St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church

Third Sunday of Easter — *April 22, 2012*

St. Henry, Warrior

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton - St. Henry Mass Schedule and Intentions

Monday, April 23,	6:30 AM:	James Gay RIP by Mike and Kim Clark
Tuesday, April 24,	6:30 AM:	
Wednesday, April 25,	6:30 AM:	In honor of Mike and Donna Mealer's 29th Wedding Anniversary by Donna Mealer
Thursday, April 26,	6:30 AM:	In honor of Bettie Doss' birthday (April 6) by Mike & Kim Clark
Friday, April 27,	6:30 AM:	Jim Kerins, Sr. LIV by Mike and Jackie Frugoli
Saturday, April 28,	5:00 PM:	Frances DePaemelaere RIP by The Rizzo Family
Sunday, April 29,	8:30 AM:	For the people of the parish
Sunday, April 29,	11:00 AM:	For the people of the parish

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION SCHEDULE
Monday - Friday, 5:30 AM - 6:25 AM

Bible Timeline Class
April 26--the Church - part 3 covering Acts 15-28. Anyone interested in making up classes, please contact Penny Vaughn at 919-0914

Bloomin' Festival, St. Bernard Prep School,
Cullman this Saturday and Sunday, **April 21 & 22, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.** Admission $5.00 Children 5 yrs & under are free!

XYZ Mass, Luncheon & Games
Join us on this **Monday, April 23 at 12 Noon** in our Parish Hall for Mass, lunch & games! Everyone is invited especially those 50 plus! Please call the Church office, 631-9398, if you need a ride.

Classes in **Natural Family Planning** will be taught at **St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church** in Gardendale beginning this **Thursday, April 26 at 7pm.** The sympto-thermal method is both medically safe and highly effective. For more information call Harold and Kathy Gray at (205) 631-0568. Registration for the class is online at www.ccli.org

COME JOIN IN THE FUN AT
PARENTS NIGHT OUT/CHURCH FAMILY FUN NIGHT
FRIDAY EVENING, APRIL 27TH 6 PM – 8:30 PM
for the kids of both Parishes, ages 5 and up (or younger if the parent stays with them). We will have MOVIES, GAMES, CRAFTS, FOOD, SOCIALIZING FUN!! Contact Ken and Jen Levesque at 441-5977 or jenniferlevesque@ymail.com for information or to volunteer to help. April's theme is **Cinco De Mayo!** Everyone is invited to join in the Fiesta!

- Our CRY ROOM is located off the vestibule, to the right, just before you enter the sanctuary and is equipped with speakers and a large window so parents can see and hear Holy Mass.
- Religious Articles Gift Shop is located in the vestibule.
- Before you leave, please return hymnals and missalettes (bound side up), to the holders on the back of the pew.
  ~ Thank You

"From the Pastor's Desk"

As I write this message to you, I'm looking at the picture of **the RCIA class** that was taken after the Easter Vigil Mass.

It's beautiful! And you'll soon see it framed and hanging in our Parish Hall. It shows the **8 new members** of our Catholic family who had just received the Gifts of the Holy Spirit and the Body and Blood of Jesus for the first time.

They're beaming because of their new nearness to God and they show how special this encounter is by the way they came dressed for this occasion.

All were wearing their ***"Sunday Best"*!** The men were in suits and the women were in dresses … which has always been the most appropriate form of attire for attending Church.

Now since we're on the threshold of Summertime, I want to remind you that **"Sunday Best" dress** is still the way for everyone to attend our weekly celebration of Mass.

Just last week … on Divine Mercy Sunday … I saw both a teenager and a grown man wearing short pants in Church.

And the question comes to mind, "Would you wear that to go meet the President of the United States? Would you even wear that to go meet the Mayor of Gardendale or the Chief of Police? Would you dress like that to go before the Judge in court?" I don't think so! I think you'd feel compelled to look your best to reverence those honorable offices of government.

Well, in Church you are in the presence of the highest level of authority and power because you're in the very presence … of God. Jesus, the King of Kings and Supreme Judge is truly present in Church and in Holy Communion will be truly present in your body.

And to show up for that profound and sacred encounter in anything less than your best dress is not appropriate.

