



# *Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton*

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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February 23, 2020 • Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

## **Eucharistic Liturgies**

Sunday: 6:30am, 8:00am, 10:00am,  
12:00pm, 4:00pm, 6:00pm  
Monday-Friday: 8:00am  
Saturday: 8:00am, 4:00pm Vigil

## **TV Mass**

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

## **Church Hours**

Sunday: 5:30am-7:30pm  
Monday-Saturday: 7:00am-5:00pm\*  
\* Closed on public holidays

## **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturdays: 8:30am or by appointment

## **Morning Prayer**

Monday-Saturday: 7:10am

## **Rosary**

Monday-Saturday: 7:30am

## **Eucharistic Adoration in Mater Dei Chapel\***

Monday-Friday: 8:30am-7:00pm\*  
\*Fridays of Lent the chapel will close at  
3pm and Adoration will then take place  
in the church from 3pm-7pm. See page  
13 for schedule.

Saturday: 8:30am-3:00pm

Mother of Perpetual Help Novena  
Wednesdays at 8:45am

\*The Chapel is closed during Easter  
Triduum, Holy Days of Obligation, and  
public holidays

## **Holy Hour for Vocations in Chapel**

Last Thursday of the Month 6:00pm

## **Parish Office Hours**

Sunday: Closed  
Monday-Friday: 8:30am-5:00pm\*  
Saturday: 8:30am-4:00pm  
Closed for Lunch: 12:00pm-1:00pm  
\* Closed on public holidays

## **Kairos Gift Shop Hours**

Monday-Friday: 8:30am-5:00pm\*  
Closed for Lunch: 12:00pm-1:00pm  
\*Closed on public holidays

Saturday: 8:30am-5:30pm

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

Sunday: 7:00am-7:30pm  
Closed: During all Masses

Do you not know that you are the temple of God,  
and that the Spirit of God dwells in you?

~ 1 Corinthians 3:16

## 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

If you are homebound, please call Tom & Patti Stava at 702-586-8093 and an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion will visit you. 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

Baptisms for infants and children up to 7 years of age are celebrated on Sundays either during Mass or at 1:45pm. Parents and Godparents should attend the baptism class on the first Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm in the Parish Hall classrooms. Adults are baptized at the Easter Vigil after completing the stages of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA).

### 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 our Wedding Coordinator, Maureen Sisto at 702-804-8321.

### Vocations

Vocations please consult with one of the priests.

### Clergy

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## A Letter from Our Pastor

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

### ARE YOU READY FOR LENT?

Believe it or not, Lent begins this week with **ASH WEDNESDAY on February 26<sup>th</sup>**! Ash Wednesday Masses are at 6AM, 8AM, 10AM, 12PM, 4PM and 6PM...plenty to fit just about everyone's schedule. But, before Ash Wednesday arrives, hopefully we've taken some time to see how we're going to make this Lenten season special this year.

Traditionally we usually ask the question, "What am I going to give up for Lent this year?" This could be something we cherish, like pizza or scotch...or both? Or maybe it could be giving up something like being judgmental, or being negative.

Or, perhaps we can ask ourselves, "What am I going to DO for Lent this year?" Maybe I can choose to make the special effort to attend one of our regular Lenten weekday Masses at 8AM or maybe the extra Mass at 7PM on the Wednesdays of Lent. How about spending some quality time with Christ during our regular adoration times in the Mater Dei Chapel, or participating in the various services offered here on the Fridays of Lent?

Whatever we **do** or **not do**, let it be something that's going to change us for the better **beyond** the season of Lent, not just during it. That takes a little more time to discern. So, might I suggest during these next days before Ash Wednesday that you spend some quiet time with God, perhaps in our own Mater Dei Chapel? Ask God to help you with the decision, and then let it be between you and God alone. Read on...

**SHHHHHHHHHH.....!**

Yep...**whatever you do or don't do for Lent is something that should be between you and God...and no one else!** Let's listen to what Jesus says in the Gospel we will read at the Masses this Ash Wednesday, February 26th:

*Jesus said to his disciples: "Take care not to perform righteous deeds in order that people may*

*see them; otherwise, you will have no recompense from your heavenly Father. **When you give alms**, do not blow a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets to win the praise of others. Amen, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right is doing, so that your almsgiving may be secret. And **your Father who sees in secret will repay you.**"*

*"**When you pray**, do not be like the hypocrites, who love to stand and pray in the synagogues and on street corners so that others may see them. Amen, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you pray, go to your inner room, close the door, and pray to your Father in secret. And **your Father who sees in secret will repay you.**"*

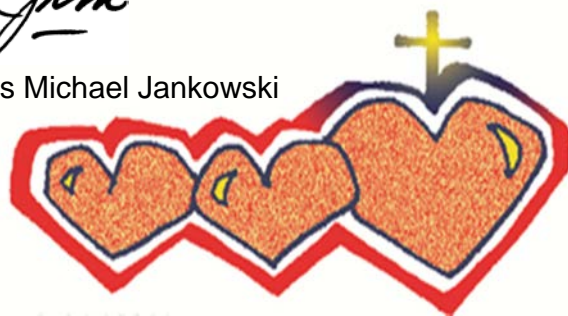
*"**When you fast**, do not look gloomy like the hypocrites. They neglect their appearance, so that they may appear to others to be fasting. Amen, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, so that you may not appear to be fasting, except to your Father who is hidden. And **your Father who sees what is hidden will repay you.**" (Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18)*

