



# *Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton*

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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June 2, 2019 | The Ascension of the Lord

*As Jesus  
blessed his disciples,  
he parted from them and  
was taken up to heaven.*

~ Luke 24:51

## **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

## **Church Hours**

Sunday: 5:30am-7:30pm  
Monday-Saturday: 7:00am-6:00pm\*  
\* Closed on public holidays

## **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturdays: 8:30am or by request

## **Morning Prayer**

Monday-Saturday: 7:10am

## **Rosary**

Monday-Saturday: 7:30am

## **Eucharistic Adoration**

(In the Mater Dei Chapel\*)  
Monday-Friday: 8:30am-7:00pm  
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 the Mater Dei 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-6:00pm  
Closed: During all Masses

## 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

Deacon Steve Doucet  
Deacon Aruna Silva  
Fr. Lourdes Jayamanne  
Fr. David Kuttner, Parochial Vicar  
Fr. Bede Wevita, Pastor

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## A Letter from the Pastor

Dear Friends,

In case you missed my announcement at Mass last weekend, the Diocese of Las Vegas has posted the new priest assignments for the coming year. St. Elizabeth Ann Seton parish will have quite a few changes.

On July 1, I will be leaving our parish to begin my new assignment as pastor of St. Thomas More Catholic Church in Henderson. Rev. Jim Jankowski, pastor of St. John Neumann Catholic Church in North Las Vegas, has been appointed as the new pastor of SEAS, also effective July 1. In addition, SEAS will be welcoming Rev. Jose Unlayao as parochial vicar and Rev. Luis Van Dam who will be the hospital minister for the parishes of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton and St. Anthony of Padua beginning August 1, 2019. Rev. Lourdes Jayamane will take over as administrator of Sacred Heart Church in Ely, Nevada. Other priest assignments for our diocese are listed below with more news from the diocese coming soon.

Fr. Jim Jankowski is no stranger to our parish. He first came to SEAS in August 2010 as associate pastor. He transitioned into administrator the following year until my arrival in July 2012. Fr. Jim also celebrates TV Masses at SEAS quite frequently. I'm sure many of you will remember him and warmly welcome his return.

Next week, Fr. Lourdes, Fr. David, and I will be joining our fellow diocesan priests for our annual summer retreat from June 3-7 at Vallombrosa Center in Menlo Park, Ca. In our absence, Fr. Tom and Fr. Dan will be celebrating daily Mass, and as always, the parish staff will be here to help you with anything you need. The following week, I will be taking some personal time off as I prepare for my move to Henderson. I ask you to pray for me during this time of transition.

I would like to thank you for your kind words upon hearing the news of my departure. I would also like to thank those who have already made a pledge to our capital campaign. Many of you have asked what will happen with the capital campaign now that I am leaving. As I stated last weekend, the campaign will continue to move forward as planned. Priests come, and priests go, but the parish community remains. St. Elizabeth Ann Seton is your parish. You and those who come after you will be the beneficiaries of what you accomplish through the campaign. I ask every family to do their part, no matter how big or how small, so St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church will continue to thrive.

Yours in Christ,

*Fr. Bede Wevita*

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Pastor

Priest's Name	New Assignment	New Assignment Location	Effective Date
Reverend Lijo Abraham, O.S.S.T.	Administrator	St. James	July 1, 2019
Reverend Mark Ameh, MSP	Administrator	St. Joseph, Husband of Mary	July 1, 2019
Reverend Shawn Dresden	Pastor	Christ the King	July 1, 2019
Reverend Tokha T. Hoang, C.Ss.R.	Parochial Vicar	St Thomas More	July 20, 2019
Reverend Marc Howes	Pastor	St. John Neumann	July 1, 2019
Reverend James Jankowski	Pastor	St. Elizabeth Ann Seton	July 1, 2019
Reverend Lourdes Jayamane	Administrator	Sacred Heart	July 1, 2019
Reverend Mugagga Lule	Parochial Vicar	Prince of Peace	July 1, 2019
Reverend Faustinus Okeyikam, MSP	St. Bridget	Administrator	August 15, 2019
Reverend William Ortiz	Parochial Vicar	St Bridget	July 1, 2019
Reverend Miguel Rolland, O.P.	Parochial Vicar	St. Christopher	July 1, 2019
Reverend Sabastian Umoyo, MSP	Parochial Vicar	St. Anthony of Padua	August 1, 2019
Reverend Jose Unlayao, C.J.D.	Parochial Vicar	St. Elizabeth Ann Seton	July 1, 2019
Reverend Luis Van Dam, C.J.D.	Hospital Minister	St. Elizabeth Ann Seton and St. Anthony of Padua	August 1, 2019
Reverend Bede Wevita	Pastor	St. Thomas More	July 1, 2019

## The Ascension of the Lord

### Prayer List

If you would like to add a living person's name to our Prayer List, contact the parish office at 702-228-8311 with the name of the person and how long you would like the person to remain on the list. If it is for an indefinite amount of time, please notify the parish office when you would like the name removed.



