



ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

LAKE RIDGE, VA

SEAS SPOTLIGHT

SUNDAY, DEC. 10TH

Tag Tree Distribution

12:30pm – 2:00pm

SUNDAY, DEC. 17TH

**Knights of Columbus Annual
Children's Christmas Party**

2:00pm – 5:00pm

New Monthly Event:

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 20TH

7:30pm - 8:30pm

**Mother of Joy Prayer Group:
Holy Hour, Confession &
Intercessory Prayer** (See page 5)

SATURDAY, DEC. 23RD

Children's Christmas Pageant
2:00pm in Upper Seton Hall

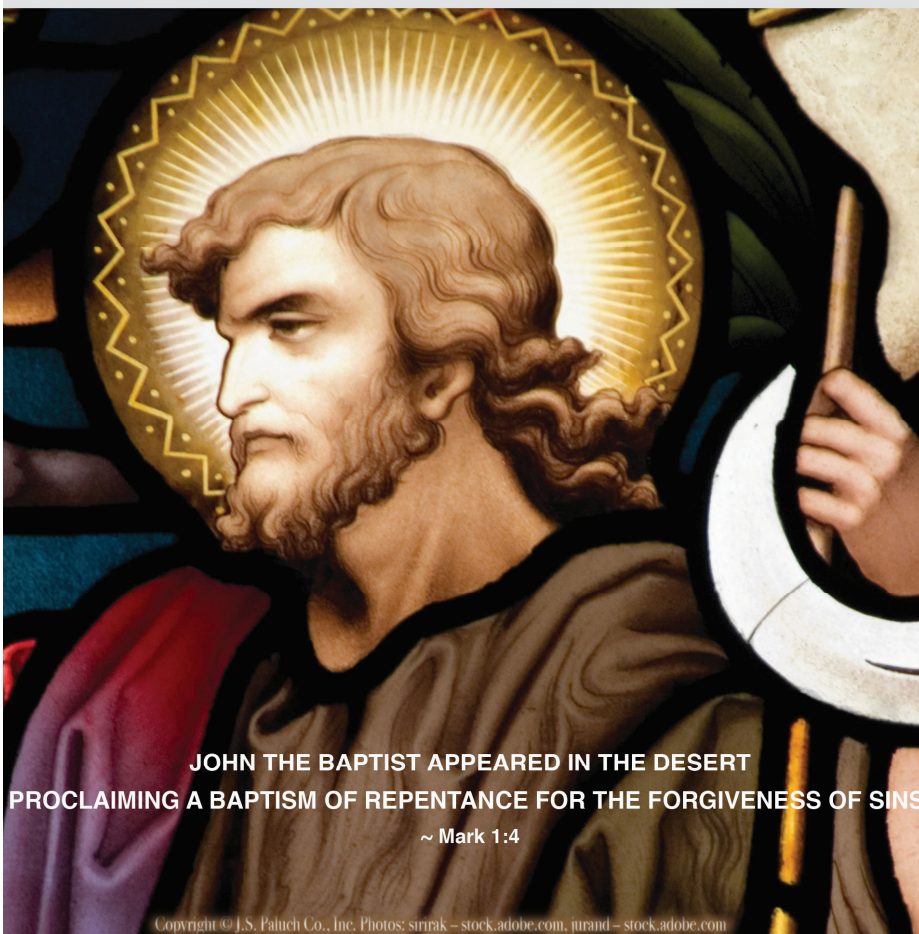
FRIDAY, DEC. 29TH

**Twilight Retreat: High School
Seniors & College Students**
(See page 6)

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ADVENT

DECEMBER 10, 2017 | SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



JOHN THE BAPTIST APPEARED IN THE DESERT
PROCLAIMING A BAPTISM OF REPENTANCE FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS

~ Mark 1:4

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MASS SCHEDULE:

Daily: Monday - Saturday: 9:00am

Saturday Vigil: 6:00pm

Sunday: 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:45am
(w/nursery service) and 12:30pm

Holy Days of Obligation: 7:30pm
Vigil; 9:00am, 6:00pm and 7:30pm

First Friday Evening Mass:
7:30pm

Mass in the Extraordinary Form:
(Third Friday): 7:30pm

CONFESSION SCHEDULE:

Monday: 7:00pm – 7:45pm

Friday: 9:30am – 10:00am

Saturday: 3:30pm – 4:30pm

Other times, by appointment

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Tuesday: 9:30am - 6:00pm

First Friday: 8pm - 8:45am (Sat.)