So, it's pretty clear from the above words of Jesus that if someone asks you what you're doing or not doing for Lent, just simply say, "That's between me and God." Let your Lenten sacrifices be something that only you and God know about, and "*your Father who sees what is hidden will repay you.*" (Matthew 6:18) **Have a Happy Lent...between you and God alone!**

Peace always,



Fr. James Michael Jankowski  
Pastor





## The Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Presider's Mass Intentions

Saturday	2/22
8:00am	Rosaria "Sadie" Scauzillo
4:00pm	SEAS Parishioners
Sunday	2/23
6:30am	† Mary Adele O'Neill
8:00am	† Amadeo & Adoracion Villanueva
10:00am	† Grace Velez
12:00pm	† Caroline Matthews
4:00pm	† William J. Weber
6:00pm	† Jose & † Jaime Paris
Monday	2/24
8:00am	† Ira & Corazon Jett
Tuesday	2/25
8:00am	† Eufracio & Avelina Ramos
Wednesday	2/26
6:00am	† Kathryn Seelbach
8:00am	† Carol Ferrara
10:00am	† Elena Irlandez
12:00pm	† Marie Rosatto
4:00pm	Lavinia C. Weber
6:00pm	Thomas B. Mitchell
Thursday	2/27
8:00am	† Don Julian Wevita
Friday	2/28
8:00am	† Novena for the Deceased
Saturday	2/29
8:00am	† Romulo Villanueva
4:00pm	† Rosa Monreal
Sunday	3/1
6:30am	† Tommy Almquist
8:00am	SEAS Parishioners
10:00am	† Hyacinthu Dawne Garrett
12:00pm	† Mary DeSena
4:00pm	† Ronald Adelman
6:00pm	† Frederic Luke Petilla Militante



### Foolishness

Sometimes the idea of repentance seems old-fashioned, naïve, even foolish. But if you're looking for real foolishness, you'll find it in today's readings.

We begin with Leviticus and the admonition, "Take no revenge and cherish no grudge" (Leviticus 19:18). We've heard that message before, of course, so we might forget how far it is from the so-called "practical realities of life." Saint Paul warns us about being practical, though. Whoever considers oneself wise had better "become a fool," because "the wisdom of this world is foolishness in the eyes of God" (1 Corinthians 3:18, 19).

This "foolishness" continues in the Gospel: "Offer no resistance to one who is evil" (Matthew 5:39). In fact, offer the other cheek when you've been slapped. Hand over your coat as well as your shirt. Be like God, who sends sunshine and rain on the bad as well as the good. "So be perfect," says Jesus, "just as your heavenly Father is perfect" (5:48).

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## The Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Readings for the Week

Monday: Jas 3:13-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15;  
Mk 9:14-29

Tuesday: Jas 4:1-10; Ps 55:7-11a, 23;  
Mk 9:30-37

Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-6ab, 12-14, 17;  
2 Cor 5:20 — 6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 9:22-25

Friday: Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-6ab, 18-19;  
Mt 9:14-15

Saturday: Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-6; Lk 5:27-32

Sunday: Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7; Ps 51:3-6, 12-13,  
17; Rom 5:12-19 [12, 17-19];  
Mt 4:1-11



### Baptized in Christ

Elinor Joan Beesley

### Died in Christ

David Bandy

### Parish Chest of Prayers

Due to matters of privacy, our Parish Book of Prayers has been replaced with a Parish Chest of Prayers where you can securely place the names of loved ones, living and deceased, as well as special intentions for inclusion in Masses and prayers. It is located on the table by the baptismal font.

### Saints and Special Observances

Sunday: Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Wednesday: Ash Wednesday;  
Fast and Abstinence

### Weekly Offertory

#### February 15 - 16, 2020

#### Offering

4:00pm Vigil	\$5,482.20
6:30am	\$3,686.10
8:00am	\$4,505.35
10:00am	\$4,536.81
12:00pm	\$4,536.05
4:00pm	\$2,965.51
6:00pm	\$2,949.14
Mailed-in	\$3,030.00
Kiosk, Online & Text	\$8,390.01
Collection Total	\$40,081.17

Liturgical Expenses	\$5,612.17
Maintenance Fund	\$187.00

Weekly 1st Collection Goal.....	\$45,000.00
Weekly 1st Collection Actual.....	\$40,081.17
Over / Under Weekly Goal.....	☹ -\$ 4,918.83

Year to Date 1st Collection Goal.....	\$1,485,000.00
Year to Date 1st Collection Actual....	\$1,325,720.58
Over / Under Year to Date Goal...	☹ -\$ 159,279.42

### Upcoming Special Collections

- February 23 - SEAS Service Day at  
Catholic Charities
- February 26 - Ash Wednesday Collection  
for Catholic Charities



## The Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time



### Catechetical Corner

#### Six Ways to Evangelize During Lent

*During Lent, when your friends or co-workers express curiosity about Catholic customs and symbolism, use those moments as opportunities to evangelize! Here are six common questions Catholics hear during Lent and some evangelizing answers.*

