

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time


February 7, 2016

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

Monday, Feb. 8,	6:30 AM:	Johnny, Susan and Sidney Bajjalieh LIV
Tuesday, Feb. 9,	6:30 AM:	Teresa Leon LIV by Josephine Vizzinia, Rose Marie and Noah Garst
Wednesday, Feb. 10,	6:30 AM:	Ash Wednesday) Phillip Do and Family by the Do Family
Wednesday, Feb. 10,	6:00 PM:	(Ash Wednesday)
Thursday, Feb. 11,	6:30 AM:	Marie Marino Pitts RIP by Ronnie and Ann Wright
Friday, Feb. 12,	6:30 AM:	
Friday, Feb. 12,	6:00 PM:	(Stations of the Cross at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton)
Saturday, Feb. 13,	5:00 PM:	Alcia Mejia Sierra by Maria Baena
St. Henry Sunday, Feb. 14,	8:30 AM:	For the people of the parish
Sunday, Feb. 14,	11:00 AM:	For the people of the parish

STATIONS OF THE CROSS Please join us for Stations of the Cross at 5:30pm this Friday, Feb 12th followed by a "Pancake Dinner" hosted by the Knights of Columbus!

Would you like to donate flowers for our Altar in memory or honor of a loved one or in honor of a special event: birthday, wedding anniversary, etc.? The **OPEN dates for the remainder of 2016 are: April 3, 17, May 1, 8, June 12, 19, 26, July 24, Nov 20, Dec 11.** Some dates have one opening, and some have two openings: one arrangement at \$25 or \$50 for two. Call the Church office, 631-9398, for more information or to reserve a date.

 Eucharistic Adoration takes place each Tuesday evening at 5:30pm at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church.

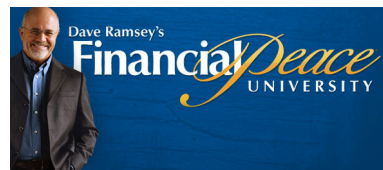
Roman Catholic Inquiry and Answers! (RCIA)

Join us and invite your family and friends to come to St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish Hall and learn about our faith as we begin the new year.

This week's topic: Ash Wednesday and Lent

Natural Family Planning Classes take place on **Tuesday, Feb. 23 at 7 pm at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish Hall—upstairs.**

Discover a natural way to postpone or achieve a pregnancy...the Art of Natural Family Planning® is based on an awareness of a woman's fertility. It's medically safe, 99% effective in postponing pregnancy, very low cost, often has a positive effect on the couple's marriage, and is morally acceptable according to the Catechism of the Catholic Church. For additional information contact Harold or Kathy Gray at 205-999-6439, or e-mail kagray222@hotmail.com. Registration is online at www.ccli.org.



Peace I leave with you; My peace I give to you.
This famous passage by our Lord in John 14 can apply in our lives in a variety of ways. One of the largest barriers to peace in our

lives today is the overwhelming debt and financial problems within our family households. The average household has over \$200,000 of debt from mortgages, car notes and credit cards. If you want to take control of your finances and bring financial peace into your home, we invite you to join us for a 9 week course of **Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University**. The weekly classes will begin on **Thursday, March 31 at 6:00 pm** in the **Parish Hall** and will include a meal. The cost is \$95 for the course, but registered parishioners of St. Elizabeth and St. Henry who complete the entire course will receive a 50% rebate at the end of classes. Please let me know if you have any questions. If you are interested in attending please contact the church office or call Kelly or Carla Doss at 631-2392 for more information.

"From the Pastor's Desk"

1, 2, 3 ... Go! Yes, 3 days from now we will all go... into the **Holy Season of Lent!**

It's a holy season because it's during this 40-day period that we try in a special way to grow in holiness by detaching ourselves from worldly things and concentrating on renewing our relationship with God and with those around us.

A very meaningful way to begin the **Forty Days of Lent** is to receive ashes on your forehead on **Ash Wednesday**. This is a **profound act of mortification** whereby we acknowledge that **our bodies** will one day die and eventually decompose into nothing but ashes.

This helps us to see that taking care of our **body** in this life is far less important than taking care of our immortal **soul**, which will never die and will live forever in eternity either with God or apart from God ... based on our own free choice.

Ashes will be distributed at **St. Elizabeth Ann Seton** on **Wednesday, February 10th** during the **6:30 AM Mass** and the **6:00 PM Mass**.

Remember to abstain from all meat and have just one meal on **Ash Wednesday ... and on each of the 7 Friday's of Lent!**

A **powerful prayer** to be offered during **Lent** is known as the **Stations of the Cross**, which we will offer as follows:

- Friday, **February 12th** @ St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
- Friday, **February 19th** @ St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
- Friday, **February 26th** @ St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
- Friday, **March 4th** @ St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
- Friday, **March 11th** *The Passion* movie @ SEAS
- Friday, **March 18th** @ St. Henry

The Stations will also be offered **Wednesdays** at 6 at St. Henry.

After praying the **Friday Stations**, you're invited to come to the **Parish Hall** to partake of a **meatless meal** and have conversation with other Parishioners.

