



# St. Elizabeth

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*Ann Seton*

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Fr. Jim Perkl, Pastor ~ Fr. Abraham George, Associate Pastor

## MASS SCHEDULE

### **Weekends:**

Saturday: 4:30 pm

Sunday:

7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am, 6:00 pm

### **Daily Mass (*During Lent*)**

Monday-Friday: 7:00 am, 5:15 pm

**Note:** no 5:15 Mass on March 31

### **Stations & Benediction**

*(During Lent)*

Friday: 7:00 pm

### **Reconciliation**

Weekdays at 6:45 am

Every Saturday 3:30-4:15 pm

### **Anointing**

*Immediately after the 5:15 pm Mass on the first Thursday of the month, or by appointment.*

## DONATE ONLINE!

We are now able to accept financial donations to SEAS parish or school online! Go to our website at [www.seasparish.org](http://www.seasparish.org) and click on the link titled "Donate Online". You can make donations using your credit or debit card, or directly from your checking or savings account. Your transactions are safe and secure. Check it out on our website today!



## **Triduum (Holy Week)**

*Holy Thursday, April 9: 7:30 pm*

*Good Friday, April 10:*

Stations of the Cross, 12:10 pm

Good Friday Service, 7:30 pm

*Holy Saturday/Easter Vigil, April 11: 8:00 pm*

(There is NO 4:30 pm Mass today)

*Easter Sunday, April 12: 7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am, 6:00 pm*

## **Reconciliation**

*In addition to our normal reconciliation schedule, we offer these times for the Lenten season:*

Sunday, March 29: 2:00 pm (Communal Service)

Thursday, April 2: 7:00 pm (Communal Service)

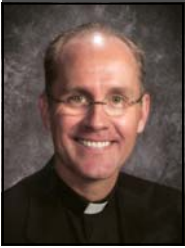
Saturday, April 4: 10:00 am (Individual)

## **Stations & Benediction**

Every Friday during Lent at 7:00 pm

Friday, April 3: Living Stations by SEAS School (no Benediction) at 7:00 pm & Fish Fry





# You Are Invited to the Chrism Mass - Tuesday, March 31!

Dear Friends,

You are invited to the Chrism Mass on Tuesday, March 31 at the Cathedral in St. Paul at 7 PM.

The Chrism Mass is popular with both youth and adults who are preparing for Confirmation, Baptism as well as First Eucharist.

If you are Baptized, Confirmed, Infirm, in the process of becoming Catholic, or Ordained, you are invited to witness and participate in the Archbishop's blessing of the three oils. These oils are applied to those receiving the sacraments listed above.

Everyone is invited to this annual event, which is often associated with the Holy Triduum and Jesus' institution of the Eucharist and Priesthood. At this annual celebration held at our Cathedral, Fr Abraham and I will be joining the priests who serve the 200 Catholic congregations or so in our Archdiocese. Before the Chrism Mass begins, all priests will be invited to renew their vows to the Priesthood with Archbishop Nienstedt. Below you will find the prayers you may have heard at your own Confirmation or when you attended a friend or family member's Ordination.

Fr. Abraham and I hope to see you and your families at the Cathedral on Tuesday at 7 PM.

In Christ's Love,  
Fr. Jim Perkl  
Pastor



### The Bishop's Prayer at Confirmation

My dear friends:

In baptism God our Father gave the new birth of eternal life to his chosen sons and daughters.

Let us pray to our Father that he will pour out the Holy Spirit to strengthen his sons and daughters with His gifts and anoint them to be more like Christ the Son of God.

All-powerful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, by water and the Holy Spirit you freed your sons and daughters from sin and gave them new life. Send your Holy Spirit upon them to be their Helper and Guide. Give them the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of right judgment and courage, the spirit of knowledge and reverence. Fill them with the spirit of wonder and awe in your presence.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Renewal of Promises for Priests

**The Bishop says:** My sons, before you proceed to the order of the presbyterate, declare before the people your intention to undertake this priestly office. Are you resolved, with the help of the Holy Spirit, to discharge without fail the office of the priesthood in the presbyteral order as conscientious fellow workers with the bishops in caring for the Lord's flock? **The candidates answer:** I am.