Holy Hour w/Intercessory Prayer:
(Third Wed.) 7:30pm - 8:30pm

Beginning January 3, 2018:

Holy Hour for Vocations:

(First Wed.) 7:30pm – 8:30pm

NEW PARISHIONERS:

Welcome to SEAS! Please complete a registration card found in the church vestibule or by stopping by the parish office. Also, please remember to notify us if you move, or of any changes to your contact information.

RETURNING CATHOLICS:

Everyone is invited to rediscover the gift of our faith and the unique role that each of us has in this family of God. *Welcome home!*

RCIA

If you are interested in becoming Catholic or learning more about the faith, please contact the parish office.

BAPTISMS:

Occur most Sunday afternoons. Please contact the parish office to set a date and to register for the required Baptism class.

PASTORAL CARE of the SICK:

Please notify us of parishioners who are hospitalized or homebound. **Holy Communion** and the **Sacraments of Penance** and **Anointing of the Sick** are arranged by the parish office. In a danger-of-death situation, call the parish emergency line, 571- 455-0402.

MATRIMONY:

Congratulations on your engagement! Registered parishioners who wish to be married here, or elsewhere, are

asked to contact one of the parish clergy at least six months in advance of their intended wedding date to begin the Pre-Cana preparation process.

HOLY ORDERS & CONSECRATED LIFE:

Seeking information about the priesthood, diaconate, or consecrated religious life? If so, please contact one of the parish clergy or the diocesan Office of Vocations, 703-841-2514.

BULLETIN NOTICES:

Must be received, in writing, by **Friday at 9:00am, two weeks** before the Sunday publication date. Please send submissions to bulletin@seas1.org.

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From Our Pastor



This past Sunday evening, as we began our Advent pilgrimage toward Christmas, we gathered at our annual "Volunteer Appreciation Party" to acknowledge and honor those in our parish who make themselves a 'gift' to our parish by their acts of service through their participation in the various ministries available here at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church. Often with little fanfare, they give of themselves as authentic witnesses of loving discipleship. All of you who give so generously of your time, talent, and treasure are a true blessing and I am so grateful to God for your willingness to say 'yes' when asked to serve. May our good Lord abundantly bless you all!

I have a few items to share with you and a simple request. As you may, or may not be aware, this past September, Bishop Burbidge established two new diocesan missions. One of them, **Saint Gabriel the Archangel Mission** is located in **Manassas Park** which is within our own deanery. Father Juan Puigbo, Parochial Vicar at All Saints Church in Manassas will have a special care for those to be served at St. Gabriel Mission, especially Spanish-speaking parishioners. At a recent deanery meeting of priests, Fr. Juan asked if any of the parishes were able to donate any liturgical items since, as a new mission, they were basically starting, "from scratch". Some parishes are donating liturgical vestments, others are giving sacred vessels to be used at Mass. As I prayed and pondered what St. Elizabeth Ann Seton might offer, it came to my attention that we had an extra **tabernacle**. Fr. Juan was thrilled at the possibility of securing one of these and felt that the more colorful one, formally located in our chapel along with its matching sanctuary lamp stand, would be ideal for their new mission. After consultation with others, including those who served on past building committees, I am so pleased that we are able to make this donation to our "neighbors to the north", especially in time for Christmas. The tabernacle that is now located in our chapel was recently refurbished, and the used (although new to us) hanging sanctuary lamp was purchased at a significantly reduced cost.

Some of you might have noticed on our parish calendar (see page 9), several room designations; as "Upper Seton Hall" and "Lower Seton Hall". We are in the process of **renaming our "Parish Hall"** (or former church) **to "Seton Hall"**. Hopefully this will alleviate some confusion with our "Fellowship Hall" which is located in the lower level of the church and which will still retain its name.

