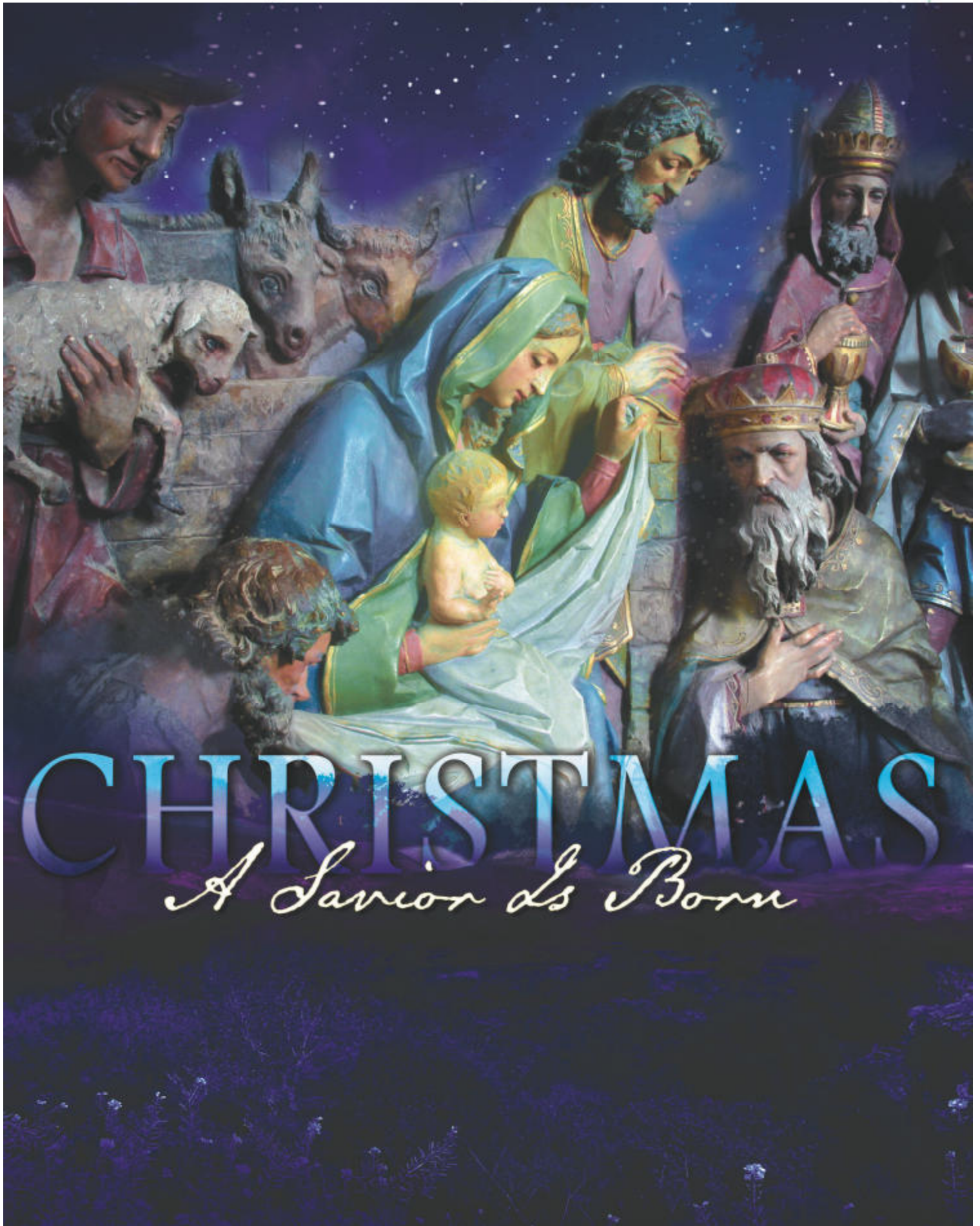


St Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Parish



CHRISTMAS

A Savior Is Born

THANK YOU!

We'd like to thank everyone at Blessed Sacrament and St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parishes for all that you have done for us these past three months. We have truly been blessed to be here, ministering alongside people who are eager to spread God's love to others, under the care of a truly Christ-like pastor, Father Cicero. We pray that you may continue to grow ever closer to God and to each other. Your kindness and enthusiasm for our faith make it difficult for us to leave but we all must respond to where God is calling us at the present (though we can still hope that His call will lead us back here some day! ☐) Sr. Debra Marie would also like to express her personal gratitude for the incredible support she received from all of you after the passing of her father – the cards, Masses and prayers were very comforting to her and her family at this time. Please know that we will continue to pray for you and will remain united to you at each Sacrifice of the Mass through the Holy Eucharist where we all come together as the one Body of Christ.


