

SAINT ELIZABETH ANN SETON CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Holy Mass Schedule

Sunday Mass:

Sunday: 11:30 am

Weekday Mass:

Tuesday: Noon

Thursday: Noon

Reconciliation:

Weekdays before Tuesday and
Thursday Mass.

Also by an Appointment.

12 Hour Adoration:

First Friday of every month
7am to 7pm

Daily Adoration/ Rosary

Mon –Sat 11:00 am to noon

Sunday 10:30 - 11:30

“May the most just, the most high, the most amiable will of God be ever loved, adored, and accomplished.”

Mother Seton’s Favorite Prayer

New to the Parish? Welcome! To register as a parishioner of St Elizabeth Ann Seton Church, please contact the office.

Sacrament of Matrimony: Church law directs that Catholics receive marriage preparation and be married in the Church. Please contact the office at least four months prior to the wedding. Advent and lent are penitential Seasons: weddings are discouraged during these seasons.

Sacrament of Baptism: Baptism should take place A.S.A.P. following birth. Expectant parents should contact the office for baptismal preparation.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick: Anyone in danger of death or the elderly should receive this sacrament. Anyone anticipating a surgery or a stay in the hospital should request the sacrament before surgery.

Religious Education Classes [CCD]: Is available for Grades Pre-K-10 10:00 am on Sundays in the Fellowship Hall.

Today we have three children in this parish celebrating their First Communion. In honor of their day and a reminder to us:

Sacramental Effects of the Eucharist

Since a sacrament is instituted by Christ to give grace, we want briefly to ask and answer the question, "How is it that the Blessed Sacrament, the Holy Eucharist gives grace?" First of all the sacramental grace that it gives is a one flesh, one spirit union with our Lord, which is the most tremendous grace in heaven and on earth. It's something that the angels can never imagine because they never became flesh. They do not partake of human nature. It's an ultimate gift that surpasses everything else in all creation.

In addition to the sacramental grace, there is also what is known as sanctifying grace; that is the grace which increases our maturity as God's sons, who grow up in his family - sanctifying grace. The third effect as it relates to grace is that it preserves us from sin. It preserves us from sin and it strengthens our resolve unto holiness and finally, the fourth thing that it does is that it remits all venial sin.

What should we do when we receive Holy Communion? We should spend some time adoring the Lord, because we have become a temple. We have become a tabernacle. We have become almost like the Blessed Virgin Mary who carried the Word Incarnate within her womb for nine months. We carry the Word Incarnate for about ten or fifteen minutes and as he is flowing through our veins, and as he is assimilated into our bodies, we need to speak the most loving and generous words that our hearts can create. We shouldn't leave the church as quickly as possible. I sometimes look around at Mass and my kids, we all look around and we see these people leaving. Sometimes they leave before they even come back and take their seat. Other people leave very quickly, as soon as the song begins. We refer to it as the "Judas shuffle" in our family, because as soon as Judas received our Lord in the Upper Room, what did he do? He went out into the parking lot...no, no, out into the night.

We too, need to restore the practice of thanksgiving. If we don't give thanks when God our Creator and Redeemer is within us, flesh and blood, body and soul and divinity, when will we give thanks? What will make us pause, stop and sacrifice a little time to really give him thanks? Let's restore that old tradition of five, ten, fifteen minutes of thanksgiving or at least a brief family prayer with the kids to tell our Lord, "Thank You for coming into me. Thank You for creating Your new family."

You know how we respond whenever we hear that an important guest is coming to our house? We clean up. We scrub it down. We get ready and then we dress up and then when that guest comes, we spend time. You know when you visit somebody's house and you're there for dinner, do you keep your coats on? What would that signal to the people? If you came and said, "Oh make yourselves at home. Let me take your coat." "No, I'll keep it on." How many times do you find people just sitting at Mass with their coats on, looking at their watches, wondering about the football game and the starting time, or whatever? Our Creator, our Redeemer is going to come into our body and be united to our soul. It's always helpful to remind ourselves of the basic catechism and its teachings.

This Tuesday, May 5, we will be offering a rosary and the Mass to Ryan Arthon who recently passed away. The rosary will begin at 11:30 am. Afterwards, the Mass will begin at noon.

Bethesda Online Donations

This Tuesday, May 5, we are asked to help out our local community by going on-line and donating money to Bethesda Mission. During this 24 hr period we can go online to make a donation.

The Nashville predator will donate 5000.00.

You can make a donation at this address:
<https://www.thebigpayback.org/#group/houston-county>

Once you are there you , click on the link Houston County then Bethesda Mission. Then using paypal or credit card make a donation.

Please take time out of your Tuesday and help someone in Houston County with your donation. You don't even have to leave your house.

*Happy Birthday Father
Wednesday May 6*

Give us This Day our Daily Chuckle
 Every 10 years, the monks in the monastery are allowed to break their vow of silence to speak two words. Ten years go by and it's one monk's first chance. He thinks for a second before saying, "Food bad." Ten years later, he says, "Bed hard." It's the big day, a decade later. He gives the head monk a long stare and says, "I quit." "I'm not surprised," the head monk says. "You've been complaining ever since you got here."

Next Sunday, May 10, is Mary's Crowning, we ask that all children be here 20 mins before Mass, as we would like for all of the children to participate.

This Thursday, May 7, the weekday Mass will be at the Nursing Home at 3:00.

Consecration of the Family
 Please notify the office if your family would like to take the picture of the Holy Family home for a week. Continue praying for the family who takes the picture home.

Mass Intentions
Sunday, May 3
 Mass 11:30am
 Dolores Chesser

Tuesday, May 5
 Mass Noon
 + Ryan Arthon

Thursday, May 7
 Mass Nursing Home 3:00
 +Jim Irwin

Sunday, May 10
 Mass 11:30am

 + Gordon & Barbara Schaezner
 By Dolores Chesser

READINGS FOR THE WEEK
 May 3 thru May 10
Sunday: Acts 9:26-31
 1Jn 3:18-24
 Jn 15:1-8
Monday: Acts 14:5-18
 Jn 14:21-26
Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28
 Jn 14:27-31a
Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6
 Jn 15:1-8
Thursday: Acts 15:7-21
 Jn 15:9-11
Friday: Acts 15:22-31
 Jn 15:21-17
Saturday: Acts 16:1-10
 Jn 15:18-21
Sunday: Acts 10:25-26
 1Jn 4:7-10
 Jn 15:9-17

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Ministers	May 3, 2015	May 10, 2015
Lector	Bill Resler	Bonnie Lill
E.M.H.C	Joan Kupiec	Diane Lill
E.M.H.C	Sue Resler	Shirene
Gift Bearer	1st Communion Class	Merkling's

Stewardship Report

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Year to date: under Budget	\$2639.70

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