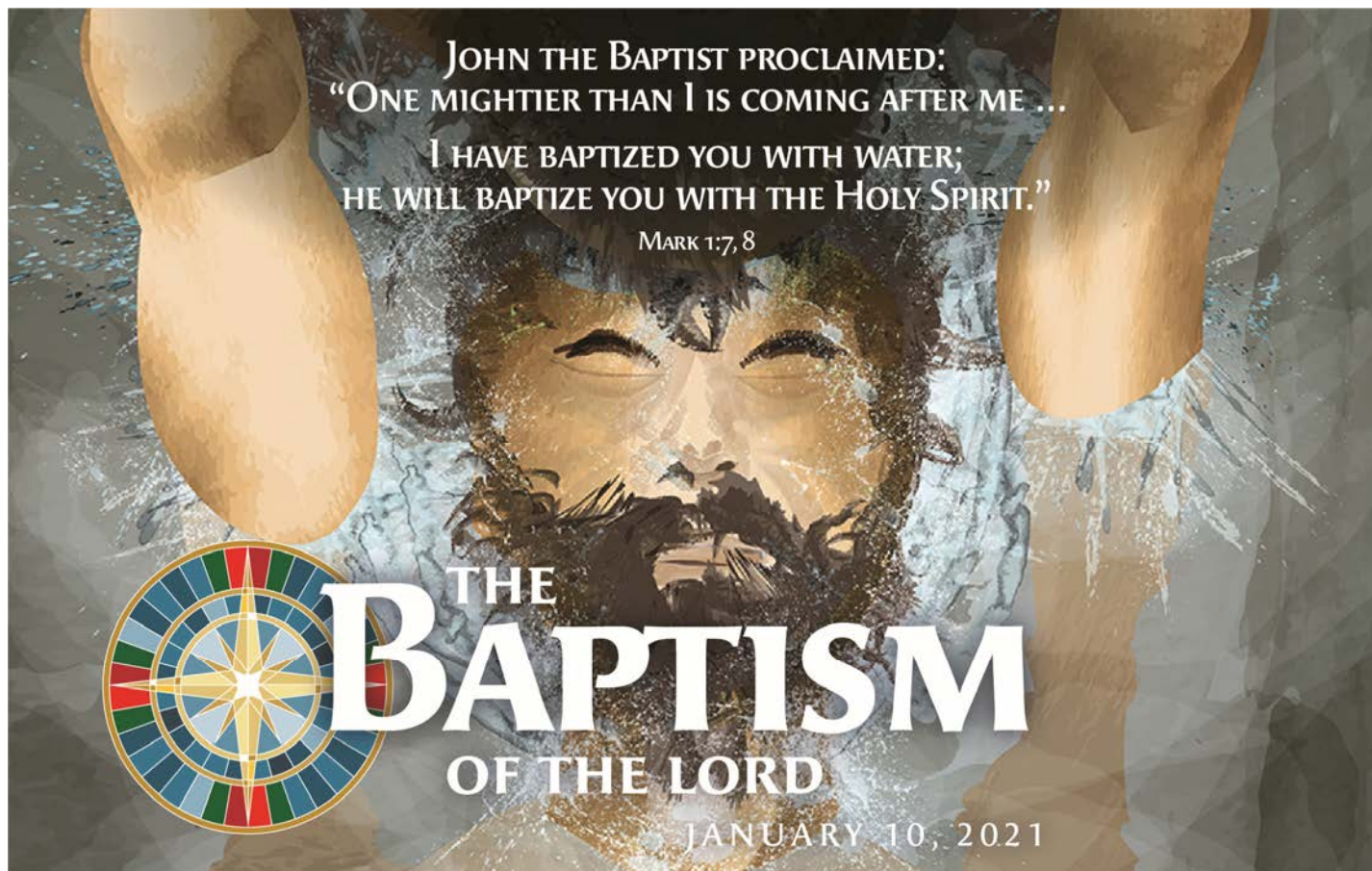




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Eucharistic Liturgies

Reservations to attend Mass are required at this time. All Masses are also live-streamed: See page 11 for details regarding Mass reservations and our live-stream schedule.

Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm

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

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

TV Mass

www.seaslv.org 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.