Please try to come to **6:30 AM Mass** at **St. Elizabeth Ann Seton** during the weekdays days of Lent to tap into the grace of the **once for all Sacrifice of Jesus on Calvary**.

Also try participating in the **Forty Days for Life** campaign, praying the **daily Rosary**, reading *the Black Book* and *Rediscovering Jesus* daily meditations and **quiet prayer**.

May you have a Holy Lent. Love, Father Deering

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Please Pray for our Sick and Homebound

Mary Bauer Frances Horton Annette Kitchen Carol Oldfield
Rhonda Civacco Kelly Jones Dwayne Leslie Rose Parks

YOU MAY ADD TO OUR LONG TERM CAREBOOK located on the table at the side entry-way of the Church.

PARISH MEETINGS

FINANCE COUNCIL: Monday, February 8, 5pm
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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:
General Council: Wednesday, March 2, 6:30pm

LADIES SODALITY:
Monday, March 7, 2016, 6pm



Right to Life

Abortion is not as safe as the pro-abortion forces would like for you to believe. There are well documented studies which indicate that abortion causes infection, hemorrhage, cervical tears, perforation of the uterus and other organs, sterility, breast cancer and death; this is just the mother's risk. Death always occurs to the baby!

YOUTH ESSAY CONTEST All Catholic students grades 9, 10, 11, and 12 are invited to participate in the **2016 Knights of Columbus Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest**. Students are encouraged to write a 500 to 750 word essay on the theme of "The Importance of Religious Freedom": 1st place winners for each grade will receive a check for \$100 and have their essay forwarded to compete on the national level. The deadline is Feb 29. Each student may compete in only one council. For entry forms and rules go to olsyouth.com/koc-essay-contest or contact Ferris Stephens, (205) 822-1080.

XYZ Mass, Luncheon and Games will take place at 11am on **Monday, February 15** in St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish Hall. Everyone is invited especially those 50 plus!! Please call the Church office if you need a ride.



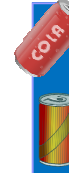
St. Barnabas Catholic Church will host a **Senior Adult Luncheon on Thursday, February 18**. Mass is at noon in the church, followed by lunch, bingo, and prizes in the Activity Building. The cost is 5.00. The church is located at 1921 First Avenue North.



Congratulations to Kara Von Hagel for being crowned Miss Petite Reflections 2016

for Bragg Middle School!! Kara is the daughter of Jeannie and David Von Hagel.

FATHER DEERING'S SUNDAY HOMILIES are now available on our website:
www.seasgardendale.org



Bring your cans To SEAS! We recycle for Catholic Education

Get Your Cans to Church!! Bring empty aluminum drink cans to area behind Parish Hall, between storage sheds. NO Food Cans Please



YOUTH HAPPENINGS

Youth Mass: Sunday, February 14, 11am. Please let Laura know if you want to serve.

Mark your calendars for the **5th, 6th, and 7th Grade Retreat** at WorldSong Retreat Center on **April 15-17, 2016!** Please encourage all your children/grandchildren/godchildren in this age range to attend! We are also looking for responsible older teens 8th grade and up to serve as youth leaders and brave adult chaperones to serve as cooks/cleaners/picture takers/errand runners, etc.!!! Please let Andy and Laura know if you have any questions or would like to RSVP to attend or assist with the retreat in any manner!

Questions? Laurahollisot@gmail.com or 205-482-7414.

Grammar PSR: Sundays-9:30am
High School PSR: Wednesdays-6:30pm

PSR Teachers/Parents please note: If your child/children will receive any sacrament, you must be a registered member of our Parish and your child must be attending our Parish School of Religion (PSR) or Catholic School. Baptismal certificates are required for any child receiving **First Holy Communion or Confirmation** if the child was baptized anywhere other than St. Elizabeth Ann Seton or St. Henry. Please call the Church office for questions or help.

LAY MINISTER SCHEDULE

DATE	LECTOR	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	USHERS C: Captain ALTAR SERVERS
Saturday Feb. 13 5 pm	Penny Vaughn	Dr. Tim Vaughn Penny Vaughn Lilo Belton David Slovinsky	Skip Hall C Tom Townes Larry Grimmer One additional needed ALTAR SERVERS Sam Pritchard
Sunday Feb. 14 11 am	Youth will serve	Dr. Tim Vaughn Michael Wallace Kelly Doss Andy Hollis Laura Hollis	Allen Belrose C Ken Friedrich Jerry Ingram Anthony Bishop ALTAR SERVERS Ben Hand Duncan Hodges Drew Hollis
Saturday Feb. 20 5 pm	Kirsten Casella	Barbara McCray David Slovinsky	Michael Belton C Jimmy Slovinsky Donald Hand One additional needed ALTAR SERVERS Sam Pritchard
Sunday Feb. 21 11 am	Cindy Walker	Cindy Walker Jeanne Busby Dan L. Gardner Allen Belrose Caroline Gerson	John Rogers C Mike Brasher Joel Busby Jaimie Hand ALTAR SERVERS Ezra Bishop Kevin Hand Tyler Putnam