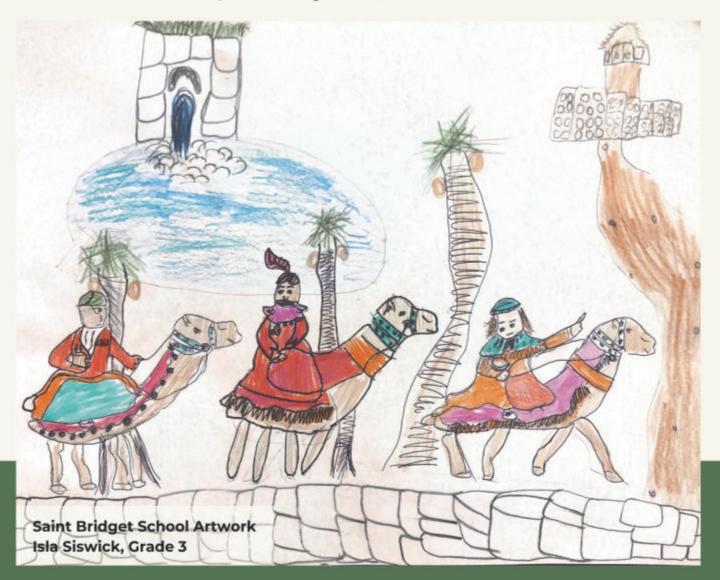


JANUARY 2, 2022 | EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



MASK MANDATE

Cardinal Seán is mandating that throughout the archdiocese all people attending public Masses, including weddings and funerals, wear masks. This mandate will expire on January 17, 2022.

2 Prayer and Worship

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY. JANUARY 1

9:00am + Solemnity of Mary Mass

4:00pm † Paul Ryder

SUNDAY, JANUARY 2

7:00am + Mass

8:30am † Mass

10:00am† Daniel Burke (From the Farry Family)

11:30am + People of St. Bridget's, Living & Deceased

6:00pm † Mass

MONDAY, JANUARY 3

9:00am † Mass

TUESDAY, JANUARY 4

9:00am † Mass

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 5

9:00am † Mass

THURSDAY, JANUARY 6

9:00am † Mass

FRIDAY, JANUARY 7

9:00am † Mass

SATURDAY, JANUARY 8

4:00pm † George A. Torosian, Jr.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 9

7:00am † People of St. Bridget's, Living & Deceased

8:30am + Mass

10:00am† Mass

11:30am † Mass

6:00pm † Mass

The Sanctuary Lamp

Special Intention

RAY CORCORAN

Given by Clara O'Neill



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TODAY'S READINGS

ELP

FIRST READING

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you. (Is 60:1)

PSALM

Lord, every nation on earth will adore you. (Ps 72)

SECOND READING

It was not made known to people in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body, and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. (Eph 3:5-6)

GOSPEL

"Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." (Mt 2:2)

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD COLLECT

O God, who on this day revealed your Only Begotten Son to the nations by the guidance of a star, grant in your mercy that we, who know you already by faith, may be brought to behold the beauty of your sublime glory. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

PRAYER TO MARY, MOTHER OF THE DIVINE SHEPHERD

Holy Mother of the Good Shepherd, turn your motherly care to our Archdiocese of Boston. Intercede for us to the Lord of the Harvest to send more laborers to the harvest. Inspire vocations in our time.

Let the word of your Son be made flesh anew in the lives of persons anxious to proclaim the Good News of everlasting life.

Draw them near to the heart of your Son so that they can understand the beauty and the joy that awaits them when the Lord Jesus calls them to be his witnesses. Amen.

SEAN CARDINAL O'MALLEY

Saint of the Week

Tuesday, January 4th St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Mother Seton was born Elizabeth Ann Bayley in New York City in 1774, the daughter of a wealthy and socially prominent Episcopalian family. Her father Richard Bayley was a renowned surgeon,



and her mother Catherine Charlton was the daughter of an Anglican minister. Both families were among the earliest settlers in the New York area. Because of their wealth and status, she was well-educated and became a prolific reader. The Bible was a great favorite of hers and it became an enormous source of consolation and support all during her life.

In 1794, she married William Seton and they had five children. Within a few years, however, William's health began to fail and the importing business that he had inherited from his father failed along with it. After he was forced to declare bankruptcy, they traveled to Italy's milder climate to bring him some relief. Despite their efforts, William died of tuberculosis while in Italy. Elizabeth was moved by the example and compassion of the Filicchi family with whom they stayed and was drawn to the truths of the Catholic Church. Her interest in Catholicism was not favorably viewed by her own family and those of her social circle once they returned to New York in 1804. Facing ostracization from every side, Elizabeth nonetheless converted to the Catholic Faith in 1805.