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,

IT ALL BEGINS WITH BAPTISM

This weekend's commemoration of the Baptism of the Lord brings the official close to the Christmas season. It's after Jesus' own baptism by John in the Jordan that he begins his public ministry. In the gospels we see that, following Jesus' baptism, there's the temptation in the desert, calling of the first disciples and then his first miracle, the changing of water into wine at the wedding feast in Cana. But it all began with baptism.

John the Baptist's baptism was a baptism of repentance. Surely Christ did not need to repent at all, but did so as an example to others. The humility of Christ is certainly example enough for all of us.

For each of us who are already baptized, this feast reminds us of our need to daily renew our own baptism as missionary disciples of the Lord. In our baptism we were called and chosen by God to take the good news of God's love and let it shine through all we say and do. Every time we bless ourselves with the sign of the cross, we relive the time when we were baptized "in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." We remember our call from God to be missionary disciples, right here and right now, in all that we say and do "in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."

So, may this remembrance of Jesus' own baptism, inspire us to renew our own, and reflect on all we say and do to see if we, indeed, do live in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."

PARISH CALENDAR DONOR

Each year our parish calendar is donated, usually by one of the local mortuaries. In our recent past, we were blessed to have our calendars donated by Kraft Sussman Funeral & Cremation Services. Due to the effects of COVID-19, regrettably this year they were unable to do so. While they were sad they were not able to provide the calendar this year, they remain so very faithful to the service they provide for many of our parishioners.

This year's parish calendars, therefore, were provided by one of our own parish families who wanted to remain anonymous. So, I ask you to please offer

some time in prayer for the generous family who donated the funds so we could present you a parish calendar this year. May God bless them for their goodness as we continue through this New Year of 2021!

CSA: THANKS AND A PLEA

Our 2020 Annual Catholic Stewardship Appeal (CSA) in support of the Diocese of Las Vegas and her many ministries and services, is coming to a close. I would like to thank all those who have pledged AND fulfilled those pledges! You can see our results elsewhere in this bulletin.

Unfortunately, this year we have not yet reached our 2020 goal which means we will have to dip into our savings to cover the deficit. In addition, it means this will be the first year we will NOT receive a rebate. As you know, any fulfilled pledges the Diocese receives beyond our goal are rebated right back to us. In this year of pandemic some of our parishioners have been negatively affected in their own financial position. I would never expect those who have financial difficulties to support the CSA during these trying times.

And so, now comes my PLEA to those whose finances are secure. Perhaps some of you who have already fulfilled your pledges might consider an additional gift to help cover those unable to give. Your kindness in coming to the aid of those who would like to participate but can't, will be greatly blessed.

And my last PLEA goes to the nearly 90% of our registered parishioner households who have not yet participated in the 2020 CSA. If everyone would even give a little, our results would be amazing. Please remember, no gift is too small or large, because any gift, given from the heart, is truly invaluable. Thanks to those of you who might be able to respond to this last PLEA to help us reach our 2020 CSA goal.

Peace always,



Fr. James Michael Jankowski
Pastor

The Baptism of the Lord



Presider's Mass Intentions

Saturday	1/9
8:00am	† Charles Tortorice
4:00pm	† Donald Sohl
Sunday	1/10
6:00am	SEAS Parishioners
8:00am	† Kathryn & † John Janura
10:00am	† Bishop Michael Driscoll
12:00pm	† Jay Tiglao
4:00pm	Jericho Aldip
6:00pm	† Frank Ring
Monday	1/11
8:00am	† Nicholas Tarantino
Tuesday	1/12
8:00am	Raymond Galegos
Wednesday	1/13
8:00am	† Florinda Lamuraglia
Thursday	1/14
8:00am	† Primo Exconde
Friday	1/15
8:00am	† Norma Valeroso
Saturday	1/16
8:00am	† Barbara & † Roscoe Boguille
4:00pm	† Toni & † Albert Noyes
Sunday	1/17
6:00am	† Joanne Alfieri
8:00am	SEAS Parishioners
10:00am	† Gladys Mabry
12:00pm	† Frances & † Sal De Salvatore
4:00pm	† Marilyn Townsend
6:00pm	† Bridget Felicia Wijesundera