**Bishop:** Are you resolved to celebrate the mysteries of Christ faithfully and religiously as the Church has handed them down to us, for the glory of God and the sanctification of Christ's people?

**Candidates:** I am.

**Bishop:** Are you resolved to exercise the ministry of the word worthily and wisely, preaching the Gospel and explaining the Catholic faith? **Candidates:** I am.

**Bishop:** Are you resolved to consecrate your life to God for the salvation of his people, and to unite yourself more closely every day to Christ the High Priest, who offered himself for us to the Father as a perfect sacrifice?

**Candidates:** I am, with the help of God.

**Bishop:** Do you promise respect and obedience to me and my successors?

**Candidates:** I do.

**Bishop:** Do you promise respect and obedience to your Ordinary?

**Candidate:** I do.

**Bishop:** May God who has begun the good work in you bring it to fulfillment.

## Spiritual Life

### 9:30 MASS EASTER SUNDAY - CHILDREN'S CHOIR

The Children's Choir will sing at the 9:30am Mass on Easter Sunday, April 12. We have two rehearsals left: April 1 & 8. Rehearsals are from 5:45-6:30pm in the St. Clare Room. Please consider joining us for Easter. The choir is open to all children in grades 3-8. Please call Mo (ext. 228) or Chris (ext. 230) with any questions.

### THE SETON SINGERS

The next rehearsal for the Seton Singers is on Wednesday, April 1 at 7:00pm in the church. The Seton Singers will sing for the 9:30am Palm Sunday Mass on April 5. They will also sing at the Holy Thursday, Good Friday & Easter Vigil Services.

### THE SETON RINGERS (HANDBELL CHOIR)

The Seton Ringers will have their next rehearsal on Tuesday, March 31 at 5:00pm in the church. The Seton Ringers will join the Seton Singers on Holy Thursday, and will join the Children's Choir at the 9:30am Easter Mass.

### ANNAJEAN OBY SCHOLARSHIP

If you are a graduating senior this year and are an active member of any of our choirs or cantoring ministry, you are eligible to be a recipient of the Annajean Oby Scholarship. Contact Chris at ext. 230 if you are interested in receiving the Scholarship application.

### THE MUSIC OF ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON CHURCH

Copies of our fall released CD that features our musical groups & choirs are still available for sale through Chris in the Parish Office.

### ATTENTION ALL PAST & PRESENT MUSICIANS!

We are taking inventory of our music and are missing many copies of music. If you have extra copies of music at home, please return them to Chris at the Parish Office. This will save us having to order unnecessary music for our choirs.

### KDWA BROADCASTS MASS!

If you know someone that is ill and unable to attend our Sunday Mass each weekend, they can listen on 1460 AM on the radio. If you are traveling anyplace in the world, you can also listen to our Mass each Sunday at 9:30am Central time at [www.kdwa.com](http://www.kdwa.com). Many thanks to Dan & Barb Massman who are donating the air time for our weekend Mass on KDWA 1460 AM each week.

## Eucharistic Adoration



In the Chapel of Resurrection 24 Hours Each Day Except During Weekend Mass Times. Use the NORTH entrance of the building for late evening and night time hours.

*Everyone is welcome.*

*Come when you like,  
stay as long as you wish.*

*Our Lord is always ready to welcome you!*

Divine Mercy Prayer Hour each Wednesday, 7-8pm

Little Way of Divine Love Prayer Group each

Sunday 7:15 – 8:45pm

Everyone is welcome in the prayer groups.

**When you visit Our Lord in Eucharistic Adoration this week, please pray** 1) in thanksgiving for the many people who volunteer in our parish and that many more will share their time and talent with the parish 2) that all Catholic institutions will uphold the teachings of the Church 3) for the victims and families of natural disasters, tragedies and violence 4) that all women will be mindful of the importance of modesty and will make wise choices in their clothing selections 5) in reparation of the sins of pornography 6) that the lives of vulnerable persons will be respected 7) that people all over the world will have adequate food and water 8) for the conversion of those who promote and support a culture of death and 9) for Father Jim, Father Abraham, all the area priests, the SEAS Parish and Staff, the Archdiocese of St. Paul – Minneapolis, the Red Lake Indian Mission and the Diocese of Kitui, Kenya.

