

September 1, 2019

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

ST ELIZABETH ANN SETON CATHOLIC CHURCH

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22nd Sunday

I N O R D I N A R Y T I M E

"Do not recline at table in the place of honor.
A more distinguished guest than you may
have been invited." - Lk 14:8bc

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MASS SCHEDULE

Monday-Friday	5:30 p.m.
Saturday Morning	8:30 a.m.
Saturday Evening	5:30 p.m.
Sunday Morning	8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.,
Sunday Evening	5:30 p.m.

HOLY DAY SCHEDULE

(except for Christmas, Easter & New Years)

Vigil (Evening Before)	5:30 p.m.
Holy Day	**12:10 p.m., 5:30 p.m.**

**NOTE MASS TIME CHANGE

Devotions

Our Mother of Perpetual Help Novena Prayers following Saturday 8:30 a.m. Mass

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament

Thursday 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.

THE SACRAMENTS

Sacrament of the Sick

Whenever serious surgery is scheduled, serious illness arises, or there has been a serious accident please call the parish office if you need a priest.

Sacrament of Baptism

- Call the parish office to schedule

• Baptism Class required, 1st Wednesday of the month, 7:00-8:30 pm at the Parish Center, Family Room. Call the parish office to register.

- RCIA Program (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults), Thursdays 7-9, contact Tom Schrad, (402) 493-4112

Sacrament of Reconciliation

One half hour prior to all masses except Saturday from 4:30-5:15 pm

Sacrament of Holy Matrimony

- Minimum 6 months notice of marriage date is required.

- Scheduling is done by the couple with the parish priests.

Sacrament of Holy Orders

• Those discerning a call to the Priesthood should contact one of the parish priests or Rev. Andrew Roza, Vocation Director of the Archdiocese of Omaha, at (402) 558-3100

- For Permanent Diaconate, you may contact any of the priests or deacons or contact Deacon James Keating, at (402) 558-3100 ext. 3010.

Interested in joining St. Elizabeth Ann Seton parish?

Fill out the following information, return it in the collection basket or to the parish office and within the next few weeks someone will call to make an appointment to meet you, share information with you about our parish, and complete your registration.

_____ (name) _____ (date)

_____ (address)

_____ (city), (state) _____ (zip)

_____ (email) _____ (phone)

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Parish Council President: Cameron Gales. (402) 212-6117

Perpetual Adoration:

Jean Dahl (402) 731-3144

Prayer Line: For anyone in need of prayers, please call:

Shelly Gray..... (402) 493-3006

or Fran Thomas..... (402) 493-7243

or email to: seaprayers@yahoo.com

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS)

Christi Olsen (402) 493-4963(home)

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Vocations Committee: Bob & Ruth Zaruba (402) 630-6140

Vocations Icons: Sue Niggemeyer (402) 496-0225

Financial Stewardship Report

August 25, 2019

Sunday Collection-Needed: \$14,942

Sunday Collection-Received: \$10,490

Hunger Doesn't Take a Vacation Collection: \$1,496.86

Children's Envelopes: \$63.75

St. Vincent de Paul: \$100

PARISH/COMMUNITY NEWS



RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is the process by which a person interested in the Catholic faith can learn more about the faith, the community of believers and the Church. It is a spiritual journey in which the individual determines whether they are ready to deepen their relationship with Jesus and the Church he began.

So, if you are or if you know someone who ...

Has never been baptized

Was baptized in another faith and are interested in the Catholic Church

Is a High School or adult Catholic in need of First Communion and / or Confirmation

Is a Catholic returning to the faith

Is a Catholic who would like to learn more about the faith

Check out the RCIA brochure that can be found in one of the Kiosks in the back of the Church or contact Tom Schrad (402-493-4112; tschrad@cox.net) with your questions and for more information on the RCIA program. Classes begin the Thursday after Labor Day, September 5th and run from 7pm to 9pm.

We need you to register as soon as possible so that we know who is coming and so we can order the necessary materials and supplies.

