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First Sunday of Lent

March 6, 2022

2022 Charity & Development Appeal (CDA)



Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the desert for forty days, to be tempted by the devil. - Luke 4:1-2

## Mass Times

Daily: 8AM, 4PM  
Saturday Vigil: 4PM, 6PM  
Sunday: 7AM, 9AM, 11AM

\*There will be a communal rosary prayed 35 minutes prior to each scheduled Mass

## Reconciliation

Saturday: 1PM-3PM

## St. Elizabeth Seton Staff

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## Office Hours

Monday-Thursday: 8AM—4PM  
Friday: 8AM—12PM

## Song Sheet



## Newsletter

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## Ministries and Groups

**St. Vincent de Paul**  
1st & 3rd Tuesday at 2PM, Deacon Tone Room  
Tina Prosenick, 623-583-7303

**Knights of Columbus**  
2nd Tuesday at 6:30PM, Parish Hall  
Dan Kudulis, 602-647-3551

**Holy Spirit Prayer Group**  
Every Friday at 9:30AM, Guadalupe Room  
Maureen Kight, 602-503-5379

**Faith Sharing—Weekly Gospel Discussion**  
Every Thursday at 9AM, Deacon Tone Room  
Parish Office, 623-972-2129

**Library**  
Every Sunday - Closed until further notice  
Parish Office, 623-972-2129

**Women's Seton Society**  
Every Thursday at 9AM, Parish Hall  
Margie O'Boyle, 623-738-8800/pmo99@cox.net

**Our Lady of Fatima**  
1st Saturday at 8AM, Church  
Jack Limberg, 574-286-1562

**Solo Group**  
1st Tuesday at 5PM, Location TBA  
John Battoe, 623-977-7073

**Evening Prayer Group**  
Monday—Friday 3:50PM, Chapel  
Parish Office, 623-972-2129

**Chalice Apostolate Ministry**  
Rachel Ruby, 623-972-1051

## Mass Intentions

Living ♥ | Deceased †

### Sunday, March 6th

7:00AM Parishioners ♥ Fr. Bill  
9:00AM Gino Delfini † Fr. Jim  
11:00AM Ruth Yandell † Fr. Kilian

### Monday, March 7th

8:00AM Irene Zanowski ♥ Fr. Tom  
4:00PM Marybeth Horzepa ♥ Fr. Bill

### Tuesday, March 8th

8:00AM Joseph Dietrich † Fr. Bill  
4:00PM Tony Lopardo † Fr. Jim T

### Wednesday, March 9th

8:00AM Nick Grevan † Fr. Kilian  
4:00PM Dorothy Tonovitz † Fr. Bill

### Thursday, March 10th

8:00AM Annette Colombo † Fr. Jim T  
4:00PM Ed Psota † Fr. Tom

### Friday, March 11th

8:00AM Dorene Downey † Fr. Bill  
4:00PM Nick Barritta † Fr. Tom

### Saturday, March 12th

8:00AM Mary Jean Brace † Fr. Tom  
4:00PM Peter Rich † Fr. Bill  
6:00PM Rita Mencfeldowski † Fr. Kilian

### Sunday, March 13th

7:00PM Martinez/Hurtado Family ♥ † Fr. Kilian  
9:00AM Parishioner ♥ Fr. Bill  
11:00AM A Special Intention Fr. Tom

## Readings for the Week

**Sunday 1st Sunday of Lent**  
Dt 26:4-10/Ps 91:1-2, 10-15 /Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-1

**Monday** Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8-15/Mt 25:31-46

**Tuesday** Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-7, 16-19/Mt 6:7-15

**Wednesday** Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19/Lk 11:29-32

**Thursday** Est C:12-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-8/Mt 7:7-12

**Friday** Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-8/Mt 5:20-26

**Saturday** Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1--8/Mt 5:43-48

**Sunday 2nd Sunday of Lent**  
Gn 15:5-12-18/Ps 27:1-14/Phil 3:17—4:1/  
Lk 9:28b-36

## Votive Candles

Blessed Virgin Mary Candle:

### Monique Angel

Requested by: Seton Women's Society

Tabernacle Candle:

### Cecile Moraldo

Requested by: Dolores Banzon

Saint Joseph Candle:

### All Those Suffering in Ukraine

Requested by: SESCO Parishioners



To request a Mass Intention or Votive Candle, please contact Yvonne at the Parish Office 623-972-2129

