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THE CHILD GREW  
 AND BECAME STRONG,  
 FILLED WITH WISDOM;  
 AND THE FAVOR OF GOD  
 WAS UPON HIM.

LUKE 2:40



# THE HOLY FAMILY

OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH

DECEMBER 27, 2020

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## Eucharistic Liturgies

Reservations to attend Mass are required at this time. All Masses are also live-streamed: See pages 5 and 12 for details regarding Mass reservations and our live-stream schedule.

Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm

Sunday: 6:00am, 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00pm, 4:00pm & 6:00pm

Daily Mass Monday-Saturday: 8:00am (9am on public holidays)

## TV Mass

[www.seaslv.org](http://www.seaslv.org) and on the CW Network every Sunday morning. Check your local listings.

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Confessions are heard on Mondays\* from 8:45am to 9:30am or until those confessions are finished. Reservations are not needed.

\* Confessions will not be heard on Monday, December 28.

## The Mater Dei Day Chapel

The chapel is temporarily closed at this time.

## \* Parish Holiday Hours Listed on Page 5

### Church Office Hours \*

The church offices are temporarily closed to the public, but office assistance is available by phone at 702-228-8311 during these hours:

Monday-Friday: 8:30am-5:00pm \*

Saturday: 8:30am-4:00pm

Closed for Lunch: 12:00pm-1:00pm

\* Closed Sunday and on public holidays

### Kairos Gift Shop Hours \*

The Kairos Gift Shop is temporarily closed to the public, but can be reached by phone at 702-228-8311 during these hours:

Monday-Friday: 8:30am-5:00pm \*

Closed for Lunch: 12:00pm-1:00pm

Saturday: 8:30am-5:30pm

Closed for Lunch: 12:00pm-1:00pm and during 4:00pm Mass

Sunday: 8:00am-5:00pm

\* Closed during all Masses and on public holidays

## Welcome!

### We Are Glad You Are Here!

In order that we may better serve you, please [register](http://www.seaslv.org) with the parish by visiting [www.seaslv.org](http://www.seaslv.org) or downloading the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton App. Registration forms are also available in the gathering space of the church.

### Anointing of the Sick

Call the parish office at 702-228-8311 if you need to receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick at home or in a hospital. For assistance after hours or on Sundays, call the answering service at 702-388-9571. A priest will be notified and will contact you directly. The Sacrament is also offered communally within the Mass. Watch the bulletin for upcoming Anointing of the Sick Masses, scheduled on a quarterly basis.

### Holy Communion for the Sick

In case of hospitalization, inform the hospital staff that you are Catholic and would like to receive Communion.

### Funeral Ministry

In the event of a death of a loved one, please contact the Funeral Ministry at **702-403-8416 BEFORE making arrangements with any of the professional services.** Pre-planning is also available.

### Sacrament of Baptism

Please contact the parish office at 702-228-8311.

### Sacrament of Matrimony

A 6 month minimum time period is needed to complete the preparation required for the Sacrament of Matrimony. For more information, contact Pastoral Associate for Family and Parish Life, Maureen Sisto at [msisto@seaslv.org](mailto:msisto@seaslv.org) (702-804-8321).

### Vocations

Vocations please consult with one of the priests.

### Parish Chest of Prayers

To have the names of loved ones as well as special intentions for inclusion in Masses and prayers in our Parish Chest of Prayers, visit our website at [www.seaslv.org](http://www.seaslv.org) and click on the Parish Chest of Prayers tab in the menu bar. Fill out and submit the form and we will make sure your intentions are placed in the prayer chest. You can also call the church office at 702-228-8311.

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# Mercy flows... Love redeems

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

## MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Not too long ago I was in a department store and I saw the cutest little Christmas bear. I thought it would make a good gift for someone I had in mind, and then I saw the year 2020 embroidered on the bear's left foot. Immediately I thought, "Oh no! I can't buy this reminder of the year 2020!" And I moved on.

Like many people, I want this year to be over and I don't want to cling on to anything that reminds me of this past year filled with so much negativity, stress, anger, division, hatred...and the list of depressing things could go on and on.

After returning home, disappointed from the sight of this cute little Christmas bear, I began to reconsider my thoughts and feelings. I let the embroidered year 2020 on the bear's left foot, keep me from appreciating the rest of the beauty of that cuddly little bear. This gave me occasion to put my negative feelings about 2020 aside, and try to see the beauty of 2020 as well.

And so, I think a good challenge for all of us during these Christmas days, would be to reflect on what **good** has come from 2020. The negative is easily identifiable, but trying to see the good could be a little bit more challenging.

