

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church

Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 8, 2015

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



Monday, Nov. 9,	6:30 AM:	
Monday, Nov. 9,	11:00 AM:	(XYZ at Parish Hall) Margaret Wiley LIV by Serena Porter
Tuesday, Nov. 10,	6:30 AM:	Giuse Tran Ngoc Van RIP by The Do Family
Wednesday, Nov. 11,	6:30 AM:	Eunice Stephen RIP by Floyd Stephen
Thursday, Nov. 12,	6:30 AM:	
Friday, Nov. 13,	6:30 AM:	Brett Burkholder and Ashley Russell LIV by The Busby Family
Saturday, Nov. 14,	5:00 PM:	Phillip and Carol Rumore LIV by Dominick and Karen Viruleg
St. Henry Sunday, Nov. 15,	8:30 AM:	For the people of the parish
Sunday, Nov. 15,	11:00 AM:	For the people of the parish

ALTAR FLOWERS

In memory of **Craig Gerson** and in honor of **George Gerson's** birthday by the Gerson Family

In memory of **Joe and Angelina Ranelli** and **Michael Piazza** by Mary Myers

Eucharistic Adoration will take place every **Tuesday** night from **5:30--6:30pm** at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church

Roman Catholic Inquiry and Answers! (RCIA) **RCIA takes place every Tuesday evening at 7pm at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish Hall!**

This week's topic: —The Roots of the Mass in the Bible II

Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos Healing Service
Tuesday, November 10, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

St. Theresa Catholic Church, 1390 Ashville Court, Leeds, AL 035094

205-352-3741 All are welcome to come!

Fr. Joseph Mary Wolfe from EWTN will lead the service using a **first class relic** of Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos for his intercessory prayers. Blessed Seelos was a 19th century Redemptorist missionary

XYZ MASS, LUNCHEON AND BINGO!
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish Hall
Monday, November 9, 11am!

Everyone is invited to join us especially those 50 plus!



If you would like to send our Seminarian, **Brad Jantz**, your well wishes and prayers. His address through the end of the year is:
Mr. Brad Jantz, 2857 Pump House Road, B'ham, AL 35243

Please Remember

Our Dearly Departed from 2014-2015

Mary Tortorici — Beloved Mother of Frank and James

Kenneth Hooten III—Beloved son of Kenneth and Brenda

Fred Mathis—Beloved Husband of Jan and

Father of Claire and Merrit

Francis Dippenworth—Beloved Father of Frank and Phyllis

Billy Morgan—Beloved Brother of Cecil Morgan

Robert (Bob) Townes, Jr.—Beloved Husband of Jessie and

Father of Robert, Gary, Chris, Susan, Linda and Janice

Hazel Melendez—Beloved Mother of Robin, Nida, Gary,

Steven and Lisa

Donald Sanders—Beloved Husband of Annette and

Father of Donna, David and Pat

“From the Pastor’s Desk”

So what do you think we should do ... follow **man's** wisdom or **God's** wisdom? Why God's wisdom, of course!

But there are many in the world who would add the qualifier ... *except in the area of human reproduction!*

Ever since the Sexual Revolution of the Sixties and the introduction of The Birth Control Pill, many couples have been limiting the size of their families ... bringing the average family size down from 5 kids in 1965 to just 2 kids in 2015.

The **world** said, “*Be free to have bonding without babies*” and many people went with that ... either getting sterilized or using a form of artificial contraception or having an abortion.

That was in direct opposition to what **God** commanded Adam ... and Noah ... and all his sons to do, saying,

“Be fertile and multiply and fill the earth.”

Well, there are consequences to following man's wisdom instead of God's wisdom ... not just spiritual consequences ... but physical consequences too.

Perhaps you saw the breaking news this week where **China** has lifted their **1-child policy**, mandated in 1980, and is now allowing married couples to have a 2nd child.

Why would they do this? Well, it wasn't because of a sudden desire to follow the command of God. No, it was because they finally realized that their 1-child policy would put immense strains on their economy and jeopardize their goal of surpassing the United States in economic power!

The problem that they just admitted has been known for years ... that is ... if the birth rate of a culture falls below 2.0 children per family, they will shrink in size and go away.

It's simple math ... and they were too arrogant to admit it. So now they're sitting with a 1.4 birth rate and their population has fallen for 3 straight years, declining by 3.7 million people and will shrink more rapidly in the years ahead.

They're calling it the “**Demographic Precipice**” ... but the situation was already clearly described 20 years ago in two studies, “**Demographic Winter**” and “**Demographic Storm**”.

In 15 years, the number of people over 60 will total 400 million (more than our whole country!) and then **China** will have fully 1/4 of their people not working and needing care!