#### Ash Wednesday

##### 1. What's with that dirt on your head?

Who hasn't gotten that question on Ash Wednesday before? Do you feel silly when people ask you about your ashes? And is it hard to answer their questions? Having ashes on your forehead isn't just some weird Catholic thing: it's a tradition that finds its roots in the Old Testament. "I turned to the Lord God, to seek help, in prayer and petition, with fasting, sackcloth, and ashes" (Daniel 9:3). When the ashes are placed on our foreheads in the sign of the Cross, it is a reminder of several things. First, it is a call to repentance: a physical sign that we are sinners in need of forgiveness, which is how the prophets used it in the Old Testament. Second, it is to remind us that God created us from the earth and when we die, we will return to it. But here's the best part: As Pope Benedict XVI has said, "Man is dust and to dust he shall return, but dust is precious in God's eyes because God created man, destining him to immortality." God so loves us that, even when our bodies return to the dust, our souls are meant to live forever with him. The ashes symbolize all of this. Not so silly anymore, is it?

#### Abstinence

##### 2. So why aren't you eating pepperoni pizza on Friday?

You love pepperoni pizza. You eat it all the time. Suddenly, you can't have it on Fridays?! What could possibly be going on? It must be that Catholic thing, again. Absolutely! On Fridays during Lent, we particularly remember the sacrifice of Christ on the cross. In memory of this great sacrifice, we continue the tradition of penance and sacrifice—abstaining from meat on Fridays is an outward manifestation of an interior reality: the conversion of our hearts. As Pope John Paul II has said, "In fact, the external aspects of fasting, though important, do not convey the full measure of the practice. Joined to the practice should be a sincere desire for inner purification, readiness to obey the divine will and thoughtful solidarity with our brothers and sisters, especially the very poor." Christ himself fasted and prayed in the desert. Through fasting and praying, we unite ourselves with the sacrifice of Christ and offer him reparation for our sins and failings. It's a little thing to give him in the face of his ultimate sacrifice, but what a grace that our God accepts and loves little gifts!

#### Fasting

##### 3. So why exactly are you not eating candy for the next month?

This is a very popular penance during Lent, and the questions about it are just as popular. Heaven forbid you should avoid the cake at the birthday party! You LOVE cake! But it's Lent—a time for penance and sacrifice. Christ has said, "If anyone wishes to come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me" (Luke 9:23). Giving up something we enjoy strengthens our love for Christ and our resilience against temptation. As Pope Benedict XVI said in his Lenten address of 2009, "Through fasting and praying, we allow [Christ] to come and satisfy the deepest hunger that we experience in the depths of our being: the hunger and thirst for God." It unites us with Christ's own sacrifices and gives us a deeper appreciation of the blessings in our lives.

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## The Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Conversion

#### 4. I don't get it...All you do is give up candy?

Now, here is an interesting question. External sacrifices are the most obvious kind, so sometimes it does look like all we do is avoid chocolate. However, if you look closer, you'll realize that fasting and abstinence have always gone hand in hand with two of their best friends: prayer and almsgiving. External sacrifice is a manifestation of interior conversion: "...interior conversion urges expression in visible signs, gestures and works of penance" (CCC no. 1430). Interior conversion is where prayer and almsgiving come into play. In almsgiving, we show mercy and generosity to others, giving them a chance to experience the blessings we have. In prayer, we are communicating with God, asking him to bless and perfect our fasting and almsgiving: "... prayer is the living relationship of the children of God with their Father who is good beyond measure, with his Son Jesus Christ and with the Holy Spirit" (CCC no. 2565). It's not just avoiding sweets. It's glorifying God by growing in his Love.

### Symbolism

#### 5. Why are you carrying around tree branches (on Palm Sunday)?

Sometimes, one of the hardest things to explain as a Catholic is our attachment to symbolism. Palm Sunday is a great example of that. We come home from Mass holding palm branches, and we tuck them behind a crucifix or next to the picture of the Last Supper. To anyone who does not know our faith, it looks as though we stuck a few weeds on the wall... imagine their questions! The truth behind this tradition, however, goes to the story of Palm Sunday, when the people heard that Christ was coming and "they took out palm branches and went out to meet him, and cried out 'Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, [even] the king of Israel.'" (John 12:13). It was a tradition to spread palms before a king as he processed into his city. It was a way to welcome him, to show him glory and homage. Thus, Christ, the true King, was welcomed into Jerusalem. This fulfilled the prophecy in the Old Testament, which declared, "Behold: your king is coming to you, a

just savior is he, humble and riding on a donkey." (Zech. 9:9) It revealed that Christ was a great king, but also a humble king. The people greeted him with wild joy and cheers of Hosanna. But one short week later, they crucified him. We celebrate this feast and carry palm branches home with us to commemorate the great humility of Our Lord, who loved us so much that he chose the cross for our salvation.