Becoming a member of the class does not mean that you are committed to joining the Church. It only means that you are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith.

Magnificat-Omaha* invites all women to our September 21st FALL Brunch at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church, 9:30 AM, with guest speaker Barbara Heil, former missionary and now dynamic conference speaker. The Cost: \$20.

For Reservations & Information: Go to www.MagnificatOmaha.org or email magnificatomaha@gmail.com.

*Magnificat-Omaha is an archdiocesan-wide Catholic women's organization focused on evangelization

Congratulations!

2019 Picnic Lottery Winners

- \$ 10,000: Jim & Helen Barsell
- \$ 1,000: Hannah Le
- \$ 500: Toni Rosenbaum
- \$ 250: Paul Kerschinske
- \$ 250: Jim Moran

\$500 HOPE Certificates: Barb Dagerman



Overflow Youth Ministry
St. James & St. Elizabeth Ann Parishes
 Sam Jizba, Director 402-707-3496
sea_overflow23@live.com

*Two parishes. One Youth Group.
 All for the Greater Glory of God.*

Upcoming High School Overflow Evenings at SEA:

- September 8, Welcome/The Doctors
- September 22, Angels
- October 6, Martyrs
- October 20, Reconciliation
- October 26/27, Fall Retreat
- November 3, All Saints/All Souls
- November 17, Jesus Christ King of the Universe/Adoration
- December 8, Mary our Mother
- December 22, Christmas Party

Teens are always welcome at Overflow even if they have never attended before.

Middle School Overflow at St. James

- September 28, Angels
- October 19, Martyrs
- November 9, All Saints/All Souls
- December 7, Overflow Night/Christmas Party

Open to anyone 6th-8th grade.



Habitat for Humanity

Thank you to all who donated food for St. Elizabeth Ann's Host

Day. The builders always appreciate a good meal.

We have now received \$4,000 toward our \$10,000 goal. Thank you to those who have contributed. If you are considering a donation, it would be very much appreciated. Put it in an envelope marked "Habitat" and drop it in the collection basket.

If you would like to help build, you may sign up at: <https://tinyurl.com/faithfulbuilders2019>. The construction schedule and sign up instructions can be found at this link. Volunteers will not be working until September 27 so that the plumber and electrician can do their work.

The ReStore has a multitude of building supplies, fixtures, furniture, etc. If you have a home improvement project or items to donate, stop by the West Omaha ReStore at 109th and Emmet or call 402-934-1033.

Thank you for continuing to support families in need of decent, affordable housing.
 Danna Plummer, 402-496-2012

SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

Monday Sept. 2, *Labor Day*

Mass at 8:30 a.m. no 5:30 p.m. mass

Tuesday Sept. 3,

- 9:30 a.m. Women’s Cenacle/Rosary Group, Parish Center

Wednesday Sept. 4,

- 7:00 p.m. Baptism Class, Parish Center
- 7:00 p.m. SJS Home & School Assoc. Mtg. Parish Center

Thursday Sept. 5,

- 6-9 p.m. Adoration for Increase in Vocations
- 7:00 p.m. RCIA, Parish Center
- 8:00 p.m. AA Mtg., Parish Center Family Room

NEXT WEEKEND:

- Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast
- Rosary for Vocation before all weekend Masses
- St. Vincent de Paul Society Food Pantry Collection

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY Sept. 2,

8:30 a.m. †Theresa Blenden

5:30 p.m. No Mass

TUESDAY Sept. 3,

5:30 p.m. †Aaron Lawless

WEDNESDAY Sept. 4,

5:30 p.m. †John, †Marijean & †Nancy O’Brien

THURSDAY Sept. 5,

5:30 p.m. †Clarence Norton

FRIDAY Sept. 6,

5:30 p.m. †Lillian Kosmicki

SATURDAY Sept. 7,

8:30 a.m. †Angelo Rivera

5:30p.m. †Renee Fibich

SUNDAY Sept. 8,

8:00am. *In Thanksgiving, B.K.*

11:00a.m. †Tom Hope

5:30 p.m. *For the People*

BULLETIN DUE DATES:

The weekly bulletin deadline is Noon Monday for the following Sunday.