Saints and Special Observances

Sunday:	The Baptism of the Lord
Monday:	First Week in Ordinary Time begins
Wednesday:	St. Hilary
Saturday:	Blessed Virgin Mary



Died in Christ

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

† Elizabeth Horangic
 † James Kaleka
 † Florinda "Rindy" Lamuraglia

Readings for the Week

Monday:	Heb 1:1-6; Ps 97:1, 2b, 6, 7c, 9; Mk 1:14-20
Tuesday:	Heb 2:5-12; Ps 8:2ab, 5, 6-9; Mk 1:21-28
Wednesday:	Heb 2:14-18; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Mk 1:29-39
Thursday:	Heb 3:7-14; Ps 95:6-11; Mk 1:40-45
Friday:	Heb 4:1-5, 11; Ps 78:3, 4bc, 6c-8; Mk 2:1-12
Saturday:	Heb 4:12-16; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mk 2:13-17
Sunday:	1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10; 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20; Jn 1:35-42

The Baptism of the Lord



The Waters of Baptism

When new sod is put in, it needs constant saturation with water. Landscapers say that this “knits” the sod to the soil. The same when a branch is grafted onto a tree: the poultice that joins them at the splice must be kept wet at all times. Water is the stuff that binds the very cells of our bodies together. No wonder religions throughout all times and cultures have used it so prominently. When Jesus stepped into the Jordan for baptism, he “knit” himself to what had come before him. By going to the Jordan, he made himself one with the people of Israel who had crossed it into their Promised Land. With John the Baptist, Christ wove himself into the prophetic tradition that heralded the coming reign of God. He had become fully human in the waters of Mary’s womb, and by partaking in the rite of the baptism of repentance, Jesus identified himself with our sinful, frail humanity. It is through the waters of baptism that Christ continues to graft new members onto his Body, the Church; through these waters we are cleansed from sin and filled with the promise of grace, given our destiny for eternal life. For us, as for Jesus, it is also the waters of baptism that inaugurate our mission to proclaim the Good News.

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2020 Catholic Stewardship Appeal Update

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the 2020 Catholic Stewardship Appeal (CSA). It was a difficult year with COVID causing many challenges including financial hardships that undoubtedly resulted in our inability to reach our 2020 parish assessment. This year we will not be receiving a CSA rebate — we have a balance due. We are grateful to our generous parishioners and friends, who, not only helped us come very close to reaching our goal, but also kept our parish afloat during this past year. Thank you for everything you do for our parish, our diocese, and most importantly, to advance the Kingdom of God.

2020 Goal	\$311,758.00
Amount Pledged as of 12/31/20	\$300,100.45
Number of Pledges Made	566
Amount Owed to the Diocese	\$ 11,657.55

There is still time to contribute toward our 2020 assessment. The 2020 CSA will officially close on Friday, January 22, 2021. Any contributions received at the Diocese of Las Vegas by January 22 will be credited to our 2020 assessment. Any contributions received after January 22 will be credited to our 2021 Catholic Stewardship Appeal that will begin at the end of January. To make a contribution, follow these steps:

1. Go to www.dioceseoflasvegas.org
2. Under the **Stewardship & Development** drop down menu tab, click on **Catholic Stewardship Appeal**
3. Click on **Donate Now**
4. In the “Parish” field, make sure to put in **St. Elizabeth Ann Seton** to ensure your contribution is credited to our parish and is applied to our assessment.

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

The Baptism of the Lord

Catechetical Corner

The Baptism of the Lord

Jesus fulfilled all the precepts of Jewish religious law perfectly, including the required rituals of purification and atonement. So when John the Baptist preached a “baptism of repentance,” Jesus went to receive Baptism from him not because he needed to repent but “to fulfill all righteousness.” In the moment that Jesus was baptized, the Holy Spirit came down upon him, and the Father spoke from the heavens that he was well pleased with his beloved Son.

By this example, Jesus modeled the simple path through which all people who are baptized become sons and daughters of God. Through the action of the Holy Spirit, the waters of Baptism cleanse a person from all sin and restore his or her relationship with God to its original holiness. Baptism, therefore, transforms one’s identity.

