

December 11, 2016

The desert and the parched land will exult; the steppe will rejoice and bloom.

*They will bloom with abundant flowers and rejoice with joyful song.*

--Isaiah 35:1-2

# Third Sunday of Advent

## St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church

### STAFF

Rev. Msgr. Conor J. McGrath  
Sister Frances Briseño  
Martha Gomez  
Heidi Neuenfeldt  
A J Rabel  
Deana Giuliani  
Ana Holbrook  
Susan Ramsower  
Lisa Casas  
Mary Koonce  
Suzanne Villanueva  
Valerie Trevino  
Michelle Marroquin  
Dr. Maria Leavy Hoelscher  
Anna Cantu

Pastor  
Pastoral Administrator  
Pastoral Administrator  
Dir. of Religious Ed  
Plant Manager  
Parish Accountant  
Religious Ed Admin Asst.  
Music Director  
High School Faith Formation  
Youth Minister  
Middle School Faith Formation  
Elementary Faith Formation  
Communications and Dev.  
Counseling  
Administrative Assistant

Ext. 116 sfb@seaschurch.com  
Ext. 111 martha@seaschurch.com  
Ext. 102 heidi@seaschurch.com  
Ext. 105 ajrabel@seaschurch.com  
Ext. 103 deana@seaschurch.com  
Ext. 114 ana@seaschurch.com  
Ext. 106 susan@seaschurch.com  
Ext. 115 lisa@seaschurch.com  
Ext. 117 mkoonce@seaschurch.com  
Ext. 109 suzanne@seaschurch.com  
Ext. 104 vtrevino@seaschurch.com  
Ext. 118 michelle@seaschurch.com  
mhoelscher@seaschurch.com 210-364-2215  
anna@seaschurch.com

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** Saturday 4:00 p.m.  
**WEDDING:** Must be registered in parish and make an initial appointment with the Pastor at least six (6) months in advance of the wedding date.  
**BAPTISM:** Call the office to make an appointment 698-1941.  
**RCIA**—Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults  
Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith or considering becoming a Catholic? Are you an adult Catholic wanting to prepare for Eucharist and Confirmation? Classes will be held every Sunday at 9:00 a.m. Please call Sr. Frances Brisenno for more information at 210-698-1941.

### THE EUCHARIST

**Weekday:** 8:00a.m. Monday through Friday  
**Saturday:** 5:00p.m.  
**Sunday:** 8:00a.m., 9:30a.m., 11:00a.m. & 7:00p.m.  
12:30p.m. Spanish Mass  
**Wednesday:** 8:30a.m. – 8:00p.m.  
Eucharistic Adoration



Office Hours: Monday – Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (210) 698-1941 Pastoral Center Fax: (210) 698-1983  
www.seaschurch.com

Mass Intentions

Monday, December 12, 2016

8:00 A.M. Dorothy Lininger (d)

Tuesday, December 13, 2016

8:00 A.M. Shirley S.C. O'Kane (d)

Wednesday, December 14, 2016

8:00 A.M. Evelyn Brooks (d)

Thursday, December 15, 2016

800 A.M. Baleriano Rivera (d)

Friday, December 16, 2016

8:00 A.M. John Himes (d)

Saturday, December 17, 2016

5:00 P.M. Mercedes Spinelli (d)

Sunday, December 18, 2016

8:00 A.M. Virginia G. Garza (d)

9:30 A.M. Christopher Michael Tovar (d)

11:00 A.M. Maria Emmabet Cabria (d)

12:30 A.M. For those who have died that they may find salvation in God's Love & Mercy

7:00 P.M. Bill Bowman

Weekly Schedule

Monday, December 12, 2016

6:00 p.m.

Spanish ACTS

7:00 p.m.

Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass

Tuesday, December 13, 2016

6:00 p.m.

Good Shepherd

6:00 pm.

Men's ACTS

6:30 p.m.

Elem FF

7:00 p.m.

Men's ACTS Rosary

Wednesday, December 14., 2016

All Day Adoration

9:00 a.m. &

Acts of the Apostles

7:00 p.m.

5:00 p.m.

Good Shepherd

6:30 p.m.

EDGE

Thursday, December 15, 2016

5:30 a.m.

TMIY

2:00 p.m.

Tea with the Saints

4:00 p.m.

Good Shepherd

7:00 p.m.

Spanish Choir

Friday, December 16, 2016

6:00 p.m.

