

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church

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Through Mary, to Jesus
September 8, 2020– August 15, 2021



**FOURTH SUNDAY
OF ADVENT
DECEMBER 20, 2020**

PRIESTS

Very Rev. Fr. Brian D.M.J. Grady, TOC, VF- Pastor
Rev. Fr. Colin Easton- Parochial Vicar

DEACONS

Mr. Kenneth Giacone
Dr. Richard Marcantonio

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4:00PM
Sunday: 8:00, 9:30, and 11:15AM

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday thru Saturday 8:45AM

RECITATION OF THE HOLY ROSARY

Monday thru Saturday 8:15AM

RECITATION OF THE DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

Monday thru Saturday
immediately following the 8:45AM Mass

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Tuesdays 6- 6:45pm
Saturday 9:15- 10:00AM
3:00- 3:45PM

(CURRENTLY IN THE PARISH OFFICE
ENTER THROUGH THE NARTHEX DOORS)

**SACRED HEART
ADORATION CHAPEL
(CURRENTLY CLOSED)**

BLESSING OF MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARIES

2nd Weekend of the Month at all Masses

BLESSING OF EXPECTANT MOTHERS

4th Weekend of the Month at all Masses

WEEKLY BLESSING OF RELIGIOUS ARTICLES

Please drop off articles to be blessed at the
Parish Office on Tuesdays during office hours.
Blessed articles will be ready for pickup the
following Wednesday morning.

ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON, CRYSTAL LAKE

PARISH SCHEDULE AND MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20- FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

8:00AM Mass (+Valerie Mapes ~ +Dorothy Broza)
9:30AM Mass (The Chris Voloch Family ~ Thanksgiving to St. Joseph)
10:45AM Becoming Catholic- Our Eternal Destiny (virtual)
11:15AM Mass (Living and Deceased Members of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton)
12:30PM Baptisms

MONDAY, DECEMBER 21- ST. PETER CANISIUS, PRIEST & DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

8:15AM Rosary
8:45AM Mass (Fr. Brian Grady ~ +Angeline Pindel)
9:15AM Divine Mercy Chaplet

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

8:15AM Rosary
8:45AM Mass (Marie Hathaway ~ Fr. Kraemer)
9:15AM Divine Mercy Chaplet
1:00PM Holy Hour of Reparation (dial-in prayer)
6:00PM Confessions (Parish Office Reception Area)

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 23- ST. JOHN OF KANTY, PRIEST

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

8:15AM Rosary
8:45AM Mass (Eric Gielow ~ Ritchie Andre)
9:15AM Divine Mercy Chaplet

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

8:15AM Rosary
8:45AM Mass (The Girolamo Family ~ +Kevin Lesniewski)
9:15AM Divine Mercy Chaplet
3:00PM Mass (Gary Krawchuck ~ +Mary Vlcek)
3:10PM Mass (Priests of the Rockford Diocese)
4:20PM Mass (Callie & Rachel Graham ~ Living & Deceased Members of the Sudzina Family)
4:40PM Mass (The Holy Souls in Purgatory)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 25- THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION PARISH OFFICE CLOSED*

9:00AM Mass (+Ben & +Lorraine Bednarczyk ~ +William Strong)
10:45AM Mass (The Living & Deceased Members of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 26- ST. STEPHEN, THE FIRST MARTYR

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

8:15AM Rosary
8:45AM Mass (+Fr. Manny Gomez ~ Jonny Andre)
9:30AM Divine Mercy Chaplet
Confessions (Parish Office Reception Area)
3:00PM Confessions (Parish Office Reception Area)
4:00PM* Mass (Living and Deceased Members of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton)

*This Mass will be live-streamed on  YouTube
Go to the **St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church** channel.

From the Cover:

“The Nativity” Federico Barocci 1597 oil on canvas
Italian Renaissance painter Federico Barocci (c. 1526-1612) shares with the world his interpretation of the birth of Christ.

This Christmas painting depicts Mary and an ox looking down on baby Jesus. Jesus appears to be providing the light, illustrating His role as the Light of the World.