Baptism also gives a new purpose to a person’s life — being washed in water and renewed by the Holy Spirit, they are joined into the Kingdom of God and given the mission to increase the Kingdom in their lives. Just as Jesus began his public ministry after receiving Baptism, so too are the new children of God commissioned to spread the Good News to all, beginning first with the transformation of their own lives, and then spreading and sharing that joy with others, so as to bring all things under the authority of the Kingdom of God.

Just before his Ascension, Jesus renewed the meaning of Baptism as an entrance to discipleship and even prescribed how it should be administered to others: “Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the holy Spirit” (Mt 28:19).

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An Ancient Baptistry

One of the most ancient and enduring sites for baptism in Rome is the church of San Giovanni in Fonte. This church is in fact a baptistry and houses the font for the Lateran Basilica, the cathedral of Rome. The Emperor Constantine sponsored its construction in the year 315, and it is therefore the oldest baptistry in the world. It is the model for nearly all later baptisteries including, perhaps, the font in your own parish church.

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Stewardship Saint for January

Ita of Killeedy, Ireland

Ita of Killeedy, Ireland, also known as Ida, is one of the two most famous women saints in Ireland, along with Brigid of Kildare. Born near present-day County Waterford, allegedly of a royal family, she was baptized as

Deidre. She is said to have rejected a prestigious marriage for a life as a consecrated woman religious. She moved early in her life to Killeedy (in County Limerick), where she founded a small community of nuns and resided for the remainder of her life, in community with other consecrated women. She dedicated herself to prayer, fasting, a simplicity of life and cultivating a gift for spiritual discernment.

Ita was well known for having the gift of being able to guide people in holiness. She was much sought after as a spiritual director and confessor. During this period of Christianity, the Celtic Church was more advanced than other churches at the time in

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recognizing qualities of spiritual leadership in women and in encouraging women in this role. It is thought that Ita may have been abbess of a double monastery of men and women and that she was a confessor to both, giving difficult penances while maintaining a forgiving and compassionate spirit. Confessing one's sins to a priest had not yet been established as the normal form for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and ordained priests were not yet regarded as the only members of the Church authorized to hear confessions, forgive sins and impose penances.

She began a school for boys, some of whose graduates became saints in their own right, the most famous of whom was Saint Brendan. She was also known as the "foster mother of the saints of Erin." The name "Ita" ("thirst for holiness") was conferred on her because of her saintly qualities. She believed that the three things God most detested were a scowling face, obstinacy in wrongdoing and too great a confidence in the power of money. Three things she believed God especially loved included a pure heart, living a simple life and great generosity inspired by gratitude for God's gifts.

Ita died sometime around 570 and was buried in the monastery she founded. It was destroyed by Viking invaders in the ninth century. A Romanesque church was later built over its ruins, but that too failed to survive. The site, however, remains a place of pilgrimage today.

Ita's feast day is January 15. Although not on the Roman calendar of saints, her feast is celebrated as an optional memorial in Ireland.

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Embracing a Steward's Mindset for the New Year

During these uncertain times, it is especially important for Christian stewards to have a mindset that the greeting "Happy New Year" really should mean: "I hope and pray for you a joyous year ahead in proclaiming the good news of Jesus Christ!" If we are to interpret this cheery salutation in that way, should we not consider similar greetings throughout the year?

"Happy New Day!" In the lyrics of the popular gospel song "*Oh, Happy Day!*" we are reminded that Jesus taught us "... how to live rejoicing every day." Be grateful for each of God's amazing days.

"Happy New Week!" The motto of many is to Live for the Weekend. Why not live for the entire week? Even as we await a post-pandemic era to arrive, let's resolve to make a difference in our lives and the lives of others in our homes, offices and schools each week of the year.

"Happy New Month!" When we examine our monthly planners and budgets, we should ask ourselves: Have I left room for Jesus Christ this month? How can I be a good steward of God's gifts in the coming month? What am I willing to do this month for the sake of the Gospel?