There is an early deadline for the September 8th bulletin. Have your articles in by Noon on Thursday August 29th.

Call Dawn at 493-2186, fax to 493-0630 or email: dawnwillis@stelizabethann.org.

LITURGICAL ROLES, September 7/8

5:30 p.m.
 Lector: Blaylock
 EMHC’s: Niedergeses Blaylock
 List Ciecior
 Petersen Huetig
 Salber
 Greeters: Sullivan
 Servers: List(2)
 Musicians: Bierma

8:00 a.m.
 Lector: Clemens
 EMHC’s: Deacon McNulty
 Carlson Spargo
 Schrader Cafferty
 Niggemeyer
 Greeters: Blum
 Servers: Briganti Spargo
 Musicians:

11:00 a.m.
 Lector: Barsell
 EMHC’s: Karmazin(2) Bartels
 Grosserode Dolan
 Sudtelgte Hammen
 Greeters: Wojtkiewicz Tackitt
 Servers: Cote-Smith Cann
 Musicians: Klosner Youth Choir

5:30 p.m.
 Lector: Parlor
 EMHC’s: Klein
 Servers: Kreikemeier(2)
 Musicians: Overflow Musicians

MONEY COUNTERS

Team #3 **Petty**

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY - A great way to volunteer and help others....SEAS Prayer Shawl Ministry has openings for a few good folks! Prayer Shawls are lovingly created in prayer to comfort those in crisis. Compassion, caring and sharing are the only requirements. Instruction and donated yarns are available if needed.

Join us Sunday, September 8, 1:00-4:00pm, in the Family Room of the Parish Center, for joyous fellowship and prayer as we work to help others! If you or someone you know needs a prayer shawl, contact Joan Connor 402-493-3702 or Mary Ann Miller 402-468-4014 for more information. *We meet throughout the year, so keep that in mind when your other activities taper off-we'd love to meet you!*

Please join the Knights of Columbus for a **pancake breakfast on September 8th** after all morning Masses. Enjoy pancakes with breakfast sausages, butter and syrup. Milk, juice and coffee are also served with breakfast. Prices are \$5.00 per person or \$20.00 per family. Hope to see you there!"



P.R.E./SCHOOL NEWS



We started P.R.E. on August 28, but it is still not too late to register for classes in Grades K-8. This Wednesday, September 4 is our first day in the

classrooms with our textbooks. May God bless our catechists (religion teachers), students and their families, and help us all to grow in faith.

Grades 7 and 8 and their parents meet in St. James Church this Wednesday evening at 6:00 p.m. for a meeting about Confirmation. (Jo Kusek, 402-572-0369, jkusek@sjsomaha.org)

It's back to school, so you know what that means – early mornings, busy days and overall longer to-do list. With so many daily activities it is easy to lose sight of the bigger role we are all playing as champions of Catholic education.

But did you know there is one night dedicated to celebrating all that makes Catholic education incredible?

At the **Archbishop's Dinner for Education** we honor 8 outstanding educators and raise vital scholarships dollars, making our schools more accessible.

This year we are honoring: Mike Dempsey, Gross Catholic High School, Bellevue; Jennifer Fiscus, St. Rose of Lima School, Crofton; Cindy Menzel, St. Mary School, Bellevue; Nancy Hochstein, Holy Trinity School, Hartington; Marsha Kalkowski, Marian High School, Omaha; Karen Schmeichel, St. Mary High School, O'Neill; Suzanne Seyler, St. Bernard School, Omaha; Diane Vaiskunas, Madonna School & Community Based Services, Omaha; We hope you'll join us in celebrating! **The dinner is Thursday, September 12 at 6:00 pm at Embassy Suite La Vista.** To make reservations visit give.archomaha.org/dinner2019. See you there!