### The Journey to the Cross

#### 6. Baseball opener on Friday?

In some years, Good Friday occurs on the same day major league baseball teams have their "opening day" celebrations with games usually starting at 3:05 p.m. While everyone else is heading to the stands, eager for hot dogs and home runs, all those Catholics are walking quietly towards churches. Why?? Because at three o'clock on a Friday, on a hillside called Calvary, the Savior of the world took his last breath. All for love of us. "It was now about noon and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon because of an eclipse of the sun. Then the veil of the temple was torn down the middle. Jesus cried out in a loud voice, "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit"; and when he had said this he breathed his last." (Luke 23:44-46) At 3:00 p.m. on Good Friday, we take the time to reflect on what Christ has done for us, not only by fasting, but also by the various devotions that our churches offer: veneration of the cross, the reading of the Passion and the Stations of the Cross. On Good Friday, we spend our afternoon walking with Christ to Calvary, immersed in his love and mercy... and that beats any baseball game, any time.

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THE THREE PILLARS OF LENT



## The 2020 Catholic Stewardship Appeal (CSA)

### A Silver Jubilee of Stewardship

**Catholic Stewardship Appeal 2020**  
**The 25th Anniversary of the CSA**  
**in the Diocese of Las Vegas**



In this Year of Our Lord 2020, we celebrate the 25th Anniversary of our Diocese, our Silver Jubilee! Saint John Paul II established this particular Church on 21 March 1995, liturgically celebrated on 28 June, the Vigil of the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, two of our Diocese's patron saints.

In his letter to the Colossians, St. Paul writes:  
 "Whatever you do, do from the heart, as for the Lord,  
 and not for others, knowing that you will receive from

the Lord due payment as an inheritance; be servants of the Lord Christ" (Col 3:23-24). Founded upon this scriptural stewardship principle, I invite you to participate generously in this Jubilee Year Catholic Stewardship Appeal as good and faithful Catholic stewards.

The stewardship which we practice in the Diocese assists the Church, her ministries and her apostolates in a variety of ways. Among our shared blessings are those apportioned as follows:

#### **Vocations – 28% of Stewardship**

Without the Priesthood there is no Eucharist; without the Eucharist there is no Church. This thought moves us to be generous stewards helping form and educate our seminarians for priestly service in our Diocese. With 10 men now in seminary formation (pictured below) and a growing number discerning the call, this is a great undertaking. Your stewardship is what makes it possible.

#### **Continuing Education of Clergy and Priests Pension Assistance – 23% of Stewardship**

Good stewardship helps our priests to continue to be fruitful in their ministry to us, and helps fund the diocesan priests' pensions for those spiritual Fathers who served us so faithfully.

#### **Stewardship makes us a Holy Family. Stewardship makes us Apostolic Catholics.**





## The 2020 Catholic Stewardship Appeal (CSA)

### Faith Formation – 18% of Stewardship

Forming new disciples in our Catholic Faith, together with Youth Ministry and Hispanic catechesis; our stewardship helps form catechists and faith leaders well, enabling them to bring Christ and his saving message to young and old.

### Pastoral Outreach – 15% of Stewardship

Among the programs our Catholic stewardship assists in pastoral outreach are Catholic Charities of Southern Nevada, Saint Therese Center, Social Ministry Office, Victims' Assistance for safe environment and televised Mass for outreach to the homebound.

### Campus Ministry – 10% of Stewardship

Bringing the truth, goodness and beauty of Christ's message to young adults at UNLV and on other college campuses is a crucial stewardship goal, confirming our future generations in the faith.

### Catholic Education – 6% of Stewardship

Catholic schools are hidden treasures in our Diocese and its parishes; these schools help form our youth in the way of Christ. Our stewardship helps ensure the highest faith and education standards for our Catholic schools.



Through a video message, Bishop Thomas spoke of the importance of this stewardship appeal in the life of the Church, offering testimony to the power of faith in action.



There is a two-fold blessing in this stewardship. Once a parish has reached its goal, all funds raised above and beyond that goal are rebated to the parish, 100%, for parish projects. Thus, the entire Church is built up: your generous stewardship helps the particular Church of the Diocese of Las Vegas and also assists the parish, your spiritual family.

20/20 is the measure of perfect vision. It is our belief that with all families participating in this year's Catholic Stewardship Appeal, in our Silver Jubilee for the Diocese of Las Vegas, we may both obtain a more perfect spiritual vision in our own lives and offer that gift to others, and together be transformed into good stewards and ***servants of the Lord, Christ Jesus.***



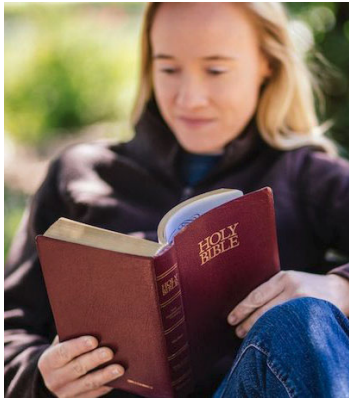
**O Holy Family of Nazareth,  
O Glorious Princes of the Apostles,  
help make us good Stewards of the Faith.**

Our 25th Anniversary Silver Jubilee goal for 2020 is \$3,200,000. Every parish in the Diocese shares in this goal based on its offertory income.



