

# Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Church

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A Parish of the Diocese of Greensburg  
"A Pennsylvania Charitable Trust"



December 6, 2020

2nd Sunday Of Advent

## Mass Schedule:

Daily: Mon, Tues, Thurs & Fri.....8:30 am

Weekend: Saturday: 4:00 pm Mass in church. 4:00 pm Prayer/Communion Service in Mack Hall

Sunday, 8:30 am Mass, 11:30 am Mass

*If needed, overflow Liturgy of the Word/Communion Service will be available for all 3 mass times in Mack Hall*

**Confession:** Saturday at 11:00 am or by appointment. (Except for the First Saturday Devotions when confession will be held at 9:00 am)

**Baptism:** Contact the office. **Weddings:** 1:30 pm or earlier Saturdays. Contact the office to schedule.

**Ministry to the Homebound** is temporarily suspended. Contact Julie at the office once suspension is lifted.

**Parish Office :** Office hours: Mon, Tues, Thurs & Fri — 9:00 am-1:00 pm. (Closed on Wednesdays)

*Bulletin deadline date is Thursday, 10 days prior to requested weekend.*

**Emergency Anointing of the sick:** 866-455-0224



## Saturday, December 5, 2020 First Saturday

8:30 am + SEAS Deceased members in Nov 2020  
+Florence Capaccione

4:00 pm + John Rocco (Dave & Lori Best)

## Sunday, December 6, 2020

8:30 am + Kathy Peklansky & Caroline Peklansky  
(Albert Peklansky)

11:30 am + Flo & Russell Buehner (Faith & Bob Kerr)

## Monday, December 7, 2020

8:30 am + Ronald Vojtko (Joseph & Lisa (Vojtko) Montore)

## Tuesday, December 8, 2020 Immaculate Conception

8:30 am + Fran Zentner (Donna Dineen)

6:30 pm + Joseph Whitney (wife & family)

## Thursday, December 10, 2020

8:30 am + Elizabeth Gavin (SEAS family)

## Friday, December 11, 2020

8:30 am + Jack Curran (Curran, Campbell & Schork families)

## Saturday, December 12, 2020

4:00 pm + Miller & Guskiewicz families (Tim & Nettie)

## Sunday, December 13, 2020

8:30 am + Barbara K. Evans (family)

11:30 am + John Cochenour (wife, children & grandchildren)

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*For all of our faithful departed, may they be  
welcomed into the eternal reward of the heavenly  
kingdom.*

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### Operation Safe Mode (OSM)

Sunday 8:00 am Mass

www.YouTube.com/operationsafemode

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## NOTES FROM THE PASTOR

### JESUS IS BORN BUT HAVE “WE” FOUND HIM YET? IN SEARCH OF THE MESSIAH

*In light of what we have been seeking this Advent Season I thought you might find this article very insightful and appropriate for meditation at this time of year.*

*The article appeared on [CatholicOnline.com](http://CatholicOnline.com) By Dr. Chris Anthony Butterworth, Malaysia.*

Once again we are in the season of Advent indicating that Christmas is just around the corner. Many of us may remember the once popular hymn during this season, “Oh Come Divine Messiah” whose lyrics go like this:

**Oh come divine Messiah  
The world in silence waits the day  
When hope shall sing of triumph  
And sadness flees away**

Yes, those days life was very simple as we waited in silence full of hope that good will soon triumph over evil thereby ridding our lives of sadness.

Those words were so meaningful and bring back pleasant memories of Christmas of the yesteryears.

Christmas is a commemoration of God’s coming into the world. He came for all of us – believers and non-believers alike. His birth should bring us hope and triumph which will dispel the sadness from our lives. But after years of celebrating Christmas after Christmas many of us are yet to see that triumph in our lives and our hopes may be giving way to despair. Has the Messiah really come? If He has where is He? Why doesn’t He bring the triumph that dispels the sadness of man?

The real problem today is that we are waiting for God to literally come to us. We celebrate His birth just like that of any one of us – offering prayers, eating, drinking and making merry. We celebrate his coming into the world but we do not welcome Him into our hearts and lives.