I'd like to share with you a few of the **good** things I came to realize because of 2020:

- ♦ I have a deep debt of gratitude to Bishop Thomas for his leadership in the midst of this pandemic and for the many quiet ways, behind the scenes, that he diplomatically makes a difference, so often unnoticed.
- ♦ I have a renewed appreciation for my incredible staff at our parish and school who see beyond the limitations placed upon us for our safety, as they embrace the endless possibilities of moving forward.
- ♦ I am encouraged by so many of you who took the time to thank all of us at the church for what we are trying to do to get through these very difficult times.

- ♦ I am inspired by all of you who are able to volunteer your time and talent to assist our hospitality and liturgical ministries at Mass in addition to those who continue to help with our outreach ministries to those less fortunate, and those who are always willing to offer a helping hand.
- ♦ I am touched by the elderly and homebound whose faith in the Eucharist remains so strong, especially as they patiently await the return of our Ministers who bring to them the Blessed Sacrament.
- ♦ I am uplifted by our young families who are able to make those special efforts to bring their children to Mass.
- ♦ I am blessed by the example of the young ones in our parish school and faith formation programs who continue to nurture their education and remain steadfast in their journey of faith.
- ♦ I am moved by those who have sincerely discerned to stay at home during these months as they still keep holy the Lord's day.
- ♦ I am ever grateful to my brother priests and deacons who give so freely to help me minister to this parish family.
- ♦ And I am most grateful to all of you who have been such great stewards of God's gifts to you as you consistently share your financial support for the good of our parish and beyond.

As I look back to 2020, I think I'm going to have to go back and find that cute little Christmas bear and buy it for myself. It will remind me to seek the good in the midst of the not-so-good. It will remind me to see in the Christ-child, not the limits of a helpless baby, but the promise of our loving God who never abandons us, his beloved children.

My sisters and brothers, "Merry Christmas!" And thanks for being Christ to me!

Peace always,



Fr. James Michael Jankowski  
Pastor

## The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph



### Presider's Mass Intentions

|           |                                   |
|-----------|-----------------------------------|
| Saturday  | 12/26                             |
| 8:00am    | Rob & Adrienne Terry              |
| 4:00pm    | Paulette Anderson                 |
| Sunday    | 12/27                             |
| 6:00am    | † James J. O'Hara                 |
| 8:00am    | † Kay Matthews                    |
| 10:00am   | † John Regina Zachary             |
| 12:00pm   | SEAS Parishioners                 |
| 4:00pm    | † Joseph Tedesco                  |
| 6:00pm    | † Sabel Paris                     |
| Monday    | 12/28                             |
| 8:00am    | † Jake Jacobs                     |
| Tuesday   | 12/29                             |
| 8:00am    | Nonong Isada                      |
| Wednesday | 12/30                             |
| 8:00am    | Mark David Fannon & Jeremy Fannon |
| Thursday  | 12/31                             |
| 8:00am    | † Elizabeth Randazzo              |
| 4:00pm    | † Ian Arche                       |
| Friday    | 1/1/21                            |
| 8:00am    | † Thomas Koelzer                  |
| 10:00am   | Joseph Boguille                   |
| 12:00pm   | † Kenneth Ryan                    |
| Saturday  | 1/2                               |
| 8:00am    | † John Gonzalez                   |
| 4:00pm    | † Sally Gore                      |
| Sunday    | 1/3                               |
| 6:00am    | SEAS Parishioners                 |
| 8:00am    | † Dino Rossi                      |
| 10:00am   | † Aguinaldo Guanzon               |
| 12:00pm   | Roxanna Boguille                  |
| 4:00pm    | † Paula Tamburin                  |
| 6:00pm    | Gina Jocson                       |



### Saints and Special Observances

|            |                                                                                                                                   |
|------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Sunday:    | The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph                                                                                         |
| Monday:    | The Holy Innocents                                                                                                                |
| Tuesday:   | Fifth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord; St. Thomas Becket                                                        |
| Wednesday: | Sixth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord                                                                           |
| Thursday:  | Seventh Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord; St. Sylvester I; New Year's Eve                                        |
| Friday:    | The Octave of the Nativity of the Lord; Mary, the Holy Mother of God; World Day of Prayer for Peace; New Year's Day; First Friday |
| Saturday:  | Ss. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen; First Saturday                                                                         |



## The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph



### Died in Christ

Please remember in your prayers our loved ones who recently passed away.