## Total Offering:

**February 27th \$10,519.00**

**Online Giving \$2,872.75**

**2nd Collection \$3.00**







## Pastor's Letter:

March 6, 2022

## **First Sunday Of Lent:**

### **Lent: A Season of Hope\***

Lord, in these difficult times, we enter into the desert of Lent this year on our annual Journey to Jerusalem with much grief in our hearts for those lost to us...

the bullets and missiles in Ukraine, the tortured cries of children of abuse, the rhetoric and spin of governments, those still living in fear of the pandemic,

**Yet we turn to these words of Hope:**

**“The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us... and we saw his glory... full of grace and truth.”**

### **Why Did God Become Human?**

There are two ways of looking at this:

1. The Sin-centered view: where humans are the central focus.
2. The Love-centered view: where Jesus becomes the central focus.

Both views have been the discussion and understanding in the Church for centuries. There is no definite doctrinal statement on either one. They stand side by side.

The context of our view shapes the way we see God, creation sacrifice and sin...

Jesus loves you and came in love to save you. Have you ever thought about that?

Jesus loves YOU. Jesus loves YOU! Now, He wants you to fall in love with Him.

**This is the reason for our hope\*.**

## **In the Desert, Jesus Leads Us To Holiness Of Life.**



“Jesus' temptation reveals the way in which the Son of God is Messiah, contrary to the way Satan proposes to him and the way men wish to attribute to him. This is why Christ vanquished the Tempter *for us*: "For we have not a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sinning.”

“By the solemn forty days of *Lent* the Church unites herself each year to the mystery of Jesus in the desert” (CCC 540).

### **Lent: A Season Of Grace**

As a Church, as the Bride of the Bridegroom, Jesus, we are invited to make the most out of this time of Lent, in order that we grow into deeper union with Jesus and so conform ourselves to Jesus Christ.

**Pope Francis has called a Synod** for next year and asks the whole Church around the world for input. Here are three questions:

1. What steps does the Holy Spirit invite us to take in order to grow in the Church “journeying together” for the future.
2. Who do we need to reach out to, listen to, and learn from in our community?
3. Whose voices are not currently being heard in our community/the world?

Please pray about these questions this Lent. We want your opinion and feedback.

**Fr. Kilian, Sr. Mary Beverly & Our Staff.**

**\* Special thanks to Mary Ann Ronan.**



In today's Gospel, Jesus overcomes temptations to wealth, power, and glory. As we begin Lent, we too are called to overcome selfish temptations and open our hearts to God's love through prayers, fasting, and almsgiving. As always, we are grateful for your unselfish generosity that enable us to give to our neighbors in need. In the words of Mother Teresa, "a life not lived for others is not a life"

Much thanks to Father Kilian, the parish staff, our volunteers and parishioners, and to you all who all participated in our successful

### **Dessert Auction & Mardi Gras Celebration**

Next week's bulletin will have a full report.

Reminder: We're holding our non-food drive before and after all Masses this weekend.

Items needed include laundry detergent, cleaning items, wipes, men's and women's toiletries, Kleenex, liquid hand soap, body lotion, napkins and feminine products

## **Seton Women's Society Spring Bazaar**

Saturday, April 2nd, 8AM - 2PM

Sunday, April 3rd, 8AM - 1PM

**Volunteers:** Safety trained, certified Parishioners needed to help with Bazaar.

Please contact Margie O'Boyle (623) 738-8800 or Kathy Zech (623) 974-2362 for any amount of time you can volunteer.

**Donations:** Now accepting new and gently used household items, linens, painting/wall hangings, kitchen items, knick-knacks, purses, collectables, decorations, and various treasures.

Gift Certificates: Much appreciated donation are the gift cards in any amount for stores, restaurants, movies & commercial venues.