Your Parish Visitor Sisters,
Sr. Mary Beata & Sr. Debra Marie

Many Thanks to all our Helping Hands

We wish to thank the many people who are involved in the success of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton! Many people donate countless hours of time. We wish to recognize the altar servers, deacons, readers, parish council members, finance council members, pirohy kolachi and Easter bread workers, ushers, CCD teachers, Sisters, Caritas Apostate Outreach Members, Bereavement Ministry, money counters, 300 Club organizers and helpers, raffle ticket sellers, helpers to decorate the churches, St. Vincent dePaul members, special projects administrators and participants, all helping with the Free Monthly Meal Outreach.

Every one of these people has contributed countless hours and lots of hard work so that we may fulfill Christ's mission of blessing each other and our neighbors as well.





The Tabernacle Candle
In Memory of
Frank T. Moran Family
by Dorothy Moran Dalrymple
(St. James Church)

Office Closed for Holidays



The parish office will be closed from Friday, December 31 through Sunday, January 2.

We wish all parishioners a safe and wonderful New Year's.

Help Wanted : Director of Religious Education
Blessed Sacrament

Blessed Sacrament Parish is seeking a full-time director of religious education. Applicants should be committed to evangelization by teaching the faith of the Apostles, fostering Catholic spirituality, and reaching out to the periphery through compassionate service and invitation,. Parish offers great potential for growth and outreach to the faithful of all ages. Responsibilities at Blessed Sacrament include: pre-K to 8th grade CCD, preparation for the sacraments of initiation, vacation Bible school, child protection coordinator, religious education records, etc. D.R.E. will facilitate adult catechesis including R.C.I.A. at Blessed Sacrament and Warren St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish. Pastor is implementing the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. Please submit resume via email to ccicero@warrencatholic.org.

300 Raffle & Dinner

TICKETS ON SALE NOW!!! The 300 Raffle & Dinner will be held at Leo's Restaurant on Saturday, August 27,2022. Doors open at 5:30 pm, dinner is at 6:30 pm. The cost of the tickets is \$60 each. The 300 Raffle is a reverse raffle that includes \$4075 in prize money, including \$50 drawings each month from January through August. The grand prize of \$1,500 will be held the evening of the raffle dinner.



To purchase a ticket call the parish office at 330-393-9766 or contact one of our sellers:

Ann Churman, Ruth Emerson, Betsy Esposito, Eleanor Fairbanks, Sandi Saluga, Ray Sinchak, George Yuricek, Diane Schlosser, Charlotte Knock, Ron Zelenak, and Sal Ciferno.

~Mass Intentions~

December 25/26 The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)

SAT 11:00 am Zelenak & Voytek Families
12/25 St. Cyril (Ron & Judy Zelenak
-Fr. Cicero (Livestream)

SUN 11:00 am Christopher Bower
12/26 St. James (Family)
-Fr. Trimbur

WED 8:30 am Don Lesnoski
12/29 St. James (Lesnoski Family)
 5:30 pm *Adoration in Church*
St. Cyril

FRI 4:00 pm George Kacir
12/31 St. Cyril Granddaughter, Neices, &
Nephews
-Fr. Cicero (Livestream)

January 1/2 The Epiphany of the Lord

SAT 4:00 pm Deborah DiFrancesco
1/1 St. Cyril (DiFrancesco Family)
-Fr. Trimbur

SUN 11:00 am Mass for the Parishioners of
1/2 St. James St. Elizabeth Ann Seton and
Blessed Sacrament Parishes
-Fr. Cicero (Livestream)

An Invitation

Bishop Bonnar invites couples who are married civilly but not in the Church to inquire about beginning the validation process (“having your marriage recognized by the Church.”) Please contact the parish office at your earliest convenience to inquire about beginning the necessary steps leading to the validation of your marriage

Oplatky



Oplatky will be available after each mass in the back of the churches or you may pick it up at the parish office. The cost is \$2.

Tuesday Morning Bingo at St. Mary’s

Doors open at 8:30 am, Calling begins at 10:00 am. Parking Available in: St. Mary’s lot, Public lot across High St., St. Demetrious (church beside Mocha House)



Announcements/Meetings

The Men’s Fellowship will meet Tuesday, December 28, at 6:30 pm at the parish office.

The Crochet Group will meet this Wednesday, December 29, from 10:00 am to noon at the parish office.