As we turn over 2020 to the history books, let's approach 2021 with renewed vigor. Let us see the days, weeks and months ahead for the God-given gifts they truly are: **"Happy New Year!"**

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Parish Giving

Christmas Collections December 24 - 25, 2020

Mass Time	Envelopes & Checks	Loose Cash Anonymous	Online & Text	Totals
2:30pm Thurs, Dec. 24	\$ 6,380.00	\$ 603.00		\$ 6,983.00
4:30pm Thurs, Dec. 24	\$ 2,785.00	\$ 637.00		\$ 3,422.00
6:30pm Thurs, Dec. 24	\$ 4,060.00	\$ 715.00		\$ 4,775.00
9pm Thurs, Dec. 24	\$ 1,730.00	\$ 182.00		\$ 1,912.00
Midnight, Fri, Dec. 25	\$ 465.00	\$ 1,097.00		\$ 1,562.00
6am Fri, Dec. 25	\$ 5,105.00	\$ 434.00		\$ 5,539.00
8am Fri, Dec. 25	\$ 725.00	\$ 2.00		\$ 727.00
10am Fri, Dec. 25	\$ 1,590.00	\$ 912.00		\$ 2,502.00
Noon Fri, Dec. 25	\$ 1,530.00	\$ 713.00		\$ 2,243.00
Mailed In Contributions	\$ 5,220.00	\$ 95.00		\$ 5,315.00
On-Line & Text Contributions			\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,600.00
Christmas Collections Total				\$36,580.00

Additional Ways to Give at SEAS

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



Give By Text

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



Online Giving

Giving online is easy and 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.

Parish Giving

Collections December 23 - 28, 2020

Weekly Offertory Mass Times & Dates	Envelopes & Checks	Loose Cash Anonymous	Online & Text	Totals
4pm Saturday Vigil, Dec. 26	\$ 1,368.00	\$ 333.00		\$ 1,701.00
6am Sun, Dec. 27	\$ 645.00	\$ 199.00		\$ 844.00
8am Sun, Dec. 27	\$ 180.00	\$ 205.00		\$ 385.00
10am Sun, Dec. 27	\$ 583.00	\$ 132.00		\$ 715.00
Noon Sun, Dec. 27	\$ 405.00	\$ 368.00		\$ 773.00
4pm Sun, Dec. 27	\$ 217.00	\$ 119.00		\$ 336.00
6pm Sun, Dec. 27	\$ 170.00	\$ 48.00		\$ 218.00
Weekdays 12/23 - 12/28	\$ 35.00	\$ 248.25		\$ 283.25
Mailed In Contributions	\$ 4,554.00	\$ 621.00		\$ 5,175.00
On-Line & Text Contributions			\$ 22,866.50	\$22,866.50
Weekly Offertory Total				\$33,296.75
<i>It Is In Giving That We Receive</i> 2% of Weekly Offertory				\$ 666.00
Maintenance Fund	\$ 50.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 59.00	\$ 129.00



QR (Quick Response) Code

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



Mail Checks to SEAS

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

Parish News



It Is In Giving That We Receive Update

We are very happy to report that because of your weekly offertory donations

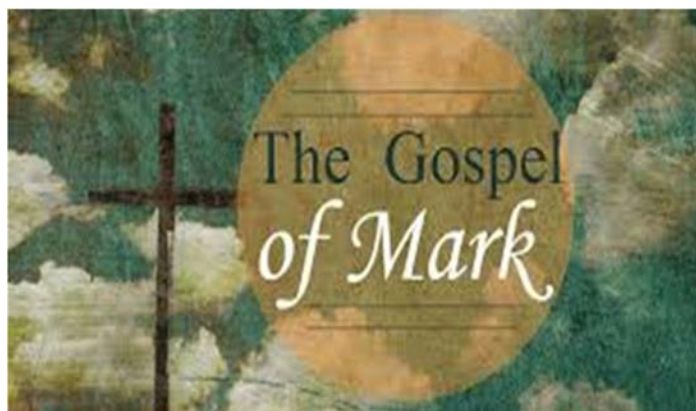
during the month of December 2020, our *It Is In Giving That We Receive* Parish Stewardship program will be gifting Holy Family Catholic Church \$3336. This amount is 2% of each weekly offertory collection in December rounded up. Holy Family will be receiving this much needed financial help this week. Thank you!

