

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 10:45

“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.

"He has done all things well"

Meditation: How do you expect the Lord to treat you when you ask for his help? Do you approach with fear and doubt, or with faith and confidence? Jesus never turned anyone aside who approached him with sincerity and trust. And whatever Jesus did, he did well. He demonstrated both the beauty and goodness of God in his actions. When Jesus approaches a man who is both deaf and a stutterer, Jesus shows his considerateness for this man's predicament. Jesus takes him aside privately, not doubt to remove him from embarrassment with a noisy crowd of gawkers. Jesus then puts his fingers into the deaf man's ears and he touches the man's tongue with his own spittle to physically identify with this man's infirmity and to awaken faith in him. With a word of command the poor man's ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly.

What is the significance of Jesus putting his fingers into the man's ears? Gregory the Great, a church father from the 6th century, comments on this miracle: "The Spirit is called the finger of God. When the Lord puts his fingers into the ears of the deaf mute, he was opening the soul of man to faith through the gifts of the Holy Spirit."

The people's response to this miracle testifies to Jesus' great care for others: *He has done all things well*. No problem or burden was too much for Jesus' careful consideration. The Lord treats each of us with kindness and compassion and he calls us to treat one another in like manner. The Holy Spirit who dwells within us enables us to love as Jesus loves. Do you show kindness and compassion to your neighbors and do you treat them with considerateness as Jesus did?

"Lord Jesus, fill me with your Holy Spirit and inflame my heart with love and compassion. Make me attentive to the needs of others that I may show them kindness and care. Make me an instrument of your mercy and peace that I may help others find healing and wholeness in you."

Daily Quote from the early church fathers: *The touch of the Lord*, by Ephrem the Syrian (306-373 AD)

"That power which may not be handled came down and clothed itself in members that may be touched, that the desperate may draw near to him, that in touching his humanity they may discern his divinity. For that speechless man the Lord healed with the fingers of his body. He put his fingers into the man's ears and touched his tongue. At that moment with fingers that may be touched, he touched the Godhead that may not be touched. Immediately this loosed the string of his tongue (Mark 7:32-37), and opened the clogged doors of his ears. For the very architect of the body itself and artificer of all flesh had come personally to him, and with his gentle voice tenderly opened up his obstructed ears. Then his mouth which had been so closed up that it could not give birth to a word, gave birth to praise him who made its barrenness fruitful. The One who immediately had given to Adam speech without teaching, gave speech to him so that he could speak easily a language that is learned only with difficulty (Genesis 1:27-28). (excerpt from *HOMILY ON OUR LORD 10.3*)

Don Schwager

Jesus is the place where heaven touches down to Earth

The office will be closed this Monday, Sept 7 on observance of Labor Day.

There will be no weekday Mass, this Tuesday, Sept 8.

The World Meeting of Families-Philadelphia 2015 (Sept. 22-27). Pope Francis will participate in the closing events of the Eight World Meeting of Families Sept 26-27. Info: www.worldmeeting2015.org

It's that time of year again! Immaculate Conception is holding their International Festival on September 20, 2015. The fun includes a craft fair, inflatables for the children, live entertainment, wine and beer garden, silent auction, a dunking booth, international food booths, and a parade of countries in their traditional garb. **NEW THIS YEAR!** There is live entertainment indoors, in the same area as the Craft Fair! Tickets are .50 and wrist bands for the kid's area are \$10. (This gives the kids access to the kid's area all afternoon.)



International Food! Live Entertainment!

19th Annual International Festival!!!

September 20, 2015 – Noon until 5:00 PM

BE A PART OF THE FUN!!

Contact Information to Participate:

Pat Riley – patrick.riley@kctcs.edu or (270)-498-2337

Rick Catignani (Silent Auction) - 'catignanir@aol.com'

Or (931)-320-5083

Carol Buyna (Craft Fair) - (931)-216-2080

Follow us on Facebook!! – Immaculate Conception International Festival

Monthly Parish Workday will be scheduled for Friday, September 11, 2015 from 8 am to 11 am. Parishioners will meet in the Fellowship Hall. Please dress comfortably for work indoors. Everyone is welcome as there is a variety of work to be done (standing and sitting). Many hands make light work! Questions? contact Diane Lill 931-721-3369.

