

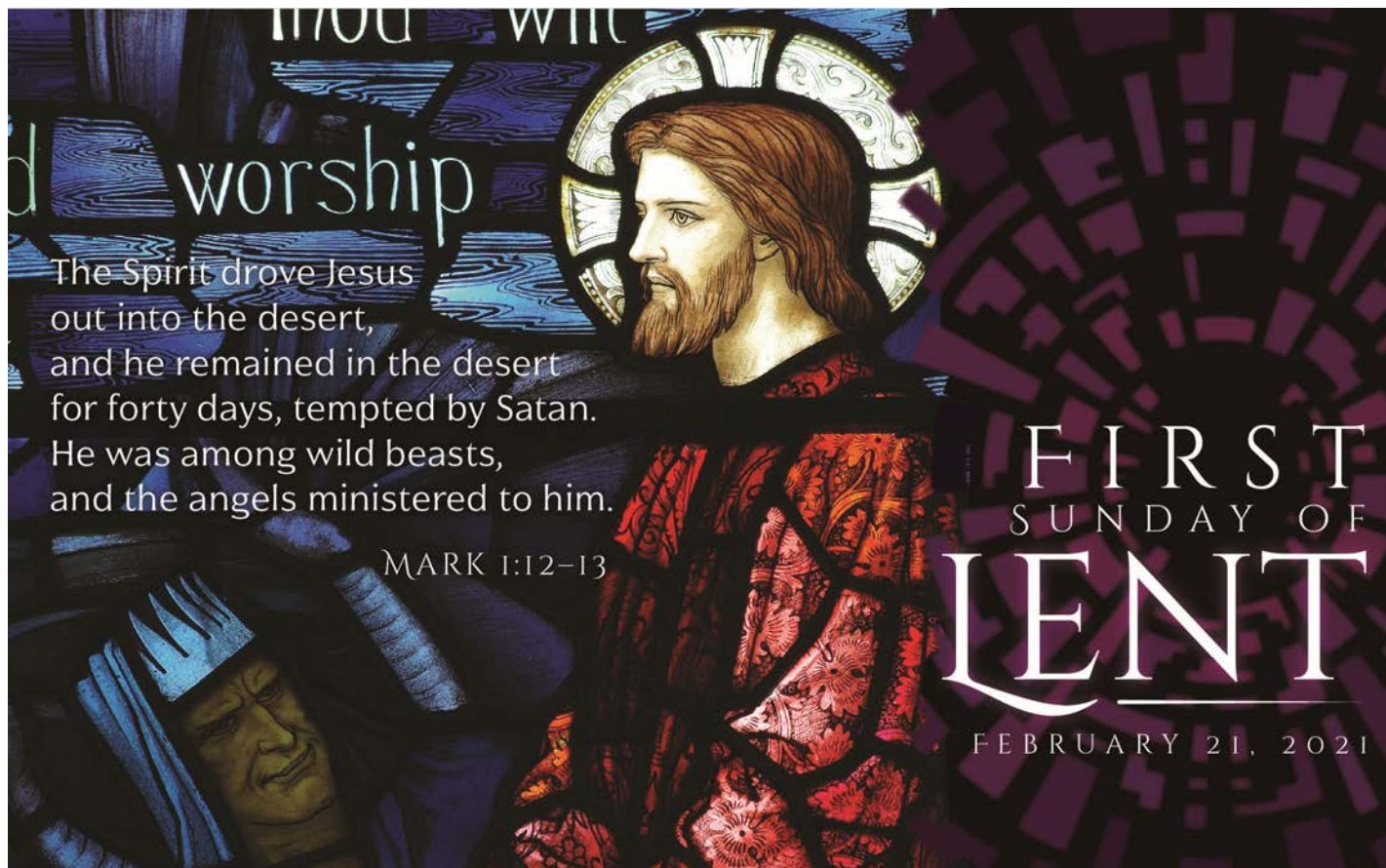
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Eucharistic Liturgies

Reservations to attend Mass are required at this time. All Masses are also live-streamed at www.seaslv.org. See page 16 for details regarding Mass reservations.

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 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.

*** No Confessions on February 22 because confessions will be heard on February 23 from 9am-7pm.**

The Mater Dei Day Chapel

The chapel is temporarily closed at this time.

Church Office Hours

The church offices are temporarily closed to the public, but office assistance is available at seaschurch@seaslv.org or 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 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 (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 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,

DID YOU FILL IN YOUR BLANK?

The “theme” for this Lent is **“from the ashes of _____ we will rise.”** We’ve had quite a hectic 2020, and 2021 has begun with challenges of its own. Nonetheless, each one of us should hopefully be able to “fill in the blank” above with something we might need to rise above in order to better ourselves as missionary disciples of the Lord. My problem is trying to figure out which one of my limitations I want to address first this Lent! Hopefully, the Lenten penances we choose (remember....SHHHHHH...it’s between us and God alone!) will help us be better for the rest of our lives.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE HAS BEGUN

The **40 Days for Life** peaceful prayer campaign has begun. The prayerful witness of praying near an abortion facility has had many positive effects in the lives of those considering an abortion, and many unborn children’s lives have been saved. To participate, please visit the site for the campaign at www.40daysforlife.com/LasVegas for details and reservations. A peaceful, prayerful witness gives testimony to our respect for all life from conception through our final breath.