New Year’s Eve Dinner Cancellation

The New Year’s Eve Dinner has been cancelled due to the surge in infections in recent weeks and also due to the Christmas Holiday possibly spreading infection amongst our families and friends.

We hope to have a get-together instead around Valentine’s Day in February and we can enjoy each other’s company then.

Refunds are available to all who purchased the tickets. See your seller for a refund.

LAST CHANCE!!!

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Lottery

TICKETS ON SALE NOW!!! The Lottery will be held during the month of **January** and coincides with the Ohio PICK 3 evening drawing. Tickets are \$10. If your ticket number matches the evening drawing of the OHIO PICK 3, then you win! On the 1st and 31st the prize will be \$500. Every Sunday the prize will be \$100 and every other day will be a \$50 prize.



These lottery tickets are great stocking stuffers, a gift that keeps giving all month long! Every ticket remains active during the month of January, regardless if the ticket was already a winner.

Lottery Tickets are available for sale at the parish office. Cost is \$10.

The number on the ticket will be compared with the Ohio Pick 3 during January. Prizes range from \$50 to \$500. Your number must come out straight.

These tickets make great stocking stuffers!

Ticket sellers include: Ann Churman, Ruth Emerson, Betsy Esposito, Eleanor Fairbanks, Sandi Saluga, Ray Sinchak, George Yuricek, Diane Schlosser, Charlotte Knock, Ron Zelenak, and Sal Ciferno.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Christmas is a nostalgic holiday. The traditions, music, meals, decorations, and solemn Masses stir memories and emotions. For many, Christmas brings comfort as we celebrate the blessings of faith, family, and friendship. Christmas is also a time of sorrow for some, especially in a year as challenging as this. It conjures thoughts in us of deeply missed loved ones and the divisions that have yet to be healed. In joy and sorrow, the Christmas mystery calls us to open our hearts anew to God's grace. Take a moment to thank God for blessings. Let your gratitude turn to praise. Commend the dead to God's mercy. Ask Him to heal divisions and comfort broken hearts. Jesus is the hope of the world! This is the true meaning of Christmas. Thank you for celebrating Christmas at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton! It is an honor to serve as your pastor. I am grateful that you are here!

Thanks also for your flexibility and understanding as we continue to welcome Blessed Sacrament parishioners in our parish while their church is being restored. I am very grateful to our parish staff and many volunteers who are helping us through this. Finally, keep praying for God to protect our parishioners and loved ones from the ongoing pandemic. Merry Christmas and happy New Year! May God bless you!

Yours in Christ, Fr. Cicero

Letters to the Sisters:

Mother Maria Catherine, PVMI
Sister Mary Beata, PVMI
Sister Debra Marie, PVMI

Parish Visitors of Mary Immaculate
P.O. Box 658
Monroe, NY 10949

Thank You for the Calendars

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton wishes to thank Peter Rossi & Son Funeral Home and Sinchak & Sons Funeral Home for providing our parishioners with 2022 Calendars. We appreciate it very much.

Holiday Wreath Raffle Winner

Mae Stark won the Altar & Rosary Lottery Wreath. Congratulations and thanks to all who purchased tickets!

December 9, 2021

St. Juan Diego

Dear Father Cicero and Parishioners,

Peace and Christmas Blessings!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank each of you for your generosity in preparing a home for our Sisters, as well as your many kindnesses during their mission in your midst!

As you may know, we have a small number of Sisters able to be missioned and quite a number of priests and Bishops who have requested Parish Visitors of Mary Immaculate in their dioceses/parishes. It is because of our small numbers that I could send Sister Mary Beata and Sister Debra Marie for only a temporary mission.

How I would love for the "temporary" to be permanent! I am aware of the needs of the Parishes for which Father Cicero is responsible. Unfortunately, at the present time it is not possible to send Sisters on a permanent basis.

However, for the time being, it may be possible to continue temporary missions: 3 or 4 months at a time, if that would be agreeable to Father Cicero.

We will be having our General Chapter in June, 2022, at which time I will be better able to determine availability of Sisters, long-term. Would you be willing and able to wait that long, given the real needs of your parish Community?

Again, my deepest gratitude to you, Father Cicero, and to your parishioners and a promise of my prayers for all your intentions. I/We count on your prayers for us, and for an increase of vocations to our Congregation.

God bless you and may you each have a Blessed Christmas!

In the Holy Family,

*Mother Maria Catherine, PVMI
General Superior*

December 19 Collection \$5,132

Thank you for your continued generosity! We appreciate your continued support by sending in your weekly offertory envelopes.