This week, the blue Our Lady of Perpetual Help sanctuary candle will burn for the repose of the souls of

+Vito & +Charlotte Floro

READINGS FOR MASS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 20, 2020

SUNDAY: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16 / Rom 16:25-27 / Lk 1:26-38

MONDAY: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a / Lk 1:39-45

TUESDAY: 1 Sm 1:24-28 / Lk 1:46-56

WEDNESDAY: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24 / Lk 1:57-66

CHRISTMAS Mornig: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16 / Lk 1:67-79

EVE: Vigil: Is 62:1-5 / Acts 13:16-17, 22-25 / Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25

CHRISTMAS: Is 52:7-10 / Heb 1:1-6 / Jn 1:1-18 or Jn 1:1-5, 9-14

SATURDAY: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59 / Mt 10:17-22

SUNDAY: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3/ 8a] / Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17 / Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22, 39-40

Please keep the sick, the needs of our parish community, and the Church in your daily prayers.



FROM THE DESK OF THE PASTOR

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Each and every year, I get a pretty special view at the Masses for Christmas... and this year I am looking forward to it even more so, especially considering the challenges we have all gone through in 2020. I get to stand up in the sanctuary and from the altar, look out at the faces of those gathered to celebrate the Birth of Our Savior. I can close my eyes and picture this scene throughout the years... picturing each of the parishes that I have had the awesome honor and privilege in which to serve. I can see all the faces of those who have supported me, those who have shaped me, those who have challenged me, and those who have helped to mold me into the priest that I am today. I can see the faces of the young and old, the single and married, the healthy and sick— all those precious faces that are so dear and precious to Our Lord, each one made in His Image.

So it is truly with deep joy and gratitude that I extend to you my prayerful best wishes for a holy and blessed Christmas. During this Advent Season, it has been my prayer that each of you would find opportunities to reflect on your own faith and relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ and His Church. Whatever it is that our hearts and souls desire, whether we realize it or not, our ultimate desire is Jesus Christ, Himself— and for this reason, we are filled with joy and consolation at Christmas to know that all that we hoped for has been fulfilled in the Person of the Christ Child.

In the midst of all of our current challenges and struggles and concerns (which in this year, are many), the love of God the Father is made manifest to us in the wonderful gift of His Son, Jesus. With the Angels in Bethlehem, our faith moves us to join in their Angelic song of praise: *“Glory to God in the highest and peace to His people on earth!”* We recognize that true peace on earth flows from our recognition and praise of God in our lives.

Christmas has a way of bringing to Church individuals and families who, for various reasons, have not been to Mass or the Sacraments for months or years. This may be even more so this year with all the various lockdowns and quarantines that we have had to endure. And so, what a wonderful and grace-filled opportunity to put aside past differences and old habits and begin anew that prayerful relationship with the Lord and His Church community.

I extend to all of you an open, grateful heart of welcome. Together, may we grow in strength and grace to know and celebrate together God’s presence in our lives and His dominion over all things of this world.

May our Lord Jesus Christ, born in Bethlehem, bless you, your families and loved ones at this blessed time of hope and grace. May Mary, the Mother of the Child Jesus and our Mother, watch over you and our beloved St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish always. May Christ abide in your hearts always! Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Love and God Bless,
Fr. Grady





THE FIRE WITHIN

Dear Faithful,

I want to thank you for making Christmas Mass at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton a part of your family tradition this year. Let's face it, it would be easy not to. The pandemic has made us all a lot more cautious about where we choose to go. But in some ways, coming to Mass on Christmas is even more important than ever. These are times when we realize what's *really* important in life, and faith is one of them. We also know that we are not out of the woods, so to speak. So what could be more meaningful than to come together to pray for each other and especially pray for those at risk and for those who need to exercise caution and stay home? So thank you for being here and thank you for practicing your faith!

A recent survey confirms what we have been saying all along—faith is good for our mental health. **Gallup reported this month that Americans who attend religious services weekly are the only demographic group appearing to show improved mental health in 2020, despite the stresses of the pandemic.** Overall, respondents reporting excellent health declined from 43% to 34%, but among those who go to religious services it actually *increased* from 42% to 46%. So going to church is not only good for the soul, it's good for the mind as well!

Lastly, I'd like to leave you with a little Christmas story that inspires and challenges us all—

With Christmas coming, a Grandma was out shopping for gifts for her grandchildren. While she was at the toy store going through her list and carefully selecting gifts, Grandma's heart went out to a little girl she saw looking into the store. She invited her in and asked her to pick out a gift for herself. As they walked out of the store, the little girl held the Grandma's hand and looked into her kind eyes and asked, "Are you God?" Grandma, somewhat embarrassed and somewhat touched, said, "No, my dear, I am not God." "Then who are you?" continued the little girl. Grandma thought for a moment and said, "I am a child of God." The little girl, fully satisfied and smiling, said, "I knew there was a connection."