OUR PARISH 40 DAYS OF PRAYER FOR LIFE CONTINUES...

In addition to the above campaign, or as an alternative for those who would prefer an indoor venue for prayer, we gather daily at 3:00 PM here at SEAS to pray the Rosary for Life (N.B. Doors will open no earlier than 2:45 PM). Monday through Friday we will gather in the church building, and on Saturday and Sunday we will gather in the Mater Dei Chapel. Unfortunately, we do not have the ability to livestream from the chapel at this time, so Saturdays and Sundays will not be livestreamed. Please consider joining us for prayer through Sunday, March 28th.

A NOTE ABOUT OUR PARISH DAY OF CONFESSIONS

This coming Tuesday, February 23rd, we will have our Lenten Day of Confessions from 9AM till 7PM.

This year we will only have four (4) priests available throughout most of the day to hear individual confessions.

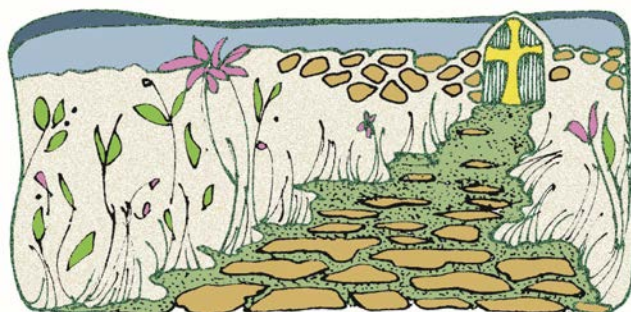
Because of our COVID-19 protocols for social distancing and privacy, we will not be able to use our regular confessionals or spaces in the church as in the past. There will be four (4) confessional stations: in the church we will use the vesting sacristy and the extra office near the bathrooms; in the parish center we will use the Mater Dei Chapel and the St. Paul VI meeting room along the front of the parish hall.

There are NO RESERVATIONS FOR CONFESSIONS so we can maintain the utmost care of confidentiality required by the Seal of Confession. Upon arrival, you will be directed which building to go for your temperature check and then you will be assigned a number. There will be sections (in the church and in the hall) in which you will be asked to be seated until your number is called...kind of like waiting at the deli counter! After a section has been completely used, we will open up a different section so we can sanitize the one previously used. Your cooperation will help us keep this day running smoothly. Thank you, in advance, for following the guidance of our Hospitality Ministers!

Since there are no reservations for confessions, they are offered on a first-come, first-served basis using our number system. We have no idea how many people will be taking advantage of this opportunity throughout the day or when would be a good time to come. I would ask all of you to please come prepared and to remember that this day is an opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, not time for individual questions or spiritual direction. To help you prepare, please see the Examination of Conscience in this weekend’s bulletin. The Hospitality Ministers will have extra copies when you have your temperature checked and receive your number.

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The First Sunday of Lent



Presider's Mass Intentions

Saturday	2/20
8:00am	Siupin Lee Sy
4:00pm	SEAS Parishioners
Sunday	2/21
6:00am	† Mark Cole
8:00am	† Duane Clary
10:00am	† JoAnn Mastrion
12:00pm	† JoAnn Mastrion
4:00pm	† JoAnn Mastrion
6:00pm	† JoAnn Mastrion
Monday	2/22
8:00am	† Emiliano Sy
Tuesday	2/23
8:00am	† Leon Co
Wednesday	2/24
8:00am	† Kenneth Ryan
7:00pm	† Anita "Annie" Ramos
Thursday	2/25
8:00am	† Loret Gatón
Friday	2/26
8:00am	† Novena for the Deceased
Saturday	2/27
8:00am	† Sixto, † Teresita & † Victoria Villavicencio
4:00pm	† Ester Co
Sunday	2/28
6:00am	SEAS Parishioners
8:00am	† Jim McLoughlin
10:00am	† Juan Garcia
12:00pm	† Reginald Co
4:00pm	† Mario Soriano
6:00pm	† Ernell Lou Manabat

Readings for the Week

Monday:	1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19
Tuesday:	Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday:	Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32
Thursday:	Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12
Friday:	Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26
Saturday:	Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48
Sunday:	Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 116:10, 15-19; Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10



Saints and Special Observances

Sunday:	First Sunday of Lent; Rite of Election; Rite of Calling the Candidates to Continuing Conversion; Rite of Sending
Monday:	Washington's Birthday; Julian Calendar Lent begins
Tuesday:	St. Polycarp
Thursday:	Purim (Jewish observance) begins at sunset
Friday:	Abstinence
Saturday:	St. Gregory of Narek

The First Sunday of Lent

Mercy flows... Love redeems cont.

We're trying to do our best to make this day run as smoothly as possible. Your patience and cooperation will be a welcome gift! Enjoy this opportunity to experience God's unconditional love and healing in the Sacrament of Reconciliation this coming Tuesday!

A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF THE GOSPELS OF LENT

As you are aware, the readings at Mass on Sundays have been put together in three cycles that begin with every First Sunday of Advent. Those cycles are designated by the letters "A," "B," and "C." This year we listen to the scriptures from the "B" cycle.

Each cycle's Gospels are focused on one of the synoptic Gospels (basically, those Gospels that contain some of the same material). Year A focuses on Matthew, Year B on Mark and Year C on Luke. The Gospel of John, with much symbolism and a more highly spiritual view of Christ, supplements the Gospels of Mark in Year B, simply because Mark's Gospel is so brief.