Finally, if anyone has, or knows where we can obtain a **used truck** (in fairly good condition) for little or no cost to the parish, we are in a true need of such a vehicle to be used primarily by Kelly Gordan, our parish Facilities Manager. Please contact me at the parish office if you, or someone you know, are able to assist with this. Remember, all donations to the church are tax deductible.

With the promise of my continued prayers, and gratitude for yours! Advent blessings to all,

~Fr. Bashista

Second Sunday of Advent Weekly Reflection:



In a time of preparation, much of it having to do with material things, it is good to hear the words of Isaiah, "Comfort, give comfort to my people, says your God" (Isaiah 40:1). In a time of such stress and rush, when our usual burdens are augmented by piles of Christmas preparations, we can choose to slow down, take some time to heal, and appreciate the enormous gift we are about to receive. Christ, the Son of God, has become one of us, and knows our human limitations. Yet God, even now, is freeing us from the burdens that our inattentiveness to our God and to our deepest inner longings have heaped upon us. The Lord comes, not as a king with mighty armies, but as a shepherd leading the flocks with care and tenderness. Isaiah prophesies good news: our oppression is over, our sins forgiven. The savior we have awaited is coming, not the first time, but in the end times, as our salvation.

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Mass Intentions: Second Week of Advent

Monday, December 11th

9:00 a.m. Intentions of Silver Foxes

Tuesday, December 12th

9:00 a.m. † Peter Morrison

Wednesday, December 13th

9:00 a.m. † Tom Vrtis

Thursday, December 14th

9:00 a.m. † Joyce Hord

Friday, December 15th

9:00 a.m. † Helen Hackett

Saturday, December 16th

9:00 a.m. † Richard Dudek

6:00 p.m. † Donald W. Jennings

Sunday, December 17th

7:30a.m. People of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

9:00a.m. † Mary Castellano

10:45a.m. † Roxanne Marie Capps

12:30p.m. † Rodney Smith

Sunday Collection - November 19, 2017

Collection with Faith Direct	\$ 25,015.09
2nd Collection—Camp. f/Human Dev.	\$ 2,874.50
Capital Improvement	\$ 455.00
Christmas Flowers	\$ 565.00
Poor Box	\$ 27.19

Sunday Collection - December 3, 2017

Collection with Faith Direct	\$ 25,753.79
Capital Improvement	\$ 1,932.50
Christmas Flowers	\$ 354.00
Human Concerns	\$ 225.00
Poor Box	\$ 51.66

Thank you to all who support our parish.

Pro—Life

"Even the weakest and most vulnerable, the sick, the old, the unborn and the poor, are masterpieces of God's creation, made in his own image, destined to live forever, and deserving of the utmost reverence and respect. " ~Pope Francis



Readings for the Week

Monday: *St. Damasus I (Optional Memorial)*

Is 35:1-10; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday: *Our Lady of Guadalupe (Feast)*

Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Jdt 13:18bcde, 19; Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47, or any readings from the Common of The Blessed Virgin Mary, nos. 707-712

Wednesday: *St. Lucy (Memorial)*

Is 40:25-31; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10; Mt 11:28-30

Thursday: *St. John of the Cross (Memorial)*

Is 41:13-20; Ps 145:1, 9-13ab; Mt 11:11-15

Friday: Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mt 11:16-19

Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Ps 80:2ac, 3b, 15-16, 18-19; Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Sunday: *Third Sunday of Advent (Solemnity)*

Is 61:1-2a, 10-11; Lk 1:46-50, 53-54; 1 Thes 5:16-24; Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

Remember in your Prayers

the sick of our parish family,

Brian Anderson, Barbara Bernard, Jane Pullara, Quinton Sheridan, Joe Sleeper, and Robert & Charlotte Souders

and the deceased member(s) of our parish family,

Ho Kim and Marjorie Thomas

Pray for those Serving our Country

Please pray for those serving in the military and foreign service, especially:

Mr. Anand Arockiasamy
BM3 PO, Robert M Deacy, USCG
SPC John E. Driscoll, US Army
Capt Stephen Lord, US Army
LCpl Charles Miller, US Marine
Col Aaron Overby, ANG
Major Sarah K. Overmyer, USAF
LCpl Erik Posada, US Marine
Cpl Jonah Posada, US Marine
LCpl Richard Posada, US Marine
Major Scott Rumesik, USAF
Frank Zare, USN



Stewardship

"Prepare the way of the Lord..." - MARK 1:3

We are all called to live a holy life. We are all called to invite others to live holy lives. Living a stewardship lifestyle, being grateful and generous with our gifts, does just that – it puts us on the path to holiness and it invites others to be holy, too.