Tim Murphy, Phoenix Barnes, Wilbur Basil, Benjamin Dulski, Delores De Paulist, Barbara Mazur, Carlos Mustache, David Edwards, Estella Sayre, Normita Carreon, David Henderson, Donna Thayer, Mila Escuin, Girlie Piccio, Howard Berger, Hannah Wong, Steve Contardi, Jean Edwards, Susan Satya, Sharylan Chance Fain, Edilberto Coronell, Ted Ciotti, Jane Seelbach, Alina Smith, Westyn Hughes, Martin De Somma, Michael Martinez, Anna Evans, Joe Lopez, Veronica Ross, Stan Murrey, Brandon Lichter, Puglisi Family, Musi Family, Nick Aguila, Bill Steinborn, Cathy McGowan, Susan Westcott, Teresa Yim, Linda Alessandro, S. Leeny, Dorla Levy, Anna Liza G. Malongo, Joseph Stroka, Jim Patrick Limbo, Roxanne Limbo, Robert Kanoach, Katelyn Medeiros, Mildred Nisivoccia, Pam O'Halloran, Clara B. Etter, Cindy Rice, Tony Cavallone, Steve Corkins, May Cuenca Emata, Leo Cuenca, Lorna Cuenca, Cecile Stroka, Romeo Castro, Joel Famatigan, Jo Stroka, Michael Anthony Santon, Jr., Jhoanne O. Metchado, Mary McCormick, Arlene Cavallone, Lawrence Lilly, Jocelyn McEvers, Mary Elizabeth Socci, Norma Ruth Bullard, Patti Curtis, Joanne Piccione, Mary Boettcher, Jayson Strimling, Hilda Rodriguez, Norma Montejano, Verne Carey, Aubrey Lynn Henderson, Jon Paul Kennedy, Claire Terranova, Joan Turgeon, Gene Recibe, Valerie Nataly Angel Garcia, Heidi Metheny, Mary Tyszko, Patti Pennington, Joe Pupello, Ed Birch, Dav Camras, Richard Tatum, Margaret W. Holden, Clara Walsh, Eric Ehrsam, Geneva Malone, Jordan Massella, Dorothy Perlongo, Joseph T. Moll, Dolores (Sugar) Hazel, Gretchen, Ted Zook, Gail & Tony Tenore, John Paul Vega, Virginia McGuire, Lee Herman, Mercedes Martinez, Richard Griffiths, Larry Schlecht, The Pakala

Family, Tyler Hallenback, Danilo Silvestre, Edgar Ruis Sanchez, Stacey Hanna, Bill Steinbaugh, Ernest Ergottino, Daniel Tynan, Paul Kalekas, James Kaleka, Joey Ciotti, Ashley I., Lorraine Bastunas, Angelina Ventriglia, Katica Cule, Brenda Gordon, Horace Dube, Sumner Holland, Kay Maze, Savannah Tomassetti, Joe Benson, Luiz Fernando Beltran, Nazilla, Pamela Kalekas, Cathy Razor, Tess Luna, Ludy Llasus, Steve Suchorski, Michael Allen, Marielle Krizzia Aballa, DeAndre Hudson, Lucien & Josh Lee, Shirley Reyes, Dottie Stearns, Michelle LiTrenta, Ron Stiscak, Mark Fransdal, Josh Lee, Jennifer Alfelor-Baxa, Fr. John Finnigan, Laverne Cheske, William Magnus, Kirk Wilson, Yvonne Perez Cook, Thomas Cook, Ricky Jimenez, Pia Veneracion-Casas, Ken Caroccia, Anna Leah Bagang, Carol Plante, Carmella Brady, Ann Hearn, Tangela Allen, Joseph Doucet, Jameson Wandro, Alexander & Parker Garriepy, Tyler Chimento, Mary Suber, Miriam Baccioss Plaza, Fr. Piotr Mozdyniewicz & Family, Kathleen & Brian Kennedy & Family, All Souls in Purgatory, Julia Johnson, Cindy & Scott Willis, Joe Creaghe, Michael Manteris, Patricia Wagner, Vanessa Grindstaff, Dennis Apodaca, Ron Anderson, Amer Shamoun, Megan Sheets, Yvette Slopast, Joseph Balelo, William Clark, Kelly Goddard, Tony Paskvan, John Herrick, Adriana Rojas, Monica Trevelino, Todd Helseth, Virginia Stalzer, Allan Heacock, Georgia Bley, Georgine Wendell, Nanci Helfinstine, Georgia Montano, Alfred Smith, Clemente Aranzaso, Don Leonard, Sr., Robert Olson, Katrina Lichty, Sandra Edwards, Marty Champion, Mary Ann Olson, Janie Busalino, Jerri Rush, Al Labermeier, Graciela Gomez, Heath Melendez, Patricia Liedtke, Donna Logan, Michelle del Fierro, Kim Thomas, Larry Henderson, Pam Austin Reed, Angeline Shattuck, and for All Victims of Abuse

