St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

FOLLOW JESUS | SERVE OTHERS

September 5, 2021

VISION

To be a growing community that inspires all to follow Jesus with a spirit of inclusion, compassion and service

MISSION

We encourage all to deepen their relationship with Jesus through scripture, prayer, stewardship and ministry to others

Welcome to St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

TO FELLOW DISCIPLES OF OUR LORD JESUS:
I keep repeating myself by saying that as your read your Bibles, always look for a deeper meaning/message than just the surface idea. So many people look at the surface or literal meaning of a passage and many times, miss the real deeper possibilities that this Word of God might want to give us.

This weekend we hear from the Prophet Isaiah (35, 4-7): **"Then the eyes of the blind will be opened, the ears of the deaf unstopped, then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the mute sing for joy."**

To consider a deeper message, imagine that the Prophet Isaiah was NOT talking about anything physical. Do you know anyone whose vision is 20/20 but still is blind in some areas of his thinking and life? Do you know anyone whose hearing is perfect but still will not listen to what you have to say? Do you know of anyone who can walk around perfectly but still is "lame" in personal appearance or in the care of his physical health? Do you know of anyone who can talk quite plainly but still foul and negative words come out of his mouth?

I think you might get the message of what I am trying to say. I believe every one of us knows of others who fit into some of these categories. Please continue to roll these ideas around in your thinking because I bet each of you can think of more areas in which these might apply.
Now the really challenging message is, might some of this apply to ourselves? This is one area no one likes to think about. Could the person these represent be the person in the mirror? WOW! Talk about a real blow to the ego. It is so easy to see the faults and failings in someone else and so difficult to really see and accept these same faults and failings in ourselves.

Please take a little time and thought this Labor Day weekend and ponder these areas in our own lives, attitudes and actions. As we all prepare for the new beginnings that every fall season gives us, may we resolve to see, hear, walk and speak more like the Lord Jesus Himself.

Early fall blessings and Shalom,

Father Joe

Father Joe Aufdermauer, Parish Priest,
262-782-6760

LITURGICAL LIFE

Reflect on this Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

The prophet Isaiah spoke of the importance of being strong of heart when it comes to the ways of God. Why do you think this is such an important virtue?

Second Reading:

James encouraged believers to view the rich and poor from God's perspective. Why do you think people struggle with this divine point of view?

Gospel Reading:

In today's reading, we hear how Jesus healed the deaf man with a speech impediment at the request of the "people" close to this man. Who do you know in your life who needs healing from Jesus?

SETON picnic!

Sunday, Sept. 12th | 12-5PM

• following 10:45AM outdoor Mass •

Live Music | Fire Truck | Raffle Prizes

IT'S FREE!

Picnic Food

Hamburgers • Hot Dogs • Brats
Beer • Wine • Soda
Apple Cider Donuts • Coffee • Mimosas
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Ice Cream Truck | Yard Games | Magician & Balloon Twister

"Living the Gift of Sunday" through the Eyes of the Pastoral Council

I grew up in the days of Latin Masses and wearing "Sunday best" to Church. The Lord's Day was a day of rest, relaxation, and regrouping, - - -and we embraced it. After Mass my family enjoyed a special breakfast with lots of discussion about the readings, homily, music, and our lousy singing voices. Most stores were closed and no unnecessary chores were done. Bishop Fulton Sheen was on the radio. Night prayers were said together, and were longer than usual. They always included thankfulness for our many blessings.

As an adult with much more to do, Sundays became nearly as busy as the other six days. I prefer Saturday evening Mass to slow down the work week and begin a feeling of Sunday. After reading ***Living the Gift of Sunday***, I decided to stop filling my Sundays working on tasks which annoyed me, and instead to focus more on things that bring me joy and closeness to God. That includes starting my day with some spiritual reading. Father Joe may have mentioned once or twice the benefits of reading the Bible. I feel joy gardening, spending time with my family and friends, either in person or on the phone, going for a walk, sitting outside alone or with my husband, enjoying our backyard, gardens, birds, butterflies, and feeling gratefulness and peacefulness.

A message from ***Living the Gift of Sunday***, (page 23) is, "It has been said that the most perfect of prayers is also the simplest. Two words 'Thank you!' It is no coincidence that the Great Prayer of the Church is the same, the meaning of the word 'Eucharist' is to 'give thanks.'" Spending time with loved ones, appreciating nature, and the words and goodness of God, fill my mind and spirit with great thankfulness to God, the Giver of all gifts.