Elem. Play Practice

Saturday, December 17, 2016

8:00 a.m.

SVDP X-mas Distribution

Sunday, December 18, 2016

9:00 a.m.

Elem FF

9:00 a.m.

Good Shepherd

10:30 a.m.

Elem. FF

9:00 a.m.

RCIA

4:00 p.m.

Women's ACTS Dir.

5:30 p.m.

Life Teen

WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION

December 3-4, \$42,624.22,

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION

January 5, 2017 6:30 P.M.

February 2, 2017 6:30 P.M.

March 3, 2017 6:30 P.M.



PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

We ask God to bless all those who are ill and have asked us to pray for them. To have the Ministers of Care pray for your loved one, email [anna@seaschurch.com](mailto:anna@seaschurch.com) or call the office.

REMEMBER OUR HEROES

Robert Castillo, Peter Greenburg, Roy Vaughn, Matt Pryor, Miguel T. Sotello and Ron Wyble, deployed to Iraq. Bruce Balvin, Tom Sweet, Luis A. Ramos, Zac Gerner, Jordan Bittner and Anthony Delgado, Jr. deployed to Afghanistan and Christopher Le Comte in Germany, Zachary Williams in Ethiopia and Mack Peter in Colombia.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday:** ZEC 2:14-17,RV 11:19A; 12:1-6A, 10AB,JDT 13:18BCDE, 19, LK 1:26-38,

**Tuesday :** ZEP 3:1-2, 9-13,PS 34:2-3, 6-7, 17-18, 19 AND 23,MT 21:28-32

**Wednesday:** IS 45:6C-8, 18, 21C-25,PS 85:9AB AND 10, 11-12, 13-14,LK 7:18B-23

**Thursday:** IS 54:1-10,PS 30:2 AND 4, 5-6, 11-12A AND 13B,LK 7:24-30

**Friday:** IS 56:1-3A, 6-8,PS 67:2-3, 5, 7-8,JN 5:33-36

**Saturday:** GN 49:2, 8-10,PS 72:1-2, 3-4AB, 7-8, 17, MT 1:1-17

**Sunday:** IS 7:10-14,PS 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6,ROM 1:1-7, MT 1:18-24

### Blessing Boxes



Thank you to our parishioners for sponsoring a blessing box. We raised nearly \$2,000! Through your generosity the Young at Heart volunteers prepared 200 gift boxes full of toiletries and a religious item for people in need.

### SEAS Men's Rosary



Please join the 2017 SEAS Men's ACTS team on selected Tuesdays at 7 pm in the Church. The rosary will be dedicated to the success of the team's spiritual growth and the discernment of all SEAS men considering to attend the March 2-5, 2017 Men's ACTS retreat. Please consult the weekly schedule in the bulletin for the selected Tuesdays for the SEAS Men's rosary.

### Catholic Women in your 20's and 30's

Franciscan Sisters of Christian Charity serve in Catholic health care, education and parishes/ outreach in the Southwest, Central and Midwest U.S. We'll be in San Antonio January 4 and 5 and would be glad to meet for an informal vocation conversation. Call or text Sr. Julie Ann at 920-323-9632, or visit us at <https://fsc-calledtobe.org/>

### Angel Tree



This is the last weekend to place your Angel tree gifts by the tree in the church. Please call us if for any reason you can't bring your angel gifts. We appreciate your generosity in bringing Christmas joy to others.

### Faith Formation

The Faith Formation offices will be closed from December 19- January 2.

### Afternoon Tea with the Saints

Catholic Daughters Court 2662 invites you to enjoy a cup of tea with delights and discover our friends in heaven. Join us in Seton Hall on Thursday, December 15, from 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. as we reflect on the life of :



**Saint Therese of Lisieux.**

We will conclude in praying the Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

### A PRAYER FOR THE Third Sunday of Advent

Joy-filled Giver of Life,  
let the anticipation of your birth  
fill us with overflowing joy.  
May our excitement and anticipation  
be a sign to the world  
that you are always near.  
Amen.



[www.archtoronto.org](http://www.archtoronto.org)

### St. Vincent de Paul Thrift

Your generosity is overwhelming our donation box outside of the church. For large donations, it would be a great blessing if you could bring them directly to the Food Pantry (the Activity Center across from the CYO fields) on distribution days (7 am-10 am on the second and fourth Saturdays of the month) or call the parish office to schedule a drop-off time.