Yes, He has come into the world and is very much in our midst but unfortunately we refuse to recognize Him therefore fail to welcome Him.

By being born to poor parents, in an environment of extreme poverty, Jesus is telling us where He dwells - not in places of majesty and glamour but among the poor and the down-trodden, the sick and dying, the hungry, the oppressed and in those we love and even in those we hate. In short He is among the masses.

Amidst our celebrations this Christmas, let us pause a while to look around us to recognize that Jesus was born into the world two thousand years ago. He is among us in every person and in every trial and tribulation we encounter in our lives. Let us take a moment to look around to recognize Him in those who do not have joy and peace in their lives.

Let us do the little within our means to alleviate the pain and misery in their lives. Let us do whatever we can to give them the hope that triumph will one day wipe out the sadness in their hearts.

We too, like Jesus, must have the humility to come down from our positions of comfort and power to meet Him in the people around us. If we isolate ourselves from the masses by building a fortress around us with all our wealth and power together with greed, selfishness and pride, then we can keep waiting for Jesus all our lives but it will only be in vain.

To us then His birth into this world, that is Christmas, will be just another day to celebrate, eat, drink and make merry.

It will never become the day when hope shall sing of triumph and sadness flees away.



## **“O MARY CONCEIVED WITHOUT SIN”** **The Feast of the Immaculate Conception**

### **MASS SCHEDULE - Tuesday: 6:30PM**

A feast called the Conception of Mary arose in the Eastern Church in the seventh century. It came to the West in the eighth century. In the eleventh century it received its present name, the Immaculate Conception. In the eighteenth century it became a feast of the Universal Church.

In 1854, Pius IX solemnly proclaimed: “The most Blessed Virgin Mary, in the first instant of her conception, by a singular grace and privilege granted by almighty God, in view of the merits of Jesus Christ, the savior of the human race, was preserved free from all stain of original sin.”

It took a long time for this doctrine to develop. While many Fathers and Doctors of the Church considered Mary the greatest and holiest of the saints, they often had difficulty in seeing Mary as sinless—either at her conception or throughout her life. This is one of the Church teachings that arose more from the piety of the faithful than from the insights of brilliant theologians. Even such champions of Mary as Bernard and Thomas Aquinas could not see theological justification for this teaching.

Two Franciscans, William of Ware and Blessed John Duns Scotus, helped develop the theology. They point out that Mary’s Immaculate Conception enhances Jesus’ redemptive work. Other members of the human race are cleansed from original sin after birth. In Mary, Jesus’ work was so powerful as to prevent original sin at the outset.

### **PRAY FOR US WHO HAS RECOURSE TO THEE**

In 1871 the Irwin Catholic Community was officially recognized by the Diocese of Pittsburgh under the title of the Immaculate Conception of Mary. Prior to this date the parish was known as “St. Mary” (the Assumption). In December of that year the parish celebrated their new Feast day for the first time. Thirty-nine years earlier, in Paris France, our Lady appeared to St. Catherine of Labouré instructing her to have a Medal made with her image upon it. Around the image of our lady the words were inscribed: “Mary conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee.” It is in these words that our parish family would always invoke her intercession. The official image of our Lady that the parish has embraced is that which appears on the medal. It is also the prayers of the Miraculous Medal that we have adopted as our Novena prayer as well. In January 2005, I began the new tradition on the corner to conclude Mass, just before the final blessing, by seeking Mary’s guidance and intercession by including the prayer of the Miraculous Medal. I said then, and believe it even more so today, that we must identify with our patroness with pride and love. It is with this pride and love for our Lady’s title and our faith community that has allowed us to grow stronger as a family.

### **CELEBRATING WITH PRIDE**

So when we gather for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, with the Universal Church, let us remember that we have been blessed for our faithfulness to Mary’s example and love of her son! As Mary, conceived without sin, becomes the new eve and the mother of the new creation through Christ her son, may we celebrate thirsty and hungering to be found blameless in holiness before our God awaiting to share in the fruit of womb eternally in heaven!!