Brigid Riordan, Parish Council Member

CHILD MINISTRY SUNDAY PROGRAM OPPORTUNITY!

We are looking for 5-6 enthusiastic, faith-filled people to lead/co-lead K4-K5 and Grades 4-6 small groups on Sunday mornings from 9:30-10:30 am. If you feel a nudge from the Holy Spirit, please pray on it and let us know! With the right number of volunteers, small group leaders would be responsible for about 6-8 kids. We can be flexible with individual schedules and needs.

For more information or to express interest, please contact Ann Ryan (262) 782-8982 . Our first session is on **Sunday, September 19**.

Children's Sacramental Preparation Program

Registration is now open!

Children in 2nd-6th grade are invited to prepare to receive their First Reconciliation and First Eucharist (First Communion) this school year. For more information and to access online registration, go to our website at *https://www.mystelizabeth.com/child-ministry*. Feel free to contact Barb Lee or Johannah Lee through the website email or by calling the Christian Formation Office at (262)782-8982 with any questions about the Children's Sacramental Preparation Program.

We look forward to working with you and your children to prepare them for these amazing sacraments!

Barb Lee and Johannah Lee
Coordinators of Children's Ministry

Women's LIFE Night

It's time for a little "LIFE" ladies (Living in Faith Every day)! This monthly group meets on the third Wednesday of each month to talk about our Catholic faith through scripture, prayer, study, and one another. All women are welcome to join this faith-filled, inclusive group! We start this year off on September 15 at 6:30 p.m. in the Seton Reflection Room, located off the Gathering Space. This year, we will be exploring the Sunday Gospel readings. No need to register, just come on over and join in. Questions? Contact Sue Switalski at 262-782-8982.

The faith community and staff of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton extend our deepest sympathy, prayers, and support on the loss of:

Gerald M. Boldt
Died on August 11, 2021
Buried on August 28, 2021

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let the perpetual light shine upon him.

St. Luke Fall Festival
Friday, September 10, 2021
4:00 to 11:00 p.m.
18000 W. Greenfield Avenue
Brookfield, WI, *stlukebrookfield.org/festival*

- 4:00 pm — St. Luke's Famous fish fry, serving baked/fried fish, shrimp, baked potatoes, and hot dogs
- 4:00 -8:00 pm — Marketplace featuring local crafts and home based vendors
- 4:30-6:30 pm — Eric Diamond performing as Neil Diamond
- 5:30-8:30 pm — Children's Activities
- 7:00-10:30 pm — Music by Our House Band

All couples celebrating their 25th (silver) anniversary and 50th (golden) anniversary and also couples married over 50 years are invited to join for our annual Jubilee Mass!

Saturday, October 9, 2021 | 10:00am
St. Mary's Parish
9520 W. Forest Home Ave
Hales Corners, WI

After Mass there will be a photo opportunity with Bishop Schuerman. This event is free to all jubilee couples and their families (up to six guests). Lunch will not be provided. Please register here: *https://archmil.regfox.com/2021-jubilee-mass*. Questions? Call Emily at 414-758-2213.

Are you looking for a catechesis program for your special needs child? On September 20, the Vine and Branches catechesis program for special needs children will begin another school year. Vine and Branches has been in existence since the 1980's. During this time we have been fortunate enough to have special needs students participate in First Holy Communion, First Reconciliation, and Confirmation. The program meets 18 weeks a year at the Youth Center at St. Leonard Catholic Church in Muskego. All ages are welcome to participate in this program.

Vine and Branches charges no tuition to families of the students. The program is funded by the Knights of Columbus and cooperating parishes pay a stipend. Currently, the cooperating parishes are St. Leonard, St. Matthias, St. John the Evangelist, Milwaukee, and St. Joseph, Big Bend.

We always have room for more children. If you have a child who would benefit from this program, please contact Deacon Rick Wirch at 414-233-3586 for more information.

Grades 9-12 Opportunity: The National Catholic Youth Conference, NCYC, will be held in Indianapolis, IN, **Thursday-Sunday, November 18-21, 2021**. Join with over 12,000 teens and adults from all parts of the U.S. to celebrate being Catholic, by serving, learning, playing and praying together, plus having loads of fun! Cost is $150/person. If you are interested and want more details, contact Mickey Holtz in the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Youth Ministry Office.

Grades K4 -10 SUNDAY Christian Formation begins on **Sunday, September 19**, **9:30-10:30am**. If you have not yet registered, there is still time; please do so quickly! Registration forms can be found on Seton's website. We look forward to a wonderful spirit-filled year together!!!

