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& St. Elizabeth Ann Seton (1976-2014)

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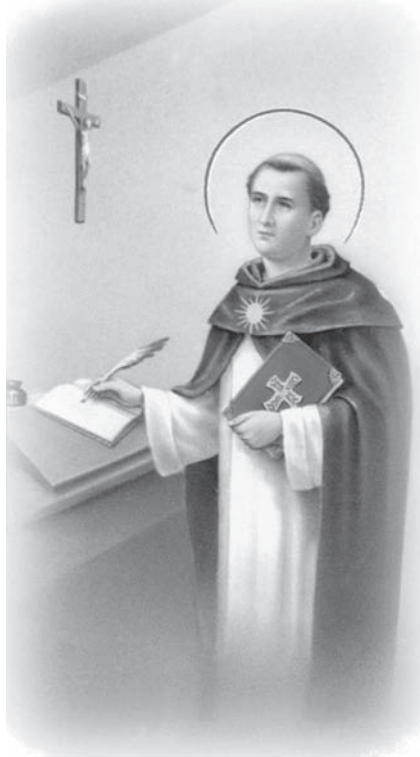
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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 PM
Sundays: 9:00 AM (SETON)
and 11:00 AM (St. Thomas)

Monday-Friday: 8:30 AM
(Chapel at 126 Walnut Ave.)

Holydays: 8:30 AM, 12 noon
AND 7:00 PM
(St. Thomas)



SETON

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**CONFESSION
SCHEDULE**

Saturday: 3:30-4:00 PM
(St. Thomas)

Served By:

Rev. David A. Fernandes, Pastor
Rev. Michael J. Lonergan, Pastor Emeritus, (Former St. Elizabeth Ann Seton)
Deacon John J. Gallagher

MARRIAGES

By Diocesan policy, a six month advance notice is required to allow sufficient time for the necessary marriage paper work and preparation. Deacons are permitted to witness marriages which are not celebrated during Mass.

BAPTISMS

First and Third Sundays of the month after 11:00 AM Mass. Attendance at Pre-Jordan class, on the 3rd Tuesday each month at 7:30PM, in the Cares Meeting Room (enter by rear door) at 121 Belmont Avenue, is a requirement. You must pre-register by calling the Parish Office at (215)788-2989.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

In order to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation and Matrimony, and/or to receive a Letter of Eligibility to be a Godparent or Sponsor it is necessary for you to be registered in our parish and practice the Catholic Faith. Contact the Parish Office as soon as you move into our parish to schedule a registration meeting. Please call the Parish Office if you move, or change your address or phone number.

PARISH DEVOTIONS

Miraculous Medal Novena: Saturdays after 9:00 AM Mass (Chapel)
Rosary: Weekdays before 8:30 AM Mass (Chapel) and Sundays before each Mass
Christian Prayer: Monday-Saturday before 8:30 AM Mass
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Mondays 9:00 AM -3:30PM with Benediction at 3:30 PM (Chapel)

*Mass Intentions
for the Week*

Monday October 31, 2016
8:30 AM Robert Bellerby req by Arlene Ditzler

Tuesday November 1, 2016 (All Saints)
8:30 AM Charles Brady req by Tony & Lois Cinkutis
12:00 PM Michael Hessenthaler req by Tony & Lois Cinkutis
7:00 PM Parish Family

Wednesday November 2, 2016
8:30 AM Irene Miller req by Michele Davison

Thursday November 3, 2016
8:30 AM Marie A Mammone req by Tony & Lois Cinkutis

Friday November 4, 2016
8:30 AM Jean Hueber (L) req by Kathy Walton

Saturday November 5, 2016
4:30 PM Joanne M Warrington req by Cathy Grafenstine

Sunday November 6, 2016
9:00 AM Dec'd Memebers of Malizia Family req by Pepe Family
11:00 AM Karl Schroeder req by Mrs. Kate Schroeder

Weekend Offerings

10/15	4:30 PM	\$1,997.00
10/16	9:00 AM	\$1,692.00
10/16	11:00 AM	\$1,782.00
Mail Ins		\$ 572.00
Debt Reduction		\$ 75.00
Summer Maintenance		\$ 40.00
Other Collections (Parish)		\$ 0.00
Other Collections (Archdiocese)		\$ 865.00
Candles		\$ 58.00
Poor Box		\$ 32.00

TOTAL for Parish for October 16, 2016 \$6,248.00
TOTAL for Other Collections (Archdiocesan) \$865.00

*Thank you for your generosity.
May the Lord bless you.*

Lectors

November 1, 2016 (All Saints)
8:30 AM E Callery & A Ditzler
12:00 PM P DeMichele & C Ryan
7:00 PM J Berna & K Shafer