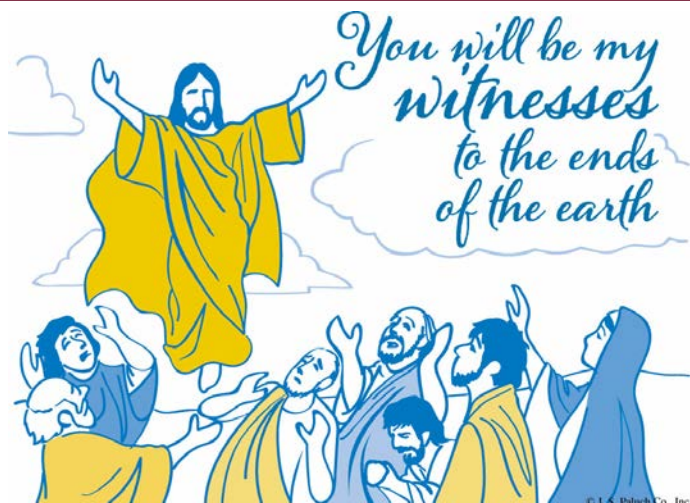
### Parish Book of Prayers

You are welcome to inscribe names of loved ones, living and deceased, as well as special intentions for inclusion in Masses and prayers in our Parish Book of Prayers, located by the baptismal font.

### Altar Flower Dedications

Would you like to honor a loved one, give thanks for an anniversary or accomplishment, or commemorate a loved one's birthday or death by sponsoring flowers on the altar? Your name and the names of your loved ones will be printed in the Sunday bulletin. The cost of the altar flowers is \$250. Please visit the parish office to secure your preferred date.

## The Ascension of the Lord



### Feet on the Ground

"Until next week, keep your feet on the ground and keep reaching for the stars!" Not today's scriptural wisdom, but legendary DJ Casey Kasem's sage advice, heard across America for generations, *American Top 40's* challenging sign-off. Though Casey wasn't quoting scripture, today's Acts of the Apostles offers similar advice. As Jesus ascended, disciples "were looking intently at the sky." Wouldn't we prefer a soul-relaxing gaze into peaceful blue skies to a heart-breaking focus on this blood-stained earth? But heavenly questioners asked Jesus' first disciples, "Why are you standing there looking at the sky?" Earth awaited their mission! While our hearts should "keep reaching for" heaven, we need to "keep our feet on the ground." Ascension's scriptures remind us: the Jesus we revere as "ascended into heaven" lives right here among us on earth, awaiting our recognition and loving service.

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### Died in Christ

Jean Canning  
Garrett Meriwether  
Cesar Nunez

### Treasures From Our Tradition

The mystery of the Ascension has to do with holding in tension a sense of God's nearness, along with the burden caused by apparent signs of absence. The risen Jesus says to Mary Magdalene, "Do not cling to me," perhaps pointing out to her that his physical presence to the disciples was time-bound and temporary. It was a gift for their transformation, and after forty days, he vanished from their sight and hearing, though never out of their consciousness.

They do not mourn at his going this time: there is no trace of the disciples who hid in fear at his crucifixion, no sense of the women who wept softly as they carried ointments to the tomb through the dewy morning light. Instead, the scriptural accounts show them full of joy, comforted by his promise to be with them forever, and open to the Spirit's power. They are joyful, energized, aware, and united with one another in love. They seem to grasp an awareness that if the mission to the whole world was a serious one, then the presence of the Risen Christ could not be pinned down to any one place or time, but had to be always and everywhere completely available. All peoples, all times, all cultures were opened to receive him in this moment of the Ascension. The energy of this feast is drawn not from absence, but renewed and deeper presence.

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### Weekly Offertory

Due to a early bulletin publication deadline, offertory information for May 25-26 will be published in the June 9 bulletin.

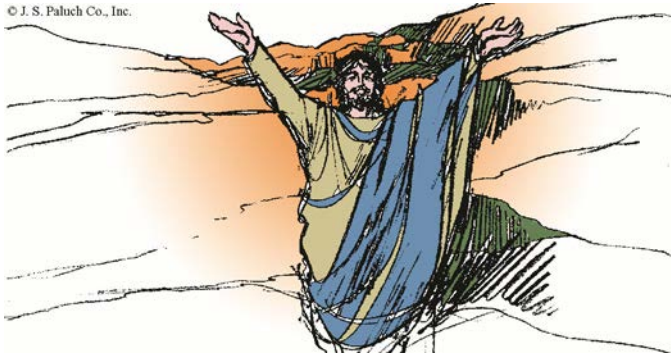
### Upcoming Second Collections

June 16 - Father's Day Remembrance  
June 30 - Peter's Pence



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### Presider's Mass Intentions

Saturday	6/1
8:00am	† Gerrie Demore
4:00pm	† Joseph Demore
Sunday	6/2
6:30am	† Horacio Macias Fernandez
8:00am	Parish Book of Prayers
10:00am	SEAS Parishioners
12:00pm	† Dulcy Martinez
4:00pm	† Ernesto Penor
6:00pm	† Alexander Tuason
Monday	6/3
8:00am	† Ken Theriault
Tuesday	6/4
8:00am	† Ronald Pascual
Wednesday	6/5
8:00am	† Irene Beehler
Thursday	6/6
8:00am	† Berty Wevita
Friday	6/7
8:00am	† Joseph Campagnas
Saturday	6/8
8:00am	† Margaret A. Burke
4:00pm	† Matthew Minkler
Sunday	6/9
6:30am	† Margaret A. Burke
8:00am	† Margaret A. Burke
10:00am	† Margaret A. Burke
12:00pm	Parish Book of Prayers
4:00pm	SEAS Parishioners
6:00pm	† Marcelo & Toribia Tuason