† Marian Cruz  
† Lourdes Melinda Serquina



## Holiday Hours

### Parish Holiday Hours and Mass Reservations

- **The parish offices and Kairos Gift Shop are closed for the holidays through January 1.** If you want to make reservations to attend any of the Masses through the 8:00 a.m. daily Mass on January 9, please do so online at [www.seaslv.org](http://www.seaslv.org). Messages can be left at [seaschurch@seaslv.org](mailto:seaschurch@seaslv.org) or 702-228-8311, but may not be immediately answered due to the holiday hours.
- **Daily Mass for the Octave of Christmas** will be celebrated at 8:00 a.m. on December 26, 28 - 31. Due to SEAS School being on Christmas break, the public will be allowed to make reservations to attend daily Mass on Wednesday, December 30 and Wednesday, January 6.
- **No Confessions on Monday, December 28.** Confessions will resume on Monday, January 4 from 8:45 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. or until those confessions are finished.

### Readings for the Week

Monday: 1 Jn 1:5 — 2:2; Ps 124:2-5, 7b-8; Mt:13-18  
Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:22-35  
Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-10; Lk 2:36-40  
Thursday: 1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-13; Jn 1:1-18  
Friday: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21  
Saturday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28  
Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12



### Altar Flowers

The poinsettias at the altar last weekend, December 19/20, were donated In Loving Memory of Cecil Abeyta



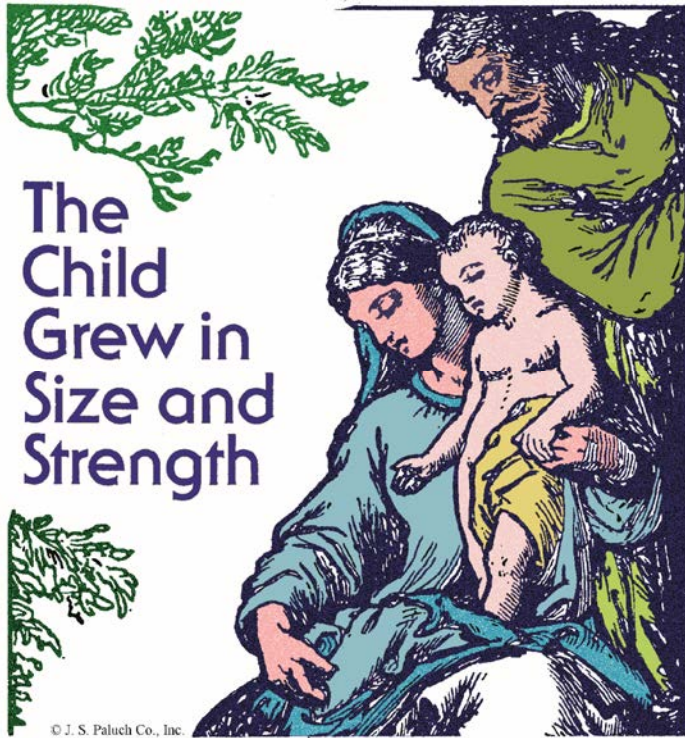
### Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Reservations for Mass celebrating the Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God can be made at [www.seaslv.org](http://www.seaslv.org).

### Mass Times:

- Thurs, Dec. 31 at 4 pm
- Fri, Jan. 1, 2021 at 8 am, 10 am and Noon

## The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph



### We Are God's Holy Family

The scriptures of Israel are filled with many stories of barren couples who were miraculously granted the gift of children by God. Surely the best known among these is the first reading from today, from which Luke took inspiration when he recounted the miraculous birth of John the Baptist to Zechariah and Elizabeth, and the more miraculous birth of Jesus to Mary and Joseph. In each instance, we are given examples or role models of those who trusted in God. More than examples of those who trust, they are models of self-surrender. They abandoned their own presuppositions and prejudices about the workings of the world and turned their lives over to belief in a God who can make life grow where none ought to; a God who can turn death around into a new and unimagined life; a God who can, today, take a tiny child of humble parents in an insignificant town and make him into a light for all the world. This is what we, as God's holy family, are called to do each day: to trust not in ourselves and the way we think things should be, but to open ourselves and surrender ourselves in faith to a God of endless promise.

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### Living the Faith

#### Christmas Season Reflection

##### Success Is in God's Hands, Not Ours Alone

Christmas celebrates the fruit of Mary and Joseph's trust in God. The long-awaited Messiah, sent to save us from our sins and win back the eternal blessedness lost by Adam's sin, is born.

The Son of God is like us in all things but sin. We learn from the Incarnation that our success is in God's hands. Without the Father's love we would be lost of all eternity. Mary and Joseph sacrificed greatly to make the arduous journey to Bethlehem, to obey God's directive to flee into Egypt and to go to Nazareth to raise Jesus. Ambiguity, uncertainty and brokenness touched the Holy Family. Their lives teach us that we cannot understand God's designs. This wonderful lesson urges parts to put their families in God's hands and trust that their efforts will bear fruit. Faithful parents are examples for us, single or married. We, too, are to put ourselves in God's hands. In so doing, God's grace helps us realize better the depths of who we are and what we are called to become.

