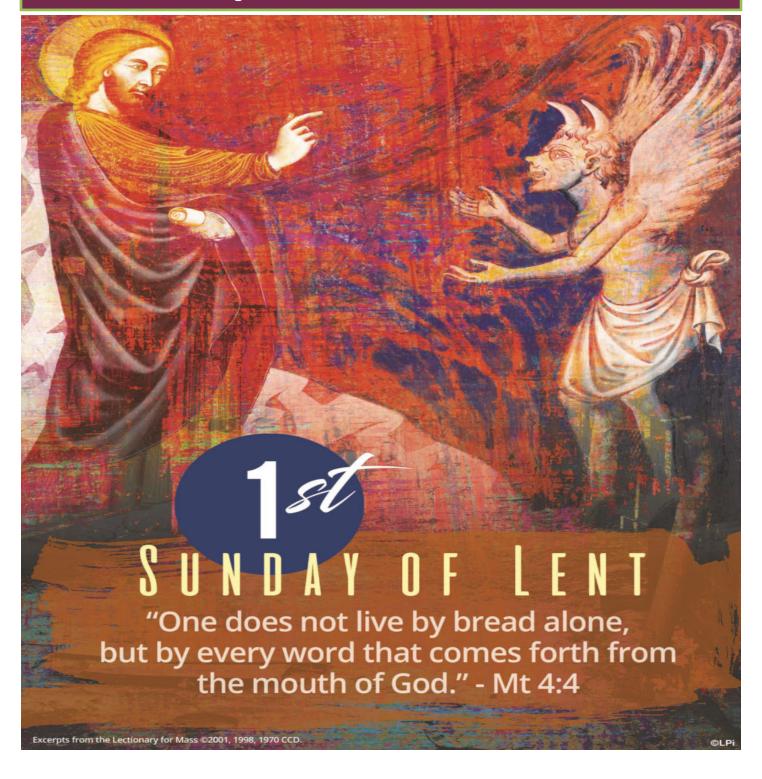
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Mass Times

Monday - Friday: 8AM, 12:Noon

Saturday: 8AM; Vigils: 4PM, 6PM

Sunday: 7AM, 9AM & 11AM

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

Reconciliation/Confession

Saturday: 1PM-3PM

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Ministries and Groups:

St. Vincent de Paul

1st Tuesday at 2PM, Deacon Tone Room 3rd Tuesday at 6:30PM, Deacon Tone Room Tina Prosenick, 623-583-7303

Knights of Columbus

2nd Tuesday at 6:30PM, Parish Hall Mike Wooldridge, 602-717-6700

Holy Spirit Prayer Group

(Will not meet from February 15th - April 12th)
Every Wednesday at 10AM, Dcn. Tone Room
Maureen Kight, 602-503-5379

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

Women's Seton Society

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

Healing Ministry

(Will not meet from February 15th -April 12th)
Every Wednesday following 8:00AM Daily Mass in the Library, Maureen Kight, 602-503-5379

Our Lady of Fatima

1st Saturday at 8AM, Church Jack Limberg, 574-286-1562

Solo Group

1st Tuesday at 1PM, 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, February 26th | |
|------------------------------|------------|
| 7AM John & Anne Palmer † | Fr. Bill |
| 9AM Marian Krozel † | Fr. Kilian |
| 11AM Parishioners ♥ | Fr. John |
| Monday, February 27th | |
| 8AM Leon Yablonski † | Fr. John |
| Noon Leon Yablonski † | Fr. Kilian |
| Tuesday, February 28th | |
| 8AM Michael Yablonski † | Fr. John |
| Noon Michael Yablonski † | Fr. Kilian |
| Wednesday, March 1st | |
| 8AM Ted C Vollmuth † | Fr. Kilian |
| Noon Iris Villareal ♥ | Fr. John |
| Thursday, March 2nd | |
| 8AM Timothy Caballero † | Fr. John |
| Noon Joseph & Grace Soeder † | Fr. Kilian |
| Friday, March 3rd | |
| 8AM Betty Hoffman † | Fr. Kilian |
| Noon Lisa Getman † | Fr John |
| Saturday, March 4th | |
| 8AM Manolita Soba † | Fr. John |
| 4PM Parishioners ♥ | Fr. Tom |
| 6PM Jason Nolan † | Fr. Kilian |
| Sunday, March 5th | |
| 7AM Shelia Espinoza † | Fr. Bill |
| 9AM Gererd Trueson † | Fr. John |
| 11AM Philip Watkins † | Fr. Kilian |
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Readings for the Week

| Sunday February 26th | 1st Sunday of Lent Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17 (see 3a)/Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19/Mt 4:1-11 |
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| Monday | Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/ |
| February 27th | Mt 25:31-46 |
| Tuesday | Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19/ |
| February 28th | Mt 6:7-15 |
| Wednesday | Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19/ |
| March 1st | Lk 11:29-32 |
| Thursday March 2nd | Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/Mt 7:7-12 |
| Friday | Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 507a, 7bc-8/ |
| March 3rd | Mt 5:20-26 |

Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9

Saturday March 4th

Sunday March 5th Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 4-5, 7-8/Mt 5:43-48

Gn 12:1-4a/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 (22)/2

Votive Candles

Blessed Virgin Mary Candle:

Michael Yablonski

Requested by: Linda Yablonski

Tabernacle Candle:

Leon Yablonski

Requested by: Linda Yablonski

Saint Joseph Candle:

Rob Saulinskas

Requested by: Mary Frenette

To kindly and generously request a

Mass Intention or Votive Candle,
please contact Sylvia at the

Parish Office 623-972-2129.



Stewardship

Your Financial Stewardship

February 19th, 2023

Plate: \$17,580.00

Online: \$4,977.75

Weekly Goal: <u>\$18,780.75</u>







CHARITY AND DEVELOPMENT APPEAL

Pastor's Letter:

February 26, 2023

Into The Desert With Jesus

The First Sunday of Lent

Lent is the Favorable Time: The Time of Salvation. Lent is our opportunity to really turn back to God.

"If today's readings make us feel uncomfortable and uneasy, this is a good thing!

I say "good" because it means that the readings touched on some fundamental truths about us and about our world. The world we live in is not perfect because of sin. Our sin."

So wrote Marius Majewski, a Polish seminarian at our Seminary around the Fall of 2005.

Yes, we all are tempted and sin but there is good news for us. We have a savior, Jesus Christ! He showed us how to be truly human. He showed us how to resist temptation. The temptation of Jesus was not some kind of game – as a man, he was really tempted by Satan.

St. Ignatius of Loyola wrote 14 Rules of Discernment of Spirits, namely Good and Evil. They essentially deal with what he calls Spiritual Consolation and Spiritual Desolation. These are invaluable and we'll look at two of these each week during this Season of Lent.

The First Rule: In the persons who go from mortal sin to mortal sin, the enemy is commonly used to propose to them apparent pleasures, making them imagine—sensual delights and pleasures in order to hold them more and make them grow in their vices and sins. In these persons the good spirit uses the opposite method, pricking them and biting their consciences through the process of reason.

The Second Rule. In the persons who are going on intensely cleansing their sins and rising from good to better in the service of God our Lord, it is the method contrary to that in the first Rule, for then it is the way of the evil spirit to bite, sadden and put obstacles, disquieting with false reasons, that one may not go on; and it is proper to the good to give courage and strength, consolations, tears, inspirations and quiet, easing, and putting away all obstacles, that one may go on in well doing.

Fr. Timothy Gallagher, OMV has 16 excellent Youtube videos explaining the Rules. Friday Stations of the Cross will be prayed after the 8AM Mass and before the Noon Mass. I will present The Passion and Stations of Fr. Stu Long on Monday, March 13th:

After the 8AM Morning Mass and with a Healing Mass at 6PM.

Our Lenten Penance Services will be held on Wednesday, March 15th.

Fr. Kilian and All of Our Parish Staff and Volunteers



On this **first Sunday of Lent**, we are reminded that Lent is a call to "give alms for the poor". Many give up something they enjoy during Lent as an offering to Jesus for what he endured for us.

When you give your gifts to the Society, you offer those living in poverty an opportunity to give up a life of despair.

This weekend after all Masses, members will be handing out bags with a list attached for suggested items for our semi-annual

Food & Non-Food Drive we are conducting **NEXT WEEKEND MARCH 4/5**.

If unable to get a bag, suggested Non-Food items are laundry detergent, dish soap, all-purpose cleaner, toothpaste, razors, shaving cream, shampoo/conditioner, bar soap, deodorant, toilet paper, paper towels, and Kleenex. Food items include mayonnaise, ketchup, jelly, peanut butter, cookies, pancake mix, cereal, spaghetti sauce and canned pasta. We thank you for your participation in keeping our pantry well stocked. Dropoff stations will be in both parking lots and volunteers will assist with unloading your bags.

For a tax statement of your 2022 donations to our society, please call Cindy at 623-594-5017 and leave your name, address, and phone number.

Congratulations to the following winners of our chili cook-off -1st Place Shirley Kuchar; 2nd Place Veronica French and 3rd place Pete Dettlaff.

Thank you for your on-going support to our shoebox collection last weekend and a **Special Thank You** for the "**you are loved**" hygiene kits given to those we serve at the Santa Teresita food kitchen.

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Catholic Daughters of the Americas

Court Madonna #2067

The Catholic Ladies of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, St. Clement of Rome, and St. Joachim and Anne host our monthly meeting in the Seton Hall from 12:00PM to 3:00PM.