### Readings for the Week

Monday:	Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab; Jn 16:29-33
Tuesday:	Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11, 20-21; Jn 17:1-11a
Wednesday:	Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68:29-30, 33-36ab; Jn 17:11b-19
Thursday:	Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11; Jn 17:20-26
Friday:	Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab; Jn 21:15-19
Saturday:	Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 11:4, 5, 7; Jn 21:20-25
Sunday:	<u>Vigil</u> : Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5; Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-30; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39 <u>Day</u> : Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17; Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26

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### Father's Day Novena June 16-24

Our parish tradition is to pray for our fathers, both living and deceased, for nine Masses beginning on Father's Day. If you would like to honor your father, grandfather, or someone who has fulfilled the role of father in your life by including their name in the novena, fill out a novena offering envelope from the gathering space and return it to the collection basket or to the Kairos Gift Shop before June 16. The beautiful card is yours to keep.

## The Ascension of the Lord

### Saints and Special Observances

Sunday: The Ascension of the Lord;  
World Communications Day  
Monday: St. Charles Lwanga and Companions  
Wednesday: St. Boniface  
Thursday: St. Norbert;  
Julian Calendar Ascension  
Friday: First Friday



**HONORING**  
*our PAST*  
**EMBRACING**  
*our FUTURE*

A Campaign for Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton



Dear Friends,

We are on our way to reaching our goal of raising \$4.5 million in our **Honoring our Past Embracing our Future Capital Campaign!** As of today, 70 families have pledged \$500,260 to help sustain our church and school, address deferred maintenance, and enhance our worship space. Thank you to everyone who has made a pledge so far!

In the coming weeks, volunteers will be reaching

out individually to members of our parish. I ask that you please keep in mind the following:

### Volunteers Contacting Families

The volunteers who are contacting some families are just that—volunteers. They have graciously agreed to donate their time and talent for the betterment of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church. They are serving in this role because they believe in our parish and are passionate about its future. Please treat them with respect and thank them for helping St. Elizabeth Ann Seton in this important capacity.

### Personal Touch

I have instructed each of our campaign volunteers to personally meet with members of the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton community. If you receive a call, I kindly ask that you:

Take the call or return the message. Don't avoid talking to our volunteers. It makes their job more difficult and puts them in a position where they must keep calling to reach you.

Meet face-to-face. If you are asked to meet, please give our volunteers 10-15 minutes of your time. They are not trying to twist your arm, they just want to briefly explain the campaign goals, answer your questions and receive a decision about your participation.

### Did You Receive a Pledge Card in the Mail? If So, Please Return It.

If you received a pledge card inside your packet of materials, you will likely not be called by a campaign volunteer. Please discern your involvement in the campaign, fill out the card and return it in the envelope provided.

### Your Prayers are Needed.

Please pray for our campaign to be successful. Pray the campaign prayer and pray on how you can participate.

Thank you for all you do for our parish.

Yours in Christ,

*Fr. Bede*

## The Ascension of the Lord



### Living The Faith

#### Easter's Final Word

*by David Gibson*

Pain-free suffering: What a contradiction in terms! When suffering enters within the boundaries of our existence, it often arrives bearing the greatest of disappointments or frustrations. It may offer sadness or physical pain. It may drain us. Sometimes suffering makes us angry.

Given all of that, it is amazing that anything good ever takes root in environments of suffering. Yet, all sorts of people testify that this happens.

Perhaps they expanded as human beings while caring for a sick child or spouse. Perhaps their pain over a job loss yielded an overdue recognition that they were called to an entirely different kind of work.

Looking back upon a period of genuine suffering, many are certain God was active in their lives the entire time, though they understood this only in retrospect. In the end, they believed God was faithful to them and that, yet again, they were asked to respond faithfully to God.

The surprise in suffering is that it can be life-giving. But suffering most definitely is not pain-free. What is hard is the way suffering seems to erect a wall blocking our view of life as we knew it.

Suffering can be confusing and disorienting. Frequently people just don't know what to do about their suffering. They may feel alone, even when with others.

Suffering is the kind of invader that appears at first to be closing a door in our faces -- a door we cannot see beyond. It feels as if suffering, or its cause, pronounces a final word for us.

It is all the more surprising, then, that so many people say later that suffering was not the final word. Hope somehow reawakened (or was reawakened) for them, and suffering was not accorded final-word status.

The need for hope is one reason it is essential that people not be abandoned to suffer alone. In a 2010 pastoral reflection on suffering, New Zealand's Catholic bishops said: "Unable to avoid suffering, none of us should have to meet it alone. ... The simplest sign of love can make all the difference to a person's ability to find peace and purpose amidst even the severest discomfort."

The mystery of Easter connects suffering and love. It makes this connection without denying the painful reality of Christ's suffering. In light of this, the Easter mystery relates pointedly to the actual lives people lead.

It is love that "is the final word spoken over human life, and this word is spoken personally to us by God," Bishop Daniel E. Flores of Brownsville, Texas, said in a 2010 address.