November 5, 2016
4:30 PM J Brogan & R Fallon

November 6, 2016
9:00 AM C Del Puerto & A Ditzler
11:00 AM R Dalessandro & D DiTommaso

Extraordinary Ministers

November 1, 2016 (All Saints)
8:30 AM M Bosco
12:00 PM C Ryan
7:00 PM D Shafer & T Litz

November 5, 2016
4:30 PM J Berna & J Wallover

November 6, 2016
9:00 AM B Gutherman & E Callery
11:00 AM A Scheck & R Powers

Altar Servers

November 1, 2016 (All Saints)
7:00 PM Erin Moyer, Kelly Moyer, Lawrence Gabriel

November 5, 2016
4:30 PM Erin Moyer, Kelly Moyer, MaryRose Okwara

November 5, 2016
11:00 AM Nicholas Freer, Bailey McCormick,
Juliana Ricci

Sunday Scriptures November 6, 2016

Reading I: 2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14 (156C)
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 17:1, 5-6, 8, 15
Reading II: 2 Thessalonians 2:16—3:5
Gospel: Luke 20:27-38 or 20:27, 34-38

Remember In Your Prayers



Our men and women in the military:

Many of our parishioners have family members serving in dangerous assignments around the world. **Please keep them in your prayers.**

Our Sick: Marcella Ghost, Duncan Lewis, Robert Wyatt, John Tobar, Margaret McGrory, Gail Kotlarek, John Gilbert, Stephanie Burris, Noden Masisak, Jean Hennessey, Linda DeLuccia, Jermaine Williams, Amanda Tees, Helen Amato, Deacon Manuel Baltran, Richard Fieramosca, Dolores Doran, Florence Colantuono, Barbara Golden, Dolores DeBeaumont, Erin Wright, Ruth Lang, Jimmy Simon, Nicholas Simon, Andres Torres, Eleanor Winstanley, Joseph Hailstone, David Lovett, George Doran Jr, Mark Buss, Connie Pessano and all their relatives and friends.

Our Deceased: Anne Lehr, Bill Kane and all the deceased members of our parish and their relatives and friends.

On **Saturday, November 19, 2016**, St Thomas Aquinas Parish will be celebrating our **All Souls Day Memorial Mass at 4:30 PM**. Together, we will commemorate the lives of those parishioners and family members of parishioners who have returned to the Lord since October 15, 2015. We need your help to assure that all of our deceased loved ones are included. If you have an immediate family member who died this past year and the funeral services **were not** held at our parish, please contact the Parish Office at (215) 788-2989.

Beginning **November 5, 2016** the weekday Masses will now include Friday mornings at 8:30 AM in the Chapel. There will be **no** 9:00 AM Mass on Saturday mornings.



Remember...

Daylight Saving Time
ends at 2:00 AM on November 6th—
turn your clocks back one hour!

Save The Dates....

Soup and Conversation 2016

November 6, 2016

Noon to 4:00 PM

Father Crehan Hall

See Details in Bulletin

Please note that The Ladies of the Knights of Columbus will be accepting donations of home made soups in crock pots on the morning of November 6th