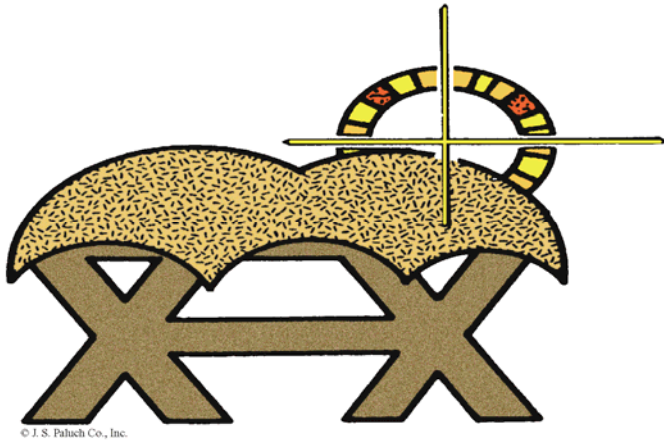
*Pause to reflect on the importance of trusting God and putting our lives in his hands.*

#### Questions for Reflection:

- How can we imitate the Holy Family during difficult times, such as job loss, sickness, times of doubt and death?
- In what ways does Jesus' coming at Christmas help us appreciate our need to put our lives in God's hands? Let us pray, asking the Holy Spirit to give us courage in difficult times to imitate the Holy Family.

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## The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph



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### Salt and Light

#### Good News of Great Joy

As we celebrate the birth of our Lord, the introduction from Pope Saint John Paul II's Encyclical *Evangelium Vitae* provides a rich source of reflection on God's love for human life, which he created in his image and likeness:

**"At the dawn of salvation, it is the birth of a child which is proclaimed as joyful news: 'I bring you good news of a great joy which will come to all the people; for to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord' (Lk. 2:10-11). The source of this 'great joy' is the birth of the Savior; but Christmas also reveals the full meaning of every human birth, and the joy which accompanies the birth of the Messiah is thus seen to be the foundation and fulfillment of joy at every child born into the world (cf. Jn. 16:21)."**

**It is amazing to** contemplate that the eternal Son of God became man and experienced every stage and aspect of the human condition, except sin. He was conceived in the Virgin Mary and took the form of a human being, beginning life like every human being — as a single-celled embryo.

**According to Scripture, after** the Incarnation of our Lord, Mary went in haste to visit her cousin Elizabeth, who was six months pregnant with John the Baptist. Given that it would have taken two to three days for Mary to reach Elizabeth, it's possible that Jesus had not yet implanted in Mary's womb (implantation occurs 5-7 days after conception) when His presence caused John to stir in

Elizabeth's womb: "For at the moment the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the infant in my womb leaped for joy." (Luke 1:44).

**C. S. Lewis provides** another source of reflection on the sanctity of *all* human life in *The Weight of Glory*: "The dullest and most uninteresting person you can talk to may one day be a creature which, if you saw it now, you would be strongly tempted to worship. ... There are no *ordinary* people. ... Next to the Blessed Sacrament itself, your neighbor is the holiest object presented to your senses."

**With these thoughts in** mind, I cannot imagine a better way to celebrate the birth of our Lord in a humble stable in Bethlehem, and to celebrate the gift of every human life, than to support a local pregnancy help center or maternity home. These centers do extraordinary work and truly represent the heart of the pro-life movement's goal of making abortion unthinkable.

**Another way to make** a difference is through our prayers and sacrifices. Taking place in January, *9 Days for Life* ([www.9daysforlife.com](http://www.9daysforlife.com)) is an annual period of prayer and action for life. Each day of the novena provides a different intercession, reflection, information item and suggested action. The novena is available in English and Spanish, and can be received in four ways: a free mobile app, text message, email or social media.

**May the good news** of the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ bring great joy to all — comforting the afflicted, deepening respect for all human life and strengthening us to share the Gospel of Life.

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## The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph



### Saint of the Week

Saint John the Apostle  
First Century  
Feast Day - Dec. 27



### *It Is In Giving That We Receive* Parish Stewardship

During the month of December, 2% of each weekly offertory collection will be given to Holy Family Catholic Church as outreach from our *It Is In Giving That We Receive* Parish Stewardship. This program was conceived through our parish pastoral council as a way to help parishes in our valley who are struggling financially due to the pandemic. If you would like to make a donation to Holy Family as part of your own personal stewardship, send your donation to SEAS, 1811 Pueblo Vista Dr., LV, NV 89128. Make sure to clearly indicate that your donation is for HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH. Your gift will be included with the parish gift that will be disbursed at the end of the month.