### A SINCERE THANK YOU...

to the very generous parishioner who donated the new carpet for the Adoration Chapel! It is impressive to be able to say that the old carpet wore out from people coming to visit Our Lord.

### SUMMER PRAYER OPPORTUNITY

Due to surgery, one of the Thursday 3-4PM pray-ers will not be available to pray for at least 6 months. The remaining person in that hour would like a co-pray-er. If you could make a summer commitment to be her co-pray-er, please call Edna at 437-8800 or Mary Ann at 437-4546.

*St. Elizabeth Ann Seton is a Catholic  
Family Where God is Present and Active  
Through the Gift of the  
Seven Sacraments.*

## Stewardship

### Upcoming SEAS Fall Festival Weekend –September 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>!

So many of our parishioners are involved and play a very important part. Some may have worked in a booth for an hour or helped clean up, whatever you did, “thank you!” Together let us remember the important outcome is our parishioner involvement and the community building.

#### Weekend of March 23, 2009

Sunday Envelopes.....	\$19,993.50
Plate.....	\$888.06
Youth Envelopes.....	\$158.78
Direct Contributions.....	\$30,068.58
Weekly Total.....	\$51,108.92
Weekly Budgeted.....	\$52,354.00
Difference.....	(\$1,245.08)
Phase II Building Fund.....	\$2,678.01

#### Year to Date Actual Budget

Actual.....	\$1,299,768.34
Budgeted.....	\$1,342,394.00
Difference.....	(\$42,625.66)

### READINGS FOR SUNDAY

#### Sunday, April 5, 2009

*Isaiah 50:4-7/38*

*Psalms 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24*

*Philippians 2:6-11*

*Mark 14:1-15:47 or 15:1-29*

### WEDDINGS & BAPTISMS

If you are interested in having your wedding at SEAS, please contact Janet at ext. 265 at least six months prior to your expected celebration date.



If you are interested in having your child baptized, please call the parish office for information about baptism class times and baptism dates.

## SEAS School

### SEAS PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION

SEAS Preschool is now taking registration for the upcoming school year. We have limited space available. Please call the school for more information. If you would like to come and visit us before you register, call and we can make an appointment for you. Call the Early Childhood Campus at 651-438-3223 or email Polly at [pbauer@seasparish.org](mailto:pbauer@seasparish.org) or Barb at [blaumeyer@seasparish.org](mailto:blaumeyer@seasparish.org).

### SEAS TOY SALE

On Saturday, April 18, SEAS school will hold its first ever Toy Sale. All proceeds will go toward the Kitui H2O project. So, start cleaning out those closets and toy boxes. All toys must be in good shape, clean, and be child safe. If you'd like to volunteer to help with this event, please contact Mrs. Jeanne Loesch at 437-3098 or [jloesch@seasparish.org](mailto:jloesch@seasparish.org). Stay tuned for further details.

### DENIM & DIAMONDS ...An Adult Evening For The Benefit of Our Kids

is this year's Spring Fling theme! Reserve the date: Friday, April 24th. Social Hour begins at 5:30. Reservations can be made at the school or church office. The event is \$40 per person. Wear your jeans and dress them up with your diamonds...and enjoy dinner, wine and participate in the live and silent auctions. One half of all proceeds from this event will go to the SEAS Endowment Fund. The endowment fund uses the interest to help families who need tuition assistance. If you are willing to donate to the Spring Fling or have any questions, please call Kay at 437-5205 or Jaci at 216-4681.

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### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PANCAKE BREAKFAST

The Knights of Columbus are hosting a pancake breakfast on Sunday, April 5, at the KC Hall. Breakfast will be served from 8:00am-12:00pm. The menu includes pancakes, scrambled eggs and sausage. Proceeds benefit Catholic Education and the Total LifeCare Center.

### GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTIONS

At the 4:30PM Ecumenical Service on Good Friday, a collection will be taken up for Hastings Family Service. At the 7PM Liturgy, our parish will take up the annual Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land. Your contribution to the Holy Land helps to support the struggling Christian community and to protect Christianity's holiest places. Please be generous.

### INTERESTED IN KITUI AND FRB? JOIN US...

The SEAS Kitui Team will meet on Monday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, 7 PM, in the St. Francis Room. This is an organizational meeting of the group that oversees Kitui, FRB, the H2O school project, Kitui salad luncheon, Harvest of Hope, and the delegation visit coming in September 2009. Anyone interested in assisting with our activities is welcome to attend. We hope to see some new faces.

### "ASK ST. PAUL" LENTEN SERIES - THE CATHEDRAL YOUNG ADULTS PRESENT...

April 1 - Wednesday, 7-9PM, Hayden Hall (Lower Level of the Cathedral) – How can I better love God and my neighbor? By: Fr Joseph Johnson. See this website for more info: [www.cathedralsaintpaul.org/cya](http://www.cathedralsaintpaul.org/cya)

## **American Christian Tours – Trip now open to Parishioners**

Every two years our parish school sponsors a trip of a lifetime! We will be traveling next October to Colonial Williamsburg, Washington D.C., and Emmitsburg – the home of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton. This trip is first opened to all SEAS school middle school students (Gr. 6-8 next fall) and their parents.

We will be traveling from October 12-October 16, 2009 (over MEA so only 3 days of missing school). The cost is \$1309 for students and \$1479 for adults which include hotel (4 nights), airfare, coach transportation while in DC, tour guide, hotel security, and two meals a day. Following is a preview of some of the sites on the itinerary:

Colonial Williamsburg, Pope John Paul II Cultural Center, Vietnam, Lincoln and Korean Memorials, Arlington National Cemetery, Mount Vernon, US Capitol, US, Supreme Court, Library of Congress, National Shrine of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Jefferson, FDR and Iwo Jima Memorials, White House, Ford's Theatre, Holocaust Museum, Shrine of Immaculate Conception, & Washington Monument.

We currently have a few openings for this trip and would now like to extend the invitation to any interested parishioners or Faith Formation students who will be in grades 6-8 next year. For more information please call Mrs. Humbert at 437-3098 or email [rhumbert@seasparish.org](mailto:rhumbert@seasparish.org) . The size of the group is limited and all registrations should be submitted soon.

This trip is run by American Christian Tour Company. The hotel accommodations and the coach bus we have while we are on tour is fabulous!! Come join us!! Call or email today!



# Faith Formation News

## FIRST EUCHARIST PREPARATION

**BREAD SUNDAY:** The children preparing for First Eucharist will bake bread to be given to people in the community at all Masses on April 18/19. Session #4 is the Retreat, Mass and supper on April 25 at the 4:30 Mass. Remember to bring a copy of your child's baptismal certificate if they were baptized at a church other than SEAS. If you have questions please contact Mary Ellen at ext. 227.

## VBS 2009: CROCODILE DOCK

Registration for our 2009 Vacation Bible School will begin on April 18<sup>th</sup>. Watch for the display in the gathering space. Sign up early as registration fills up pretty quick!

## MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP NEWS

As you may be aware, Brian has resigned his full-time position and is serving as the part time Confirmation Coordinator. The Middle School Youth Group is still in place Wednesday afternoons prior to the 6:45 Faith Formation sessions. Please join us for food, fun, friends and faith!!

## MISSION MEXICO

It's also not too late to join the Mission Mexico trip. Please call the Office of Faith Formation for registration information.

# Adult Faith Formation News

## FIREPROOF

It's not too late to join us for a discussion of the movie. Please join us on Monday, March 30 at 7:00 pm in Seton Hall where we will show some clips of the movie and have a discussion. If you haven't seen the whole movie, you will still be able to see key sections and participate in our discussion.

## RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

Each week that we celebrate the Rite of Scrutiny, as we have for the past two Sundays during Lent, we are invited deeper and deeper into a great mystery that affects all people. Today we take one step further on our Lenten journey as we open the Scriptures for the Fifth Sunday of Lent and our lives in reflection and prayer. In today's Gospel Lazarus becomes an icon for each believer who is loved deeply by Christ. This saving love bids us come out from the tomb of sin and death. This saving love commands that all restraints holding us back from the fullness of life be unbound. This saving love gives to the Church sacraments that lift us up to eternal life. Please continue to pray for our **catechumens**: Shane McNaughton, Richard Parks, Kristian, Brianna, Kelby and Kaleb White, Ian Jesme, Devin and Drew Long, and our **candidates**: Lucas Waxon, Angela Long, and Matthew Young, Christine Schumacher as they prepare for the Easter sacraments.

## SEPARATED AND DIVORCED CATHOLICS...

**WE ARE READY!!!** The Divorced and Separated Support Group will meet at SEAS each Monday, beginning April 20 at 7:30pm for all persons desiring to move forward with life after divorce or separation. The support group is devoted to healing and growing beyond the ending of a relationship. For more information, call Mary Ellen at ext. 227.

## SEAS JOB LOSS SUPPORT GROUP

Have you recently- or not so recently- lost your job? We'd love to have you give us a call if you are interested and/or need more information about joining a support group. Please call Mary Ellen at ext. 227, or Jill at ext. 225.

## A CATECHETICAL MINUTE WITH JEANNE HILL, OP

Lesson 5 is about the Sacrament of sacraments, the Eucharist. The whole spiritual good of the Church, Christ, our Pasch, is the Eucharist. The mystery of mysteries of the Eucharistic memorial is revealed when we respond, "Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again." What does this mean? We remember the Passion and Death of Jesus on the Cross-as the priest calls the Father to send the Holy Spirit to bring the changing of the bread and wine into the Body and Blood of Jesus. During this Transubstantiation the Eucharist is real. When we receive the Eucharist we receive the real presence of Christ. Eucharist is also called the Memorial, the Breaking of Bread, the Lord's Supper, the Holy Sacrifice, and "the Mass" which is the least descriptive. We receive the whole mystery, the whole Pascal Triduum celebration in Holy Communion. What a gift Jesus gave us because He loves us. We must love Him in return by being faithful to the Church, His Bride, and to Him the bridegroom. I treasure each Eucharist that I receive and thank God for all of His love. Lesson 6 focuses on the Eucharist and its effects. What are the gifts that you receive in Eucharist?

# Parish Family & Life

## PRAYER CORNER

**Note:** To add a name to the prayer corner, please call Janie at extension 224 with the name of the loved one needing prayers, your name, and your telephone number. Thank you!

Jerry Abbott, Jesse Abbott, Vince & Delores Braun, George Brockman, Barbara Buck, Bill Boesel, Eva Bernstein, Jan Burr, Marlene Burkard, Jacob Berggren, Ruth Bremer, Jim Burgoyne, Gary Benson, Vickie Cunningham, Carol & Chris Capriglione family, Baby Dominic Capriglione, Cole Christian, Pat Conway, Marie Cowan, Mary Cedar, Margaret Dummer, Scott Dodge, Don Diamond, Clarence Drietz, Margaret Denn, Monica Driscoll, Ruth Effertz, Alisoun Forsmark, Margie Flemming, Jim Flemming, Roger Fike, Barb Frank, Brian Fraleigh, Lorene Gergen, Julie Gabor, Steve Gilbert, Ryan Gelhar, Jim Gergen, Craig Giles, Bill Hobday, Jim Heerey, Deanne Swainston-Harrison, Collette Hall, John Hoffmann, Eric Hood, Lynn Hunter, Mike Husman, Jon Holmes & Family, Margaret Huberty, Diane Hoyt, Tom Imdieke, Sr. Florence Judge, RSM, Jerry Kasel, Gary Kitzmann, Jill Kisby, Patty Kimmes, Kiki, BPK, Lucy & family, Janet Langlais, Abigail Macioch, Cheryl Murtaugh, Jodi McNamara, Mike, Jim McGrath, Adam Majetch, Robert Meiers, Joyce Morin, Pete Nelson, Monica Olson, Theresa Renne, Ruth, Rita Razidlo, Ryan, Dan Riley, Charlene Schaupp, Terry Salo, Emma Seeger, Gordon Sanders, Fran Schneider, Jackie Scott, Michael Schaack, Rick Smith, Rose Sieben, Jane & Daniel Saxton, Ted Trondson, Sylvester & Irma Taube, Mary Tri, Cody Vanderloop, Celestine Wagner, Ralph Wagner, Penny Whipple, Lenny Weiss, Julie & Steve Warmbo, Nico Youngren, Louise Young, Elizabeth Zweber



## PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS: CALL FOR CANDIDATES

A parish-wide election will take place at all Masses the weekend of May 16 & 17 for two at-large seats on the SEAS Parish Pastoral Council. Any baptized, confirmed and registered member of the parish, 18 or older, may nominate him- or herself for consideration. A nominating committee has been established to discern the candidates whose names will appear on the ballot. This is the form that interested persons may use to nominate themselves. Forms will also be available in the Parish Office. Please call one of the nominating committee members for more information: Lisa Piotrowski, 651-437-5246, Ron Gilbertson, 651-437-3727, or Fran Teuber, 651-437-5288.

## THE RED ENVELOPE IN TODAY'S BULLETIN

Enclosed in the bulletin today you will find a "Red Envelope" which have been donated to our parish. Join hundreds of thousands of people across America who are participating in the "Red Envelope Project" to send a message to President Obama about abortion. As you mail the empty envelope, pray for President Obama, that his heart will be converted regarding the sanctity of every human life. Additional red envelopes are available in the gathering space. Mail on March 31<sup>st</sup>. See the web-site for more info: [www.redenvelopeproject.org](http://www.redenvelopeproject.org)

## A NEW SEAS MINISTRY

SEAS Parish will be providing dinners to members of our community the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month, beginning in May. The focus will be friendship, sharing and caring for those who may have lost a spouse, lost jobs and find their food budget stretched, those who may want to share a worry, also those that are new to town. We are looking for volunteers that would like to help with this new ministry. If this is something you may want to get involved with, call the parish office.

## BEFRIENDER MINISTRY

Through our lives we experience losses, and we grieve. Our loss may be a loved one, the loss of a job, leaving one's home and moving elsewhere, divorce, or so on. Grieving is a natural process, not a sign of weakness. It is the expression of our feelings. We often need a caring friend to be with us at this time. Call Vern Fox at 480-3496.

**\*\*Befriender Ministers:** Our next meeting is on Tuesday, April 7 at 7pm.

## SEAS 3RD ANNUAL FISH FRY

Friday, April 3, 2009 at SEAS.

The menu is broiled or battered ocean cod, baked potatoes, coleslaw, baked beans, and fresh bread. The seating times are 3:45-5:00, 5:15-6:15, and 6:30-7:30pm. A limited number of tickets will be sold for each seating, so get your tickets early! Tickets are \$9 for adults, \$8 for seniors and \$5 for children under 10. Tickets can be bought in the Parish office or after all Masses March 21/22 & 28/29.

## CAN YOU HELP?

Do you have the means to help a family who has lost a job and/or who is in financial difficulties right now? There are several families who may not be able to pay their school tuition in full. Perhaps you can sponsor a needy family at least for the remainder of this school year. Please contact Mrs. Humbert, Principal if you are able. [rhumbert@seasparish.org](mailto:rhumbert@seasparish.org) or call the school 437-3098.

## SUNDAY DONUTS

Sunday, April 5, 2009

7:30am-Dave & Maureen

Fasbender, Rosie Sieben

9:30am-Paul & Karen

Simons, Margie Grovum,

Melany Radke