In a new set of pastoral guidelines for the upcoming Holy Year of Mercy, Pope Francis has made some significant moves, allowing all priests to forgive the sin of abortion and granting SSPX priests the faculty to forgive sins.

Pope Francis is taking it to a universal level. He said that the forgiveness of God can't be denied to a person who has sincerely repented, especially when the person comes to the Sacrament of Confession in order to be genuinely reconciled with the Father.

Because of this, Francis said, he has allowed all priests for the Jubilee of Mercy "to absolve of the sin of abortion those who have procured it and who, with contrite heart, seek forgiveness for it."

In another significant move, Francis has also allowed priests from the Society of St Pius X to "validly and licitly" hear confessions during the Holy Year.

Mass Intentions

Sunday, Sept 6
Mass 11:30am

Tuesday, Sept 8
No Mass

Thursday, Sept 10
Mass noon

Nick Chesser

Sunday, Sept 13
Mass 11:30am

Father Michael

READINGS FOR THE WEEK
Sept 6 thru Sept 13

Sunday: Is 35:4-7a
Jas 2:1-5
Mk 7:31-37

Monday: Col 1:24—2:3
Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday: Mi 5:1-4a
Mt 1:1-16,18-23

Wednesday: Col 3:1-11
Lk 6:20-26

Thursday: Col 3:12-17
Lk 6:27-28

Friday: 1Tm 1:1-2,12-14
Lk 6:39-42

Saturday: 1 Tm 1:15-17
Lk 6:43-49

Sunday: Is 50:5-9a
Jas 2:14-18
Mk 8:27-35

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Ministers	Sept 6, 2015	Sept 13, 2015
Lector	Bill Resler	Della Hudson
E.M.H.C	Della Hudson	Bonnie Lill
E.M.H.C	Michiko Erberle	Shirene Chesser
Gift Bearer	Della Hudson	Kathy Joiner

Our Gifts to the Lord

Last Weeks Collection:	\$ 899.00
Needed Each Week	\$ 779.00
For the Week: over Budge	\$ 120.00
Year to date: under Budget	\$ 246.90

ALL OF OUR PRAYER INTENTIONS

For health and recovery of our parish family: **Rosalie Boyd, Dorothy Pezzi, Bob Eberle, CD Merklng, Charlie Schaeffer, Charlene Lipscomb, Ali Gomez, Michiko Erberle, CD Merklng, Sue Resler.**

For all of our Other Prayer Intentions: **Christopher Simpson, Ben Atchley, Laura Hancock, Becky Calinger, Jesse Singleton, Aaron Hilbum, Katsue Stidum, Dolores Chesser, Carolyn Beechum, Lynn Hannah, Kay Harris, Jimmy Lee, Violet Flores, Karen Jabkowski, Juanita Gray, Gary Zumbro, Gerri Warden, Chris McNabb, Anita Kentner, Naomi Sakaguchi, Joe Henicle, David & Carrie Hall, Vicky Shamberger, Jean Mapes, Codi Walker, Deann Miracle, Gene Powell, Joshua Bolton, Callie Jo, Jennifer Gonzales, Judy Grace, Connie Bunio, Fred Finley, Valerie Maisch.**

For the repose of the soul of: **Bonnie Snyder, Billy Dee Ross, Joan Erwin, Will Westerman, Louisa Murga, Ronnie Kreger, Jim Tragessor, Harper Lee Ann Wooten, Nina Finley, Rita Deharde, Gordon Schaezner, Ryan Arthon, David BacsKay, Hazel Laxton.**

For our members at Signature Health Care: **Donald Williams, Llewellynn Jebellion, Marguerite Barnhart, Bobby Waller, Elmer Davis, Patty Harrell,**

For the members of our armed services on active duty especially: **Nichell Sauls, Hillary MacLachlan, Jameson Andro, Austin Joiner, Nick Chesser.**

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