“Seek Peace and Pursue It”

All Catholic Women are invited to the 95th Omaha Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women Convention on Monday, September 16th 9 a.m.–3 p.m. at St. Rose of Lima Parish Center, 1316 W. 5th St., Crofton, NE. Guest Speakers are Sr. Rosann Ocken OSB and Linda Kerkman, President of OACCW.

Registration of \$25 due by Sept. 3rd. Registration covers morning coffee/rolls and lunch. Program includes 8 a.m. Rosary, Mass with Archbishop Lucas and Archdiocesan Priests. Make check payable to RNC Deanery. Mail registration to Diane Shafer, 402 E. Mosher St., Randolph NE 68771. Include name, address, phone or email, deanery/city, and parish. For more information call Diane Shafer, 402-337- 0564.

Bereavement Support Group! We are launching a new ministry here at St. James! Starting on September 10th, a bereavement support group will meet on the 2nd Tuesday of each month from 7-8:30 p. m in the music rehearsal room. If you have any questions or wish to attend, please contact Deacon Rich Hopkins via the parish office at 402-572-0499.



>We value our alumni at SJS! We want to make sure you are more informed and included in the current SJS happenings.

Please update your contact information on our new school website so we can keep in touch: <https://sjsomaha.org/alumni/>.



You are also able to include pictures.

We would love to see old and new pics to include in newsletters or on our Facebook page.

>We are in the process of planning our **annual SOAR Dinner, which is on Saturday, November 23, 2019.** It is sure to be a fun event with great food, live entertainment, and great company. We rely solely on proceeds raised from our own fundraising, our parishioners, and the support of local businesses to help forward our mission. Any help you can offer will greatly impact our efforts!

There are many ways that parishioners can help SOAR to be successful. One way is by contributing to the Eagle's Nest. The Eagle's Nest is a wall of envelopes where attendees will have a chance to match or exceed your donation by choosing from one of the many “eggs” in the “nest” that contain various gift cards. We have been reaching out to restaurants and businesses to ask for gift card donations, but we will require many more. We are asking that the next time you are out to eat or shopping, you consider purchasing a gift card for any denomination and then donate it to the SOAR Dinner. (Note: You can also take advantage of our HOPE Certificates at Mass for these gift cards, too!). Please forward any type of donation to the school office by October 1st. Thanks for your support of SJS!

SOAR **SAVE THE DATE**

St. James/Seton Catholic School
21st Annual Development Dinner
11. 23. 19

Honoring
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Celebrating
FAITH FAMILY FUTURE

Food By Pasta Amore Live Music By Pat O & The Show

FORMAL INVITATION TO FOLLOW
FOR INFO CONTACT TRACY PERARD | TRIPERARD@SJSOMAHA.ORG

PARISH/COMMUNITY NEWS

PRO-LIFE UPDATES

Vigil for Life

Help build the culture of life through prayer and public witness! Join Archbishop Lucas for the Vigil for Life at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, September 14th at St. Mary Church (2302 Crawford St. in Bellevue). There will be a Mass followed by exposition and a rosary procession to the Bellevue abortion facility. For more information contact Whitney Bradley at wabradley@archomaha.org or (402) 557-5516.

Pro-Life Banquet & Conference

The Bishops' Pro-Life Banquet & Conference celebrating 50 years of the Nebraska Catholic Conference will take place September 20th – 21st, 2019 at the Cornhusker Hotel in Lincoln. The featured Keynote Speaker will be Greg Schleppebach, Associate Director Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. Find more information and register at necatholic.org, or call (402) 477-7517.

Sidewalk Advocates for Life (SAFL) Training

SAFL is a peaceful, prayerful advocacy program that trains people how to most effectively offer loving, life-affirming alternatives to women and men entering abortion facilities. Training is on Saturday, September 21st from 12:00 – 4:00 p.m. at St. Gerald Church (96th & Q) in the multipurpose room. Snacks will be provided. The cost is \$20 for training and materials. One additional hour of on-the-sidewalk training is required, to be arranged individually. Contact Janice Todd at (402) 871-4699 or janice@liferunners.org with any questions and to register by September 18th.