## **XMAS and CHRISTMAS** - by C. S. Lewis (abridged by Rev. John A. Moineau)

*Note: I am breaking from a 20 year plus tradition this Advent Season that has been my trademark. For twenty years (plus) I have read, for my homily, the story/reflections that appears below. Even though I will not read it as my homily this year I feel that it serves better to be read and shared outside the context of the Mass. While reading, notice that Niatirb is Britain backwards. What happens in England is never far from the States. Hang onto Christ this season through the Rush... Good Luck!*

And Beyond this there lies in the ocean, turned towards the west and north, the island of Niatirb. These islanders, surpassing all the men of whom we know in patience and endurance, use the following customs.

In the middle of winter when fogs and rains most abound they have a great festival which they call Xmas, and for 30 days they prepare for it in the fashion I shall describe. First of all, every citizen is obliged to send to each of his friends and relations a square piece of hard paper stamped with a picture, which in their speech is call a XMAS CARD. But the pictures represent birds sitting on branches, or trees with a dark green prickly leaf, or else men in such garments as the Niatirbians believe that their ancestors wore two hundred years ago riding on sleds such as their ancestors used, or houses with snow on their roofs. And the Niatirbians are unwilling to say what these pictures have to do with the festival, guarding (as I suppose) some sacred mystery. And because everyone must send these cards the market place is filled with the crowd of those buying them, so that there is great labor and weariness.

But having bought as many as I suppose to be sufficient, they return to their homes and find there the like cards which others have sent to them. AND when they find cards from any to whom they also have sent cards, they throw them away and give thanks to the gods that this labor is at least over for another year. But when they find cards from any to whom they have not sent, then they beat their breasts and wail and utter curses against the sender; and having sufficiently enough lamented their misfortune, they put on their boots again and go out into the fog and snow and buy a card for them also. And let this account suffice about the Xmas Card. They also send gifts to one another, suffering the same things about the gifts as about the cards, or even worse. For every citizen has to GUESS the value of the gifts which every friend will send to him so that he may send one of equal value, whether he can afford it or not. And they buy as gifts for one another such things that no man ever would buy for himself. For the sellers understanding the custom, put forth all kinds of trinkets, and whatever, being useless and ridiculous they have been unable to sell throughout the year they now sell as the perfect Xmas gift.

But during these thirty days the oldest, poorest and most miserable of the citizens put on false beards and red robes and walk about the market place; being disguised (in my opinion) as Cronies. And the sellers of the gifts no less than the purchasers become pale and weary, because of the crowds and the snow, so that any man who came into a Niatirbians city at this season would think some great public calamity had fallen on Niatirb. These 30 days of preparation is called in their barbarian speech the XMAS RUSH. But when the day of the festival comes, then most of the citizens, being exhausted with the rush, lie in bed until noon. But in the evening they eat and drink five times as much as on other days and become sick and intoxicated. And then on the day after Xmas they are very grave, being internally disordered by the supper and drinking and reckoning how much they have spent on gifts and wine.

Such then, are their customs about Xmas. But the few among the Niatirbians have also a festival, separate and to themselves, called Christmas, doing the opposite to the majority of the Niatirbians rise early on that day with shining faces and go before sunrise to certain churches where they partake of a sacred feast. And the churches set out images of a fair women with a new born child on her knees and certain animals and shepherds adoring the Child.

But I myself conversed with a priest in one of these churches and asked him why they keep Christmas on the same day as Xmas; for it appeared to me inconvenient. But the priest replied, It is not lawful for us to change the date of Christmas, but wished that the Niatirbians would change the day of Xmas, or not keep it at all. For Xmas and the Rush distract the minds of the few from sacred things. And we indeed are glad that men should make merry at Christmas; but in Xmas there is no merriment left.

