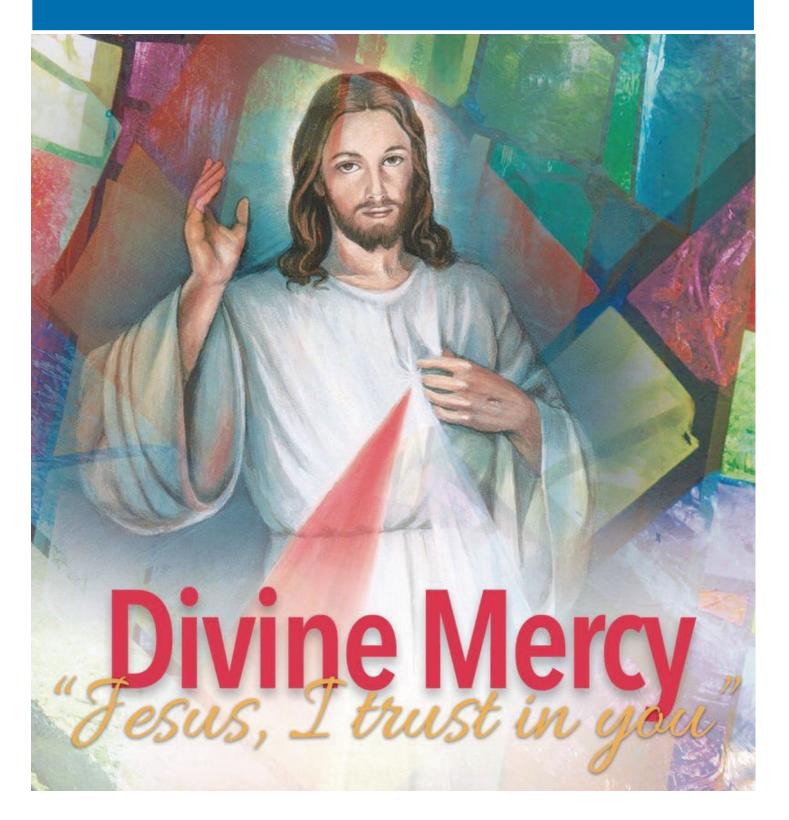
# St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic Church

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2022 Charity & Development Appeal (CDA)



### **Mass Times**

Daily: 8AM

Saturday Vigil: 4PM

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

# **Song Sheet**

## **Newsletter**

www.sesccnews.org



# **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, Palmbrook Country Club 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, April 24th

7:00AM The Sorrentino Family ♥ Fr. Jim
9:00AM Paulette Griffa † Fr. John
11:00AM Joseph McCord † Fr. Kilian
2:00PM Parishioners ♥ Fr. Kilian

Monday, April 25th

8:00AM Lee Wyffels † Fr. Tom

Tuesday, April 26th

8:00AM Jen Morris ♥ Fr. Bill

Wednesday, April 27th

8:00AM Carolyn Ori † Fr. John

Thursday, April 28th

8:00AM Rosa Schreck † Fr. Jim

Friday, April 29th

8:00AM Rose Perri † Fr. Kilian

Saturday, April 30th

8:00AM Reich Family † Fr. John 4:00PM Fred Freda & Lester Keely † Fr. Kilian

Sunday, May 1st

7:00AM Parishioners ♥ Fr. Jim 9:00AM George Soyster † Fr. John 11:00AM Carl Basone † Fr. Kilian

# Readings for the Week

Sunday Divine Mercy Sunday

Acts 5:12-16/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24/

Rv 1:9-19/Jn 20:19-31

**Monday** 1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-7, 16-17/Mk 16:15-20

**Tuesday** Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1-2, 5/Jn 3:7-15 **Wednesday** Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-9/Jn 3:16-21

**Thursday** Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-20/

Jn 3:31-36

**Friday** Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15

**Saturday** Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/

Jn 6:16-21

Sunday 3rd Sunday of Easter, St Joseph

the Worker

Acts 5:27-32, 40-41/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-13/

Rv 5:11-14/Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14

### **Votive Candles**

Blessed Virgin Mary Candle:

Martha Reich

Requested by: Dorothy Plett

Tabernacle Candle:

Dcn. Ken Wedge

Requested by: Dcn. Mike & Marion

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Saint Joseph Candle:

**Carol Doll** 

Requested by: Bob & Anita Doll



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

# **Total Offering:**

April 10th \$16,875
Online Giving \$4,957.75
2nd Collection \$556





# Pastor's Letter:

April 24th, 2022

# Divine Mercy

Six years ago on Divine Mercy Sunday 2016 and I was praying in my chapel in Williams very early in the morning, quietly preparing for Divine Mercy Sunday Masses.

It is such a special day in the Easter season, and I wanted more to give to the people. Praying in front of the tabernacle I asked Jesus:

### "Could You help me out a little here, Lord?

I'd like to have something special to tell my people today, Divine Mercy Sunday. Lord, could you let a thought, a word, a scrap fall from your table for me to meditate on?