Grades 9-12 Workcamp Mission 2022: Mark your calendars Grades 9-12 high school teens! We are going to **Fairbanks, ALASKA** for our Workcamp Mission Trip **June 18-25, 2022**! Early registration discount through Sept 17! **Parent and Teen Information Meetings are Tuesday, September 14 and Wednesday, September 15, at 6 pm** in Seton Hall. Questions? Contact Mickey Holtz, Director of Youth Ministry at 262-782-8982.

Mass INTENTIONS

Sunday, September 5, — 23rd Sunday in Orderly Time

8:30 AM †Jerry Gritzmacher
(John Gritzmacher)
†Harold & Lorraine Gillman
(Ralph & Susan Berginz)

10:45 AM Living and deceased members of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Monday, September 6 — Labor Day

8:30 AM Rosary

9:00 AM †Tom McCarthy
(Beverly McCarthy)
†Mary Flaherty
(Betty & Dave Sippel)

Thursday, September 9 — St. Peter Claver, Priest

7:30 AM Rosary

8:00 AM †Grandparents
(Carol Neubauer)
†Dennis Allard
(Mike & Sue Boinski)

Saturday, September 11 — Blessed Virgin Mary, Patriot Day

4:00 PM Reconciliation

5:00 PM †Calvin Newsom
(Mae Newsom)
†Gene Landgraf
(Friends of Deer Haven Golf Course)

Sunday, September 12, — 24th Sunday in Orderly Time

8:30 AM †Donald J. Chrzan
(Dolores Chrzan)
†Joe Kopinski
(Joe & Wendy Kopinski)

10:45 AM Living and deceased members of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Calendar of EVENTS

Sunday, September 5
Counting Team #1

Monday, September 6
Office Closed

Tuesday, September 7
7:00 PM AA Meeting (Sippel Hall)

Wednesday, September 8
1:00 PM - 3:00 PM Grief Support (Sippel Hall)

Thursday, September 9
9:30 AM Bereavement Meeting (Seton Hall)

Sunday, September 12
Counting Team #2
12:00 PM - 5:00 PM PARISH PICNIC

Readings for the week of September 5, 2021
Sunday: Is 35:4-7a/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37
Monday: Col 1:24—2:3/Ps 62:6-7, 9 [8]/Lk 6:6-11
Tuesday: Col 2:6-15/Ps 145:1b-2, 8-9, 10-11 [9]/Lk 6:12-19
Wednesday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Ps 13:6ab, 6c [Is 61:10]/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23
Thursday: Col 3:12-17/Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6 [6]/Lk 6:27-38
Friday:1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14/Ps 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 11 [cf. 5]/Lk 6:39-42
Saturday:1 Tm 1:15-17/Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a and 6-7 [2]/Lk 6:43-49
Next Sunday: Is 50:5-9a/Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [9]/Jas 2:14-18/Mk 8:27-35

Family Faith Formation Volunteer Opportunity

We are in need of substitute small group leaders to fill in when one of our regular small group leaders is unable to be there. Most Family Faith sessions are on the second Monday evening of the month, from 6:00 pm-7:45 pm. Please contact Barb Lee at Christian Formation Office (262)782-8982 if you are able to substitute when needed.

Parish Directory

The Parish Office is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm.
Parish Office: 262-782-6760
Christian Formation Office: 262-782-8982
Parish Website: mystelizabeth.com
Saturday Mass: ..... 5:00 PM
Sunday Mass: ..... 8:30 AM & 10:45 AM
Daily Mass: ..... 8:00 AM Mon. & Thurs.
Rosary: ..... 7:30 AM Mon. & Thurs.
Individual Sacrament of Reconciliation
Every Saturday ..... 4:00 PM-4:30 PM

Our Staff

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Deacon Dick Winkowski dickw@mystelizabeth.com

"Companions on the Journey" Grief Support Group

You are welcome to attend either or both of the summer meetings; each focuses on a different topic:

Wednesday, September 8
1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton –
(Sippel Hall, Matthew/Mark Room)
or under the canopy outside in front of the east doors on a nice day

Please bring a mask. Also bring water or beverage, and a lawn chair on a nice day.

This is an opportunity for you to share your story of grief in losing a loved one (sharing is optional), in a safe and supportive environment. We offer comfort, friendship, and resources (books, pamphlets, etc.).

Since Seton collaborates with Holy Apostles Parish, you can attend these evening sessions as alternatives:

Monday, September 13, 6:30-8:30 pm
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