St Thomas Aquinas Parish 7th Annual Christmas Bazaar and Craft Show

Sunday, November 27, 2016

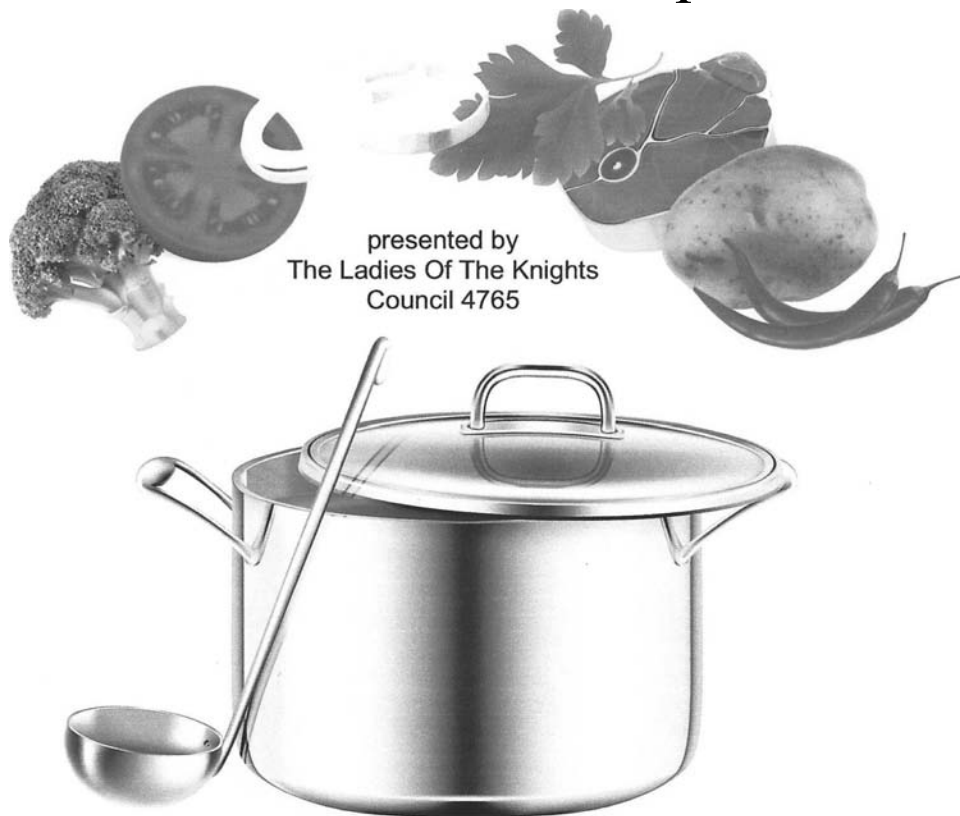
Father Crehan Hall

9:00 AM—2:00 PM

Fundraiser for CHOP. Nazareth Academy is raising funds for the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. All proceeds go directly to the Children's Miracle Network which financially assists the young cancer patients. Please consider donating online at <http://chop.donordrive.com/index.cfm?fuseaction=donorDrive.participant&participantID=28218> or mail donations to Melissa Aykit, 919 Spencer Drive, Croydon, PA 19021, Co-Captain of Fundraising and senior at Nazareth Academy. For questions, please contact Melissa at (215) 908-3570. Thank you!

October 30, 2016

**Join Us For
Soup and Conversation 2016**
November 6, 2016
St Thomas Aquinas Church
Fr. Crehan Hall
121 Belmont Ave, Croydon, PA
Noon until 4pm



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Parish Calendar of Events

Please join the **Knights of Columbus #4765** as we once again participate in the **5th Sunday Rosary Program**. The program is open to all parish members and will be held in the Church following the 11:00 AM Mass on the following dates: **October 30th, January 29th and April 30th**. Rosary guides and Rosary rings will be available for beginners or those who don't have one. So please join us in prayer and strengthen your faith. Any questions, please contact Wayne Freer at (215) 266-6423.

The **Knights of Columbus #4765** will hold their General Membership Meeting on **Tuesday, November 1, 2016 at 7:30 PM** in Father Crehan Hall. Contact Russ Andrews at (215) 205-9577 for information.

The *STA Christmas Committee* has begun its advice of service to our parish families. Let's work together to make this the best "Giving Tree" ever!! The "**Giving Tree**" will be available for all parishioners to take an ornament (or two) beginning **November 5th**. Please help us make another family's Christmas brighter, especially the children. If you know of a family or someone who is in need of some help this holiday, please put their name and telephone in a sealed envelope, label it "*Christmas Confidential*" and place it in the collection basket or drop it off at the Parish Office. Our parish families will be our first consideration. For additional information contact the Parish Office at (215) 788-2989. All calls are confidential.

St Thomas Aquinas **Prayer Shawl Ministry** is a combination of prayers and knitting for the ministry of others. We strive to bring God's love to folks in need, through the comfort and warmth of our handmade shawls. Our next meeting will be on **Monday, November 7, 2016 at 7:00 PM** in the Parish Meeting Room. If you cannot attend but would like to make shawls for our ministry, please contact Eileen Brown at (215) 785-6132.

The **STA Conference of St Vincent de Paul Society** will hold their next meeting on **Wednesday, November 9, 2016 at 7:00 PM** in Father Crehan Hall. For information, please contact the Parish Office at (215) 788-2989.

The **Croydon Civic Association** will hold their next meeting on **Tuesday, November 15, 2016 at 7:00 PM** in Father Crehan Hall. New members are welcome!

Separated/Divorced Support Group will meet on **Wednesday, November 16, 2016 at 7:00 PM** in the Parish Meeting Room. For more information, contact Peg Duffy at (215) 788-1947.

The Seton Hall Seniors

will be sponsoring the following trips for 2016:

<i>Tropicana Show & Dinner</i>	Nov 21
<i>American Music Theater</i>	Dec 15
<i>Christmas Show (Lunch)</i>	

For further information, please contact Jack Kelly at (215) 639-8708 or Joyce Lenahan (215) 826-9126

Bucks County Scottish American Society Christmas Ceilidh will be held on **Sunday, December 4, 2016 at 2:00 PM** in Father Crehan Hall. Tickets are \$30.00 per person (children under 12 are free) and will be sold after all Masses until November 20th. No tickets will be sold at the door. Price includes dinner and entertainment by Charlie Zahm and Tad Marks, The Caledonian Highland Dancers and The MacGregor Pipe Band. For more information, contact Pam Hynd at (267) 770-1131 after 3:00 PM.