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### The Call of the First Disciples

(Matthew 4:18–22)

*As [Jesus] was walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon who is called Peter, and his brother Andrew, casting a net into the sea; they were fishermen. He said to them, "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men." At once they left their nets and followed him.*

*He walked along from there and saw two other brothers, James, the son of Zebedee, and his brother John. They were in a boat, with their father Zebedee, mending their nets. He called them, and immediately they left their boat and their father and followed him.*

John and his brother, James, Galilean fishermen called the "sons of thunder," were chosen to be among the Twelve Apostles. John was with Jesus at the Transfiguration, in the Garden of Gethsemane and on Calvary. It was to this "beloved disciple" that Jesus entrusted his mother's care. John evangelized in Ephesus (Turkey), was exiled to the island of Patmos, and according to tradition lived to be 100 years. John and his community of followers are credited with writing the fourth Gospel, three epistles and the Book of Revelation.

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### Why Register in the Parish?

If you would like to register with the parish, we encourage you to do so at [www.seaslv.org](http://www.seaslv.org). Registered parishioners of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church rightfully look to their parish for any number of services. Among these services are:

- Parishioner tuition rates in our Catholic schools
- Certification as sponsors at sacramental celebrations
- Annual contribution statements

If you are unable to participate actively or unable to contribute to the support of the parish because of your age, illness or economic situation, please notify the parish office. Ministry to the homebound is available. Thank you.



## Stewardship

### A Stewardship Moment

#### Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

When Jesus is presented in the Temple, our Blessed Mother formally offers him to God's service without reservation. It is a service that Simeon prophetically foretells: a service to God that will turn the old laws and cultural norms upside down. As we await the dawn of a new year, are we destined to hold on to old habits and customs tightly or like Jesus, are we willing to serve the Lord and proclaim the Gospel in new and creative ways?

—ICSC December 2020 e-Bulletin

stances, we follow Jesus Christ, and learn to embrace his way of self-giving love. The young creature in the stall of Bethlehem was a human being with human brain and heart and soul. And it was God. Its life was to manifest the will of the Father; to proclaim the sacred tidings, to stir mankind with the power of God, to establish the Covenant and shoulder the sin of the world, expiating it with love and leading mankind through the destruction of sacrifice and the victory of the Resurrection into the new existence of grace. In this accomplishment alone lay Jesus' self-perfection: fulfillment of mission and personal fulfillment were one (Romano Guardini, quoted in *Stewardship: A Disciple's Response*, p. 23).

We are all called to discern and live out our vocation, the life vocation that each of us has and the many calls we experience as followers of Jesus. Another way of saying this is to recognize that living out our vocational call is our mission. We fulfill our mission by being good stewards of our lives, gifts and blessings. This ongoing discernment and fulfillment of our mission is one of the many things that makes stewardship such a dynamic and sometimes challenging endeavor. Helping others recognize their mission to witness to and make Christ's love known through their stewardship is a sacred responsibility as well. As we celebrate Christmas this year, let us pray that we may fulfill this mission well and with grace. Merry Christmas!

—ICSC December 2019 e-Bulletin



### Being Good Stewards of Our Personal Vocations

*By Leisa Anslinger, Associate Department Director for Pastoral Life, Archdiocese of Cincinnati*

To commit ourselves to live as disciples who steward our many gifts and blessings involves every facet of our lives. We will experience God's call differently in distinct moments of our lives. At times, we may recognize the call to give our time sacrificially; at other times, our treasure. In some moments, we may discern a call to active service among the poor, ill or imprisoned; in other moments, our stewardship may be of prayer or the sharing of faith. In all of these times and circum-



## Parish Giving



### Offertory/ Collection Information

Due to an early bulletin publication deadline because of the holidays, offertory and collection information for the weekends of December 12/13 and December 19/20 will be published in the January 3, 2021 bulletin. Thank you for understanding.

### Upcoming Second Collections:

- January 1, 2021 - Solemnity of Mary



### Online Giving

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton parish asks that those who can, please continue to make your regular weekly contributions so we can continue

to pay the parish bills. Many of our parishioners enjoy the convenience of online giving. Giving online is easy and allows you to set up automatic recurring contributions and view your complete online giving history from anywhere you have access to the internet.