He commented that having "a deep sense of and conviction about the triumph of love over death and despair is the grace of Christian hope."

Taken together, the events in Christ's life leading to Easter form what is known as the "paschal mystery." This term, as Pope Benedict XVI explained while visiting New York in 2008, "refers to Christ's passion, his death and resurrection," along with his ascension.

The paschal mystery encompasses what Pope Benedict, during the August 2011 World Youth

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Day in Madrid, Spain, described as the “mysterious wisdom of the cross by which man lives.” The pope promptly added, “The cross was not a sign of failure, but an expression of self-giving love.”

British Cardinal Cormac Murphy-O'Connor similarly pointed out in a 2010 speech that in the paschal mystery “we touch the core of Christ’s life ... his continuous self-gift, which never ceases, even in the silence of the cross.”

At Easter, then, the final word is “love.” Happily, in my view, that does not mean Easter somehow glosses over the facts about Christ’s suffering by suggesting it was of a pain-free variety. What Easter does announce is the possibility of hope, which is essential for suffering people.

*Gibson served on Catholic News Service’s editorial staff for 37 years.*

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# We Did It!

## We exceeded our Goal!

**2019 Catholic Stewardship Appeal  
Weekly Update**

Diocesan Assessment for SEAS	\$287,580.00
Number of pledges so far	569
Amount pledged	\$332,515.00
Amount to be rebated to SEAS so far	\$44,935.00



## Vacation Bible School

SEAS Youth Ministry is happy to offer two weeks of Vacation Bible School for children in kindergarten through 6th grade. Register online at [www.seaslv.org](http://www.seaslv.org) or contact Meghan Hernandez at [mhernandez@seaslv.org](mailto:mhernandez@seaslv.org) (702-804-8313).



**Week 1: June 10 - 14  
9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.**

Come climb the mountain with us as we learn that God has the power to provide, comfort, heal, and love us forever. You never know what you will find upon the mountains!



**Week 2: July 29 - August 2  
9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.**

Youth will explore God’s Goodness and celebrate a ferocious faith that powers them through this wild life. Get the whole herd ready for this epic African adventure!

## The Ascension of the Lord

### Fact of Faith

#### The Ascension

*by Fr. Larry Rice*

On the Feast of the Ascension, the Church celebrates the return of Christ to the Father, his physical body leaving the earth behind.

In John's Gospel, Jesus makes it clear that his return to the Father is necessary so that the Holy Spirit can be given to his disciples.

For many years, this feast was celebrated as a Holy Day of Obligation on the Thursday after the Sixth Sunday of Easter. The precise date moved from year to year, as the date of Easter moved based on the lunar calendar. Not long ago, most of the diocese in the United States moved the celebration of the Ascension to the Seventh Sunday of Easter. The ecclesiastical provinces of Boston, Hartford, New York, Newark, Philadelphia, and the State of Nebraska have maintained the celebration on the Thursday after the sixth Sunday of Easter.

So, why couldn't the risen Christ have simply stayed with us, guiding the Church on Earth for all time? Imagine what the world would look like today if Christ has not ascended. If Christ were still walking the earth, what would faith be? Where would our free will be?

My own opinion is that it was necessary for Christ to ascend and send the Holy spirit so that our faith would matter, and our free will remain intact. God is still with us, and present to us, but in ways that allow us to freely choose to accept or reject his grace. Christ is present in the Eucharist, in the Word of God proclaimed, and in his Body the Church. The Holy Spirit is present to us, dwelling within us, received at our Baptism and sealed at our Confirmation. But these ways of remaining with us are not so concrete that our free will is collapsed. He has the ability to choose the Good, and to choose to accept God's grace, and he's never going to do anything that makes that choice less meaningful.

So, the feast of the Ascension is important to us, not because it's a big "good-bye" to Jesus, but be-

cause it ushers in a new era in which Christ continues to be present to us, and in which the Holy Spirit dwells in the hearts of all believers.

*Fr. Larry Rice is a former vocations director for the Paulist Fathers.*

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### Saint of the Week

**Charles Lwanga and Companions**

**1860 - 1886**

**Feast Day - June 3**

Charles and 21 other Ugandan martyrs, ages 14 to 30, were officials and pages in the court of King Mwanga II of Buganda. The king, after first accepting Christianity among his people, began to insist that converts abandon their new faith. He also preyed sexually on the young men at court. As head of the pages and their chief catechist, Charles tried to protect his charges. But, when they would not reject Christianity, they were killed in 1885-86; some were speared to death and others, like Charles, were burned alive. These first martyrs from sub-Saharan Africa were canonized in Uganda in 1964 by Pope Paul VI; they are the patrons of African Catholic Youth Action, converts and torture victims.

"This is the place where Christ's light shone on your land with a particular splendor. This was the place of darkness, Namugongo, where Christ's light shone bright in the great fire which consumed Saint Charles Lwanga and his companions. May the light of that holocaust never cease to shine in Africa! The heroic sacrifice of the Martyrs helped to draw Uganda and all of Africa to Christ, the true light which enlightens all men (Cf. *ibid.* 1: 9)." (St. John Paul II, Homily in Kampala, Uganda, February 7, 1993)

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## Parish News

You are cordially invited to a



In Honor of  
Fr. Bede Wevita  
Fr. Lourdes Jayamanne  
Fr. David Kuttner

Friday, June 28, 2019  
6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.  
SEAS Parish Hall

Let's congratulate our SEAS Clergy and wish them well on their new positions! Everyone is invited to a casual get-together to enjoy food, music, and each other's company as we say good-bye to our three dear friends.

