructions, 2nd Saturday, 11:00am
Celebrations: 1st, 2nd, 3rd Sun., 1:30; 4th Sat, Noon

Reconciliation

Sat. 4-5:30PM; **Thurs.** 9:30AM
Other times: upon request.

Marriage

The Sacrament of Matrimony requires specific preparation.
Contact a priest **one year** before the planned ceremony.
Archdiocesan marriage instruction is mandatory.

Anointing of the Sick/Eucharist for the Homebound

Contact a priest for ministry to the sick and aged at home or at a local healthcare facility. Upon request, the Eucharist will be brought to **any Catholic** who is seriously ill or homebound.

Confirmation

Baptized adults who have never received First Eucharist and/or Confirmation should contact a priest to complete their Christian Initiation through the RC.I.A. process.

Holy Orders/Religious Vocations

A pastoral staff member is **always** ready to discuss the prospect of a vocation to the priesthood or religious life.

POPULAR DEVOTIONS

Eucharistic Adoration (Suspended for July and August)

Monday-Friday, Our Lady Memorial Chapel, 12:00-3PM
First Friday, 12:00-6:00PM
First Saturday, 9:30-10:30AM

Parish Council, Noreen Donnellan, 914-962-4419

Finance Council, Edward Murgja, 914-245-4512, Arthur Bortz (Emeritus)

Altar/Rosary Society, Janet Angelillo, 914-245-9248, Gerarda Brown

Altar Servers, Deacon Richard Juliano, 914-528-3547

Becoming a Catholic (RCIA), Fr. Robert Quarato

Bible Study (Tuesday) Pat Kiernan, 914-739-5461
Blood Bank, Agnes Manganelli, 845-628-1098
Boy Scouts/Cub Scouts, Steve Scott, 914-739-4621 / Brian Dever

Cardinal's Appeal, Roland Faucher, Susan Kolesar

Children's Liturgy of the Word, Judy Van Riper
Choirs and Sacred Music, Lana Kollath, 914-736-0372
CYO Basketball, Andre Soto, 845-284-2030
Matthew Parisi, 914-450-4959

Development Committee, Katherine Quinn, kquinn3502@aol.com

Eucharistic Adoration, Alex & Felicia Winogradoff, 845-526-4495
Ann DiGraci, 914-610-1379

Eucharistic Ministers, Fr. Robert Quarato

Founder's Group, Kathy Zsiday

Girl Scouts, Meg Jandrasits, 914-556-6003

Helping Hands, Cathy Bomba, 845-526-2214

Holy Name Society, Charles Angelillo, 914-245-9248
Homebound Visitation, Nancy Murgja, 914-245-4512
Hospitality Committee, Geraldine Inzirillo
Knights of Columbus, Robert Hecker, Charles Angelillo, GK

Novenas, following 9:00AM Mass

Monday, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Parish Patroness
Thursday, Miraculous Medal

Recitation of the Rosary, Our Lady Memorial Chapel, After 9:00 Masses, daily

Lectors, Judy Van Riper

Legion of Mary, Loretta Mozeleski

Making All Things New Committee, Janet Angelillo, 914-245-9248

Marketing & Communications, Patrice Athanasidy

Medjugorie Rosary Guild, Joan Nastasi

Midnight Run Committee, Walter Krisa, 914-248-9737,
Eileen Kulp, 914-391-5418

Ministers of Hospitality (Ushers), Len Vallario, Bill Bertram

Nursing Home Ministry, Terence Floyd

Parish Book Club, Tere McCue-Fleming

Parish Center Building Committee (PCBC), Tony Iraola

Parish Pilgrimages, Alex Winogradoff, 845-526-4495

Peekskill Pastors' Lunch Program, Mary Ellen Modico, 914-528-3547

Photography, Ed Herzog, 914-844-7611

Prayer Shawl Ministry, Pam Adamovich, 845-528-4483

Regional School Board, No. West./Put, Tom Engelhart, Frank Inzirillo

Religious Education, Sara Koshofer, 845-528-8553

Respect Life Committee, Laura Parisi

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, (see Becoming a Catholic)

Safe Environment Program, Mary Ellen Modico, 914-528-3547

Saint Mary's Food Pantry, Anne Dougherty

Saint Matthew's Guild, Joe Pikula, Bill Lewis

School, Parish, Sr. Gabriel Miriam, S.C., 914-528-3563

Sacristan, Sunday, Joseph Mozdziejz

Third Order (Secular) Franciscans, Nick Oliverio

Ushers (see: Ministers of Hospitality)

Webmaster, Noreen Donnellan, 914-962-4419

A Note about Becoming Sponsors For Baptism and Confirmation

Here, at Seton, Certificates of Sponsorship are given by the pastor to registered members of the parish who are practicing Catholics. Please see the pastor after Mass on Saturday evening or Sunday to inquire about getting a certificate.