At the invitation of several Sulpician priests with whom she had become acquainted, Elizabeth and her family moved to Baltimore, Maryland, and there she established the first Catholic School in 1808. The following year, Saint Elizabeth founded the first American religious community of teaching sisters, called the Sisters of Charity of Saint Joseph in Emmitsburg, Maryland. From that time on she was called Mother Seton.

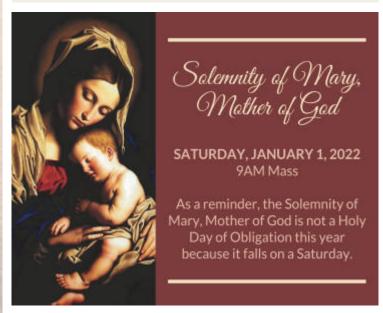
Saint Elizabeth died in Emmitsburg in 1821 at the age of fortysix. Following her death, the order gradually spread from Maryland to New York, Cincinnati, Halifax, New Jersey and St. Louis. She was canonized by Pope Saint Paul VI in 1975 as the first native-born American saint. She is the patroness of Catholic schools, widows and seafarers, and her relics are venerated at the Basilica of the National Shrine of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton in Emmitsburg.

O God, who crowned with the gift of true faith Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton's burning zeal to find you, grant by her intercession and example that we may always seek you with diligent love and find you in daily service with sincere faith. Through Christ Our Lord. Amen. (Collect for the Memorial of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton)

PRAYERS & OCGASIONS

OUR PRAYER LIST

Please pray for all our sick and for those who are in need of our prayer, especially George Alarmani, Edward Brennan, JoMarie Bucantis, Shane Buttchu, Leslie Climer, Joseph Canonnie, Pierce Deane, Gerry Elliot, Barbara Ferreira, John Garbarino, Joan Greene, Cora Hope Harrington, Claire Leary, Kevin Looney, Jack McElhinney, Valerie Montouri, Amy Noel, Richard O'Connell, Marshall Penta, Sharon Pywell, Joel Rivera, Bob Rullie, John Ruiz, Sr., Regina Maura Silver, Piper Simmons, Annika Smith, Thomas Stein, Erica Uriarte, Walter Weldon, Daniel and Holly.









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ADVENT & CHRISTMAS WITH OUR LADY

During the holy seasons of Advent and Christmas, we invite you to join with Our Blessed Mother in the expectation and the birth of Jesus Christ. There are many great feasts of hers in the Church's calendar during these holy days, each one with its own particular character, and each one revealing a different aspect of Mary's love and obedience to the will of God.

JANUARY 1ST - SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

On the eighth day after Christmas, the Church celebrates the great feast of the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God. This octave day gradually became known as the feast of the Circumcision of Jesus on which he received his Holy Name. But in 1974, with the renewal of the liturgical calendar, Pope Saint Paul VI changed the name of this feast - and its focus - to reclaim the ancient Western Marian practice of the Church in honoring Our Lady on this day.



Since at least the 3rd century, Christians had referred to Mary as theotokos, meaning "God-bearer." The first documented usage of the term is in the writings of Origen of Alexandria in AD 230. Related to theotokos, Mary was called the Mother of God, a statement which said as much about the truly human nature of Jesus united to His Divinity, as it said about the dignity of His Blessed Mother. Pope St. Paul VI said "This solemnity also offers an excellent opportunity to renew the adoration rightfully to be shown to the newborn Prince of Peace, as we once again hear the good tidings of great joy and pray to God, through the intercession of the Queen of Peace, for the priceless gift of peace. Because of these considerations and the fact that the octave of Christmas coincides with a day of hope, New Year's Day, we have assigned to it the observance of the World Day of Peace."

O God, who through the fruitful virginity of Blessed Mary bestowed on the human race the grace of eternal salvation, grant, we pray, that we may experience the intercession of her, through whom we were found worthy to receive the author of life, our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen. (Collect for the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of Our Lord)

6 About St. Bridget



Our Mission Statement

The Mission of St. Bridget Parish is to be a strong and vibrant Community of faith, a faith that is continuously nourished and strengthened by the celebration of the Eucharist. Realizing that we do not exist in isolation from the larger Framingham Community, we participate in community endeavors, ecumenical programs, assist the needy by way of our Outreach Programs and extend a warm invitation to all those interested in exploring the truths of the Catholic Faith.

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Saturday | 1:30pm-3:00pm

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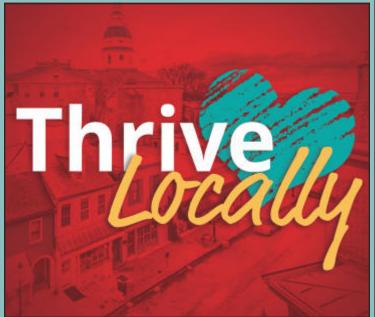
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