Parish News



The first end I propose in our daily work is to do the will of God; secondly, to do it in the manner he wills it; and thirdly to do it because it is his will.

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
(1774-1821)
feastday: January 4

SEAS Feast Day Dinner—Save The Date!

The Knights of Columbus will sponsor their 2nd Feast Day Dinner honoring St. Elizabeth Ann Seton on Saturday, **January 6, 2018** at **7:15pm** following Mass in the Parish Hall.

Menu: "All-American Cuisine" (Garden Salad; Grilled Flank Steak with Wild Mushroom Demi-glace Sauce; "Twice-baked" Potato; Seasoned Green Beans; Macaroni and Cheese Americana; and Apple Pie a la Mode.

The cost will be \$12 for 15 years old and older and \$7 for 14 years old and younger. Ticket sales will be after all Masses on **December 16/17** and **December 30/31**. Don't miss out on this special evening of fine food and fellowship.

Help Network

Our parish has established a "help network" that will better enable us to help fellow parishioners in need, and allow each of us to perform corporal and spiritual works of mercy. The hope is that when parishioners with genuine needs are identified, an email will go out to this network and whomever is available to help will be given an opportunity to do so. We ask no time commitment, and this isn't about monetary donations. An elderly person may need a ride to Mass or a parishioner in the hospital may need a meal cooked for their family. Whenever a need like this arises, an email will be sent out containing relevant details to see if anyone in the network can offer assistance. If you are interested in providing your email for this "help network," or if you are a parishioner in need of assistance, please email Deacon Rob, deacon.rob@seas1.org or contact the parish office at 703-494-4008. God bless you!

New Monthly Event: Mother of Joy Prayer Group:

Holy Hour, Confession & Intercessory Prayer

"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest". ~ Matthew 11:28

Bring your prayers to the Lord and unite them with others who are available to personally pray with and for you. Beginning on **December 20th** from **7:30pm-8:30pm**, and continuing the 3rd **Wednesday of every month**, a prayer team will be available in the back of the chapel for anyone seeking these confidential, intercessory prayers. Priests will also be hearing confessions throughout the Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration. All are welcome!



Tag Tree Reminder

All Tag Tree presents need to be delivered to the church **no later than 9:00am this Sunday**. We need to collect, sort, and inventory all presents at this time to ensure that we can deliver them to the receiving families. If you cannot deliver your present today, please go to the Seton Hall after Mass and talk to a Tag Tree volunteer. They can make arrangements for you to deliver directly to the sponsoring family. Thanks for your generosity!

Knights of Columbus Annual Children's Christmas Party



Sunday, December 17th from 2pm to 5pm in the Parish Hall
Children of all ages are invited with parents,
family members, neighbors and friends.

Food, games and a visit from Santa too!!!



K – 5th Religious Education



Saturday, December 16: Christmas Pageant Practice for those children who have signed up. Practice will be from **12:00pm-1:00pm** in Upper Seton Hall. The Christmas Pageant will be on **Saturday, December 23rd**, at **2:00pm** NOT on Christmas Eve.

Christmas Break for K-5th grade classes will be **December 21st – January 2nd, 2018**. Classes resume on **Tuesday/ Wednesday, January 2/3, 2018**.

**** The Religious Education Offices will be CLOSED for the Christmas break from December 23rd – January 1st. We will reopen on Tuesday, January 2nd.**

The Religious Education staff would like to wish all parishioners a Happy and Holy Christmas Season!



Saturday, January 6th: Saints Workshop for all RCIC/HS RCIC students and their sponsors; **10:00am-12:00pm** in Trinity 2 & 3 (in church building).

Sunday, January 7th: Sunday AM Scripture Group; **10:30am-12:00pm** in Trinity 3.