For those who say that Xmas, and Christmas are the same, is not credible. For first, the pictures which are stamped on the Xmas Cards have nothing to do with the sacred story which the priest tells about Christmas. Secondly, the most part of the Niatirbians, not believing the religion of the few, nevertheless send the gifts and the cards and participate in the Rush and drink. But it is not likely that man, even being barbarians, should suffer so many great things in honor of a God they do not believe in. And now, enough about Niatirb.

**PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL**

Saint Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle; be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into Hell Satan and the other evil spirits who prowl about the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.

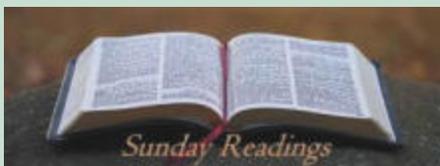
**SONG "On Jordan's Bank" (vs 1 & 2)**

~1~ On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry  
Announces that the Lord is nigh;  
Awake and hearken, for he brings  
Glad tidings of the King of kings.

~2~ Then cleansed be ev'ry soul from sin;  
Make straight the way of God within,  
Prepare we in our hearts a home,  
Where such a mighty guest may come.

**READING 1 IS 40:1-5,9-11**

Comfort, give comfort to my people,  
says your God.  
Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and proclaim to her  
that her service is at an end,  
her guilt is expiated;  
indeed, she has received from the hand of the LORD  
double for all her sins.  
A voice cries out:  
In the desert prepare the way of the LORD!  
Make straight in the wasteland a highway for our  
God!  
Every valley shall be filled in,  
every mountain and hill shall be made low;  
the rugged land shall be made a plain,  
the rough country, a broad valley.  
Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed,  
and all people shall see it together;  
for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.  
Go up on to a high mountain,  
Zion, herald of glad tidings;  
cry out at the top of your voice,  
Jerusalem, herald of good news!  
Fear not to cry out  
and say to the cities of Judah:  
Here is your God!  
Here comes with power  
the Lord GOD,  
who rules by his strong arm;  
here is his reward with him,  
his recompense before him.  
Like a shepherd he feeds his flock;  
in his arms he gathers the lambs,  
carrying them in his bosom,  
and leading the ewes with care.

**READING 2 2 PT 3: 8-14**

Do not ignore this one fact, beloved,  
that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years  
and a thousand years like one day.  
The Lord does not delay his promise, as some regard  
"delay,"  
but he is patient with you,  
not wishing that any should perish  
but that all should come to repentance.  
But the day of the Lord will come like a thief,  
and then the heavens will pass away with a mighty  
roar  
and the elements will be dissolved by fire,  
and the earth and everything done on it will be found  
out.  
Since everything is to be dissolved in this way,  
what sort of persons ought you to be,  
conducting yourselves in holiness and devotion,  
waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of  
God,  
because of which the heavens will be dissolved in  
flames  
and the elements melted by fire.  
But according to his promise  
we await new heavens and a new earth  
in which righteousness dwells.  
Therefore, beloved, since you await these things,  
be eager to be found without spot or blemish before  
him, at peace.

**GOSPEL MK 1: 1-8**

The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ the  
Son of God.  
As it is written in Isaiah the prophet:  
*Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you;  
he will prepare your way.*  
*A voice of one crying out in the desert:  
"Prepare the way of the Lord,  
make straight his paths."*  
John the Baptist appeared in the desert  
proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the  
forgiveness of sins.  
People of the whole Judean countryside  
and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem  
were going out to him  
and were being baptized by him in the Jordan  
River  
as they acknowledged their sins.  
John was clothed in camel's hair,  
with a leather belt around his waist.  
He fed on locusts and wild honey.  
And this is what he proclaimed:  
"One mightier than I is coming after me.  
I am not worthy to stoop and loosen the thongs of  
his sandals.  
I have baptized you with water;  
he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

## Nicene Creed

I believe in one God,  
the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.