Please RSVP by signing up in the Kairos Gift Shop or by contacting Patty Janura at 702-804-8326 or [PattyJanura@seaslv.org](mailto:PattyJanura@seaslv.org).



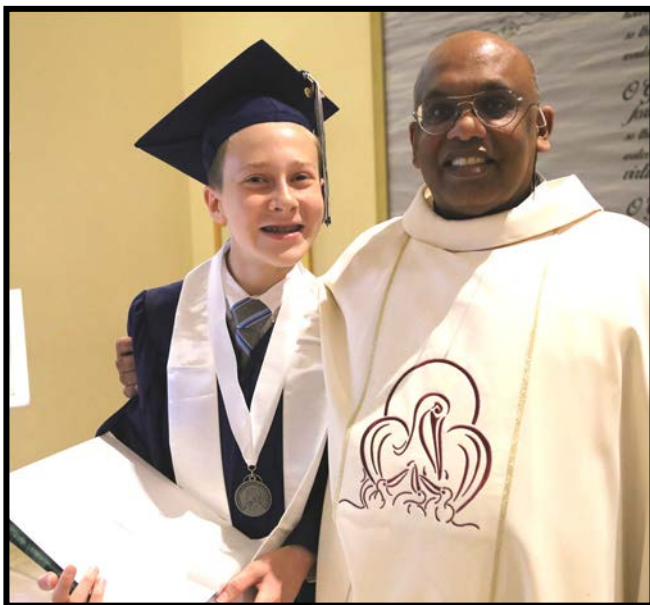
## SEAS 8th Grade Graduation Mass

**Congratulations to our SEAS 8th graders** who celebrated their graduation Mass Thursday, May 23. We wish you all the best in your high school years and beyond!





## SEAS 8th Grade Graduation Mass



**Congratulations to Evan Smith** (pictured above with Fr. Bede), this year's recipient of the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Award and a \$250 scholarship.



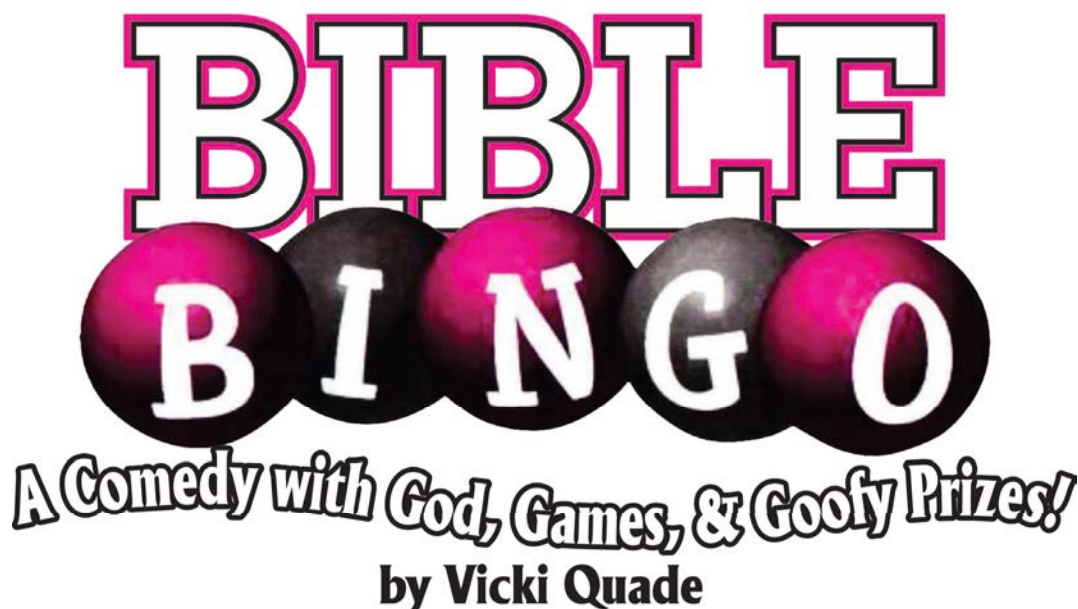
## Parish News



## 24th Anniversary of the Dedication of SEAS

A Catholic church is not merely an assembly room for the faithful, but a place that is set apart permanently and with great seriousness as a special place of God's presence, like the Temple in Jerusalem during the old covenant. That is why the commemoration of a church dedication day is

celebrated as a solemnity, outranking most Sundays, even the parish's patron saint feast day. **Join us Wednesday, June 19 at the 8:00 a.m. Mass as we celebrate the 24th anniversary of the dedication of our church. Afterward, refreshments will be served.**



Friday, June 21 at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall

Tickets are \$25; Free Admission for children 10 and under

Get your tickets today in the Kairos Gift Shop

SEAS is excited to begin the countdown to our 25th anniversary! In honor of this momentous occasion, fun and exciting activities and events are being planned over the next year working our way toward our silver anniversary in June 2020. The first event in this year-long celebration will be **Bible Bingo on Friday, June 21 at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall.** In this interactive comedy, the parish needs money and Mrs. O'Brien, a former nun who now heads a fictitious archdiocese fundraising department is

ready to help! The night will be full of bible trivia, audience interaction, improvised moments, and the funniest quiz about the Holy Family you've ever seen. Add to that a box of wacky prizes, fun bingo cards, and a lot of Catholic humor. In this interactive bingo show, you'll actually play bingo and still learn a little something about what it means to be Catholic! The show is so much fun you'll have to confess it!



