

LIGHT CAME INTO THE WORLD.

— JOHN 3:19 —

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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March 10, 2024

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Reflecting on the Gospel

Today we have the gospel that is often seen on signs or car bumpers, John 3:16, "For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son." This is the ultimate gift of love for the "world" or us. John also gives us guidance on the best way to respect this gift.

John talks about light and dark. Light being living the truth and honoring the gift of Jesus and dark being doing wicked things which do not honor or respect the gift of God's love.

John talks about this is in terms of absolutes. However, life is usually not lived in absolutes. We have all slips in our behavior or thoughts that lean towards the dark. John suggests that even the most wicked have the opportunity to move into the light.

I am a nurse. Obtaining good health behaviors can be a struggle for us. In our society, we have lots of opportunity to do things that do not support good health: fast food, sweets, taking the elevator instead of the stairs and smoking, to name a few. But we all keep working to make improvements, and often small improvements can have a dramatic effect. Also, when we make a small change, it often leads to other changes. Lose a few pounds, and it is easier to walk, which leads to other improvements.

Similarly, the readings today suggest that when we make moves toward the light, we are met with love and grace from God to help us. John notes that God did not send Jesus to condemn people, but rather to help them find the light and be saved. If we make a move to the light, say join a small group to learn more, it can lead to other moves like improved prayer life, which can lead to other changes.

Lent is a perfect time to reflect on the things that might be preventing you from coming to the light. Just as we can make changes that improve our health, we can make changes to move more toward the light. The Lord will welcome us with grace and love.

Paula Lucey, RN

Pastoral Council Member



Reconciliation

This Lent, grow closer to God in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, New Berlin
Individual Reconciliation
~ Saturdays from 4:00-4:30 PM

Holy Apostles, New Berlin
Lenten Communal Reconciliation Service
~ Saturday, March 16 from 10:00-11:00 AM

St. Luke, Brookfield
Individual Reconciliation
~ Saturdays at 4:00 PM

St. Matthias, Milwaukee
Individual Reconciliation
~ Saturday, March 16 at 8:30 AM
~ Wednesday, March 20 from 8 AM to 8 PM

St. Dominic Parish, Brookfield
Individual Reconciliation
~ Wednesday, March 20 from 8 AM to 8 PM

Pray, Reconcile & Rejoice 12 Hours of Reconciliation

On **Wednesday, March 20**, area priests will be available for the sacrament of Reconciliation at 11 parishes throughout the Archdiocese of Milwaukee. For a complete list of parishes, scan the QR code below or visit [archmil.org/pray-reconcile-rejoice](https://www.archmil.org/pray-reconcile-rejoice).



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PRAY | CONNECT WITH GOD

Lenten Prayer Service with Communion

Wednesday, March 13 at 6:30 PM in Church

Daily readings, Gospel reflections, meditations, music and blessings will be celebrated and shared as a great way to add prayer to Lent.

Labyrinth

Thursday, March 14 in Sippel Hall

After 8:00 AM Mass until 10:00 AM & 6:30-8:00 PM

The Labyrinth, which has no dead ends, is used as a path for walking prayer. Please join us for a prayerful walk and quiet reflection in our indoor labyrinth. Helpers will be on site to answer your questions or see the labyrinth video at mystelizabeth.com/serve/labyrinth.

Stations of the Cross

Friday, March 15 at 6:30 PM in Church

Led by **Child Ministry**, take up your cross and follow Jesus, giving of your gifts to God and His people along the way.



Join **Skylar Kumprey**, Seton's Director of Youth Ministry, each week this Lent to reflect on the upcoming Sunday Gospel readings.

mystelizabeth.com/lent-pray

What's up with... all the incense?

The bells and smells of our Catholic faith can be experienced all year long. During Lent, Seton implements the use of incense at each of our weekend Masses. Incense has many meanings in our Catholic faith. It can symbolize sanctification and purification (see the Lent connection there?) along with our collective prayers, as a Holy people, being lifted to God. How does God speak to you through this ancient tradition?



Encounter: The Holy Spirit: A Game Changer

One of the most powerful ways to grow in our faith and knowledge is by understanding and listening to the Holy Spirit. Let's jump in and learn how to trust, recognize, and implement the work of the Holy Spirit in our faith lives.