I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the Only Begotten Son of God,  
born of the Father before all ages.  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us men and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,  
and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,  
he suffered death and was buried,  
and rose again on the third day  
in accordance with the Scriptures.  
He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory  
to judge the living and the dead  
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.  
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins  
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## Closing "The King Shall Come"

~1~ The King shall come when morning dawns,  
And light triumphant breaks;  
When beauty gilds the eastern hills,  
And life to joy awakes.

~2~ Not as of old, a little child  
To bear, and fight, and die,  
But crowned with glory like the sun,  
That lights that morning sky.



**Home with the Lord** - In the Spirit of Christian charity, your prayers are requested for the repose of the souls of *Florence Capaccione*, *James Smidansky*, and for

*Nancy Sullivan*, mother of Roger (Christy) Sullivan. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed, rest in peace.

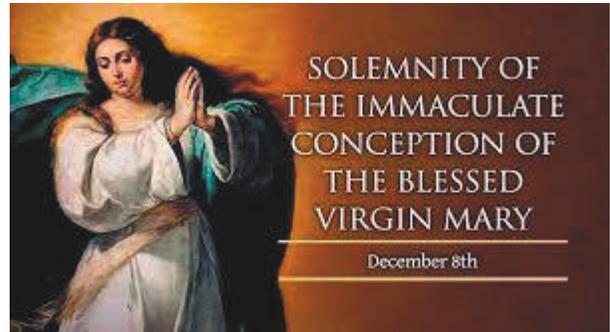
**Saturday Mass & Confession** — effective January 1, 2021, we will now offer a Mass every Saturday at 8:30 am followed by Confession at **9:00 am**.

**This will be every Saturday.** Please make a note of it. The First Saturday schedule will continue as always. Mass intentions will be accepted for Saturday 8:30 am masses. There will no longer be confession at 11:00 after January 1st.



**Sunday Mass is aired @ 8:00 am on the "Operation Safe Mode with Father John" YouTube channel.**

**Reminder that the church is open for private prayer Daily from 8:00 am—10:00 pm. Come and spend some quiet time with the Lord.**



Tuesday, December 8th is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Mother. Normally it is a Holy Day of Obligation, but due to Covid the obligation is removed for this year. We will have mass here at 8:30 am & 6:30 pm. **The Mass will also be available on the OSM YouTube Channel at 4:00 pm on Dec 7th vigil.**



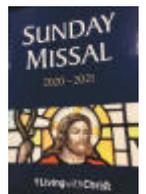
**Oplatki (Christmas wafer)** is available on the counter in the back of church. The cost is \$3 a packet.

**Blue Advent Book**—Be sure to pick up a "Little Blue Book" for the Advent and Christmas season, while supplies last.



**Congratulations** to the following students who achieved Honor Roll status for the First Quarter of the School year: *Jordan Mastalerz* (Serra Catholic), *Lukas Edward Finn* (Central Catholic), and *Cole Sullivan* (Central Catholic). Keep up the good work!!!

**Sunday Missals**— With the uncertainty of Covid, we may not be able to have hymnals available anytime soon. A limited number of Sunday Missal 2020-2021 are available in the back of church for your personal use. **The cost is \$5 /book.** Included in these books are the Sunday readings, Order of the Mass, reflection on the readings, prayers, liturgical calendar, and even a Pronunciation guide for Biblical Words. Copies are also available in the parish office. Whether you bring the book back and forth to mass or by watching mass at home on the OSM YouTube Channel, this book helps to make the mass more meaningful.



**Liturgical Ministers Dec 12/13**

**4:00 pm Mass**—Greeter: J. Gazda EM: J. Barkac, R. Lindow, R. Martin **Lector 1:** E. Wojciak **Lector 2:** K. Zula **Cantor:** J. Perozich **Usher:** D. Campbell, J. Gergely, E. Wojciak, ONE NEEDED

**8:30 am Mass**—Greeter: B. Sambuco, P. Yablonsky EM: J. Antol, J. Butler, G. Butler **Lector 1:** J. Antol **Lector 2:** B. Unnone **Cantor:** K. Gillespie **Usher:** M. Unnone, P. Yablonsky, L. Veitz, ONE NEEDED

**11:30 Mass**—Greeter: R. Denicola, S. Kovac EM: G. Henderson, J. Henry, J. Naylor **Lector 1:** D. Bayless **Lector 2:** J. Montore **Cantor:** N. Bowman **Usher:** D. Kovac, R. Hoffman, R. Henry, J. Montore

\*May not reflect recent changes. Lector 2 will read at Prayer Service.