In looking at the Lenten Gospels of Year B, we will encounter both Mark and John. Here's a brief summary of the Gospels we'll be hearing for the next several weeks:

First Sunday of Lent: Temptation. We hear a very brief account of Jesus' temptation in the desert: Mark 1:12-15. The various accounts of Jesus' temptation are always heard on the first Sunday of Lent.

Second Sunday of Lent: Transfiguration. The story of Jesus' transfiguration is always heard on the Second Sundays of Lent. This year we hear from Mark 9:2-10.

Third Sunday of Lent: Cleansing of the Temple. We move to the Gospel of John 2:13-25, where Jesus challenges the merchants and money-changers who were invading the Temple.

Fourth Sunday of Lent: God so loved the world. We're reminded of God's unconditional love for all of us, especially in sending Jesus to save us. This Sunday's Gospel includes the famous quote noted frequently on placards at sporting events: John 3:16. The whole citation for this Sunday is John 3:14-21.

Fifth Sunday of Lent: A grain of wheat must die to produce fruit. John 12:20-33 reminds us to be willing to let go of that which keeps us from growing more as disciples of Christ.

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion: The sacrifice on the cross for us. The beginning of Holy Week starts with the grand welcoming of Christ into Jerusalem which soon turns to his suffering and death. We read the account of the Passion from Mark 14:1 – 15:47.

May our Lent be happy as we journey with the Lord who loves us and who gave of himself so that we might have life!

Peace always,

J. Jim



Died in Christ

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

† Mario Gallo

† Janice "Susan" Hicks

† Aida Uy

The First Sunday of Lent

Repent and Believe in the Gospel

Lent is the time of year we devote to scrutinizing our lives in the light of our baptism into the death and resurrection of Jesus. Today's readings are a nice shorthand catechism of what our baptized lives mean. As Noah passed through the waters of the flood to a covenant with God, so did we enter into a covenant, a promised relationship with God through our baptism.

Peter's letter gives an explicit explanation of what our baptism means: it is an appeal we make to God for a clear conscience. How do we obtain this clear conscience? The words proclaimed by Jesus immediately following his temptation show us the way: "Repent, and believe in the gospel" (Mark 1:15). It might be a good spiritual exercise to keep these readings before us throughout the entire season of Lent, a means to help us return to a life lived by our baptismal promises.

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Saint of the Week

Saint Margaret of Cortona

Dates: 1247 - 1297

Feast Day: Feb. 22

This Italian penitent was the daughter of Tuscan peasants and, for nine years, the mistress of a young nobleman near Montepulciano. After her lover died violently, Margaret and her illegitimate child were given a home by the Franciscans in Cortona. She became a Franciscan tertiary and practiced severe self-denial. Until her son grew up, she earned their living and performed works of charity. In one vision, Christ told her she was "the third light" of the order, after Francis and Clare. Her prayers and counsel prompted many conversions, and she was considered a living saint.

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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, March 3, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Those who plan on attending must email Maureen Sisto at msisto@seaslv.org by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 2, to receive the link to join the class. Questions can also be directed to Maureen at 702-804-8321.

Feast of Faith

Seasonal Changes for the Liturgies of Lent

Today is the First Sunday of Lent. During this season of preparation for Easter, our churches look stark and simple—no flowers at the altar, no festive banners or decorations. And our liturgies feel different, too. The organ is quiet except to accompany the singing of the assembly. The Gloria, our Sunday song of rejoicing, is not heard except on solemnities, and we will not sing the Alleluia, our joyful acclamation of praise, until the Easter Vigil. "Alleluia cannot always / Be our song while here below," says an eleventh-century hymn. "Alleluia our transgressions / Make us for a while forego; / For the solemn time is coming / When our tears for sins must flow" (*Alleluia dulce carmen*, J. M. Neale, trans.).

These changes in the liturgy will catch our attention, and make us eager for the festive outpouring of joy that will return with Easter. This year, may the stripped-away liturgies of Lent remind us to strip away what is not essential in our lives to make space for the crucified and risen One, and thus to be ready to sing "Alleluia" once again when Easter returns.

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Stewardship



Be a Good Steward of the Lenten Season

Every year, Ash Wednesday starts us on a season of penitence, and we embrace the call to conversion that Ash Wednesday heralds. Christian stewards will greet Lent with the best of intentions. But sometimes, we reach Easter disappointed in our own efforts. Here are some suggestions for keeping us on task during this Lenten season:

- Plan ahead. Give thought and prayer to what will most help you draw closer to Jesus during this special season. Write your intentions down, and review them often.
- Keep it simple. Like those folks who sign up for gym memberships on January 1 and give up by January 15, sometimes we approach Lent with too many resolutions. Be realistic and don't set yourself up for guilt.
- Prayer, fasting and almsgiving are the pillars of Lent. Try to do one thing in each of these categories. Stretch yourself a bit and come up with something new and challenging.
- Keep your eyes on Jesus. Coming closer to him through his passion and resurrection is our goal.
- Prepare your home with Lenten reminders. If you have no crucifix in your living areas, place one there. If you have a crucifix, perhaps affix a spot of purple to it as a reminder of Lent. Find a special picture or holy card that speaks

to you and display it.