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These donations are for our annual Vaction Bible School weeks 1 and 2, and can be dropped off in the Gift Shop OR The Youth Ministry Office during our summer hours, 10am-3pm Monday-Friday!  
Any questions please call 702-804-8313



## Parish News



### Baptism Prep Class

The next Baptism Preparation Class will be held Tuesday, June 4 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the church. 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).



### Come to This Week's RCIA Class

*The Works of Mercy* is the topic of this week's RCIA class on Tuesday, June 4 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and repeated Saturday,

June 8 from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. in the PP VI classroom in the Parish Hall. Classes are open to anyone who would like to attend. For more information, contact Marcie Wilske (702-804-8370) at [mwilske@seaslv.org](mailto:mwilske@seaslv.org).



### Mental Health & Wellness Ministry

For those who suffer from mental illness, as well as those who do not, it can be difficult to navigate through all that is going on

in our world today. People can feel overwhelmed, isolated, and even traumatized by current and/or past events. Sometimes we feel no one understands how difficult it is to cope. To this end, SEAS is offering a chance for those who need this support to come together in a safe place to talk and to listen to one another. **The next session will be held Wednesday, June 12 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. The group meets every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month.** For more details, contact Laura Jensen at [callmecatholic2@gmail.com](mailto:callmecatholic2@gmail.com) (702-723-2300).



### Catholic Basics

Talking about God or faith can be a beautiful opportunity for adults and children to deepen faith together. Adults must be ready to really listen to children's questions and

answers about God—and share their own. That's what makes it a conversation. How do we adults initiate "faith talk" with the children in our lives?

***Faith Sharing in the Family***, is the topic of our next Catholic Basics class Sunday, June 16 at 9:15 a.m. and repeated at 11:15 a.m. in the PP VI classroom in the Parish Hall. Classes are 30 minutes and are held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month. There is no commitment, come when you can. All are welcome! For more information, contact Marcie Wilske at [mwilske@seaslv.org](mailto:mwilske@seaslv.org) (702-804-8370).



### SEAS 3rd Annual Women's Retreat

SEAS Pastoral Associate Marcie Wilske, M.A., M.S. will present, "The Parables of Jesus and Disney" on Saturday, June 15, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Cost is \$25.00 which includes morning hospitality, lunch, and retreat materials. Walt Disney ... Jesus Christ ... you may wonder how they can be put in the same boat or even in the same sentence. Yet, they are both master story tellers who have timeless words of wisdom to share with us. Their wisdom lies, not necessarily in the words themselves, but in their ability to make us think...to change our perspective, our hearts, and our behavior. Join with other women of faith as we explore the timeless message and morals found in the stories (parables) of Jesus and Disney. Please register in the Kairos Gift Shop or in the parish office or contact Marcie Wilske at [mwilske@seaslv.org](mailto:mwilske@seaslv.org) (702-804-8370).

## Parish News



### SEAS Summer Bible Study

Join us for the following Summer Bible Study classes:

**Biblical Angels**  
Monday, June 3 and  
Wednesday, June 5

For centuries artists have portrayed angels as beautiful beings with wings and glowing light, complete with halos (and perfectly sculpted bodies). While the existence and work of angels has long stirred popular imagination, the details of their holy purpose are clouded by wonder and debate. Using video from the acclaimed A&E television series *"Mysteries of the Bible,"* we'll explore what the Scriptures have to tell us about angels.

### Heaven and Hell

Monday, June 17 and Wednesday, June 19

Every Sunday Catholics profess belief in *"one Lord, Jesus Christ ... who will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end."* From the beginning of recorded history, people all over the world have also believed in an afterlife. But what does the Bible itself tell us? Using video from the acclaimed A&E television series *"Mysteries of the Bible,"* we'll explore the images and understanding of eternal punishment and eternal happiness found in Sacred Scripture.

**Monday classes will meet from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the SJ XXIII classroom in the Parish Hall. Classes will be repeated on Wednesdays from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.** No registration, books, or cost! Just show up and join other parishioners who want to "dig deeper" into God's Holy Word. All are welcome!



### SEAS Men's Retreat

The SEAS Men's Club invites all men 21 years and older to attend their 2019 weekend retreat at Prince of Peace Abbey in Oceanside, CA. Learn more about Prince of Peace Abbey at [www.princeofpeaceabbey.org](http://www.princeofpeaceabbey.org)

#### Weekend Retreat

June 7 - 9, 2019

Prince of Peace Abbey in Oceanside, CA

**Cost:** \$200 per person, which includes meals. Other expenses may include onsite retreat supplies and a contribution to the retreat master.