When people come into our lives, do they see a divine connection in us? That's my hope and prayer for all of us this Christmas season!

Marcie Girolamo
Director of Evangelization

Holy Day Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve (December 24) 3:00pm, 3:10pm
4:30pm, 4:40pm

Christmas Day (December 25) 9:00am & 10:45am

Please wear a face mask and plan on arriving early. Remember our capacity is limited. When we reach capacity, the doors will be locked. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Mary, Mother of God Vigil (December 31) 4:00pm

Mary, Mother of God (January 1) 10:00am

Confessions: Tuesdays 6 - 6:45pm

Saturdays 9:15-10:00am & 3-3:45pm

A GIFT FOR YOU!



We have a small Christmas gift (one for each family) at the end of each pew (or row of chairs in Seton Hall) at all of the Christmas Masses this year. Please take one on your way out.

If you are out of town for Christmas, we will have extras available in the Narthex while quantities last.

Merry Christmas!

WELCOME 2021



New 2021 Religious Art Liturgical Calendars are available in the Narthex. They are free to take for yourself, family or friends!

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

As a reminder, only the presiding priest will distribute the Eucharist on the tongue. If you want to receive in the hand, please get in another communion line.

LOW GLUTEN HOSTS

If you need a low gluten host, please get in the communion line of the main presider and say "low gluten" to him before you receive.



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MORE FROM OUR KNIGHTS!

**NEW THIS
YEAR!**

Our Knights of Columbus are selling coffee mugs with images from our parish for only **\$5 each!**

These mugs make great stocking stuffers for parishioners and non-parishioners alike!



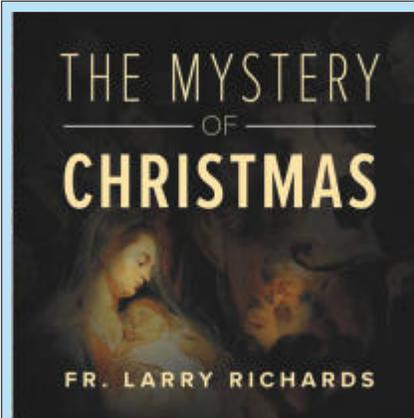
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THE MYSTERY OF CHRISTMAS
BY FR. LARRY RICHARDS
In this inspiring talk, renowned preacher and retreat master Fr. Larry Richards illuminates how the true joy of Christmas is found in the greatest gift ever

given—the gift of Jesus Christ to the whole world. With humor, compassion, and clarity, Fr. Larry gets to the heart of the true meaning of Christmas and helps us to appreciate better the immensity of God's love for us as His children.

Audio: 1 hour

Register for your **FREE** subscription to all FORMED has to offer on our parish website!

THIS IS MY HOME THE GIFT OF MY TREASURE

	BUDGETED	ACTUAL	+/-
December 13	\$14,975.00	\$14,180.00	-5%

Our 3% tithe will go to the St. Vincent De Paul Society to help provide for the needs of those with financial difficulties in our community.

Amount Owed (Parish Debt) Mortgage: \$410,207.00
(Full mortgage payment was due 10/30/2018)
Original mortgage amount \$1,837,559. (2003)

ONLINE GIVING

Parishioners have the option of making their regular parish offerings securely and hassle free! It's so easy and convenient to have your Sunday, Holy Day and other church donations automatically transferred from your checking account or your debit/credit card. Enroll via our website elizabethannseton.org.

Click 'DONATE' at the top right side of our Home Page, drop down to 'ONLINE GIVING' and follow the prompts for quick and secure automatic transfers. For more information, please contact Patti at (815)459-3033 X227 or Sue at X225



**HEAR
HIS
VOICE**

2020 DIOCESAN STEWARDSHIP APPEAL

GOAL \$92,629.

PLEGGED: \$63,460.
PAID: \$49,967.
FAMILIES
PARTICIPATING: 177

Additional pledge envelopes may be found in the Narthex, or outside the parish office. You can also donate electronically via rockforddiocese.org.

Thank you for your generosity!