- Simplify something tangible in your daily life, like your closet or your schedule.
- Place a special candle on the dining room table, and when your family says grace each evening, encourage them to share the struggles and joys of their Lenten resolutions, or perhaps an act of kindness they did that day. This is a good activity for kids.
- If possible and safe, take your family to the Stations of the Cross at least once.
- Receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation and encourage your family to do so.
- Make it a point to prepare for and participate in the beautiful Triduum liturgies of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and even the Easter Vigil even if you can only do this online. Celebrate the completion of your Lenten exercises.
- After Easter, reflect on your Lenten practices. Remember, God's mercy to us is unlimited. It's not all about what "we" did, but what God does within us.

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A Stewardship Moment

First Sunday of Lent

In today's Gospel, Jesus urges his listeners to do two things: to believe in the Good News and to repent. The steward is called to repent, to be humble enough to open their hearts so they may begin anew, to change existing attitudes and habits, and to act with faith in the Gospel. In this season of Lent, now is the time to ask ourselves whether or not we truly believe in the Gospel; and if we do, to what extent are we willing to change our prevailing habits and be more faithful to the Gospel?

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Parish Giving

Collections February 3 - 8, 2021

Weekly Offertory Mass Times & Dates	Envelopes & Checks	Loose Cash Anonymous	Online & Text	Totals
4pm Saturday Vigil, Feb. 6	\$ 956.00	\$ 61.00		\$ 1,017.00
6am Sun, Feb. 7	\$ 1,080.00	\$ 73.00		\$ 1,153.00
8am Sun, Feb. 7	\$ 725.00	\$ 9.00		\$ 734.00
10am Sun, Feb. 7	\$ 1,886.00	\$ 308.00		\$ 2,194.00
Noon Sun, Feb. 7	\$ 880.00	\$ 55.00		\$ 935.00
4pm Sun, Feb. 7	\$ 359.50	\$ 80.00		\$ 439.50
6pm Sun, Feb. 7	\$ 145.00	\$ 23.00		\$ 168.00
Weekdays 2/3 - 2/8	\$ 360.00	\$ 295.00		\$ 655.00
Mailed In Contributions	\$ 10,838.60	\$ 3.00		\$10,841.60
On-Line & Text Contributions			\$21,492.01	\$21,492.01
Weekly Offertory Total				\$39,629.11

It Is In Giving That We Receive
2% of Weekly Offertory

\$ 793.00

Maintenance Fund	\$ 687.00	\$ 330.00	\$ 359.00	\$ 1,376.00
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Online Giving

Giving online is easy. It allows you to make one-time contributions or set up automatic recurring contributions and view your complete online giving history

from anywhere you have internet access.

Simply follow these easy steps:

- 1) Visit the church website at 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 one-time or recurring contributions.



Upcoming Second Collections

- February 21 - Liturgical Expenses
- March 7 - Easter Flowers



Parish News



How to Participate in Las Vegas

Event: 40 Days for Life Vigil

Date: February 17 - March 28

Time: 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Location: Public right-of-way outside of the Birth Control Care Center, 872 E. Sahara Ave, LV, NV 89104.

Local contact: Kat Fenske, 703-629-6586

katfenske1@gmail.com

Learn more ... get involved ... and sign up for prayer times by visiting our campaign at 40daysforlife.com/LasVegas.



The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

RCIA is a gradual process of conversion and initiation into the Catholic Church for those adults seeking baptism (catechumens) or for those already baptized (Catholic or in another Christian denomination) who seek full communion in the Catholic Church (candidates). An important part of the RCIA are the many liturgical rites that are

celebrated publicly with the parish community. Through the celebration of these special rites, the parish becomes part of the RCIA process, supporting catechumens and candidates with their prayers and words of support. One of these special rites takes place at the beginning of Lent: the *Rite of Election and Call to Continuing Conversion*. In this celebration, we hear the testimony of godparents and sponsors to the conversion taking place in the lives of our catechumens and candidates; we as a community then pledge our prayers and support for them. Then the bishop, or his delegate, *elects* the catechumens to receive the sacraments of initiation at Easter and encourages the candidates to continue on their journey into the Catholic Church. This week (Feb. 21) at the 10:00 a.m. Mass we will celebrate the Rite of Election with our catechumens; next Sunday (Feb. 28th) at the 10:00 a.m. Mass we celebrate the Call to Continuing Conversion with our candidates. Please keep in your prayers all our catechumens and candidates who are seeking full membership in the Catholic Church this Easter:

Catechumens

Allen Stitt	Federico Torres
Alyssa Ecale	Gabriela Miller
Arka Menon	Heather Howard
Craig Iriate	Isabelle Perez
David Phelps	Jacquelyn Tran
Deanna Moore-Lopez	Logan Vega
Doen Hurst	Phillip Ackley
Erin Davis	Sebastian Valencia

Candidates

Brian Beesley	Lary Hurst
Dane Bailog	Marisel Munoz-Gonzalez
Francisco Lopes	Solstice Hurst
Ken Shaw	Victoria Tregenza

Parish News



Preparing for Lent

On Ash Wednesday, we started using the slogan, "From the ashes of _____, we will rise." The idea is to make this hope a reality for all of us.

This past year brought with it a level of misery for so many, and in so many different ways. Some have been devastated financially. Others have been fighting depression or suicidal thoughts. Most of us now know someone, maybe a very close loved one, who has passed away due to the Covid-19 virus. It is from these and other situations that we will rise.