**A Silver Jubilee of Stewardship  
2020 Catholic Stewardship Appeal  
Diocese of Las Vegas**

## Stewardship



### Stewardship of God's Word

#### Reading the Bible

February is a transitional month, especially in 2020 with its 26th day as Ash Wednesday, the beginning of the season of Lent. Many of us also begin to hope that spring will be around the next corner. The first seed catalog we find in the mail reminds us this must be true, yet we know it's not time to turn the soil. We wait in the quiet of late winter.

What better time than February, before Lent and the advent of spring, to settle in for some reading and praying with sacred scripture? February can be a quiet time of patient reflection for the Christian steward. The psalms, like so many biblical passages, remind us of the benefits of reading God's word: "Your word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path" (Ps 119:105).

Our liturgical year offers us a wonderful pathway to

the Bible by providing Lectionary readings for each day. Our Sunday Gospel readings this year come to us mainly from Saint Matthew. In the month of February we have an opportunity to reflect on Christ's teachings in his Sermon on the Mount with its hope-filled Beatitudes. This Gospel is ideal for spending time with the Lord in quiet meditation.

In the Gospel of Saint Matthew Jesus gives us a guide to Christian living. If you choose to read this great book of the Bible, consider just one episode in the Gospel each time you read it. Put yourself into the scene. See what words strike a chord in you. Ask the Lord to help you know him through the Gospel reading.

One of the hallmarks of Saint Matthew's Gospel is his emphasis on discipleship and what it means to follow Jesus. Christian stewards look to this Gospel to gain new insights into their journey of faith; and much like the desires of gardeners, long for the seeds of the Gospel, especially the Beatitudes, to be planted in their own hearts. Find some quiet time. Pick up your Bible. And use God's gift of these quiet February days to deepen your knowledge of Christ through sacred scripture.

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### Lenten Schedule

Throughout the Lenten season, our parish will be offering many ways to enhance your Lenten journey—some will be old parish traditions, some will be new experiences. We invite you to journey with us through this time of spiritual growth as we re-dedicate ourselves to the will and work of Jesus Christ.



### Ash Wednesday February 26

Ash Wednesday Mass with the distribution of ashes will be celebrated on February 26 at 6:00 a.m., 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., noon, 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.

### Additional Daily Mass Offered During Lent



Because the Mass is the highest form of prayer, we are offering an additional daily Mass this Lenten season. The Mass will be celebrated Wednesday nights at 7:00 p.m. from March 4 through April 8.



### We Are Called

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 are available in the gathering space.



### Traditional Stations of the Cross on Friday Morning and Afternoon

The traditional Stations of the Cross devotion will be prayed Friday mornings immediately after the 8:00 a.m. daily Mass from February 28 through April 3. Also, all are invited to attend the SEAS School traditional

Stations of the Cross on Friday afternoons at 2:00 p.m. **\*SEAS School Stations of the Cross on March 6 and April 3 will be held at 11:00 a.m.**



### Parish Day of Reconciliation March 10

Our parish Lenten Day of Reconciliation will be held on Tuesday, March 10. Confessions will be heard in the church from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Confessions are also heard every Saturday morning immediately following the 8:00 a.m. daily Mass and by appointment. **No confessions will be heard on Holy Saturday, April 11.**

## Parish News

# Friday

# LENTEN

# REFLECTIONS

## in prayer & song



### ♦ Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

*Every Friday of Lent, come rest with the Lord in silence in the main Church. During this time, when the Blessed Sacrament is exposed in the church, the Mater Dei Chapel will be closed.*

Fridays: February 28, March 6, March 20 and March 27 beginning at 3:00 p.m. till the final Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at the end of the **Scriptural Way of the Cross**.

Fridays: March 13 and April 3 beginning at 3:00 p.m. till 6:45 p.m. followed by **Water, Light and Life** and the **Living Stations of the Cross** respectively.

### ♦ Scriptural Way of the Cross

*with Taizé style refrains and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament*

Fridays: February 28, March 6, March 20 and March 27 at 7:00 p.m.

This unique approach to the 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. These evenings conclude with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

### ♦ Water, Light and Life

*a congregational meditation based on the Gospels of the scrutinies*

Friday: March 13 at 7:00 p.m.

Three of the most important stories in the Gospels serve as a basis for the scrutinies – a final process for candidates preparing for initiation into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil. The readings, all from the Gospel of John, are the woman at the well, the healing of a blind man, and the raising of Lazarus from the dead. We will encounter the love and mercy of Christ in a powerful way as we spend time reflecting on these readings with music to emphasize their significance.

### ♦ Living Stations of the Cross

*featuring our youth group and our children's choir*

Friday: April 3 at 7:00 p.m.

The Stations of the Cross come alive as our young people portray the emotion felt at each station along the journey of the Cross. Music will be added by the Celestial Voices Choir to make this a truly memorable evening of prayer and reflection.

## Parish News



### One Last Binge Before Lent!

The Knights of Columbus would like to help parishioners have one last binge before Lent by **selling Bundlets**

**from Nothing Bundt Cakes after all Masses the weekend of February 22-23.** Flavors include: Red Velvet, Lemon, Chocolate Chip, Vanilla and Confetti. Parishioners will be able to take the actual cake home with them — no need to order and wait for a future delivery. Price of each mini cake is \$5.00. If you approach the table with a nice smile, the Knights will give you a special deal of four cakes for \$20! **Only able to accept cash.**



### Catholicism: The Pivotal Players, Volume 2

Fr. McShane's Bible Study invites you to view the most recent Catholicism: The Pivotal Players video series featuring Fulton J.