THIS IS MY HOME— RESERVED PARKING FOR OUR PARISH FAMILY OF THE MONTH

As a way to express our gratitude to those who financially support our parish home, we randomly draw a monthly winner for a prime parking spot! If you are one of the many who support our parish, you will have a chance to win a reserved parking spot in the front row of the lot for a month. Every family that actively gives to our parish is automatically entered into the drawing, and one recipient is drawn. The winner of the parking spot for the month of December is:

Hiroshi & Felie Onishi

Thank you for your continued support to our parish home!

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Pete Aceto, Shari Anchor, William Becker, Ron Bitz, Dolores Buss, Tim Cannon, Emma Capuno, Marcia Cassin, Fortuna Calez, John Chalmers, Jonathan Christensen, Becky Corcoran, Anthony Costa, Carla Decker, Jessica Diaz, Mary Diaz, Jessica Duffy, Mia Durand, Lily Elder, Eleanor Erbes, Sandy Ferrell, Jill Fisher, Bernadette Gates, Howie Gielow, Charlotte Girolamo, Michalene Gordon, Marilyn Gustafson, Jack Hardt, Bill Hayes, David Hess, Marlene Hill, Pat Hill, Tracy Holcomb, Julietta Jacobi, Leo Jerman, Mary Ann Johnson, Carolyn Joos, Ashley Kelly, Madelynne Kersting, Kara Kolmar, Len Korn, Trish Koval, Amberley Kowalski, Sylvia Laux, Michelle Lee, Blanche Lichon, Bea LoBianco, Don Luna, Dave Marsh, Bob McCormick, David Mead, Eugene Melone, Carol Miller, Laura Miller, Bonnie Moriarty, Stephen Morrison, Sherry Muehlbert, Evelyn Moss, Michael O'Donnell, Ted Ougheltree, Nicole Orfanos, Regina Oroni, Felie Onishi, Rosario Polanek, Tim Polanek, Tim Reidy, Carolyn Regini, Laura Salata, Judy Schroeder, Victor Schuett, Mary Skipper, Richard Sloan, Linda Slatter, Theresa Smith, Lawrence Smith, Phil Stasenka, Caliope Sudzina, Stacy Sullivan, Kristen Thomas, Scott Tober, Bruce Toussaint, Regina Trasga, Brad Toman, Carl Vanisi, Lawrence Vanderleest, Jessica Van Horn, Katherine Van Horn, Daniel Wilczak, Beverly Wasilk, Cora P. Wasilk, John G. Wasilk, John P. Wasilk, Bart Wisz, and Jim Wolfe

FOR YOUR PERSONAL PRAYER INTENTIONS

Fr. Grady has set up a personal/private email for you to send your personal prayer intentions to him if the pandemic keeps you isolated.

pray4me@elizabethannseton.org

*May the peace and hope of
Christ's birth
be with you now and in the days ahead...*

THE FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY SUNDAY DECEMBER 27TH

The parish family is invited to join the Knights of Columbus **immediately following the 11:15AM** Mass as Father Grady blesses the statue of the Holy Family located in front of the church.

To help families live out the joy of Christ, we will recite a prayer of consecration where families will come together and consecrate themselves under the protection of the Holy Family. In this prayer, we ask for the aid (or intercession) of the Perfect Son, Jesus Christ, along with Mary, the perfect mother, and Joseph, the model for every father.



Preparation for the Act of Consecration:

- The family is encouraged to pray together each day leading up to the consecration. You can pray any prayer that works for your family; it doesn't have to be long or complicated.
- The family is encouraged to intentionally fast from something before making the Act of Consecration. Fast from something that would normally be consumed or an activity that is regularly done. Fasting helps us discipline our minds and hearts and moves us to be more focused on God.
- The family is encouraged to go to confession before the consecration, or promise to go as soon as possible if you can't go before.
- The family is encouraged to attend Mass together on the Consecration Day. The family will say the Prayer of Consecration together, immediately after Mass if possible.

Continue praying to the Holy Family daily, honoring them and asking for their protection and guidance.

If you face resistance or obstacles when you begin, it may be a spiritual attack. When the devil sees families trying to unite and strengthen their relationship with God and one another, he will interfere to try to prevent it. Do not give up and let yourself be discouraged or defeated! If you remain patient and practice fortitude, you will prevail and your family will be blessed and protected!

CONSECRATION TO THE HOLY FAMILY NEXT WEEKEND!