Hope remains. Always. Fill in the blank each time you see this slogan and remember that we will rise from whatever we are going through. When the celebration of Easter comes and we, united in hope, once again reaffirm our faith in Jesus, let us stand with the true conviction that through Christ all things are possible. We *will* rise.



Parish Day of Reconciliation - February 23

Our parish Lenten Day of Reconciliation will be held on Tuesday, February 23. Confessions will be heard from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00

p.m. Social Distancing and safety precautions will be in place.

Because confessions will be heard all day on February 23, there will be no confessions on Monday, February 22. Monday morning confessions will resume on March 1 at the regular time of 8:45 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. or until those confessions are finished. Confessions can also be heard by appointment.

See a guide on how to go to confession on pages 12-15. The guide can also be found on our website, seaslv.org.

Parish News



Lenten Observances

The dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass has been extended through Easter Sunday, of the Resurrection of the Lord, April 4, 2021.

Fasting

In the dioceses in the United States, Catholics aged 18 through 59 are bound to fast on both Ash Wednesday (February 17) and Good Friday (April 2). To fast means to consume one full meal a day at most, although taking of other, smaller quantities of food at the other customary mealtimes is permitted. Food and drink between meals (excepting water and medicine) is not permitted on fast days.

Abstinence from Meat

Catholics aged 14 and up are to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, all Fridays of Lent and Good Friday. To abstain means refraining from eating beef, veal, pork or poultry at least, although eggs and milk products are acceptable. The consumption of fish and shellfish is permitted, though the penitential character of the abstinence should be kept in mind.

CRS Rice Bowls

Join our faith community, and more than 14,000 Catholic communities across the United States, in a life-changing Lenten journey with Catholic Relief Services (CRS) Rice Bowl. During the 40 days of Lent, we will reflect on the challenge of global hunger and how it affects our human family. Rice Bowls can be found in the church gathering space.

Lenten Schedule

We invite you to journey with us through this time of spiritual growth as we rededicate ourselves to the will and work of Jesus Christ. **All Lenten services and events (except confessions) will require reservations and will be live-streamed at seaslv.org.**

Wednesday Evening Mass

A mid-week evening Mass will be offered at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesdays from February 24 through March 31. (Reservations & live-streamed)

Traditional Stations of the Cross on Friday Mornings

The traditional Stations of the Cross devotion will be prayed Fridays at 8:45 a.m. from February 19 through March 26. (Reservations & live-streamed)

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Adoration and the Scriptural Way of the Cross Concluding with Benediction

Every Friday of Lent, from February 19 through March 26, come rest in silence with the Lord exposed on the altar at 6:30 p.m. At 7:00 p.m. the Scriptural Way of the Cross devotion will be prayed and the night will conclude with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. The Scriptural Way of the Cross is based on the stations written by St. John Paul II which incorporates Taizé music as well as other refrains sung in a Taizé style. (Reservations & live-streamed)



A guide to the Sacrament of Reconciliation

Going to Confession

Many people have avoided celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation, sometimes for years at a time, because they "don't know what to do." The following brief explanation is intended for a person who has not been to confession in some time. It explains how the first form of the Sacrament of Reconciliation may be celebrated. The person who is going to confession is called a "penitent" because he or she wishes to do penance and to turn away from sin.

Preparation

Before going to confession, the penitent compares his or her life with the Ten Commandments, the Beatitudes, the example of Christ or an other examination of conscience as follows, and then prays to God for forgiveness.

Approaching Confession

The priest welcomes the penitent and then both make the sign of the cross, saying, "In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, Amen." Next the priest briefly urges the penitent to have confidence in God.

The penitent may begin with the traditional greeting: **"Forgive me Father, for I have sinned. It has been (length of time) since my last confession.* My sins are as follows:"**

** If the penitent is unknown to the priest, it is proper for the penitent to indicate his or her state of life (e.g., married, single, widowed, etc.), difficulties in leading the Christian life and anything else that may help the confessor in exercising his ministry.*

Confession of Sins

The penitent then confesses his or her sins. If necessary, the priest should help the penitent to make a complete confession and to have sincere sorrow for sins against God. The sorrow a penitent feels for his or her sins is known as contrition and must include a resolve to sin no more and to avoid all future occasions of sin. Through confession of sins, the penitent "looks squarely at the sins he is guilty of, takes responsibility for them, and thereby opens him

self again to God and to the communion of the Church in order to make a new future possible."

The priest then offers suitable advice and gives a penance...

...to help the penitent begin a new life and, when appropriate, to lead him or her to resolve to make appropriate restitution for the harm he or she has caused others. The priest imposes a **penance** or satisfaction on the penitent. The penance corresponds to the seriousness and nature of the sins and may suitably take the form of prayer, self-denial, and especially service to one's neighbor and works of mercy. Such a "penance" serves not only to make up for the past but also to help the penitent to begin a new life and provides the penitent with an antidote to weakness.

The Act of Contrition

After this, the penitent prays a prayer expressing sorrow for his or her sins and resolves not to sin again. The penitent may recite the prayer by heart, read it or compose one on their own.