Please Note:

Although we appreciate your generosity, food items for donation cannot be left at the rectory. We have no means to bring the items to their designated donation place. Thank you for your understanding.

MASS INTENTIONS

	5:30	Joanne Finnerty
Sun	Dec 14	Third Sunday of Advent
	7:00	Frederick J. Niebler
	8:00	Mary Bastiani
	9:30	Pietro Canale
	11:00	Edward F. Cook & Msgr. John J. Foley
	12:30	People of Seton Parish
Mon	Dec 15	Advent Weekday
	7:00	Ruth Fuller
	9:00	Joseph & Charlotte Straguzzi
Tue	Dec 16	Advent Weekday
	7:00	Dec'd Mbrs Lehane Family
	9:00	Ron D'Alessandro
Wed	Dec 17	Late Advent Weekday
	7:00	Garrett McKeon
	9:00	Giuseppe Gusmano
Thurs	Dec 18	Late Advent Weekday
	7:00	Christopher Rao
	9:00	Carmela & Anthony Sarnelli
Fri	Dec 19	Late Advent Weekday
	7:00	James Bremner
	9:00	Living & Dec'd Mbrs of the Delehanty, Fitzpatrick & Barry Families
Sat	Dec 20	Late Advent Weekday
	9:00	Hugo Tassone and Magdalene & Ralph Formisano
	5:30	Paul Oswald
Sun	Dec 21	Fourth Sunday of Advent
	7:00	Harold Whalen
	8:00	Terence & Margaret Sullivan
	9:30	Antonia Gusmano
	11:00	Dec'd Mbrs Cook & Lavezzoli Families
	12:30	People of Seton Parish

WEEKLY MEMORIALS (3)

The **Sanctuary Lamp**, indicating the Real Presence, burns in honor of the living and deceased members of the **Giacobbi Family**.

The **Eternal Flame** in Our Lady Memorial Chapel, burning in memory of deceased children, and those lost on September 11, 2001, has been donated in memory of **Tommy Roberts**.

The **Sacramental Bread and Wine** were donated in memory of the deceased members of the **Flannery & Frankenberry Families**.

Religious Ed Catechist Substitute

Our Religious Ed program needs a **7th grade Wednesday Catechist Substitute** from 4:30 to 6:00pm for **January** and **February**. Please call **Sara Koshofer, 914-528-8553** or email **setonre@bestweb.net**.

Select December Events

Mon, Dec 15 Advent Reconciliation Monday
 Thu, Dec 25 Christmas Day-Rectory Closed
 Fri, Dec 26 Christmas Friday-Rectory Closed
Second Collections: Seton Emergency Maintenance, Seton Christmas Flowers, Retirement Fund for Religious

Tomorrow!

Reconciliation Monday & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Consider preparing for the celebration of the Nativity of Our Lord (Christmas) by making "**a good confession**." You and your families are welcome to come to our church tomorrow, **Monday, December 15th, between the hours of 4:00 and 9:00 PM** to be reconciled with our Lord. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for veneration during the Confession period.

Cub Scout "Giving Tree"

Seton Cub Scouts collected gifts for the parish "Giving Tree" at all the Masses today. Many thanks to all who contributed! Please contact **Kathleen Kaiser, 914-245-0597** or **kmkaiser@optonline.net** with any questions, or if you were not able to return your gift this weekend.



**PARISHPAY – ELECTRONIC COLLECTION
 SUPPORT SETON WITH ONLINE DONATIONS**
 See our website, **www.seton-parish.org**, go to **ParishPay.com**, or call **866-727-4741**. See pages 7 & 8.

More needed!

Hats, Scarves & Gloves

The Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal request donations of **new hats, scarves and gloves** for distribution at Christmas to the poor whom they serve in the Bronx. Boxes will be at all the entrances to the church **next weekend**. We appreciate your generosity to those who are in need.

Our Lady of Fatima

The Seton Legion of Mary Fatima statue can be brought to any homebound parishioner for a week to pray with them and their family. If interested, please call **Loretta, 845-803-7291**.

PRAY FOR OUR SICK

As is our custom, a person's name will appear for four weeks, after which it will be removed unless we hear from the family.