Simply follow these easy steps:

- 1) Visit the church website at [www.seaslv.org](http://www.seaslv.org)
- 2) Click on the big Give Now button
- 3) Click on the Create Profile button, then
- 4) Follow the onscreen instructions to create an online profile and to schedule your recurring contributions.

### Additional Ways to Give at SEAS

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church offers these additional ways to help you make your weekly contributions. We are grateful for your support!



### Mail Checks to SEAS

If you would like to make a contribution by check and mail it to the church, make checks payable to SEAS and specify on the memo line which collection the check is for, e.g., Weekly Offertory, Capital Campaign, that week's 2nd Collection, etc. The church address is 1811 Pueblo Vista Dr., LV, NV 89128. Please do not send cash in the mail.



### Give By Text

Give By Text is another quick and easy way to make a contribution with your smart phone. Text the amount you would like to give to **702-978-7462**. Example: \$25. Make sure to include the dollar sign before the amount and within seconds you'll receive a text back with a link to complete the transaction.



### QR (Quick Response) Code

Easily scan our QR Code or visit <https://is.gd/seaslv> to give now. What's a QR Code? A "QR" or "Quick Response" Code is a two dimensional bar-code that is readable by smartphones. You'll need a QR scanner on your smart device, which can easily be downloaded from the Google Play Store or the Apple App Store. It's quick and easy.

## Parish News



### January Food Drive

Our next food drive will be held the weekend of January 9/10. Follow these simple instructions to make your **NO CONTACT DRIVE-UP DONATIONS**.

Donations of non-perishable food and hygiene items will be accepted 45 minutes before each Mass (**except the 6am Mass \* — see below**) on:

**Saturday, January 9**  
3:15 pm – 4:00 pm

**Sunday, January 10**  
**6:30am - 8:00 am \***  
9:15 am – 10:00 am  
11:15 am – 12:00 pm  
3:15 pm – 4:00 pm  
5:15 pm – 6:00 pm

### NO CONTACT – DRIVE UP

- Before you arrive, place non-perishable food donations in the trunk of your vehicle
- Drive up to the school bell tower (signs will direct you to the designated donation drop-off site)
- Pop open your trunk
- A volunteer will remove your food donation
- Very safe and easy! Thank you for your support, patience and understanding as we find ways to serve others during these difficult times!

Please, **DO NOT** bring food into the church or parish hall or during the week. Approved procedures by the Diocese of Las Vegas need to be followed.

### Suggested Food Items

- Soup - Ready to eat
- Canned or dried beans
- Pasta & Pasta/Spaghetti Sauce
- Cereal
- Canned Pasta (Spaghetti O's, Ravioli)
- Ramen Noodles
- Juice Boxes
- Snacks for lunches
- Canned meat
- Peanut butter
- Personal hygiene items, diapers, baby wipes, laundry detergent and dishwashing soap are also appreciated.

If you have questions, contact Pastoral Associate for Human Concerns Patti McGuire at 702-804-8311 or email Patti at [pmcquire@seaslv.org](mailto:pmcquire@seaslv.org).



**A Special Message to parishioners who may be struggling financially, especially with food.**

Maybe you have been struggling month after month for some time to make ends meet. Layoffs and job losses are reported almost every week. We understand you may NEVER have been in a position of needing or asking for help. Now is the time to lean on your church family for assistance. We are here for you. You are not alone.

### A Special Invitation

With the food pantry now reopen, the parish will take appointments from parishioners and others in our community on an ongoing basis. Please call 702-804-8311 and follow the prompts to leave a message. Your call will be returned by either the food pantry coordinator or a vetted volunteer to schedule your appointment. All information is confidential. We will make the process of picking up food discreet and safe. Thank you for trusting us and letting us help!

## Parish News



### Making Reservations

**Because the parish office and gift shop will be closed from December 24 through January 1, reservations for ALL Masses through the 8am daily Mass on Saturday, January 9 can be made on the church website, [www.seaslv.org](http://www.seaslv.org).**

Reservations for the 4pm Vigil on Saturday, January 9, the Sunday Masses on January 10 and the 8am daily Masses from Monday, January 11 through Saturday, January 16 can be made beginning at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, January 4 either at [www.seaslv.org](http://www.seaslv.org) or at 702-228-8311.

Seating is limited to 4 seats per reservation. Reservations will fill the church first, then when capacity in the church is reached, attendees will be seated in the parish hall to view the live-streamed Mass from the church and receive Communion. Church doors will open 30 minutes before each Mass. Those who come to the church without a reservation will be asked to wait outside until 5 minutes prior to the start of that Mass. If, at 5 minutes till, those with reservations have not yet arrived, their reserved seats will be offered to those who are waiting in line until capacity of 250 is reached or the maximum of what 6 feet social distancing will allow.