Here is one example of the Act of Contrition:

**My God,
I am sorry for my sins with all my heart.
In choosing to do wrong
and failing to do good,
I have sinned against you
whom I should love above all things.
I firmly intend, with your help,
to do penance,
to sin no more,
and to avoid whatever leads me to sin.
Our Savior Jesus Christ suffered and
died for us.
In his name, my God, have mercy.**

Absolution by the Priest

Following this prayer, the priest extends his hands and pronounces the prayer of absolution. As he says the final words he makes the sign of the cross over the head of the penitent. At the same time the penitent also signs him or herself with the sign of the cross.

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Dismissal of the Penitent

Then the priest tells the penitent to go in Peace. The penitent continues his or her conversion and expresses it by a life renewed according to the Gospel and more and more steeped in the love of God, for “love covers over a multitude of sins” (1 Pt 4:8)

An Examination of Conscience

The following list of capital sins, root sins, from our tradition, with the fears that cause them and the symptoms they manifest, may help us examine our lives in a way that is more meaningful. For most of us who do not have death-bringing choices to confess, the recognition of some of these root areas of concern will be the best way to admit our sinfulness, and help us discover the areas of our lives that need the most attention, and most need the healing touch of God's grace in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Because God's call from fear to love is a journey involving the cross and death, most of us want to choose an easier way to new life. Most of us want Easter without Good Friday. All sin is an attempt to avoid the cost. All sin is substitution for real growth and real joy. Our tradition says the following are some of our most common substitutions.

1. Pride

When we:

- fear that we do not measure up;
- fear that we are not as good as others;
- fear that we will be found out;
- fear the brokenness that is in us and have never learned to forgive it;
- fear the weakness that is in us;
- choose false pride and arrogance; we substitute false pride for the quiet love and respect for self.

Symptoms of false pride are:

- we demand too much of self and others;
- we give in to the “tyranny of the shoulds” always saying what we or others “should” or “should not” have done;
- we judge ourselves and others too quickly and too harshly;
- we are vain about appearance or a particular gift;
- we have to be first;
- we have to be center;
- we believe our way is the only way;
- we brag too much;
- we exaggerate too much;
- we dominate and need to control.

Lord, for sins of pride we ask forgiveness.

2. Greed/Covetousness

When we:

- fear that people will not love us for who we are;
 - fear that we will be judged;
 - fear that we will not be safe;
 - fear that God will not provide;
- we give in to greed and covetousness, we cover our insecurities in our own eyes and in the supposed feelings of others with material possessions.

Symptoms of greed are:

- we become too attached to possessions;
- we allow our possessions to own us, not us them;
- we work too hard;
- we keep too fast a pace;
- we do not keep holy the Lord's Day and do not make room for God in our life;
- we hoard money;
- we do not share enough with the poor;
- we might give in to stealing or dishonesty;
- we have no time for God or prayer;
- we have “strange gods before us” as the first commandment warns can happen
- we do not have time for parents or family.

Lord, for sins of greed we ask forgiveness.

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3. Lust

When we:

- fear being intimate in the true sense;
- fear to trust another;
- fear to entrust ourselves to another;
- we substitute lust, we give in to lust.

Symptoms of lust are:

- we turn people into objects;
- we use people;
- we lie to ourselves about relationships;
- we focus on pleasure rather than joy;
- we substitute physical intimacy for real loving intimacy;
- we turn to adultery or fornication
- we turn to pornography;
- we give in to sensuality;
- we allow sexuality to turn us inward rather than to relationship;
- we never learn to trust.

Lord, for sins of lust we ask forgiveness.

4. Anger

When we:

- fear being hurt;
- fear being controlled;
- fear not being liked;
- fear being judged;
- fear being found out;
- fear being taken for granted;
- we turn to anger at self, others and God.

Symptoms of anger are:

- we are impatient with self;
- we are impatient with others;
- we are unforgiving of self and others;
- we are unable to pray;
- we lack gentleness;
- we feel that we have been gypped;
- we have an impetuous spirit;
- we curse or use bad language;
- we use God's name improperly and without respect;
- we are impatient on the highways;
- we can become cold and cynical.

Lord, for sins of anger we ask forgiveness.

5. Gluttony

When we:

- fear to face ourselves;
- fear to face our problems;
- fear dealing with others;
- fear being overwhelmed;
- we turn to gluttony/drunkenness.

Symptoms of gluttony are:

- we eat too much;
- we eat too often;
- we eat to solve problems;
- we turn to drugs;
- we commit “adultery with the bottle”:
gaining strength, courage and meaning in
life, in food or drink or drugs rather than in
relationships.

Lord, for sins of gluttony we ask forgiveness.

6. Envy/Jealousy

When we:

- fear not looking good;
- fear being judged;
- fear we are missing out;
- fear life is passing us by;
- we turn to envy or jealousy.

Symptoms of envy are:

- we have a suspicious spirit;
- we criticize too much;
- we entertain sinful desires;
- we feel gypped;
- we “covet” neighbors’ success;
- we put others down;
- we gossip too much;
- we give in to slander.

Lord, for sins of envy we ask forgiveness.

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7. Sloth/Laziness

When we:

- fear the cost of trying;
- fear hard work;
- fear the cost of relationships;
- fear failure;
- fear being hurt;
- we turn to sloth.

Symptoms of sloth are:

- we withdraw from life;
- we set no ideals;
- we quit before we finish;
- we set no goals;
- we never reach out;
- we do not use talents for God or others.