I immediately heard an inner voice say to me:

### "Just Read The Words...."

So I picked up the readings and read from St. John's Gospel, Chapter 20, today's beautiful account of the first Divine Mercy Sunday:

As I read the words: "Put your finger here and revealed to her in private revelation: see my hands, and **bring your hand and put** "My daughter, encourage souls to say the **it into my side..."** and I gasped. It was just as Chaplet which I have given you. It pleases Me if I had never, ever read these words before.

"Bring your hand and put it *INTO* my side."

This is a quite startling and astounding line. He was telling Thomas to put his whole hand and wrist into the wound in His side made by the lance. Then the inner voice spoke again:

"I was telling Thomas: 'I want you to touch my Heart.....'" His Pierced, Sacred Heart.

We too are called to touch Jesus' Heart.

# Divine Mercy Sunday Special Mass at 2PM today

**Divine Mercy Devotions at 3PM.** 

## **Divine Mercy Sunday:**

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy awakens our understanding that we can unite ourselves in the offering of Jesus to the Father, in union with the action of the Priest during the celebration of the Holy Mass:



"Eternal Father I offer You the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your Dearly Beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world."

The traditional Hour of Mercy is 3PM, the hour in which Jesus expired on the Cross for us. The Source of Mercy is the Heart of Jesus which was pierced with a lance after He died on the Cross.

We have been redeemed by the Blood of Jesus, the Son of God, Who is the spotless Innocent Lamb, now Risen as He said.

During this great Feast of the Divine Mercy, ask for the grace to receive and share God's Mercy for someone you know. Praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet in its simplicity, helps us to place ourselves in God's loving and merciful embrace. In St. Maria Faustina Kowalska's Diary, *Divine Mercy in My Soul*, Jesus revealed to her in private revelation:

"My daughter, encourage souls to say the Chaplet which I have given you. It pleases Me to grant everything they ask of Me by praying the Chaplet. When hardened sinners say it, I will fill their souls with peace, and the hour of their death will be a happy one...

Write this for the benefit of souls; when a soul sees and realizes the gravity of its sins, when the whole abyss of the misery into which it immersed itself is displayed before its eyes, let it not despair, but with trust let it throw itself into the arms of My mercy, as a child into the arms of its beloved mother.

These souls have a right of priority to My compassionate Heart, they have first access to My mercy." (*Diary*,1541)

Fr. Kilian, Sr. Mary Beverly, our Deacons.



In the Gospel today, Jesus stands in the midst of us and says "Peace be with you!" Indeed the mercy of God centers our heart in peace.

Know that your donations to the Society offers this gift of peace to our neighbors who are struggling with daily worries on how to provide for their families.

This past month the Society has assisted 52 families, including 25 children, made 2 rent payments, paid 5 utility bills and provided 71 bags of food.

Thank you for your continued generous support to our monthly shoebox collection which is being held this weekend after all Masses.

Love and peace of mind do protect us.
They allow us to overcome the problems
that life hands us. They teach us to survive,
to live now, to have the courage to confront
each day ~ Bernie Siegel



# Wheelchair Mission Results

On behalf of all of the members of the Knights of Columbus, we would like to thank the parishioners of St. Elizabeth Seton for making our Wheelchair Mission in March an overwhelming success. Because of your generosity, we were able to raise \$11,738, enabling us to purchase 78 wheelchairs and provide the gift of mobility to those in need. May God bless you all for your continued support of the Knights of Columbus and our charitable efforts!!

Dan Kudulis, Grand Knight 602-647-3551 dansiluduk@cox.net

### Love that Gives Hope: Helping Abuse Victims Heal



Restore Dignity helps survivors of physical and sexual abuse, neglect, and trauma to heal through Grief to Grace Retreats. Last year more than 600 individuals were graced with God's healing presence.

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### St. Elizabeth Seton Parish Hall

For more information please contact Dcn. Jeff Arner at 623-866-5221 or by email at jarner@sescc.org.

## **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 grand-child, 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.

## Wednesday Afternoons 2PM-4PM

in the Guadalupe Room
For more information, please contact
Dcn. Jeff Arner, Director of Formation.

# **Divine Mercy Sunday**

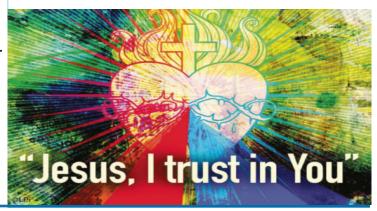
### Question:

Where did the feast of Divine Mercy come from?

### **Answer:**

If you were born well before the year 2000, you know the feast of Divine Mercy has not always been celebrated in the Church. In the early 1900s, a young Polish nun began receiving private revelations. Jesus appeared to her during her times of prayer, speaking a message of mercy and love for the world. She received a set of prayers — the Divine Mercy Chaplet — and the request to have a feast day established to remind the Church of the mercy of God. St. Faustina died in 1938, on the cusp of war and in the midst of one of the most violent centuries in the history of the world.

Her story and her diaries began circulating in Poland and beyond. It quickly became apparent that this was a holy young women, and the cause for her canonization opened. In the year 2000, she was canonized by the first-ever Polish pope, St. John Paul II. On her canonization day, he established the second Sunday of Easter as Divine Mercy Sunday, "a perennial invitation to the Christian world to face, with confidence in divine benevolence, the difficulties and trials that mankind with experience in the years to come."



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