Temporary Mass & Confession Schedule**Christmas Eve:**

- Fri., 12.24.21, 4:00 PM: BSP Gym**
Fr. Trimbur, BSP: Readers, EMHCs,
Servers, Ushers, Greeters
- Fri., 12.24.21, 4:00 PM: St. James**
Fr. Cicero, Seton: Readers, EMHCs,
Servers, Ushers, Greeters
- Fri., 12.24.21, 6:00 PM: BSP Gym**
Fr. Cicero, BSP: Readers, EMHCs,
Servers, Ushers, Greeters

Christmas Midnight:

- Sat., 12.25.21, 12:00 AM: St. James**
Fr. Cicero, BSP & Seton: Readers,
EMHCs, Servers, Ushers, Greeters

Christmas Day:

- Sat., 12.25.21, 8:30 AM: BSP Gym**
Fr. Trimbur, BSP: Readers, EMHCs,
Servers, Ushers, Greeters
- Sat., 12.25.21, 11:00 AM: Sts. Cyril &
Methodius**
Fr. Cicero, Seton: Readers, EMHCs,
Servers, Ushers, Greeters

Holy Family Sunday:

- Sat., 12.25.21- (No Vigil Mass Because of
Christmas Day)**
- Sun., 12.26.21, 8:30 AM: St. James**
Fr. Cicero, BSP: Readers, EMHCs,
Servers, Ushers, Greeters
- Sun., 12.26.21, 11:00 AM: St. James**
Fr. Cicero, Seton: Readers, EMHCs,
Servers, Ushers, Greeters

**New Years, Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary,
the Mother of God: (Not a Holy Day of Obligation)**

- Fri., 12.31.21, 4:00 PM: St. Cyril**
Fr. Cicero, Seton: Readers, EMHCs,
Servers, Ushers, Greeters
- Sat., 1.1.22, 10:00 AM: St. James**
Fr. Cicero, BSP: Readers, EMHCs,
Servers, Ushers, Greeters

**Weekends of January Beginning 1.1.22 & Until
Further Notice:**

- Sat., 4:00 PM: St. Cyril**
Fr. Cicero, Seton: Readers, EMHCs,
Servers, Ushers, Greeters
- Sun., 8:30 AM: St. James**
Fr. Cicero, BSP: Readers, EMHCs,
Servers, Ushers, Greeters
- Sun., 11:00 AM: St. James**
Fr. Cicero, Seton: Readers, EMHCs,
Servers, Ushers, Greeters

Weekday Mass and Adoration:

- Tues., 8:30 AM Mass & Adoration:
St. James**
- Wed., 8:30 AM Mass: St. James**
- Thurs., 6:00 PM Mass: St. James**
- Fri., 8:30 AM Mass & Adoration:
St. Cyril & Methodius**

Confessions:

- Thurs., 5:15 PM: St. James**
- Sat., 3:30 PM: St. Cyril**
- Sun., 10:30 AM: St. James**

Help Wanted St. Vincent DePaul

SVDP St. Cyril & Methodius serves lunch at the Dining Hall on Niles Road the **3rd Monday** of the month.

SVDP St. James serves lunch at the Dining Hall on Niles Road the **3rd Tuesday** of the month.

Help is needed to prepare food on these days. St. Cyril especially needs more helpers.

For more information please call the parish office. Thank-you!

Coming Back to Church

If you are on your way to the supermarket, and you are forced to detour from your usual route because of road work, does the food you buy taste different? Is the meal less filling? Are the vegetables less tasty? Of course not. In our faith journey, there are many detours called sin. Some are greater than others, some are even a bit longer. But God's grace comes to us in ways we understand and recognize and need. Your children leading you back to the Church is not as important as the fact that you are back.

This is an opportunity for you to renew, strengthen, and deepen your faith. Regardless of how we get to Church, or what draws us closer to God, the fact is we are there. Do what you need to do to get right with God and the Church. Go to confession, begin good family religious practices, and be involved in the ministries your parish offers. Be more than a lukewarm parishioner. Be the kind of Catholic you want your children to be.

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Many Thanks

Many Thanks to all volunteers and sacristans Ruth Emerson and Marie Therese Weil for decorating and cleaning the churches so beautifully for this Christmas season.



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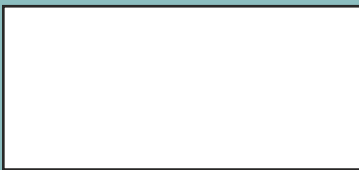
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