Barbara Barreiro, Gloria Cacciottoli, Gloria Colbrook, Oscar Orlando Cruz, Brynlee Davis, Edward DiCaprio, Kathleen Hefernan, Patrick Hurley, Jr., Eileen Kostecke, Marie Lazarz, Brad Lewis, Sr., Noreen Malanaphy, Lucy Mazzeo, Ramona Olszewski, Mary O'Neill, Frank O'Rourke, Katharine Pacensa, Terry Samborski

PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED

**Donald Carlin, George Walme,
 Elizabeth Kinzel, Antoinette Palumbo,
 Eugene Sheehan**

Next Weekend

Second Collection: Seton

Dec. 20th/21st: Emergency Maintenance Fund

Third Sunday

50/50 Raffle

Tickets for the 50/50 Raffle will be on sale at all Masses next weekend, Dec. 20th/21st. Last month the winner won \$540.50.

Monthly Prayer Intentions of Pope Francis

The Holy Father asks the people of the world to pray with him for the following during December:

Christmas, hope for humanity. That the birth of the Redeemer may bring peace and hope to all people of good will.

Parents. That parents may be true evangelizers, passing on to their children the precious gift of faith.

ARE YOU THINKING ABOUT BECOMING A CATHOLIC?

OR ARE YOU AN ADULT WHO WOULD LIKE TO

RECEIVE COMMUNION AND/OR CONFIRMATION?

Please speak to Fr. Quarato if you are interested. RCIA Meets on Tuesday evenings from 7:30PM to 9PM in the Chapel.

Cold/Flu Season – Some Precautions!

In order to ensure the health and wellbeing of all, some precautions are advisable. If you are sick or showing symptoms of a cold/flu please remain at home for your own wellbeing and for the wellbeing of others in our parish family. There is no obligation to attend Mass if you are ill. Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are to use the available hand sanitizer before entering the sanctuary to assist in the distribution of Holy Communion. As a general rule, close contact with others is best avoided. At the sign of peace, consider a kind word, bow, nod or wave instead of shaking hands. Hand shaking is not required. Avoiding close contact with others will go a long way in helping prevent the spread of the common cold/flu. Thank you for your cooperation!

It's Time to Come Home!

www.CatholicsComeHome.org

ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON SCHOOL ALUMNI

In anticipation of Seton School's 50th anniversary in 2015-16, we are searching for all Seton graduates and alumni. If you are a Seton alumnus, parent, relative, friend, spread the word and send full contact information to SetonShrubOakAlumni@outlook.com or call **Christopher Campo, 845-526-2363**. Find us on Facebook: "Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton School Alumni, Shrub Oak, NY."

Looking for that right person?

www.catholic singles.com

REMINDER FOR 8:00 MASS-GOERS!

December 21st, Sunday morning's Religious Ed classes begin with the 8:00 AM Mass; so it is very important that students be in the auditorium by 7:45 AM. If they are brought after Mass begins, they are to *sit with their parents* for the Mass.

ALTAR SERVER FINAL TRAINING

SETON Boys and Girls who signed up to be altar servers must complete **one of the these remaining sessions to be held in the church. TRAINING SESSIONS:**

Mondays: 3:30 – 5:00 PM, Thursdays: 3:30 – 5:00 PM

Saturdays: 1:30-3PM.

DATES (All server candidates must attend one of each session):

SESSION 6 - 1/5 or 1/8 or 1/10

Eucharistic Adoration Suspended

Beginning tomorrow, Eucharistic Adoration is suspended **until Monday, January 5th** due to Christmas preparations. For those who are very committed to this most beautiful devotion, we suggest private adoration in the church.

Altar and Rosary Society

We meet for our monthly **9:30 Mass** next Sunday, **December 21st**.

Happy Birthday!

We wish a very "Happy Birthday" to all **parish children** who celebrate their birthdays in December, especially those who received a blessing at the 5:30 Mass last Saturday: **Angelica Amantea, Krystabella Gad, Jack Degl, Emma Numme, Nikole Kristoferson, Joseph DiGraci, Will Brann, Dominic Mongello, Billy Pike**

Midnight Run

Members of the Seton Midnight Run were outside church at all the Masses this weekend collecting donations to help support the Friday, December 19th Run. Warm winter clothing is needed, and since homeless men outnumber homeless women by a large margin, men's winter clothing is in high demand. Warm blankets are also needed. Please leave donations inside the first gym door. Clothes sorting is on **Wednesday night in the gym from 7PM – 9PM**, and on Thursday, if needed. We also need **volunteers** to help load the truck and prepare the food on Friday, **December 19th at 3PM** for about an hour. Thank you in advance for all you do for our homeless friends. Questions: **Call Walt Krisa, 914-248-9737, or Eileen Kulp, 914-391-5418.**

Seton School Christmas Play

Our students and faculty invite all grandparents and senior citizens to a special performance of "**The Gifts of Christmas**" on **Wednesday, Dec. 17th** at 1:30pm in the **Church**.