**Stewardship of Treasure—November 22, 2020**

Offertory envelopes.....	\$ 4,994.00
OSV On line giving .....	\$1,842.00
Loose .....	\$198.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$ 7,034.00</b>

Thank you!

**Mary’s Garden Brick Order** - Forms are available on the back counter and the parish website and can be turned into the parish office or mailed to Karen Benedict at 490 Semple Dr, Irwin, Pa 15642. The cost will be \$100 for 2 bricks -or \$75 for one brick. Questions, call Karen at 412-754-1849.

**Early bulletin deadlines:** Please be aware of early bulletin transmittal deadlines for December. Contact the office if you will be submitting an article to include.

**Hashtag:  
FamilyAvent2020safemode**



Family Advent Kits are still available. It’s not too late to get started. Don’t forget to pick up your Family Advent Kit full of activities to help your family grow closer to Christ this Advent. They are available in St Elizabeth Ann Seton and Immaculate Conception. While we can’t all be together this Advent, we would love see your family participating in these activities! We encourage you to take pictures of your family as you pray, do crafts, eat Sainly inspired foods, and sing karaoke! Please take pictures and post on Social Media and use **#FamilyAdvent2020safemode** so we can see them and share them with the rest of the parish!

One of our parish family traditions reminds us that Jesus is our most important Christmas present. Each family festively gift wraps the Baby Jesus from their home manger scene and brings Him to Mass the week-end of **December 12-13**. Father will bless the gifts, and each family can take their ‘present’ home, to be opened first thing Christmas morning!!



**What should I do about attending Christmas Mass during the pandemic?**  
This has been an often-asked question by our parishioners and has many concerned on what to do especially with the rising number of cases in Westmoreland County. Not having been able to attend Mass at Easter and the thought of not going to “church” for Christmas is a thought so hard to comprehend.



Here is what you need to know and what you can plan to do to make Christmas Mass possible.

The parish is adding two more Masses for Christmas  
**Christmas Eve: 4pm - 6pm - 8pm**  
**Christmas Day: 8:30 am - 10:00am**

The capacity of each of these Masses will be very limited to social distancing mandates.  
**Seating Capacity will be limited to 125 seating capacity down from the normal 300.**  
**Masses to avoid completely:** 4pm and 6pm  
**Masses best chance to attend:** 8pm or Christmas morning

**NOTE: THERE IS NO OBLIGATION THIS YEAR TO ATTEND IN PERSON**

I am suggesting:

- Watch the Christmas Mass on YouTube that will be posted at 4pm Christmas Eve if you have not yet ventured out to Sunday Mass since the pandemic.
- You are vulnerable with compromised health situations
- Have visitors from places that may be suffering greater risk

**We are planning a special Mass that could be viewed with your family at any time after 4pm on Christmas Eve.** If you desire to receive communion for Christmas remember you can attend a daily Mass anytime between December 26 – until the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord on January 10, 2021.

**What will happen when the church is full to its permissible capacity?**

Ushers will post signs on the doors to inform you that the church is full and times of the remaining Masses. This may help you to make the proper decision in regards what to do for you and your family.

I hope this helps to answer questions that you may have about Christmas Mass. I am as frustrated as you and will terribly miss the massive crowds that I am so happy to see to celebrate the birth of Christ.



**Week of Grace**

**December 14, 15, 16, 17**  
**Noon-1:30 pm Daily**

Our Lord loves and cares for you. Due to Covid restrictions, there will not be any regional penance services. Here at Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Church, the sacrament of Penance will be available during the “Week of Grace” on December 14, 15, 16, & 17 from noon-1:30 pm. Confessions are also heard on Saturdays at 11:00 am. Take advantage of the “Week of Grace” and receive His mercy.