Sunday, January 14th: K-5th Grade Catechist Prayer & Planning; **10:00am-12:00pm**; St. Peter & Paul.

Middle School RE & Confirmation Preparation

Confirmation Prep Class #2

Class will be on **Sunday, December 10th from 3:30pm-5pm** in the Fellowship Hall. Students who attend RE on Sunday evenings are expected to attend class after the meeting. Please be advised that the Confirmation registration form, baptismal certificates, the Confirmation fee, the sponsor name, and the robe measurements are all due.



The Middle School RE classes will **not** meet on **Sunday, December 24th & Monday, December 25th** or **Sunday, December 31st & Monday, January 1st**. Classes will resume on **Sunday, January 7th and Monday, January 8th**.

TAG TREE SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

All 6th, 7th and 8th graders, your help is needed before all Masses on **December 9/10** to bring gifts from the church to Seton Hall. **On December 10th, we need help sorting gifts from 8:30am-4pm.** Please email Megan Fiandt at seastagtree@hotmail.com for more information or to sign up. This is a great way to earn your confirmation service hours.



Youth Ministry (6th-12th) & High School Religious Education

Twilight Retreat – Save the Date!

Attention HS seniors and college-aged parishioners – This year's retreat will be on **Friday, December 29th at Holy Family** (14160 Ferndale Rd in Woodbridge). Rides to and from Holy Family will be provided for HS seniors. We will meet at SEAS at **4:30pm**. All others may meet up at Holy Family at **5:00pm**. For more information, please contact Kathy Lord (kathy.lord@seas1.org).

High School Bible Study

Don't forget to come out for Bible Study each **Monday** from **6pm-7:30pm** in Fellowship Hall and join your peers in praying with scripture and applying it to your everyday life.

SUNDAY NIGHT LIVE

The next Sunday Night Live (SNL) ! meeting will be **Sunday, December 10 at 7:30pm** in Lower Seton Hall. Please use the kitchen door to enter.

The SEAS SNL! Christmas Party will be held on **Sunday, December 17 from 7:30pm-10pm** in Lower Seton Hall. A special dinner will be provided. Please bring a dozen cookies to share and swap in a Christmas cookie exchange. In addition, please bring a fun, white elephant wrapped Christmas gift (value limited to \$10.00) for a white elephant game! We will also pose for the annual Christmas group picture so dress accordingly. All welcome! We may even have a surprise guest...

Advent Faith Foundation Series

with

Fr. Perez & Monica Pedagno

Thursdays – 7:30pm

December 14: Mary: Her many titles

December 21: O Antiphons



Evangelization

Ethical Consumerism and our Catholic Faith

As you continue your Christmas shopping, ask yourself, does it matter what “things” we buy? Can our consumerism be directed for the betterment of others? Pope Francis called us to honor God with our purchases, highlighting the fact that people are at the heart of every product we buy. He invites us to be socially responsible consumers, stating that “every person ought to have the awareness that purchasing is always a moral – and not simply an economic act.” What we purchase, and who we purchase from, is important and linked to our faith. Our patterns of consumption can inhibit people from living a dignified life.

The sad reality is the exploitation of others may be

involved in the production of everyday products such as coffee, tea, chocolate, jewelry, clothing, etc. Trafficking, poor working conditions, unfair wages, child labor, and production methods that harm the environment, are common business practices. We as American consumers



Do the most good, every day.

Fair Trade helps make the right choices the easiest ones. Look for the Fair Trade Certified™ seal when you shop.

have the capacity to stop this injustice. One way is by supporting ethical trade! Start with buying fair trade coffee (available in K cups), tea and chocolate every time you go shopping. It is available in just about every supermarket (<https://www.fairtradecertified.org/shopping-guide/where-to-find-fair-trade>). Help make people’s lives better, buy Fair Trade products.

Human Concerns



This is the **last weekend** to drop off any items you wish to be included in the shoeboxes for West Virginia. You may place your donations in the marked

brown bin outside the Parish office. Many thanks for your generosity in helping out the poor in our neighboring state.