Nice going ... so much for ignoring God's wisdom! Canada, France, Germany, Italy and Spain are also at the precipice with birth rates around 1.6 – 1.7. We're holding at 2.0 for now ... but our future will be decided on how well we follow God's command and embrace life.

Thank you for being People of Life ... and welcoming however many children God wants to bless you with!

Love, Father Deering

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Please Pray for our Sick and Homebound

Mary Bauer Kelly Jones Dwayne Leslie Rose Parks
Frances Horton Annette Kitchen Carol Oldfield Walter Shapielak
Brad Jantz

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, November 9, 5pm

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

General Council: Wednesday, December 2, 6:30pm

LADIES SODALITY:

Christmas Party: Monday, December 7, 6pm



Right to Life

“Homicide is homicide, no matter how small the victim.” Archbishop Charles Kaput

Campus Ministry Retreat – Alabama Awakening

Alabama Awakening II will be the weekend of **November 13-15** at the **Springville Retreat Center**. Awakening retreats have been changing lives and challenging students to engage in their faith at campuses all over the country. At an Awakening, students grow closer to Christ, closer to His Church, and develop deep bonds of friendship. If you are a college student, you need to experience this retreat. If you are the parent of a college student, you need to let them know about this retreat. For more information, or to register, go to: **www.alabamaawakening.org**. The cost is only \$45 for the entire weekend. Space is limited so sign up sooner rather than later.

St. Rose Academy, a private, Catholic elementary school is seeking to fill the full-time position of Director of Institutional Advancement beginning January 2016. Candidates must have a marketing or communications degree and previous experience with fundraising. Experience using Raisers' Edge data base preferable. Please email resume and cover letter to: Sr. Mary Elizabeth, O. P. smelizabeth@saintroseacademyop.com

Thanks so much to the ladies of the SEAS Altar Sodality, who took time out of their lives and money out of their pockets to bake cookies for Kairos #62. Even the men in prison recognize this as an act of God's love. The cookies are always very much appreciated. On behalf of Doug Homman, Dan Foster and myself, thank you for showing us you are family we can truly count on.

God Bless You All!

Shawn Holy

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



Bring your **CANS** to **SEAS!**
We recycle for **Catholic Education!!**
NO FOOD CANS

GET YOUR CANS TO CHURCH!

Bring empty aluminum drink cans to area behind Parish Hall, between storage sheds.

YOUTH HAPPENINGS

Youth Mass is this **Sunday Nov 8** at **St. Elizabeth Ann Seton** at **11 am Mass**. Following Mass, we will have **lunch** and **then go see the movie "Woodlawn"**! Please rsvp to Andy and Laura so we can get a group discount on tickets. Family and friends are welcome to attend as well. For more information contact Andy and Laura Hollis at 205-482-7414 or laurahollisot@gmail.com

Parish School of Religion (PSR)

GRAMMAR SCHOOL: Grades 1-8 every Sunday, 9:30am
HIGH SCHOOL: Grades 9-12 every Wednesday, 6pm

ATTENTION ALL 8TH GRADERS:

John Carroll Catholic High School is now accepting applications for the Class of 2020. The High School Placement Test will take place at **John Carroll on Saturday, December 5, 2015 from 7:45AM until 11:30AM**. There will be a breakfast reception for parents beginning at 7:45AM, followed by a presentation by the Administration at 8:30AM.

To register, please complete the online application:

<http://www.jcchs.org/Admissions/AdmissionsProcess.aspx>

***Students are also encouraged to come to John Carroll for a Shadow Day to get the full high school experience! Please call the Admissions Office (205) 940-2400 ext. 233 for more details.*

LAY MINISTER SCHEDULE

DATE	LECTOR	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	USHERS C: Captain ALTAR SERVERS
Sat. Nov. 14 5 pm	One needed	David Slovensky Barbara McCray Two additional needed	Donald Hand C Michael Belton Jimmy Slovensky ALTAR SERVERS Sam Pritchard
Sun. Nov. 15 11 am	Jordan Doss	Ken Friedrich Deanne King Allen Belrose Cindy Walker Mary Margaret Rohling	Joel Busby C Anthony Bishop Dan L. Gardner John Rogers ALTAR SERVERS Tyler Putnam Ben Hand Duncan Hodges
Sat. Nov. 21 5 pm	Kristen Casella	Lilo Belton Shawn Holly Two additional needed	Skip Hall C Larry Grimmett Tom Townes One additional needed ALTAR SERVERS Sam Pritchard
Sun. Nov. 22 11 am	Laura Hollis	Laura Hollis Andy Hollis Dan L. Gardner Jim Jernigan Kelly Doss	Allen Belrose C Mike Brasher Jaimie Hand Michael Wallace ALTAR SERVERS Kevin Hand Ezra Bishop Drew Hollis