WHAT IS IT AND WHY SHOULD WE DO IT?

Consecration, in general, is an act by which a thing is separated from a common and profane to a sacred use, or by which a person or thing is dedicated to the service and worship of God by prayers, rites, and ceremonies. The custom of consecrating persons to the Divine service and things to serve in the worship of God, may be traced to the earliest times.

The Holy Family Consecration is similar: One willingly gives themselves and their family to Jesus, Mary and Joseph to serve God through them.

Why do this?

The Catholic Church honors the Holy Family and holds them up as the model for all Christian families. Jesus is the Son of God and Second Person of the Holy Trinity. Mary is the Mother of God and Queen of Heaven and Earth. Joseph is the Foster Father of Jesus and Spouse of the Virgin Mary.

It is help for Families—

The family, which is the 'domestic church', is under severe attack from the Devil and the world. Legislation is being passed that defies natural and moral law. Society is rebelling against God and His commands, especially with regard to the structure of the family. Satan knows that the destruction of the family will lead to the destruction of society. Satan hates families and wishes to destroy them.

During a homily in 1986, St. John Paul II said, ***"As the family goes, so goes the nation, and so goes the whole world in which we live."***

The world appears to be collapsing before our very eyes. It's likely one of the reasons for this is the disregard for the human family the way God intended it to be. Every Christian family must remain firm in the Faith during these turbulent times and turn to God through prayer. **The Holy Family Consecration is a way for Christian families to unite and seek grace, virtue, guidance, and strength from the Holy Family of Nazareth.**

Our Knights of Columbus are providing the beautiful holy cards with the Prayer of Consecration on them to all participating families. **Please join us on Sunday, December 27th after the 11:15AM Mass to consecrate *your* family!**

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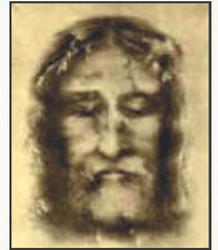


**HOLY HOUR OF REPARATION
TUESDAYS AT 1:00PM**

THIS CONTINUES TO BE A DIAL-IN PRAYER UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

The Holy Hour of Reparation aims to help the Church and the world by offering prayers of reparation to the Holy Face of Jesus through Our Lady asking for peace, hope, and healing.

Dial in Number: 1 + 515-605-0071
PIN: 718918 #



Please download the "Holy Hour of Reparation- Hope & Healing for the World" prayer booklet from the parish website: elizabethannseton.org
After dial-in welcome @ 1:00PM, please mute your phone and join in prayer from home along with prayer leaders!



**ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON
MARRIAGE MINISTRY**

**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER HAS GONE
VIRTUAL FOR THE REMAINDER OF 2020**

Advent Week #4: As we wait for Christmas, it's a good time to develop the virtue of patience. Focus on being patient today, especially with your family members. Offer up the frustrations that come from things not going the way you had planned.

Don't give each other things this Christmas, give each other the gift of great communication, a deep love and a marriage filled with God by participating in a virtual Worldwide Marriage Encounter from the comfort of your home **JANUARY 12TH - FEBRUARY 2ND**, in a series with 2 sessions per week for 3 weeks lasting approximately 2 hours each. We will also offer a virtual experience during Lent, **FEBRUARY 18TH -MARCH 31ST**, one session each week. For more information, go to alifetimeoflove.org or call (888) 574-5653.

**O Come,
O Come,
Emmanuel**

O Come, thou Key of David, come,
And open wide our heav'nly home,
Make safe the way that leads on high,
That we no more have cause to sigh.

Refrain Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel.

**Veni, Veni
Emmanuel**

O Come, Thou Dayspring from on High
And cheer us by Thy drawing nigh.
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night
And death's dark shadow put to flight.

Refrain

O Come, Desire of nations, bind
In one the hearts of all mankind.
Bid every strife and quarrel cease
And fill the world with heaven's peace.

Refrain

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel,
And ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appear.