Lord, for sins of sloth we ask forgiveness. †



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family. Every person, from the moment of conception to their final breath, has inherent dignity and a right to life consistent with that dignity. Here at SEAS, we believe our commitment to the Catholic social mission must be rooted in and strengthened by our spiritual lives. It's only in our relationship with God that we experience the conversion of heart that is necessary to truly love one another as God has loved us and build a culture that cherishes every human life. During this Lenten season, we invite you to join us as we pray and reflect on God's great gift of human life. Every day at 3:00 p.m. during Lent (including weekends) we will gather to pray a special Rosary for Life. This special rosary experience will be prayed Monday-Friday in the church and Saturday-Sunday in the Mater Dei Chapel. Reservations are required and proper sanitizing and social distancing protocols will be in place.



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Parish News

Making Mass Reservations

On Monday, February 22, beginning at 9:00 a.m., we will start taking Mass reservations for the 4pm Vigil on Saturday, February 27, the Sunday Masses on February 28 and the 8am daily Masses from Monday, March 1 through Saturday, March 6. Reservations can be made at www.seaslv.org or at 702-228-8311.

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.

Please note, the obligation to attend Mass in the Diocese of Las Vegas has been lifted through Easter Sunday, April 4, 2021.



Televised Mass for the Sick and Homebound

Help minister to the sick and homebound by attending the taping of TV Masses.

Thursday, March 4

- 9:30 a.m. - Easter Sunday
- 10:45 a.m. - 2nd Sunday of Easter
- 11:30 a.m. - 3rd Sunday of Easter
- 12:15 p.m. - Palm Sunday

Reservations are required to attend and can be made at www.seaslv.org or 702-228-8311. Through your participation at these Masses, the homebound are reminded that they are loved by their brothers and sisters in Christ throughout the Diocese of Las Vegas, and that they remain a vibrant and loved part of our faith community. Please join us. The Sunday Mass on television is an outreach of the Diocese of Las Vegas that serves those who, for reasons outside of their control, are unable to attend Sunday Mass. These Masses can be viewed online at www.seaslv.org and on the CW Network every Sunday morning. Check your local listings.

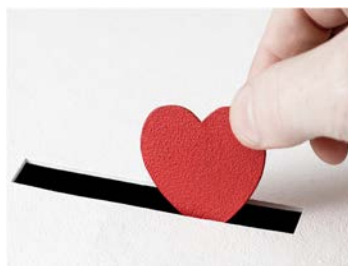


Strengthening One Another in the Faith Diocese of Las Vegas Catholic Stewardship Appeal 2021

This year, the CSA goal for St. Elizabeth Ann Seton parish is \$323,685 as our contribution towards the diocesan goal of \$3.2 million.

All registered households should have received a brochure, pledge card and return envelope in the mail. If you did not receive the mailing, please take one from the gathering space or visit the church website, www.seaslv.org, to learn about the diocesan ministries and programs the CSA supports. Electronic contributions can be made through the website as well. **Make sure to designate St. Elizabeth Ann Seton as your parish to ensure your contribution is credited correctly.**

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



It Is In Giving That We Receive: St. Christopher Catholic Church

For the month of February, 2% of each week's offertory collections will be gifted to St. Christopher Catholic Church. If you would like to make a donation to St. Christopher Church 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 ST. CHRISTOPHER CHURCH. Your gift will be included with the parish gift that will be disbursed at the end of the month.

Parish News

HOLY WEEK and EASTER



Reservations will be required for all Holy Week, Triduum and Easter Services and can be made toward the end of March. All services will also be live-streamed at seaslv.org.

HOLY WEEK

March 27/28: Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

- ♦ Saturday, March 27: Vigil Mass at 4:00 pm
- ♦ Sunday, March 28: Mass Times:
6:00 am, 8:00 am, 10:00 am,
Noon, 4:00 pm and 6:00 pm
- ♦ 40 Days of Prayer for Life Rosary (final day)
at 3 pm in the Mater Dei Chapel

March 29: Monday of Holy Week

- ♦ 8:00 am Morning Mass

March 30: Tuesday of Holy Week

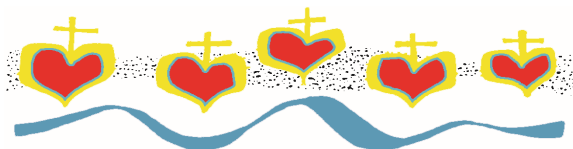
- ♦ 8:00 am Morning Mass

March 31: Wednesday of Holy Week

- ♦ 8:00 am Morning Mass
- ♦ 7:00 pm Additional Daily Mass

April 1: Thursday of Holy Week

- ♦ No Morning Mass



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THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM

April 1: Holy Thursday

- ♦ 7:00 pm The Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper

April 2: Good Friday

- ♦ 12:00 pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion
(with Communion)
- ♦ 3:00 pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion
(with Communion)
- ♦ 7:00 pm Tenebrae Candlelight Service

April 3: Holy Saturday

- ♦ 7:30 pm Easter Vigil in the Holy Night
(fulfills your Sunday obligation)

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

April 4: Easter Sunday

- ♦ Mass Times:
6:00 am, 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 pm,
4:00 pm and 6:00 pm

THE OCTAVE OF EASTER

April 5-10: Octave of Easter Daily Mass

- ♦ Daily Mass (Monday through Saturday)
during the Octave of Easter will be
celebrated at 8:00 am

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Easter Basket Drive 2021

The SEAS Human Concerns Ministry invites you to share the joy of our risen Lord with families in our community by donating to our annual Easter Basket Drive. Choose one of four donation options.