Sheen, the Communicator and Flannery O'Connor, the Story Teller. **The videos will be shown on Monday mornings at 9:00 a.m. on February 24 and March 2 in the SJ XXIII Classroom in the Parish Hall.** If you would like to learn more about Fr. McShane's Bible Study that meets every Monday morning, contact Marianne Murphy at [edmurphy1@mac.com](mailto:edmurphy1@mac.com) (702-525-4746).

## St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Roman Catholic Church Parish Special Meal

Thursday, March 26th

St. Vincent Lied Dining Room



We will be providing the gift of a special, restaurant-style meal to hundreds of homeless and at-risk individuals at Catholic Charities of Southern Nevada. Please consider sharing your time and talents by serving as a volunteer on this special day.

Volunteers duties include: Greeting our guests, serving the meal, busing tables, and having fun while creating a wonderful experience for the most vulnerable people in our Las Vegas community.

To sign up, visit [SignUpGenius.com](https://SignUpGenius.com) & search for [volunteer@catholiccharities.com](mailto:volunteer@catholiccharities.com) or visit <https://bit.ly/307O6bY>.



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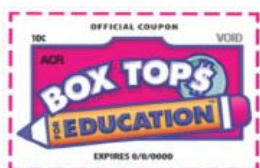


# BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION SPRING 2020 COLLECTION

**DEADLINE: Wednesday, February 26, 2020**

**Box Tops are submitted 2x a school year.**

**November 1st & March 1st. Our spring 2020 deadline is approaching. Please check your pantries and submit clipped boxtops by the above deadline!**



Put clipped BoxTops in a ziplock bag and drop into the collection bin located in the parish foyer or outside of the school office.



Keep using the **BoxTops App** to scan shopping receipts. Participants will often receive double point and automatic entries into bonus sweepstakes!



### Family Fun Activities with the Squires

SEAS Catholic youth ages 10 to 18, would you like

to try OFF ROADING? On **Saturday, February 29** the SEAS Columbian Squires are having a 4-wheel Jeep ride-along activity on a trail leaving Highway 95 leading behind Gas Peak (above North Las Vegas) that comes down onto Highway 93 near the Lincoln County line. You are invited to join us and learn about the Squires and their activities that can be enjoyed by boys and girls while jeeping! **In June we will have a family camping trip to the Pacific Coast at Morro Bay, Cali!** For more information contact Squire Noah Ramos at [noahr702@gmail.com](mailto:noahr702@gmail.com) (702-762-3085) or contact Chief Counselor Don Woods at 702-682-8658.



### ATTENTION: New & Existing Altar Servers, Sacristans and Mass Coordinators

If you are an existing Altar Server of any age, or if you would like to become an Altar Server (the only requirement is that you have received your First Holy Communion), please come to a **mandatory Altar Server Meeting in the church on Saturday, February 29 from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. OR on Monday, March 9 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.** We will welcome and train new Altar Servers of all ages and also revisit some of the recent liturgical changes that all existing altar servers need to know. As this is an important refresher, Sacristans and Mass Coordinators are also invited to attend.

## Parish News

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#### February Screening Dates for SEAS Kindergarten 2020-2021

All parents with prospective Kindergarteners for the 2020-2021 school year are invited to pick up an application. The application fee of \$35 and the test fee of \$100 must be returned to the school office in order to schedule an assessment appointment. Upon receipt of this information, you will receive an email with a follow-up letter confirming your test date and time.

If you are unable to come to the school office, please call 702-804-8328 or email [seasschool@seaslv.org](mailto:seasschool@seaslv.org) and we will be happy to mail you the application or you can print it from the school website at [www.seascslv.org](http://www.seascslv.org).

The screening dates take place the week of February 4th. The appointments take place weekdays during the school day. Appointments will be set by the school office.

**Children must be 5 years of age on or before September 30, 2020 to be eligible for Kindergarten for the 2020-2021 school year. Appointments are set based on availability and the date received.**



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#### Kairos Gift Shop will be Closed for Inventory

The Kairos Gift Shop will be **closed for inventory on Thursday, February 27 and Friday, February 28**. Regular gift shop hours will resume on Saturday, February 29.



#### Farmers' Market

Our next Farmers' Market will be held **Saturday, February 29 from 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. in the school courtyard**. The line will begin at the bell tower. All food is complimentary. Please bring your own bags and helpers to carry them.



#### Holy Hour for Vocations

Join us in praying a Holy Hour for Vocations with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on **Thursday, February 27, and every last Thursday of the month, at 6:00 p.m. in the Mater Dei Chapel.**

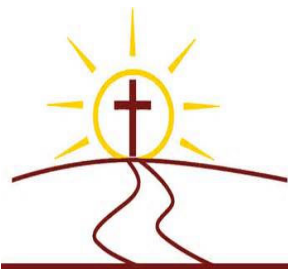


#### Baptism Prep Class

The **next Baptism Preparation Class will be held Tuesday, March 3 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the SJ XXIII classroom in the Parish Hall**. Parents and Godparents requesting the sacrament for infants and children up to 7 years old should attend. For more information, contact Marcie Wilske (702-804-8370) at [mwilske@seaslv.org](mailto:mwilske@seaslv.org).