Beginning **December 11th**, the brown bin will be used to collect food for The St. Lucy Project. In conjunction with the K-5th RE classes, items will be accepted for the food pantries of Catholic Charities through **January 3rd, 2018**. A list of the needed items is available in the pocket folder attached to the brown bin.



Still looking to help out a needy child this Christmas? Our local St. Vincent de Paul Society (located near Our Lady of Angels Catholic Church) is having a toy drive for kids ages 2-14. Suggested toys include footballs, basketballs, remote control cars, baby dolls, Legos, and grooming kits for young men and women. You can drop off your items at 13744 Mary’s Way, Woodbridge, 22191 **by this Friday, December 15th**. Any questions? Call 571.377.8371 or email olasvdp@olasvdp.org.

Sacred Music

To risk turning from our worldly ways, as St. John the Baptist calls us to do in today's Gospel, requires a joyful confidence, a truly effective hope in the peace that comes with the arrival of our Savior in our hearts. We offer you two texts from this week's music which proclaim this confidence in a powerful way:

1. The offertory antiphon, from Psalm 85: *You will turn toward us, O God, and restore our life again, and your people will rejoice in you. Show us, Lord, your mercy and grant us your salvation.* Go to <https://rebrand.ly/dtc> for a beautiful musical setting of this piece by the composer Palestrina.
2. The last verse of the entrance hymn, "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling": *Finish, then, Thy new creation; / Pure and spotless let us be. / Let us see Thy great salvation / Perfectly restored in Thee; / Changed from glory into glory, / Till in heaven we take our place, / Till we cast our crowns before Thee, / Lost in wonder, love, and praise.* Go to <https://rebrand.ly/lovediv> for a video of this text sung to a different tune than you heard it today.



Advent & Christmas

DAILY MASS

MONDAY - SATURDAY: 9:00am

CONFESSIONS

Mondays: 7:00pm - 8:00pm

Wednesdays: 6:30pm - 8:00pm

Fridays: 9:30am - 10:30am

Saturdays: 3:30pm - 5:00pm

CHILDREN'S NATIVITY PLAY

Saturday, December 23rd at 2:00pm

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Saturday, Dec. 23rd - Vigil Mass at 6:00pm

Sunday, December 24th

Masses at 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:45am & 12:30pm

CHRISTMAS EVE

Sunday, December 24th

Masses at 4:30pm, 7:30pm & Midnight (12/25)

Choral Prelude at 11:30pm

CHRISTMAS DAY

Monday, December 25th

Masses at 9:00am & 10:45am & 12:30pm

No Monday Confessions at 7:00pm

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE MOTHER OF GOD

Monday, January 1st - Mass at 9:00am

No Monday Confessions at 7:00pm

PASTORAL NOTE: *This year at Christmas, the faithful have two Mass obligations (the Fourth Sunday of Advent – December 23/24, and Christmas – December 24/25) which will need to be fulfilled by their participation in two Masses. In short, attending Mass at 4:30pm or 7:30pm on Sunday, December 24 fulfills either the Sunday obligation or the Christmas obligation, but not both. Attending Midnight Mass on Christmas Eve fulfills the Christmas obligation only.*

The Parish Office will be **CLOSED** on
Saturday, December 23rd until Monday, January 1st.
 We will reopen on **Tuesday, January 2nd at 9:00 am.**
 On behalf of the entire staff, we wish you a very
 Merry Christmas and a Holy and Blessed New Year!

This Week in Our Parish

Sunday, December 10th – Second Sunday of Advent

9:30am – 10:30am	Treble/Advanced Choir Rehearsal	Trinity 1 Room
10:00am – 11:00am	High School Youth Ministry Meeting	Conference Room A
5:00pm – 6:30pm	Middle School Religious Education	Fellowship Hall
6:00pm – 7:30pm	High School Religious Education	St. Paul Room
7:30pm – 9:00pm	High School Youth Group	Upper and Lower Seton Hall

Monday, December 11th – St. Damasus I (Optional Memorial)

10:00am – 12:00pm	Mom's Group	Nursery
6:00pm – 7:00pm	High School Boys' Bible Study	Little Flower Room
6:00pm – 7:30pm	High School Girls' Bible Study	St. Paul Room
6:00pm – 7:30pm	Middle School Religious Education	Fellowship Hall
7:00pm – 7:45pm	Confessions	Chapel
7:00pm – 9:00pm	Boy Scouts	Upper Seton Hall