*“Jesus, thank you for your boundless love and mercy”.*

Confessions will also be heard at Immaculate Conception on Dec 14,15, 16 & 17 from 5:30 – 7:30 pm.



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Angel's Corner



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REGIONAL MASS SCHEDULE

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Mass Schedule

<i>Christmas Eve</i> Thursday, December 24th	4:00 pm; 6:00 pm; 8:00 pm
<i>Christmas Day</i> Friday, December 25th	8:30 am and 10:00 am
<i>New Year's Eve</i> Thursday, December 31st	4:00 pm
<i>New Year's Day</i> Friday, January 1st	9:00 am

Immaculate Conception Mass Schedule

<i>Christmas Eve</i> Thursday, December 24th	4:00 pm; 6:00 pm; 8:00 pm; 10:00 pm and Midnight
<i>Christmas Day</i> Friday, December 25th	8:30 am and 10:00 am
<i>New Year's Eve</i> Thursday, December 31st	5:00 pm
<i>New Year's Day</i> Friday, January 1st	9:30 am

St. Agnes Mass Schedule—Reserved Seating Required for  
Christmas Masses - Please Call 724-863-2630

<i>Christmas Eve</i> Thursday, December 24th	4:00 pm; 6:00 pm; 8:00 pm; and 10:00 pm
<i>Christmas Day</i> Friday, December 25th	10:30 am
<i>New Year's Eve</i> Thursday, December 31st	4:30 pm
<i>New Year's Day</i> Friday, January 1st	10:00 am

**Ministry Schedule**—Sign up sheets are available on the counter in the back of church for the Christmas Eve and Christmas Day liturgies. Please sign up for the Mass that you will be attending.

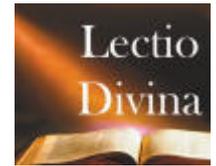


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Be sure to read the info on page 6: “What should I do about attending Christmas Mass during the Pandemic”.

OSM Christmas Mass from St. Elizabeth Ann Seton will be posted on YouTube at 4:00 pm Christmas Eve.

Join us for **Lectio Divina** on Saturdays at 7:00 am in Our Lady's Plaza (Administration Building), **Immaculate Conception**. Each week we will pray and prepare for the weekend Gospel. In our next session - **December 12 - John the Baptist's quotes Isaiah as he testifies to the coming Light of the World.**



Around the Diocese

**Diocese plans Televised Christmas Masses** In addition to in-person Christmas masses all over the Diocese of Greensburg, you can also watch Christmas Masses on television or streaming on the diocese website and Facebook page. Join us for Christmas Vigil Mass at 2:00 PM on Christmas Eve and 10:00 AM Christmas Day from Blessed Sacrament Cathedral in Greensburg. Both Masses will air on PCNC, the Pittsburgh Cable News Channel. Christmas Day Mass will also air at Noon on WPXI Channel 11.



**Parish Mission originally scheduled for St. Bruno's Parish available on Facebook** - “The Triumph: A Parish Mission,” which had been scheduled for Nov. 15-18 at St. Bruno's Parish, Greensburg, had to be cancelled due to concerns associated with the COVID-19 Pandemic. However, the program that was to be presented by Father David Gunter is available on the Facebook page of Immaculate Conception Church, Lonsdale, MN. Gunter is a member of the Congregation of the Marians for the Immaculate Conception from Stockbridge, MA.



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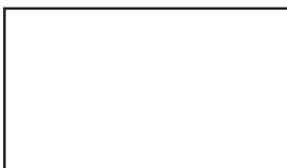
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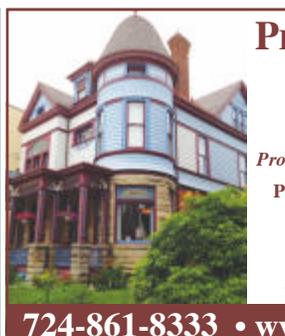


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