Donate online - We will shop for you! Go to the church website, www.seaslv.org, to use your credit/debit card or bank account. Click "Give Now" and Choose "Easter Basket Drive."

Give at Mass - Place monetary donations in the designated basket on the check-in table before Mass.

Mail in a check - We will shop for you! Mail a check to: SEAS, 1811 Pueblo Vista Dr., Las Vegas, NV 89128. Make sure to indicate on the memo line, "Easter Basket Drive." Please, do not send cash in the mail.

Donate items – Our food pantry will have 2 food drives in March. Easter basket items can be donated at either of these drives at our no-contact drop-off zone.

SEAS March Food Drives

- March 13 & 14
- March 20 & 21

Donated Easter basket items will be accepted 45 minutes before each Mass (AFTER 6 am Mass)

- Before you arrive, place 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 donations

**Please return all donations by March 21.
THANK YOU!**

We are requesting the following NEW Easter basket items

- Chocolate bunnies/crosses
- NEW small to medium sized plush stuffed animals
- Plastic eggs that can be filled
- Easter novelty toys for boys, girls or gender neutral (bubbles, books, crayons, stickers, etc.)
- **Individually** wrapped Easter candies – both chocolate & non-chocolate (fun size candy bars, Reese's eggs, Peeps, individual bags of jelly beans, Starbursts, etc.)

If you are in need of an Easter Basket, please call and leave a message on the Human Concerns phone 702-804-8317 from February 28 through March 21. Your call will be returned to make arrangements for pick-up.

Thank you for your generosity and support of those needing assistance, especially during these difficult times!

God bless,

Patti McGuire
Pastoral Associate for Human Concerns
Outreach/Food Pantry Coordinator
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Parish News

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

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic School re-registration is **due February 26, 2021**.
Re-registration packets were sent home on January 29, 2021.

Packets contain the re-registration form, information sheet and tuition agreement.
Completed forms and the non-refundable **registration fee of \$350.00**
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
Friday, **February 26, 2021** to ensure registration for next year.

Open Enrollment for New Students 2021-2022 Entering Pre-K to Grade 7

Applications and packets for students entering grades Pre-K to 7
in the new school year are currently being accepted.

There is a **non-refundable application fee of \$35.00**.

Applications will be accepted and assessment appointments will be scheduled.
There is a **non-refundable assessment fee of \$75.00 for grades 1-7**
and \$100 for pre-k and kindergarten.

Upon enrollment and acceptance, additional fees will be due.

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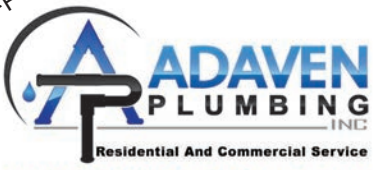
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Victim Advocacy

is available for any individual who has been sexually and/or physically abused.
Call 702-235-7723.

Parish Weekly Calendar

Monday, 2/22 - NO Confessions

8am Daily Mass, Reservations Required,
also Live-Streamed
3pm 40 Days of Prayer for Life Rosary, Church
6:30pm Bible Study Gospel of Mark, Church

Tuesday, 2/23

8am Daily Mass, Reservations Required,
also Live-Streamed
9am-7pm Confessions
3pm 40 Days of Prayer for Life Rosary, Church
3:30-6:30pm Volunteering for Food Pantry,
Parish Hall
5pm Children's Faith Formation, ZOOM
6pm RCIA, Parish Hall

Wednesday, 2/24

8am Daily Mass for SEAS School Only,
Not Open to Public, but Live-Streamed
9:30am Bible Study Gospel of Mark, Church

Wednesday, 2/24 cont.

3pm 40 Days of Prayer for Life Rosary, Church
6pm High School Youth Group, Youth Room
7pm Additional Daily Mass for Lent, Church

Thursday, 2/25

8am Daily Mass, Reservations Required,
also Live-Streamed
3pm 40 Days of Prayer for Life Rosary, Church
6:30pm Welcome Home Session, Parish Hall

Friday, 2/26

8am Daily Mass, Reservations Required,
also Live-Streamed
8:45am Stations of the Cross, Church,
also Live-Streamed
3pm 40 Days of Prayer for Life Rosary, Church
6:30pm Adoration, in Church & Live-Streamed
7pm Scriptural Way of the Cross Devotion,
in Church & Live-Streamed

Saturday, 2/27

8am Daily Mass, Reservations Required,
also Live-Streamed
9am RCIA, Parish Hall
9:30-11:30am Outreach Food Distribution,
School Bell Tower
3pm 40 Days of Prayer for Life Rosary, Chapel
(not streamed from chapel)
4pm Vigil Celebrating 2nd Sunday of Lent,
Reservations Required, also Live-Streamed

Sunday, 2/28 - Second Sunday of Lent

Mass Times: 6am, 8am, 10am, Noon, 4pm &
6pm, Reservations Required,
also Live-Streamed
9am Breaking Open the Word, Parish Hall
11am Jr. High Youth Group, Youth Room
1pm Confirmation Year 1, Parish Hall
3pm 40 Days of Prayer for Life Rosary, Chapel
(not streamed from chapel)

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