## Parish News



### Come to Our Next RCIA Class

*Catholic Morality*, is the topic of our next Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) class on **Tuesday, February 25 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00**

**p.m. and repeated on Saturday, February 29 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. in the PP VI classroom in the Parish Hall.** This week's class is open to anyone who would like to attend. For more information, contact Marcie Wilske at [mwilske@seaslv.org](mailto:mwilske@seaslv.org) (702-804-8370).



### Registration Information

#### 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) or by completing the registration form found in the lobby. 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.



### Welcome Home: Returning to the Sacramental Life of the Catholic Church

There are many reasons why we Catholics sometimes take an extended leave-of-absence from our relationship with the

Lord through the Catholic Church. There are also many reasons why baptized Catholics sometimes do not complete their initiation into the Catholic Church. If you are looking to "re-engage" with your faith or are an adult wishing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, let us know. Our parish community offers you a safe place to be listened to, a place to ask questions, a place for healing, a place to update your faith as an adult and a place to help you return to the sacramental life of the Catholic Church. **The next 9-week Welcome Home series begins March 5 with classes held on Thursday evenings from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the PP VI classroom in the Parish Hall.** For more information, contact SEAS Pastoral Associate Marcie Wilske (702-804-8370) at [mwilske@seaslv.org](mailto:mwilske@seaslv.org).



### Seton Singles Over-50 Social Club

If you are single, over 50, and looking for new friends and ac-

tivities, come to the Seton Singles monthly meeting **Saturday, March 7 in the SEAS School Assembly Room at 5:30 p.m.** For more information contact Kathy Lorenzo (702-647-1807) at [setonsingleslv@gmail.com](mailto:setonsingleslv@gmail.com). We enjoy group dine-outs, theatrical productions, movie night, card games, Bridge, game night and so much more. You can participate in these activities, or you can just attend our friendly, monthly meetings. Our annual dues are very reasonable.



## Parish News



### SEAS Annual Easter Basket Drive

This year, our parish will provide 400 filled Easter baskets to children up to 12 years old/6<sup>th</sup> grade at Catholic Charities and from our Outreach Ministry. We are requesting the following NEW items:

- ♦ Easter baskets (1 basket per child)
- ♦ Chocolate bunnies/crosses (1 per basket)
- ♦ NEW small to medium sized plush stuffed animals (1 per basket)
- ♦ Plastic eggs to be filled (8 eggs per basket)
- ♦ Easter novelty toys for boys, girls or gender neutral (3 items per basket). Examples: bubbles, paddle & ball, coloring books & crayons, sidewalk chalk, stickers, erasers, etc.
- ♦ Wrapped Easter candies (8 per basket)
- ♦ Non-chocolate wrapped candy. Examples: Peeps, small individual bags of jelly beans, etc. (4 per basket)
- ♦ Chocolate wrapped candy. Examples: fun size candy bars, Reese's Eggs, etc. (4 per basket)

Purchase and assemble your own basket or contribute any of the needed items to the Outreach Ministry. EXTRA CANDY IS ALWAYS APPRECIATED. If you would like us to shop for you, please leave cash or checks in the Poor Box.

**Please return all items by Sunday, March 29 to the church gathering space or Outreach Office.**

**Volunteers Needed** (some of last year's volunteers are pictured above):

- ♦ Monday, Mar 16 (3-5pm sort donations)
- ♦ Monday, Mar 23 (10am-12pm sort donations)
- ♦ Wednesday, Mar 25 (3-5pm sort donations)
- ♦ **Stop by after the 10 am and 12 pm Mass on Sunday, March 29 to fill a few Easter Baskets! Bring the family!**
- ♦ Monday, Mar 30 (5-7pm sort donations)
- ♦ Tuesday, Mar 31 (3-5pm fill remaining baskets)
- ♦ Tuesday, Mar 31 (5-7pm prepare baskets for distribution)
- ♦ Wednesday, April 1 (7:30-10:30am distribute baskets)
- ♦ Wednesday, April 1 (3-6pm distribute baskets)

**To sign up to volunteer or if you have questions, please contact Patti McGuire in the Outreach Ministry at [pmcquire@seaslv.org](mailto:pmcquire@seaslv.org) (702-804-8311).**

**If you are in need of an Easter Basket for your child(ren) ages 12 and younger, please contact the Outreach Ministry Office at 702-804-8311 or [pmcquire@seaslv.org](mailto:pmcquire@seaslv.org).**



## Around the Diocese

# The Rite of Election

How strange this title sounds to us! While many of us would probably agree that our national, state and local elections are rituals of a special breed, we hardly expect to find a “rite of election” in church. But long before any of our ancestors thought of electing their leaders, God was electing a people, selecting Israel, a rag-tag clan in a tiny corner of the earth, to be special, holy, a chosen people. God did not choose them because they were noteworthy in any way; they were not powerful, strong or particularly clever. But once they were chosen, they were God’s forever. Even when they strayed, looking to other gods for hope or help, God clung to them fiercely, calling them back again and again when anyone else would have gladly let them go.