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### **Taking Pro-Life to the Streets**

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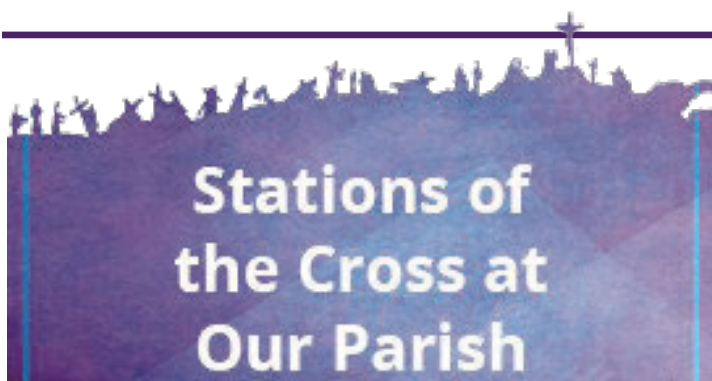
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## Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

This year we are welcoming **William Gore, Luke McCracken, and Tyler Wells** through the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Eucharist at the Easter Vigil. On the first Sunday of Lent, March 6<sup>th</sup> at the 11 am mass they will be receiving the Rite of Election. This is where they will sign the Book of Elect. This is called Election because the acceptance made by the Church is founded on the election by God, in whose name the Church acts. The step is also called the enrollment of names because as a pledge of fidelity the candidates inscribe their names in the book that lists those who have been chosen for initiation.

These Elect will also receive prayers known as Scrutinies on the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent. These prayers are minor exorcisms that help the Elect receive strength against the evil one who is trying to prevent them from being received into the Church through the Sacraments of Initiation. On these Sundays at the 11 am mass we will be taking the Cycle A readings that focus on the mystery of sin, from which the whole world and every person longs to be delivered and thus saved from its present and future consequences. Second, their spirit is filled with Christ the Redeemer, and who is the living water (the gospel of the Samaritan woman in the first scrutiny), the light of the world (the gospel of the man born blind in the second scrutiny), the resurrection and the life (gospel of Lazarus in the Third Scrutiny).



**Friday's During Lent  
8:30AM & 3:30PM**

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## Grief Support Group

Grieving with Great HOPE is a FIVE-WEEK grief support workshop using a video-on-demand format. It offers a prayerful, practical, and personal approach for anyone who is mourning the loss of a loved one. If you have lost a spouse, a child (including pregnancy loss), a grandchild, a parent, another family member, or a friend, you are encouraged to attend. Presenters will include, two priests, as well as John and Sandy O'Shaughnessy from Good Mourning Ministry, a Catholic bereavement organization.

Beginning March 9th  
**Wednesday Afternoons 2PM-4PM**  
in the Guadalupe Room

For more information, please contact  
Dcn. Jeff Arner, Director of Formation.

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## Religious Education & Adult Formation

Please join us as we expand our knowledge of the Catholic faith with children and parents alike.

Wednesday Evenings  
6PM-7:30PM

St. Elizabeth Seton Church & Classrooms

For more information, please contact  
Linda Watkins or Dcn. Jeff Arner.

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## St. Elizabeth Seton Parish is exploring the idea of establishing a Stephen Ministry

which offers one-to-one Christ-centered care to parishioners experiencing life difficulties.

If you are interested in finding out what this training entails, join us for information sharing  
**on Sunday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 1:00 PM**

If you have any questions please contact  
**Teresa Yandel at 602-677-0423.**

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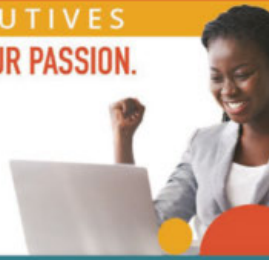
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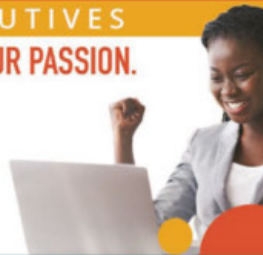
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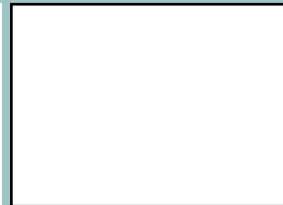
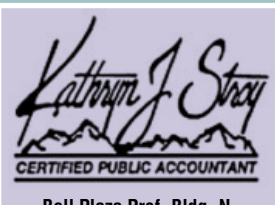
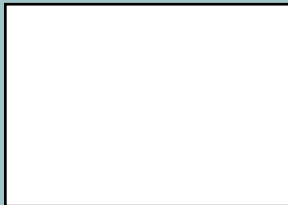
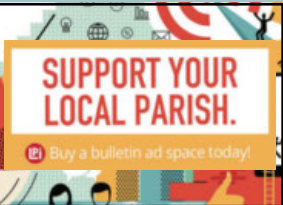
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