For the month of January our parish stewardship program will be helping Christ the King Catholic Community, another parish that has been struggling financially through the pandemic. If you would like to make a donation to Christ the King 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 CHRIST THE KING CHURCH. Your gift will be included with the parish gift that will be disbursed at the end of the month.



Holiday Hours

In observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, daily Mass on Monday, January 18, will be celebrated at 9:00 a.m., and the parish offices will be closed.



New Bible Study Begins January 11

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

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

Register on the church website, www.seaslv.org, or in the Kairos Gift Shop. For more information, contact Marcie Wilske at mwilske@seaslv.org or 702-804-8370.



Parish News



Reservations for Seating in Church Only

As we enter the new year, our staff here at SEAS has done some evaluation regarding the process we implemented for operating under COVID guidelines. Overall, this has been an extremely positive process, but there have been some issues we need to address, primarily in regards to our volunteers.

The men and women at our parish who have given of their time and talents to help us keep our doors open have done an absolutely remarkable job, many of them serving 2-3 Masses each weekend. They have been selfless and dedicated and have put the needs of the congregation above their own. That being said, there's just not enough of them to continue operating in the way we currently are. Until the number of our volunteers increases at all Masses, we must close the doors to our parish hall as an option for attending Mass. It has become untenable to try to find enough people to serve simply for the *possibility* of opening the hall due to capacity issues in the main worship space.

That brings up the second main issue — attendance. The numbers of people who attend each Mass has rarely approached our capacity limit in the church, with the exception of our 4pm Vigil Mass and our 10am Mass. Every other Mass we offer has had ample seating to provide for all wishing to attend.

Therefore, until our situation changes in regards to numbers of volunteers or attendance, we will be limited to a maximum of 250 people to attend in our church; no overflow will be available. Our seating will continue on a first come, first serve basis, so it is now more important than ever for you to make and keep a reservation. If we anticipate that the church will be full based on the number of reservations we receive, we will ask those without reservations to wait until those with reservations

are seated. We will continue to open our doors 30 minutes prior to the start of Mass, and we will allow those waiting for a seat to enter at 5 minutes before Mass.

As we navigate these uncharted waters, your continued patience and cooperation is essential. Please know that everything we do here is for your benefit. From our safety protocols, to our care and concern for our volunteers, people matter to us. You matter to us. We thank God with sincerity for all of you and long for the time when we no longer need operate under these guidelines. Thank you for your ongoing prayers for our bishop, our diocesan leadership and all of us here at SEAS.

Reservations for the 4pm Vigil on Saturday, January 16, the Sunday Masses on January 17 and the 8am daily Masses from Monday, January 18 through Saturday, January 23 can be made beginning at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, January 11 either 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 January 31, 2021.



Confessions

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (individual confessions) is offered on Mondays from 8:45 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. or until those confessions are finished. Social distancing and safety protocols will be in effect. Alt-

hough reservations are required to attend Mass at this time, reservations are NOT needed to go to confession. Confessions can also be heard by scheduling an appointment with the parish office at 702-228-8311.

Parish News



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

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

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

Kindergarten Screening: Jan. 14 & 15, 2021

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

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

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

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

TOURS OF THE CAMPUS ARE SCHEDULED BY APPOINTMENT ONLY. To schedule, email the school at seasschool@seaslv.org.

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

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

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

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

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

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic School re-registration packets will be sent home with your child on January 29, 2021 and will be due by February 26, 2021.

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

All paperwork and fees must be completed and paid in **FACTS** no later than **February 26, 2021** to ensure registration for next year.

Parish News



January Food Drive This Weekend

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

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

Saturday, January 9

3:15 pm – 4:00 pm

Sunday, January 10

6:30am - 8:00 am *

9:15 am – 10:00 am

11:15 am – 12:00 pm

3:15 pm – 4:00 pm

5:15 pm – 6:00 pm

NO CONTACT – DRIVE UP

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

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

Suggested Food Items

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

If you have questions, contact Pastoral Associate for Human Concerns Patti McGuire at 702-804-8311 or email Patti at pmcguire@seaslv.org.



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

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

A Special Invitation

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

Parish News



Human Concerns: SEAS Food Pantry Update

From October 3 through December 19, 2020, you've helped our food pantry serve LOTS of people. Thank you for consistently supporting our food programs and helping to make a difference in our community!