Your PRAYERS and PRESENCE are POWERFUL!

Please consider a peaceful prayerful presence on the sidewalk in front of Planned Parenthood at 3105 N. 93rd St. on Monday or Thursday mornings (abortion days) anytime between 8:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. Come when you can for as long as you can—no time is too short, and no prayer goes unheard. A priest or other volunteer leads prayers during the 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. prayer hour on Mondays. Prayers are also offered at this location on Saturday mornings from 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. Parking is available in the parking lot of the former Hope Evangelical Free Church located at 9313 Binney St. You are also invited to pray on Thursdays (8:30 – 10:00 a.m. and 2:30 – 4:00 p.m.), Fridays (7:30 – 9:00 and 11:00 a.m.) and Saturdays (6:30, 7:30, 8:00 (Spanish), and 9:00 a.m.) at the Bellevue Health Clinic at 1002 West Mission Avenue in Bellevue. Parking is available in front of Essential Pregnancy Services located at 908 West Mission Avenue. For more information, visit www.RespectLifeOmaha.com, or contact Whitney Bradley at wabradley@archomaha.org or (402) 551-9003 ext. 1306.



Jesus, I want to experience the rest you offer today. I give you the problems I can't solve, the pain I can't heal, the desires and urges I can't control. Teach me to relax in the quiet of your presence and hear your voice. 'Jesus, I love you.

The following hours are OPEN at St. Elizabeth Ann's Perpetual Adoration:

Sunday 12AM, 1AM, 2AM, 4AM, 5AM, 7AM, 9AM, 10AM, 12PM, 7PM, 8PM, 9PM, & 10PM; **Monday** 2AM, 3AM, 4AM, 6AM, 7AM, 11AM, 12PM, 1PM, 3PM, 7PM, & 10PM; **Tuesday** 12AM, 1AM, 3AM, 5AM, 6AM, 7AM, 10AM, 11AM, 12PM, 2PM, 3PM, 4PM, 5PM, 7PM, & 11PM; **Wednesday** 12AM, 1AM, 2AM, 3AM, 4AM, 5AM, 7AM, 8AM, 9AM, 5PM, 7PM, 8PM, & 11PM; **Thursday** 12AM, 1AM, 2AM, 3AM, 4AM, 6AM, 7AM, 8AM, 9AM, 2PM, 3PM, 4PM, 5PM, 6PM, & 8PM; **Friday** 12AM, 1AM, 2AM, 3AM, 4AM, 5AM, 6AM, 8AM, 9AM, 10AM, 11 AM, 2PM, 5PM, 6PM, 7PM, 8PM, 9PM, 10PM & 11PM; **Saturday** 12AM, 1AM, 2AM, 3AM, 4AM, 5AM, 6AM, 10AM, 11AM, 12PM, 1PM, 2PM, 4PM, 7PM, 10PM & 11PM. So can you spend at least one hour a week to show God how much you love Him?

Have you wanted to have a direct impact on children and families impacted by disaster? Consider becoming a trained Children's Disaster Services (CDS) volunteer!

CDS is a ministry that involves volunteers from many faith communities who provide a calm, safe and reassuring presence in the midst of the chaos that follows disaster by setting up & operating special childcare centers in disaster locations. Parents are then able to apply for assistance and begin to put their lives back together, knowing their children are safe. CDS provides specialized training for all of its volunteers. The CDS Volunteer Workshop is a comprehensive 24-hour workshop that uses applied, experiential activities to help the participants integrate their learning. Since founded in 1980, over 3,534 volunteers have served in 271 disasters and worked with more than 99,200 children. Following hurricane Katrina, Children's Disaster Services, served in 9 states at 19 sites caring for 4,856 children with 173 volunteers. We are fortunate to have an upcoming training offered locally!

Children's Disaster Services Volunteer Workshop – Friday, October 18th & Saturday the 19th, from 4:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Early registration is \$45.