**Daily Mass on Wednesdays is reserved for the SEAS School children, faculty and staff and is not open to the public unless school is not in session. Due to Christmas break, school will NOT be in session on December 30 and January 6.**

*Please note, the obligation to attend Mass in the Diocese of Las Vegas has been lifted through January 31, 2021.*

### Subscribe to Our YouTube Channel

During the Phase 2 gradual reopening of our church and while the obligation to attend Mass in the Diocese of Las Vegas is lifted, we will continue to live-stream the following Mass schedule.

- 8:00 a.m. Daily Mass Monday - Saturday
- Weekend Masses:
  - 4:00 p.m. Saturday Vigil
  - Sunday Mass Times:
    - 6:00 a.m., 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m.,
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You can easily tune in by logging on to the church website, [www.seaslv.org](http://www.seaslv.org) and clicking on the LIVE STREAM icon on the homepage, or you can go directly to our YouTube channel: **St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Roman Catholic Church - Las Vegas**. Subscribe to our channel. It doesn't cost a thing!



### ZOOM Baptism Preparation Class

Parents and Godparents requesting the Sacrament of Baptism for infants and children up to 7 years of age should attend the **online Baptism Preparation Class** that will be presented through ZOOM on Wednesday,

January 6 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Those who plan on attending must email Maureen Sisto at [msisto@seaslv.org](mailto:msisto@seaslv.org) by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 5 to receive the link to join the class. Questions can also be directed to Maureen at 702-804-8321.

## Parish News



### 2020 Catholic Stewardship Appeal Update

The Catholic Stewardship Appeal (CSA) for the Diocese of Las Vegas is still underway. Our parish has come a long way

toward reaching our parish assessment over these past few difficult months, but we still have a ways to go.

|                                          |                     |
|------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| <b>Diocesan Assessment for SEAS</b>      | <b>\$311,758.00</b> |
| <b>Amount pledged as of Dec. 13</b>      | <b>\$295,586.50</b> |
| <b>Number of pledges so far</b>          | <b>561</b>          |
| <b>Amount needed to reach assessment</b> | <b>\$ 16,171.50</b> |

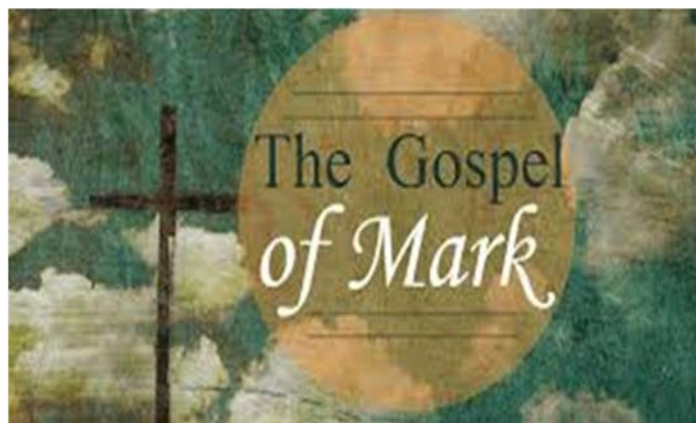
#### Thank you to all who have contributed so far!

Your support will help our diocese continue programs that are very much in need now more than ever, and contributions received above and beyond our parish assessment will be refunded back to SEAS. If you have not made a pledge to this year's CSA, please prayerfully consider a contribution. Pledge cards were mailed to all registered parishioners in February.

To learn more about the programs supported through CSA and to contribute online, follow these simple steps:

1. Go to [www.dioceseoflasvegas.org](http://www.dioceseoflasvegas.org)
2. Under the Stewardship & Development drop down menu tab, click on **Catholic Stewardship Appeal**
3. Click on **Donate Now**
4. In the "Parish" field, make sure to put in **St. Elizabeth Ann Seton** to ensure your contribution is credited to our parish and is applied to our assessment. Once our parish assessment is reached, all additional contributions come back to our parish.

For additional assistance, contact SEAS Pastoral Associate for Stewardship & Communications Patty Janura at [PattyJanura@seaslv.org](mailto:PattyJanura@seaslv.org) (702-804-8326).



### Start Date Changed to Week of January 11

The shortest of the four gospels, Mark is the earliest account of Jesus' life and the primary source for the other synoptic Gospels: Matthew and Luke. Mark asks everyone to answer Jesus' question, **'Who do you say that I am?'** and challenges believers in every generation to accept the harsh reality of the cross. Beginning in December, 2020, most of the readings we will hear at Mass during the coming year come from the Gospel of Mark ... so what a perfect time to join this 10-session study as we explore Mark's theological portrait of the person and mission of Jesus Christ.