Christmas is quickly approaching! We will soon be having our **3rd Annual Parish Christmas Dinner**. This year's event will be held on **December 10, 2016 from 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM** in Father Crehan Hall. We are in need of donations, remember, we are feeding the multitudes! We could use hams and turkeys, as well as, baked goods for dinner. We also need volunteers on Friday, December 9th and Saturday, December 10th to help with the preparation of the food. If you can peel potatoes, wash dishes, or cook a turkey at your home, we can use your help! Please contact Mark Kolesar at (215) 208-2997.

National Novena
Sunday, October 30th—Monday, November 7th
in prayerful preparation for the election

Prayer to Mary, the Immaculate Conception,
Patroness of the United States

*Most Holy Trinity: Our Father in Heaven,
who chose Mary as the fairest of your daughters;
Holy Spirit, who chose Mary as your Spouse;
God the Son, who chose Mary as your Mother,
in union with Mary we adore your majesty and
acknowledge your supreme, eternal dominion
and authority.*

*Most Holy Trinity,
we put the United States of America
into the hands of Mary Immaculate
in order that she may present the country to you.
Through her we wish to thank you
for the great resources of this land
and for the freedom which has been its heritage.*

*Through the intercession of Mary,
have mercy on the Catholic Church in America.
Grant us peace. Have mercy on our president
and on all the officers of our government.
Grant us a fruitful economy,
born of justice and charity.
Have mercy on capital and industry and labor.
Protect the family life of the nation.
Guard the precious gift of many religious vocations.
Through the intercession of our Mother,
have mercy on the sick, the tempted, sinners
– on all who are in need.*

*Mary, Immaculate Virgin, our Mother,
Patroness of our land, we praise you
and honor you and give ourselves to you.
Protect us from every harm. Pray for us,
that acting always according to your will
and the will of your divine Son,
we may live and die pleasing to God. Amen.*

The Catholic Daughters of America, Court St Mark #1097, is sponsoring an **Indoor Flea Market** on **November 5th** from 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM at St Mark School Hall, Radcliffe Street, Bristol. To reserve rental space call (267) 799-4954.

Our Lady's Missionaries of the Eucharist invites you to a Special Weekend Retreat. **A Time Apart With Jesus to Grow in Your Spiritual Life** on **Friday evening, November 11th till Sunday at Noon, November 13th**. The retreat is offered by Sister Joan Noreen, co-founder of OLME and EWTN Host of "Eucharist Journey". The retreat will be held at Ave Maria Retreat House in Doylestown, PA. This retreat includes Daily Eucharist, Eucharistic Adoration, conferences on Catholic Spirituality, Prayer with Sacred Scripture, Liturgy of the Hours and much more. For information, please contact OLME at (610) 582-3333 or email olme@olme.org.

Holy Ghost Prep will hold its annual **Holiday Craft Show** on **Saturday, November 12th** from 9 AM to 4 PM and **Sunday, November 13th** from 9 AM to 3 PM in their Field House located on 2429 Bristol Pike, Bensalem. Beautiful Crafts, Handcrafted Jewelry, Baked Goods, Raffle Baskets and Delicious Food will be available. Don't miss this Bucks County Favorite for over 30 years!

"Fun For A Cause". The Raiders Youth Turkey Trot hosted by Archbishop Ryan Track & Field on Saturday, **November 12, 2016** at Archbishop Ryan grass fields, 11201 Academy Road, Philadelphia, PA. Registration opens at 12:30 PM. Girls race goes off at 1:30 PM—Boys race to follow. It's a One Mile Loop Race open to 8th graders and younger. Entry fee will be 3 canned goods to be donated to families in need for Thanksgiving. The top girl and the top boy overall will receive a 20 lb turkey! The top 3 places in each gender will receive medals. For information, contact Mike Leonard at (267) 237-5351 or mleonard@archbishopryan.com.

A **Live Auction** will be held to benefit the Medical Mission Sisters Thrift Shop in the Administration Bldg, 8400 Pine Road, Philadelphia, PA, on Sunday, **November 13, 2016** from 11:30 AM to 2:30 PM. Tickets are \$10.00 in advance and can only be purchased at the Thrift Shop. Light refreshments will be served. For information, call (215) 745-7930 or visit www.mmsthiftshop.org.

St Charles Home and School Association presents the **12th Annual Chance and Auction Night** on **Friday, November 18th** at the Southampton Room. Tickets will be available September 27 and October 25 from 6:30 to 8:30 PM in the cafeteria. Tickets are \$40.00 per person or \$350.00 for a table of ten. Questions or concerns please contact Stacy Storace at stacystorace@gmail.com.

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