Church is not a fashion show … it is a place for special and modest attire that bespeaks of the wonder and awe and reverence that we feel for the privilege to be in the presence of the All-Powerful, Almighty and Ever-Living God.

For several years we have been encouraging you to embrace the invitation to dress appropriately for Mass. There are reminder signs in the Vestibule and the Bathrooms and all of our Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers and Ushers have been modeling proper ways to dress.

Many of you consistently wear your Sunday Best to Mass … and I thank you for the witness you are to God's presence!

The saying is true … when you dress up … you think up! And that's definitely what we want to do in Church … to lift our hearts and minds and voices up to God!

I ask everyone, whether it's summer or winter, to dress like you're going to meet the Lord … for indeed you are.

God bless you always! Love, Father Deering

Please pray for our Parish Family in Nursing Homes or Homebound.

Rose Parks	Lena Marino	Doris Piteo
Ann Driscoll	Andrew White	Stephen Edwards
Alvin Dempsey	Lorraine Shapielak	

YOU MAY ADD TO OUR LONG TERM CAREBOOK located on the table at the side entry-way of the Church.
PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY: A list of our loved ones serving in the Military is posted on the bulletin board.

PARISH MEETINGS

PARISH COUNCIL
Meeting: May 14, 6:30 pm

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
- **General Council, Wed, May 2, 7:00 pm.**
- **Officers and Directors: Wed, May16, 7:00 pm.** All Members are welcome.
- **Msgr. George W. Keyes Assembly #2849, Wed, May 16, 7:45 p.m.**

LADIES ALTAR SODALITY:
Monday, May 7, 6:30 pm in the Parish Hall

Right to Life
68.7% of women who have abortions consider themselves Christians! What is happening in our churches that these women believe they can have an abortion and still consider themselves good Christians? If more churches would preach all of God's word, women and men would choose life.

Her Choice Birmingham Women's Center
9th Annual Golf Tournament .
GOLF FORE LIFE Fundraiser
Friday, May 4, 2012
Highland Park Golf Course
Scramble format Lunch at Noon
SHOTGUN START at 1:00p.m.
We will tee off promptly at 1:00 p.m. -- The cost is $200 ($125 tax deductible) per individual golfer. We need 18 people to step up and organize a foursome. Individual golfers are welcome and will be paired up.
We are also asking individuals, families and companies to be Hole Sponsors for $500.00.
Registration and Information (**Deadline: April 27**)
Contact: Michele Raia (205)292-9402 or 252-0706
Herchoicebirmingham.org - "Events"

Attention Parents of **High School or College Graduating Seniors:** Please contact the Church office, 631-9398, and let us know.
We would like to honor your Grad!!

ATTENTION PARENTS OF **First Communion and Confirmation Students** Baptismal Certificates must be turned into the Church office as soon as possible.

YOUTH CORNER
Parents of Confirmation Students:
Confirmation Class this Sunday evening, April 22 at 5:30pm
in St. Elizabeth Parish Hall!

Please remember our Youth in your prayers this weekend as they continue their Retreat!

St. Elias Festival
The 14th Annual Lebanese Food and Cultural Festival will be held **Fri. and Sat., April 20 & 21**. Come taste the food and experience the atmosphere of the Maronite Catholic Church. Info: 222-7056.

Please remember our seminarians regularly in prayer and with a note of encouragement every so often.

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LAY MINISTER SCHEDULE

DATE	LECTOR	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	USHERS (Captain = C)
Sat. April 28	Shawn Holly	Shawn Holly Penny Vaughn Tim Vaughn Roy Brewer	Robin Cox C Michael Belton Raymond Vaughan Ken Levesque
Sun. April 29	Kelly Doss	Kelly Doss Jeanne Busby Donna Mealer Michael Wallace Caroline Gerson Mary Margaret Rohling Jim Jernigan Ken Friedrich	Neal Brasher C Michael Brasher Joel Busby Rod Cameron
Sat. May 5	Ken Levesque	David Slovensky Shawn Holly Annette Sanders Lilo Belton	Frank Oldfield C Donald Hand Two additional needed
Sun. May 6	Justin Brasher	Allen Belrose Andy Hollis Laura Hollis Vicky Gill Michael Brasher Melissa Cameron Cindy Walker Rick Wiley	Jerry Ingram C Jaimie Hand Ken Friedrich Thom Duran