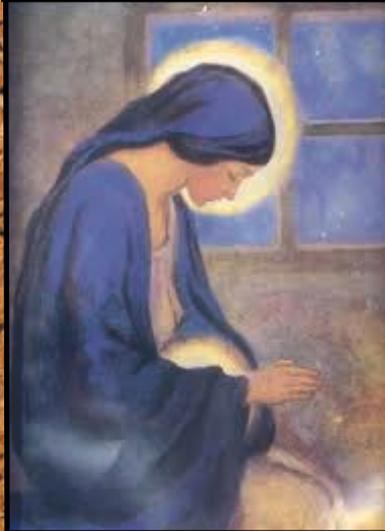
Refrain



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peace in a world of
unrest? You cannot
find peace on the
outside, but you can
find peace on the inside
by letting God do to
your soul what Mary let
Him do to her body,
namely, let Christ be
formed in you.

—Venerable Archbishop
Fulton J. Sheen



Pray the Rosary
Everyday

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REGISTRATION

Each student and their parents will meet with a Marian
Central counselor for assistance in your student's
selection of required and elective courses. The HSPT
score, along with grades and standardized test scores
are taken into consideration when recommending
course placement. Additional information will be sent
regarding registration to students who participated in
our placement test on either December 5th or 12th.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17TH 6:30- 9:00PM
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21ST 10:30AM- 12:30PM



Pray for the Church

ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON, CRYSTAL LAKE

Requirements for Baptism

In order to have your child baptized at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, the following is required:

- To be a registered member of our parish.
- Attend a Baptismal Preparation Class. Call the Parish Office to register for this class. For your convenience, you may attend the class *before* your child is born.
- Schedule the Baptism. Baptisms take place on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month following the 11:15AM Mass (12:30PM Baptismal Service).

Sacrament of Marriage

One or both of the engaged couple should be a registered member of the parish. Wedding arrangements need to be made *at least* six months in advance. Please call the Parish Office to begin the process.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

Please call the parish office if a loved one is seriously ill or in the hospital.

Becoming a Catholic

If you are interested in becoming Catholic or want to learn more about the Catholic faith, please call the parish office. The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) program begins in the fall and concludes with Easter.

St. Thomas The Apostle Catholic School

St. Thomas the Apostle School is a Catholic Pre-K through 8th grade elementary school serving the parish communities of both St. Thomas the Apostle and St. Elizabeth Ann Seton. Every student in our Catholic school receives a strong foundation in all core subjects— Religion, Reading, English, Math, Science, and Social Studies, along with regular classes in Spanish, Computer Technology, Music, Art and Physical Education. For more information, please contact Gina Houston, principal, at (815) 459-0496 www.stthomascl.org

Marian Central Catholic High School

Marian Central Catholic High School is a college preparatory Catholic high school. The school shares the teaching mission of the Church along with the support from the parents and parishes of the McHenry Deanery. The school is supported by the 17 Catholic parishes in McHenry County. For more information, please call the school (815) 338-4220.

Religious Education (F.I.R.E.)

Religious Education (K-7) is typically held on the first Saturday of each month beginning in October through May from 4:45PM-7:15PM. A 2-year preparation is required for students to receive their Sacraments. Those preparing for their sacraments will *also* meet on the Second Sunday of each month from 10:30AM-12PM. For more information, please call the Religious Education Office (X223).

Youth Ministry

Youth Ministry is for grades 8-12. The Sacrament of Confirmation is received after two years of preparation (8th-9th grade). Youth Ministry is a year-round program with extra activities including spiritual and social events. For further information, please call the Youth Ministry Office (X231).

Ministry of Care

If you or a family member is ill, homebound, or unable to get to Church for Sunday Mass and would like to receive Holy Communion or a visit, please call the parish office. We are here for you.

Prayer Chain

If you have a loved one in need of prayers, please call the parish office or e-mail us at parish.office@elizabethannseton.org with your prayer request for a special need.

Parish Information

Telephone: Parish Office (815) 459-3033
FAX (815) 459-3040
Religious Education (815) 459-3096

Office Hours: MONDAY THROUGH THURSDAY:
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New Parishioners

All adult (high school graduates and older) and new parishioners are invited to register through the parish office. Please call the parish office at (815) 459-3033 to register. Regular attendance at Sunday Mass does not automatically make one a registered member of the parish. We hope you will become a member of our parish family!

Moving?

If you are moving, please notify the parish office at (815)459-3033 with any changes of address or phone number(s). This will help ensure that our parish records are accurate.

Website

Please refer to the parish website elizabethannseton.org for additional information and on-line bulletins. If you would like a parish event or ministry information posted on the site, please send a detailed email to: website@elizabethannseton.org.

Weekly Bulletin Articles

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