We meet every 4th Tuesday of the month.

For more information please contact:

Bernadette Labat (602) 565-6429

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(RCIA) The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Have you been curious about the Roman Catholic Church and how it might fit for you in your faith journey? Are you wanting to know more about the Catholic Church before you decide that it is the place for you before you make the next step? Perhaps, you have been Baptized but haven't receive the sacraments of Confirmation and/or Holy Eucharist and you would like to complete your Sacraments of Initiation.

We meet in the Guadalupe Room by the parish office from 9am to 10:30am on Sunday's.

We are excited to have 12 individuals who desire to be received into the Church through Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Eucharist:

Philip Boynton, Maria Campos, Julian Rosales Lopez, Dazy Sanchez, David Sanchez, Joseph Zamora Torres, Jennifer Henderson, Mason Henderson, Jimmy Nquyen, James Smith & Israel Valadez.

Please continue to show your support by praying for each of these individuals. If you are interested in being a prayer sponsor, please choose a name and commit to praying for them weekly. You can also send notes to these individuals by dropping your notes off at the parish office and we will get them to these amazing Candidates and Catechumens.

If you are interested in attending, please contact Deacon Jeff Arner, the Director of Religious Formation at 623-866-5221 or email at:

jarner@sescc.org for an appointment.

New Faith Formation Program



Perhaps no book in the Bible fascinates people more than Revelation. Relatively few people have studied the book, especially from the sacramental, eucharistic Catholic perspective.

Revelation: The Kingdom Yet to Come is an intriguing Bible study that shows how the Kingdom established by Christ in the Church is connected with the Kingdom of Heaven.

St. Elizabeth Seton will proudly begin an eleven-week Bible study

Revelation: The Kingdom Yet to Come

on **Tuesday, February 7 from 9 am to 11 am**. Participants will meet every week to view an engaging video presentation followed by a time of lively group discussion and fellowship.

For more information or to register contact Dcn. Jeffrey Arner at 623-866-5221 or jarner@sescc.org.

In this intriguing look at one of the most talkedabout books in Scripture, Jeff Cavins explores Revelation to demonstrate how the kingdom established by Christ in his Church is intimately connected with the kingdom of heaven, especially through the celebration of the Mass.

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St. Patrick's Day Dinner and Show Sponsored by the Women's Seton Society Saturday, March 18th, 5:00 to 8:00 pm

Tickets are \$30 pp. They'll be available to buy after masses through March 12th or on Thursday mornings in

Seton Hall from 9:00 -11:00 or in the church office.

<u>Menu</u>: Corn Beef and Cabbage, potatoes & carrots & Irish rye bread. St. Patrick's Day Cake for dessert.

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Julie Kramer 1(262) 939-7402 for any amount of time you can volunteer

Donations:

- Now accepting nice items for a silent auction. We can provide a tax receipt for such items if necessary.
- Gift Certificates A much appreciated donation are the gift cards in any amount for stores, restaurants, movies & other commercial venues.



Sadly, Fr. Bill Green is Leaving the Desert. He can be contacted at: whgreen35@gmail.com 5100 Oak Grove Pkwy, Apt # 206 Brooklyn Park, MN 55443



October 9-19, 2023 **Holy Land Pilgrimage**Information Meeting

For All of Our Pilgrims

From 4:30 - 6PM

Thursday, March 30th

LifeIn The Spirit Seminar





We Continue on Wednesday Mornings through March 29th from 9-11 AM in the Parish Hall,

For more information, please call Maureen Kight at (602) 503-5379

THE PASSION OF FATHER STU:

A Special Lenten
'Stations of the Cross'
Mission Presentation
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8:45 AM Monday, March 13th 6 PM Special Healing Mass & Mission Here at St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic Church.

Our Lady of Fatima 1st Saturday Devotion

at St. Elizabeth Seton immediately after the 8AM Mass on March 4, 2023



During each of the six apparitions at Fatima in Portugal,
Our Lady requested that the
Rosary be prayed every day.

This is different from the apparitions at Lourdes in southwest France. When Mary appeared to Bernadette Soubirous at Lourdes in 1858, the rosary was on her elbow; yet at Fatima it was in her hands and always on her lips. Our Lady also appeared to little Jacinta in the parish church, showing her the mysteries of the Rosary, so that Jacinta might learn how to meditate on the mysteries. During the August apparition, Mary urged the children to pray and sacrifice for the conversion of sinners who have no one else to pray for them. When we think of the events or our own times, we can understand why St. John Paul II said, "Fatima is more relevant today than ever."

Please join us after the 8AM Mass this coming 1st Saturday for Devotion to Our Lady of Fatima.





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