Sun., March 10 - 9:40 to 10:30 AM

OR

Mon., March 11 - 6:05 to 7:15 PM

Seton Hall (Lower Level)

Light refreshments will be served.
All are welcome. Please Join us.





The Seton Moms' Group offers opportunities for the moms of the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton community to socialize, connect with like-minded women, share discussions about faith and everyday life, and uplift each other through prayer. The group offers a wide variety of activities for moms, children, and their families. For more information, please contact Ann Ryan at mystelizabeth.com/contact, connect with us on our private Facebook group: Seton Moms' Group, or subscribe to our newsletter to receive updates about upcoming SMG events:

(scan the QR code to subscribe to our monthly newsletter)



Sunday, March 10 at 9:30 AM: Adult Formation Speaker Series

Once per month, join us from 9:30-10:30 AM on Sunday mornings to hear great speakers talk about relevant faith topics. Childcare will be offered for littles under age 4. Kids in K4 or above can sit in on a kids' small group if they are not already registered for Roots (Sunday Program). RSVP's requested so we are properly staffed. Meet in Seton Hall. (NOTE: Presentation repeated on March 11)

Speaker: **Talia Westerby**

Topic: *The Holy Spirit: A Game Changer*

Monday, March 11 at 6:05 PM: Adult Formation Speaker Series

Once per month, join us from 6:05-7:05 PM on Monday evenings to hear great speakers talk about relevant faith topics. Childcare will be offered for littles under age 4. Kids in K4 or above can sit in on a kids' small group if they are not already registered for Together (Family Faith Formation). Come at 5:30 PM and join us for the family meal. RSVP's requested so we are properly staffed. Meet in Seton Hall. (NOTE: Presentation repeated on March 10)

Speaker: **Talia Westerby**

Topic: *The Holy Spirit: A Game Changer*

Friday, March 15 at 9:30 AM: Field Trip! Toddler Time at OAW

Come join us for bonding time on the turf at the OAW Indoor Sports Complex (5330 S Racine Ave., New Berlin). Toddler Time runs from 9 AM-12 PM. Come early and/or stay late—we will plan to be there by 9:30 AM and stay until the littles have worn themselves out! Cost is \$5/child or \$15/family. Games and toys provided as well as an onsite café. More information here: <https://www.oawindoor.com/toddlerhomeschooltime>

Friday, March 15 at 6:30 PM: Stations of the Cross: Family Edition

Every Friday at Seton during Lent we pray the Stations of the Cross. On Friday, March 15 at 6:30 PM we will be hosting a family-friendly Stations of the Cross reflection. Children of ALL AGES are invited to actively participate by being vigil candle holders, actors, and readers. If your child is interested in this opportunity, please let me know! (I ask that all volunteers arrive at church no later than 6:00 PM in order to practice once before everyone arrives.)

Even if your child is not interested in actively participating, we invite you to come to Seton at 6:30 PM on Friday, March 15 to pray with us. This event usually lasts about 20 minutes.

Coffee & Donuts March 17

Join fellow parishioners, along with new members for some great hospitality, Fair Trade Coffee, delicious donuts and good conversation with new friends.



Join us in Sippel Hall after both Masses on March 17, 2024. We will be selling Fair Trade Coffee and other products as well.

While you're there, stop by the Ministry Table to discover if a new Seton ministry is in your future.



SAVE THE DATE!
August 5-9, 2024

"Camp Firelight"
Vacation Bible Camp

Mark your calendars and watch for more camp information coming soon.

Registration opens in May.

Speaker Series Replays

Did you miss a speaker or would you like to revisit a presentation? You can view replays at mystelizabeth.com/lent-fast



For centuries Christian artists have woven symbolic details throughout their masterpieces in order to convey theological truths, inspire the faithful, and educate the illiterate masses. In February, **Al McCauley** showed us how to “read” Christian art to more deeply understand and appreciate our rich faith tradition, and as a means to encounter the Divine through contemplation. Notably, in this Revival year, we will explore particular works that express the primacy of the Eucharist and the call to live as Eucharistic people.



- March 24 **Palm Sunday | Passion of the Lord**
Sat. 5:00 PM, Sun. 8:30 & 10:45 AM
- March 28 **Holy Thursday | Lord’s Supper**
7:00 PM
Adoration of the Eucharist
8:30 PM TO 12:00 AM
- March 29 **Good Friday | Passion of the Lord**
1:30 PM
- March 30 **The Easter Vigil**
8:00 PM
- March 31 **Easter Sunday | Resurrection of the Lord**
8:30 & 10:45 AM



A Note of Thanks



ST. MICHAEL AND ST. ROSE OF LIMA CATHOLIC PARISHES

Dear Seton Seniors,

I want to let you know that I am very thankful to the Seton seniors and the parishioners at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton for the many hats, gloves and socks.