Tuesday, December 12th – Our Lady of Guadalupe (Feast)

9:30am – 6:00pm	Eucharistic Adoration	Chapel
4:00pm – 7:15pm	K-5th Religious Education	Fellowship Hall
6:30pm – 8:00pm	RCIC	Lower Seton Hall
7:30pm – 9:00pm	RCIA	Trinity 1 Room

Wednesday, December 13th – St. Lucy (Memorial)

9:30am – 11:00am	Divine Mercy Cenacle	Conference Room B
9:45am – 11:15am	Wednesday AM Scripture	St. Peter Room
4:00pm – 7:15pm	K-5th RE	Fellowship Hall
5:45pm – 7:15pm	Legion of Mary	Conference Room A
6:30pm – 8:00pm	Confessions	Chapel
6:30pm – 9:30pm	Mother of Joy Charismatic Prayer Group	Lower Seton Hall

Thursday, December 14th – St. John the Cross (Memorial)

9:30am – 10:30am	Divine Mercy Holy Hour	Chapel
10:30am – 12:00pm	Legion of Mary	Conference Room B
6:30pm – 7:30pm	Schola Choir Rehearsal	Music Room
6:30pm – 8:00pm	Silver Foxes Board Meeting	Little Flower Room
7:30pm – 8:30pm	Faith Foundation Series	Sts. Peter & Paul Room
7:30pm – 9:00pm	Parish Choir Rehearsal	Music Room

Friday, December 15th

9:30am – 10:00am	Confessions	Chapel
9:30am – 11:30am	Friday AM Faith Sharing	Trinity 2 & 3 Rooms/Nursery
10:15am – 12:00pm	Legion of Mary	St. Paul Room
7:30pm – 8:00pm	Mass (Extraordinary Form)	Church
7:00pm – 10:00pm	High School Youth Group Scavenger Hunt	(Off-Site)

Saturday, December 16th

9:30am – 11:00am	Silver Foxes	Fellowship Hall
12:00pm – 1:00pm	Christmas Pageant Practice	Upper Seton Hall
3:30pm – 4:30pm	Confessions	Chapel

Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton and other
Parish Youth Ministries present...



Twilight Retreat

for COLLEGE STUDENTS
& HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS!

Friday, December 29th
5:00pm - Midnight



\$15 (includes transportation, Dinner, Retreat Activities, and a trip to Prince William Ice for late night Broomball) **RSVP:** By Email to kathy.lord@seas1.org or by text (703)231-3250.



Advent Service Project

Once again, the Middle School RE program is donating gift bags to the Woodbridge Senior Center Meals on Wheels Program. All Aquinas, family catechesis, private school students and parishioners are encouraged to contribute to this effort to bring cheer to the infirm and lonely in our county. All items for the gift bags must be brought to the Religious Education office by Monday, December 18th. Please place the items in the marked baskets in the Fellowship Hall.

Here are some gift ideas: personal care items, stamps, all occasion cards, sugar-free treats, holiday novelties, large print books or magazines, to name just a few. Please call the Middle School RE office at 703-494-3966 if you would like additional suggestions on what to bring.

Diocesan and Community News

From the Office of Vocations

"He will feed his flock like a shepherd." Allow our Lord to enrich your life through service to Him. Call Father J.D. Jaffe at (703) 841-2514, or write: j.jaffe@arlingtondiocese.org.



Christ House in Need of Volunteers

Volunteers are needed for 2-4 hours a week at Christ House in Alexandria for the Thrift Store, Food Pantry, and Emergency Assistance Front Desk! If you are interested in volunteering or have questions about the positions below, please contact Sr. Annie at 703-548-4227 ext. 101.

Thrift Store - Receive and sort donations, then mark and display the sorted items. Provide support to all shoppers and clients.

Food Pantry - Receive, unload, and weigh incoming food donations. Organize and stock shelves in the food pantry. Prepare food bags and assist in the food distribution.

Emergency Assistance Front Desk - Manage phone calls from those seeking financial assistance.

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