**Deposit:** \$50 can be paid to SEAS at the Kairos Gift Shop.

**Transportation:** Arranged carpooling with 3-4 men per car, with shared expenses for gas.

**Travel Time:** Approximately 5 hours each way.

#### Retreat Agenda:

##### Day 1

Travel to Oceanside; arrive early afternoon and check into rooms; social time, introductions and meet retreat master; evening session; time for personal prayer and other activities

##### Day 2

Full day session into the evening

##### Day 3

Breakfast; prayerful reflections; travel to LV

For more information, contact Doug Lau at [douglau@yahoo.com](mailto:douglau@yahoo.com) (702-522-9723).



## Parish News



**The parish offices and Kairos Gift Shop will close at 12:00 p.m. on Fridays through July 26.**



### Mater Dei Chapel

**May 28-August 1**

Monday-Friday: 8:30am-7:00pm

Saturdays: 8:30am-3:00pm

**\*Closed May 27, July 4, and July 5**

### Church Sanctuary

**May 28-August 1**

Monday-Saturday: 7:00am-6:00pm

Sunday: 5:30am-7:30pm

**\*May 27 and July 4 the Church will close after daily Mass which will be celebrated at 9:00 a.m. both days. The Church will also close after the 8:00 a.m. daily Mass on July 5.**

### Parish Business Offices

**May 28-August 1**

Monday-Thursday: 8:30am-12:00pm

1:00pm-5:00pm

**Fridays: 8:30am-12:00pm**

Saturday: 8:30am-12:00pm

1:00pm-4:00pm

Sunday: Closed

**\*Closed May 27, July 4, and July 5**

### Kairos Gift Shop

**May 28-August 1**

Monday-Thursday: 8:30am-12:00pm

1:00pm-5:00pm

**Fridays: 8:30am-12:00pm**

Saturday: 8:30am-12:00pm

1:00pm-4:00pm

After 4:00pm Mass till 5:30pm

Sunday: 7:00am-6:00pm

Closed during all Masses

**\*Closed May 27, July 4, and July 5**

### Youth Ministry

**June 1-August 31**

Monday-Friday: 10:00am-3:00pm

**\*Closed May 27, June 24-28, and July 4-12**

### Children's Faith Formation Office

**May 28-July 31**

Monday-Thursday: 8:30am-12:00pm

1:00pm-4:30pm

Fridays: 8:30am-12:00pm

**\*Closed May 27 and June 24-July 5**

**August 1-23**

Monday-Friday: 8:30am-12:00pm

1:00pm-4:30pm

**August 26-September 12**

Monday: 8:30am-12pm

1:00pm-4:30pm

Tuesday: 10:30am-4:30pm

Wednesday: 9:30am-12pm

1pm-4:30pm

Thursday: 10:30am-4:30pm

Friday: Closed

### SEAS Elementary School

**June 3-August 9**

Monday-Friday: 8:00am-12:30pm

1:30pm-4:00pm

**\*Closed July 1-12**

## Parish News and More



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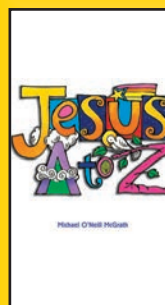
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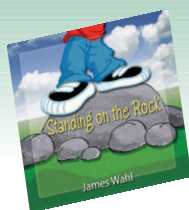
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## Parish Weekly Calendar

### Monday, 6/3

8am Daily Mass, Church  
9am Fr. McShane's Bible Study, Parish Hall  
9am Outreach Food Rescue, Parish Hall  
6:30pm Bible Study on Biblical Angels,  
SJ XXIII Classroom in the Parish Hall

### Tuesday, 6/4

7:30am-10:30am & 3pm-5pm Outreach Food  
Distribution, Outreach Patio  
8am Daily Mass, Church  
9am Food Rescue, Parish Hall  
10am New Beginnings Grief Support,  
Parish Hall  
6:30pm Baptism Preparation Class for  
Parents and Godparents, Church  
6:30pm RCIA,  
PP VI Classroom in the Parish Hall

### Wednesday, 6/5

8am Daily Mass, Church  
8:45am Mother Perpetual Help Novena,  
Chapel  
9:30am Bible Study on Biblical Angels,  
SJ XXIII Classroom in the Parish Hall

### Thursday, 6/6

8am Daily Mass, Church  
9am Small Group Faith Sharing,  
Parish Hall

### Friday, 6/7

8am Daily Mass, Church  
10:30am Geri Kasmier Funeral Mass,  
Church

### Saturday, 6/8

8am Daily Mass & Confessions, Church  
9am Financial Peace University,  
SJ XXIII Classroom in the Parish Hall  
9am RCIA,  
PP VI Classroom in the Parish Hall  
10:30am Cesar Nunez Funeral Mass,  
Church  
4pm Vigil Mass for Pentecost Sunday

### Sunday, 6/9

Mass Times:  
6:30am, 8am, 10am, 12pm, 4pm, 6pm  
9am Outreach Food Rescue, Parish Hall  
1:30pm Outreach Food Distribution,  
Outreach Patio

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