Date	Families Served	People Served
Oct 3	41	139
Oct 10	51	161
Oct 17	48	139
Oct 24	45	156
Oct 31	48	161
Nov 7	60	199
Nov 14	77	290
Nov 21	126	459
Nov 28	0	0
Dec 5	86	331
Dec 12	62	220
Dec 19	175	698
Total:	819	2953

Current Clients: 253

No Shows: 57 (not in totals) 15% no-show rate



Reception of Sacraments

On Monday, December 21, these individuals from our Welcome Home program received the Sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Eucharist to complete their full initiation into the Catholic Church. We welcome and congratulate them!

Confirmation

Juancarlos Guerrero

Diana Mendez

Lauren Pulido

Octavia Reyes

Holy Eucharist

Armando Pereda

If you know someone who wants to reconnect with the Catholic faith, or if you are an adult in need of the Sacrament of Confirmation, our Welcome Home program can help. Details below.



Welcome Home: Reconnect with Your Catholic Faith; Return to the Sacraments

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 8-session course will be held in the St. Paul VI classroom in the parish hall on Thursday nights from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. beginning January 28, 2021. There is no cost. All are welcome. For more information, contact Pastoral Associate Helen Silva at 702-804-8351 or hsilva@seaslv.org.

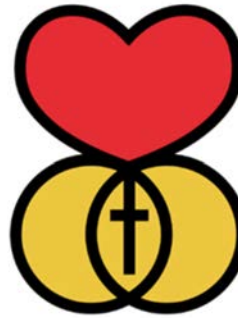
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Spots Still Available

If you would like to schedule a Presider's Mass Intention, please call the church office at 702-228-8311 and press (0) for the recep-

tionist, Sandra. She can explain the guidelines for Mass Intentions here at SEAS and confirm whether or not there is availability for your requested date and Mass time. Because the Presider's Mass Intention is just as important as everyone else's personal Mass Intentions, we don't single out or announce the Presider's Mass Intention at Mass. The Presider's Mass Intention is listed in the bulletin as a simple courtesy. It is during the Universal Prayers when we pray for the Church's leadership, the world's leadership and the needs of the community along with "the personal Mass Intentions we each bring in the quiet of our hearts." God knows ALL the Mass Intentions offered at any particular Mass and hears each of them equally.



Worldwide Marriage Encounter — Virtual February 20 - 21

Experience and enjoy the Marriage Encounter in the comfort of your own home as we continue to practice necessary safety protocols while still helping to enrich marriages. For more details, to sign up, and to get suggestions on how to make the virtual experience special and meaningful, call Wayne & Marcia Kessler at 702-283-3480 or 702-274-2846.




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Parish Weekly Calendar

Monday, 1/11

8am Daily Mass, Reservations Required,
also Live-Streamed
8:45-9:30am Confessions
12pm Elizabeth Horangic Funeral Mass,
Church
3:30-5pm Volunteering for the Food Pantry,
Parish Hall
6:30pm The Gospel of Mark Bible Study,
Church

Tuesday, 1/12

8am Mass, Reservations Required,
also Live-Streamed
3:30-6:30pm Volunteering for Food Pantry
Parish Hall
5pm Children's Faith Formation, ZOOM
6pm RCIA, Parish Hall

Wednesday, 1/13

8am Mass, SEAS School Only - Not Open to
The Public, also Live-Streamed
9:30am Gospel of Mark Bible Study, Church
6pm High School Youth Group, Youth Room

Thursday, 1/14

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

Friday, 1/15

8am Mass, Reservations Required,
also Live-Streamed
11am James Kaleka Funeral Mass, Church

Saturday, 1/16

8am Daily Mass, Reservations Required,
also Live-Streamed
9am RCIA, Parish Hall
9:30-11:30am Outreach Food Distribution,
School Bell Tower
4pm Vigil Celebrating The 2nd Sunday in
Ordinary Time, Reservations Required,
also Live-Streamed

Sunday, 1/17 - 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Times: 6am, 8am, 10am,
Noon, 4pm & 6pm, Reservations
Required, also Live-Streamed
9am BOTW, Parish Hall

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