It is the same with us. God chooses us, elects us, in Christ, to be a holy people, to be a church, to be signs of the reign of God on earth. The catechumens who have been preparing for baptism and those who have been working with them for months and years believe that God has chosen them to be one of us, the baptized. At the Rite of Election, their godparents, sponsors, catechists, pastors and friends will testify before the bishop, or his delegate, that God has chosen these people. They will offer the evidence of their lives among us, hearing and following God’s word, praying with God’s people and taking part in the work and the communal life of God’s church. After listening to this testimony, the bishop will declare that they are elected for baptism, chosen to be God’s own in Christ Jesus—not because they earned it, but because God wants it. And that is election by a landslide!

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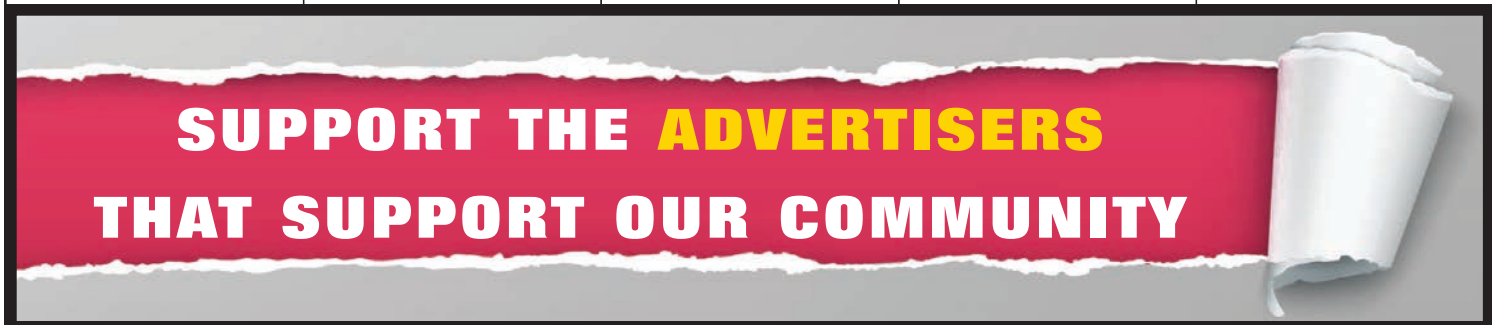
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## Parish Weekly Calendar

### Monday, 2/24

8am Daily Mass, Church  
8:30am Outreach Food Rescue, Parish Hall  
9am Fr. McShane's Bible Study, SJ XXIII Rm in Hall  
6pm Financial Peace University Class, Parish Hall  
6:30pm Bible Study on the Gospel of Matthew, Hall

### Tuesday, 2/25

7:30am-10:30am & 3pm-5pm Outreach Food Pantry  
Food Distribution, Outreach Patio  
8am Daily Mass, Church  
8:30am Outreach Food Rescue, Parish Hall  
9am Busy Hands Crafters, Parish Hall  
10am New Beginnings Grief Support, Hall Conference  
4:30pm and 6pm Children's Faith Formation Classes,  
SEAS School Rooms  
6pm RCIA, PP VI Classroom in the Parish Hall

### Wednesday, 2/26—Ash Wednesday

Mass Times: 6am, 8am, 10am, Noon, 4pm and 6pm  
8:45am Mother of Perpetual Help Novena, Chapel  
9:30am Bible Study on the Gospel of Matthew, Hall

### Wednesday, 2/26—Ash Wednesday cont.

6pm High School Youth Group, Youth Room  
6:30pm Mental Health & Wellness Group, Hall

### Thursday, 2/27

8am Daily Mass, Church  
9am In the Arms of Mary Small Group Faith Share,  
PP VI Classroom in the Parish Hall  
3pm Jr. High Youth Group, Youth Room  
4:30pm and 6pm Children's Faith Formation  
Classes, SEAS School Rooms  
6pm Holy Hour for Vocations, Chapel  
6:30pm Adult Choir Rehearsal, Church

### Friday, 2/28

8am Daily Mass, Church  
8:30am Traditional Stations of the Cross, Church  
9am Rosary Makers, Parish Hall  
2pm SEAS School Traditional Stations of the  
Cross, Church  
3pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the  
Church till the Final Benediction at the end of  
the Scriptural Way of the Cross

### Friday, 2/28 cont.

7pm The Scriptural Way of the Cross Stations  
with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and  
Benediction, Church

### Saturday, 2/29

8am Daily Mass & Confessions, Church  
8:30-10am Farmers' Market, School Courtyard  
9am RCIA, PP VI Classroom in the Parish Hall  
9:30-11am Mandatory Altar Server Training, Church  
4pm Vigil Mass—First Sunday of Lent

### Sunday, 3/1

Mass Times: 6:30am, 8am, 10am, 12pm, 4pm & 6pm  
8:30am Outreach Food Rescue, Parish Hall  
9:45am Youth Ministry Catechist Breakfast,  
Youth Room  
1pm Confirmation Years 1 & 2, Parish Hall  
1:30-3:30pm Outreach Ministry Food Pantry Food  
Distribution, Outreach Patio

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