**Beginning on Monday, January 11, 2021, in-person classes will be offered in the church on Monday evenings from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and repeated on Wednesdays (beginning January 13) from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. The Wednesday morning session will also be live-streamed for those who prefer to participate from the comfort of their homes.** Safety protocols will be in place each session: masks, hand-sanitizing and social distancing. Each participant will receive a commentary and study guide. Cost: \$25. All are welcome — newcomers and experienced Bible students alike!

Register on the church website, [www.seaslv.org](http://www.seaslv.org), or in the Kairos Gift Shop. For more information, contact Marcie Wilske at [mwilske@seaslv.org](mailto:mwilske@seaslv.org) or 702-804-8370.



## Parish News



### Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic School Pre-K & Kindergarten 2021-2022

Application packets are available for parents with prospective Pre-Kindergarteners and Kindergarteners for the 2021-2022 school year. **The non-refundable \$135 application and testing fee** must be returned to the office along with the application in order to schedule your assessment appointment. Upon receipt of this information, you will receive an email with a follow-up letter confirming your test date and time.

Please contact the school office at 702-804-8328 or [seasschool@seaslv.org](mailto:seasschool@seaslv.org) to have an application packet mailed to you or prepared for you to pick up.

**Kindergarten Screening:** Jan. 14 & 15, 2021

**Pre-K Screening:** Jan. 21 & 22, 2021

Screening appointments are set by the office, take place weekdays during the school day and are set based on availability and date received.

**Kindergarten:** Children must be 5 years of age on or before September 30, 2021 to be eligible for the 2021-2022 school year.

**Pre-Kindergarten:** Children must be 4 years of age on or before September 30, 2021 to be eligible for the 2021-2022 school year.

**TOURS OF THE CAMPUS ARE SCHEDULED BY APPOINTMENT ONLY.** To schedule, email the school at [seasschool@seaslv.org](mailto:seasschool@seaslv.org).

### St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic School New Student Open Enrollment 2021-2022 for Grades 1-8

Applications and packets for all new students entering grades 1 through 8 for the 2021-2022 school year will be accepted starting in January 2021.

There is a **non-refundable \$35 application fee**. After applications are accepted, assessment appointments will be scheduled. There is a **non-refundable assessment fee of \$75.00**. Additional fees will be due upon acceptance and enrollment.

All new students will be required to be tested before admission is granted.

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### St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic School 2021-2022 Re-Registration for Returning Students

**St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic School re-registration packets will be sent home with your child on January 29, 2021 and will be due by February 5, 2021.**

Each packet will contain the re-registration form, information sheet and tuition agreement. Completed forms and the **non-refundable \$350 registration fee** are required to register your student. Please ensure that your child's information is correct and make any changes in your Family Portal account.

All paperwork and fees must be completed and paid in **FACTS** no later than **February 5, 2021** to ensure registration for next year.

## Parish News & More



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### Blood Drive - January 10, 2021

The Vitalant Bloodmobiles will be set up in the SEAS parking lot on Sunday, January 10, 2021, from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Save the date! Information on how to schedule an appointment will be coming soon. Vitalant last visited SEAS in September. The visit resulted in 25 successful donations and included 8 first time blood donors. The blood collected would have helped impact the lives of up to 75 hospital patients in our community. Thank you from Vitalant!




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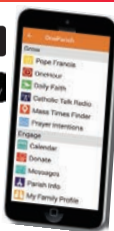
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## Other Ministries and Contacts

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#### Monday, 12/28 - No Confessions

8am Daily Mass, Reservations Required,  
also Live-Streamed

#### Tuesday, 12/29

8am Mass, Reservations Required,  
also Live-Streamed

#### Wednesday, 12/30

8am Mass, Reservations Required and  
Open to the Public due to SEAS School  
on Christmas Break, also Live-  
Streamed

#### Thursday, 12/31 - New Year's Eve

8am Daily Mass, Reservations Required,  
also Live-Streamed

4pm Vigil for the Solemnity of Mary,  
Reservations Required, also Live-  
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#### Friday, 1/1/21 - New Year's Day

**The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God**  
Mass Times: 8am, 10am and 12 Noon,  
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#### Saturday, 1/2

8am Daily Mass, Reservations Required,  
also Live-Streamed

9am RCIA, Parish Hall

9:30-11:30am Outreach Food Distribution,  
School Bell Tower

4pm Vigil Celebrating The Epiphany of  
the Lord, Reservations Required,  
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#### Sunday, 1/3 The Epiphany of the Lord

Mass Times: 6am, 8am, 10am,  
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