Young Adult Outreach

www.catholicnyc.com

ADVENT: THE SEASON OF HOPE AND ANTICIPATION

Celebrating Advent:

Evergreens and the Advent Wreath

Advent is a Christian festival that can be easily observed in the home as well as at church. With its association with Christmas, Advent is a natural time to involve children in activities at home that directly connect with church. In the home an Advent wreath is often placed on the dining table and lighted at meals, with Scripture readings preceding the lighting of the candles, especially on Sunday. A new candle is lighted each Sunday during the four weeks, and then the same candles are lighted each meal during the week. In this context, it provides the opportunity for family devotion and prayer together, and helps teach the Faith to children, especially if they are involved in reading the daily Scriptures.

It is common in many homes to try to mark the beginning of Advent in other ways as well, for the same purpose of instruction in the faith. Some families decorate the house progressively as Advent continues, or bake special cookies or treats, or simply begin to use special table coverings for meals. An Advent Calendar is a way to keep children involved in the entire season. There are a wide variety of Advent calendars, but usually they are simply a card or poster with windows that can be opened, one each day of Advent, to reveal some symbol or picture associated with the Old Testament story leading up to the birth of Jesus. One unique and specialized Advent devotional that can be used either in the home or in church is a Jesse Tree. This is an evergreen tree which is progressively adorned with symbols from the Old and New Testaments. At the end of Advent, this same tree (easily done with an artificial tree) can become the Christmas tree as the Advent symbols of the promise give way to the joyful ornaments of the fulfillment. These provide opportunities to teach children the significance of this sacred time, and to remind ourselves of it as well.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER AND LECTOR TRAINING

After Christmas, we will begin training sessions for Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. A candidate must be Catholic at least 14 years of age to become a Lector / 18 years of age to become a Eucharistic Minister, having received First Holy Communion and Confirmation. The candidate must be leading a life of faith in keeping with the function to be assumed, not bound by any canonical penalty legitimately imposed or declared, be reverential, respectful of his/her faith, and of good moral character; and if married, be in a valid marriage according to the law of the Catholic Church. Lectors should possess the necessary ability and talents to proclaim the Word of God in a clear, dignified, and effective manner. Extraordinary Ministers who will bring Holy Communion to the sick should be able to minister to the sick in a compassionate, prayerful, and sensitive way. They should possess psychological maturity and the ability to keep confidences, not discussing indiscriminately the condition of patients or their homes. Many signed up on Ministry Weekend. If you did not sign up then, and are interested, please call the rectory. Questions? Please see Fr. Quarato. *Working together to serve the Seton Family.*

BANNS OF MATRIMONY

Please remember in your prayers those who are to be joined in the Sacrament of Marriage in the next few weeks:

Announcement 3:

Kyle Ferry & Christine Chiara

First & Third Sundays

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Next Sunday, **Dec. 21st**, following the Opening Prayer at the **9:30AM** Family Mass, we will invite youngsters, ages 4 to 7, to come to Our Lady Memorial Chapel for a *Children's Liturgy of the Word*. Parents of little ones may accompany them.

Safe Environment/Safer Spaces

Victoria Amoruso will no longer handle our Safe Environment/Safer Spaces Program. The program will be administered at the rectory. For questions, call **914-528-3547**. We thank Vickie for her dedicated service to the program, and our parish.

Today!

Prayer Shawls

The Prayer Shawl Ministry meets in the Chapel **today, Sunday, December 14th from 2-3 p.m.** This will be the last meeting before the Christmas Midnight Run, so all hats/scarves should be turned in today. Any questions, please call **Pam Adamovich at 845-528-4483**.

Widows & Widowers

St. Patrick Church, Yorktown, Widows and Widowers' Support Club meets **Tuesday, Dec. 19th at 7:00 pm** for their annual Christmas party.

DECEASED PARISHIONERS

Parishioners who "passed from this life to the next" during the week of December 13th in previous years: **Benedict Mariane, Albert Simone, Marshall baby, Eugene Hickey, Lawrence P. Carolan, Mary Ravoli, George Kehayas, Joan Hickson, Carolann Smith, James McKenna, Anna Salvagio, Helen Fallon, George DeMarco, Jr., Edward Cook, Dymna Connolly, Donald McGovern, Edmund T. Craine, Elizabeth A. Joyce, Doris O. Bradford, Kenneth A. Rosato, Paul Longo, Joseph Monte, Nicholas Scalfone, Giovanni Gaudio, Cornelius O'Leary, Dedrick R. Rademaker, Joseph Pernaci, Grace Aprile, Dan Baretta, Lothar Wald, Frank Genova, Dolores Ann Brown, Emily Wills, Robert Calabrese, Mary E. Tobin, Margaret M. Clark, Fred Morgenthaler, Theresa LaRotonda, Anna Monteleone, Frances Azzolino**

BULLETIN SPOTLIGHT

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