Please contact parishioner Debbie Wagers for more information at debbie.wagers@cldisasterrelief.org or call 402.250.4824

FAITH FORMATION

Question of the Week for September 1-7

Gospel: Luke 14: 1, 7-14

Key Passage: Jesus said, "Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you." (Luke 14:13-14)

Question for Adults: Who are the people living near you that you would find it most difficult to invite to a meal in your home? Or to invite to be part of your life?

Question for Youth: God asks us to do for others without hope of repayment. This past week, what did you do for someone else for which you won't be repaid? Who are the people most in need of your generosity?

Question for Children: Jesus tells us that we should treat everyone as a guest. Who do you tend to shun or not be nice to?

Preferential Option for the Poor

Labor Day Prayer

God Our Creator, we are the work of your hands. Guide us in our work, that we may do it, not for self alone, but for the common good. Make us alert to injustice, ready to stand in solidarity, that there may be dignity for all in labor and labor's reward. Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen

Psalms: The School of Prayer

At the heart of the Bible are the Psalms, prayers from God that help us learn to pray. The Holy Spirit inspired them. Israel sang them. Christ himself prayed them, as did our Blessed Mother. These sacred hymns become our heartfelt response to God's loving and wondrous deeds for us. Their words captivate the imagination and draw us into a deeply personal encounter with God.

An eleven-week Bible study, "Psalms: The School of Prayer" will be offered at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton on Tuesday evenings beginning September 17. SEA parishioner, Stephanie Jensen will facilitate this DVD study featuring Jeff Cavins and Tim Gray. For more information or to register for the study please contact Stephanie Jensen at 402-504-9634 or stephanieperry1@cox.net.

Seeking Truth Catholic Bible Study and Faith Formation's 10-Year Anniversary Conference

September 7, 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the La Vista Hotel and Conference Center, 12520 Westport Pkwy, La Vista. Speakers are Sharon Doran, Fr. John Ricardo, and Peter Herbeck. Cost is \$25 per person. Register at www.seekingtruth.net

Attention - 7th graders - Confirmation Enrollment on September 8

All 7th graders who are St. Elizabeth Ann parishioners are invited to formally enroll as candidates for Confirmation on Sunday, September 8 at the 11:00 a.m. Mass. 8th graders were already enrolled when they were 7th graders.

Confirmation enrollment for 7th graders will also take place at St. James on the same weekend. Students should attend enrollment at the parish where their families are registered. (Enrollment for 7th graders includes St. James/Seton School, the P.R.E. program and home schools.) Please contact Jo Kusek if you have any questions, 402-572-0369.

Faith Reflections

We celebrate the optional Memorial of St. Teresa of Calcutta this Thursday, September 5. How blessed we are to have lived in the time of such great saints like her and St. John Paul II. It would be interesting to share our personal memories of them, and talk about what they did or said that inspired us.

I, myself, remember sitting on the floor in the music room of Immaculate Conception School with my second graders in the late 1980s. All the grade levels were there, and we watched a film strip featuring Mother Teresa. For some of the students, it was probably their first encounter with this future saint. I must say that after the filmstrip, I paid more attention to what she was doing in the world.

I once read that Mother Teresa advised married couples to smile at each other. I always write that advice in wedding cards. There are several quotes from her about smiling. Perhaps this is the one I read long ago: "Let us make one point, that we meet each other with a smile, when it is difficult to smile. Smile at each other, make time for each other in your family." St. Teresa of Calcutta, pray for us!

What Will Your Legacy Be?

Your legacy tells your life story and must be cultivated through thoughtful planning. It often starts with an estate plan. The Archdiocese of Omaha's new *Living Legacy Circle* recognizes those who have made a provision in their estate plans for the Archdiocese of Omaha, or one of its parishes or schools.

For more information about how to become a member of the Living Legacy Circle, or if you have any questions concerning estate planning and how to go about leaving the Archdiocese of Omaha, or a parish or school in your estate plans, please visit archomaha.org/legacy or contact Tony LaMar, *Legacy Planning Officer*, Archdiocese of Omaha at 402-557-5650 or ajlamar@archomaha.org.

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