Also, many thanks to Rita for bringing them. The staff at St. Rose school were more than happy to help bring them over with me to the St. Rose Parish Center where we have our ESL classes. I will be sending Thank You letters to share with the Seton Seniors and the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parishioners. We were amazed by the generosity of the people from your parish.

*Deborah Lindberg
St. Michael and St. Rose Literacy Program
540 N. 31st Street
Milwaukee, WI 53208*





Readings for the week of March 10, 2024

Sunday: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 (6ab)/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21

Monday: Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b/Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday: Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/Jn 5:17-30

Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Jn 5:31-47

Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12/Jn 7:40-53

Next Sunday: Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15 (12a)/Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33



Mass Intentions

Sunday, March 10 Fourth Sunday of Lent

8:30 AM †Jeanette Radtke (Bill & Rosemary Pekrul)

10:45 AM For the living and deceased members of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Tuesday, March 12

7:30 AM Rosary

8:00 AM †Joe Elvington (Rita Sutton)

Wednesday, March 13

7:30 AM Rosary

8:00 AM †Luisa Andrae (Friend)

Thursday, March 14

7:30 AM Rosary

8:00 AM †Marge Bushman (Don Bodden)

Friday, March 15

7:30 AM Rosary

8:00 AM †For all the faithful departed

Saturday, March 16

4:00 PM Reconciliation

5:00 PM For the living and deceased members of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Sunday, March 17 Fifth Sunday of Lent

8:30 AM †Larry & Margaret Bertz (Family)

10:45 AM †Karen Tocco (Peter, Andy, Nick & Melissa)

This Week

Sunday, March 10 Daylight Saving Time Begins

Counting Team #6

9:40 - 10:30 AM Adult Speaker Series—Talia Westerby (Seton Hall)

12:00 PM Pentecost/25th Anniversary Planning Meeting (St Paul)

Monday, March 11

1:00 - 2:30 PM Bel Canto Senior Singers (Sanctuary)

6:05 - 7:15 PM Adult Speaker Series— Talia Westerby (Seton Hall)

Tuesday, March 12

7:00 PM AA Meeting (Sippel Hall)

Wednesday, March 13

12:45 - 3:00 PM Grief Support (Luke/John)

6:00 - 7:30 PM Acolyte Meeting (St. Paul Room)

6:30 PM Migrant Ministry Meeting (Seton Hall)

6:30 PM Lenten Prayer Service with Communion (Sanctuary)

Thursday, March 14

8:30 - 10:00 AM Labyrinth (Sippel Hall)

6:30 - 8:00 PM Labyrinth (Sippel Hall)

6:30 - 7:45 PM Adult Choir (Sanctuary)

Friday, March 15

9:30 AM - 12:00 PM Field Trip: Toddler Time (OAW Indoor Sports Complex)

6:30 PM Stations of the Cross - Child Ministry (Sanctuary)

Saturday, March 16

10:00 AM - 6:00 PM Wisconsin Catholic Youth Rally (Off-site)

Sunday, March 17 Donut Sunday

Counting Team #7

9:30 - 10:45 AM RCIA (Reflection Room)

How Can We Serve You?

The Parish Office - Monday - Friday 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM
 Parish Website: mystelizabeth.com

Saturday Mass:5:00 PM
 Sunday Mass:8:30 AM & 10:45 AM
 Daily Mass:..... 8:00 AM Tues. through Fri.
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 Every Saturday 4:00 PM-4:30 PM

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Are you grieving the loss of a loved one?
 "Companions on the Journey" grief support group
 might be for you.

Wed., March 13 - 12:45 to 3:00 PM at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton – John/Luke Room of Sippel Hall – beginning with a simple lunch.

RSVP for lunch by leaving a message for Mary at 262-782-0376 to help us provide enough food. Also, bring your choice of a beverage.

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

Since Seton collaborates with Holy Apostles Parish, you can attend their evening session as an alternative: Mon. March 11, 6:30 to 8:30 PM at Holy Apostles – Welcome Center.



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