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Roman Catholic Church
Lake Ridge, VA

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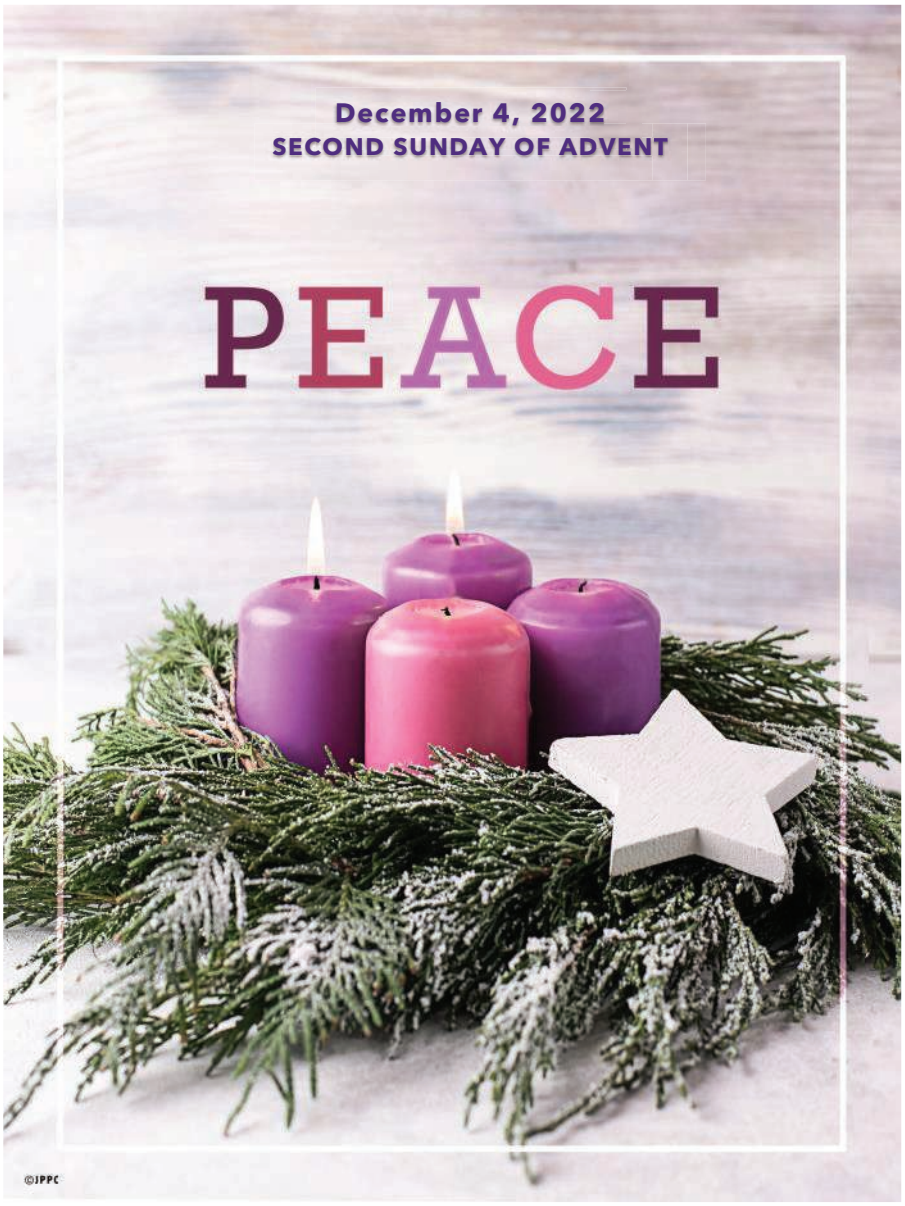

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MASS SCHEDULE:
Daily: Monday - Saturday: 9:00am (Rosary at 8:25am)
Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm
Sunday: 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:45am, 12:30pm
First Friday Evening Mass: 7:00pm
(7:30pm during Lent)

MOTHER SETON FOOD PANTRY
Thursday 12:30pm - 2:30pm

CONFESSION SCHEDULE:
Monday: 7:00pm – 7:45pm
Friday: 9:30am – 10:00am
Saturday: 3:30pm – 4:30pm

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:
Tues/Thurs All Day Adoration:
9:30am - 8:30pm
Tuesdays Children's Adoration
4:00pm - 5:00pm
First Friday All Night Adoration:
7:30pm - 8:30am (Sat.)

NEW PARISHIONERS:

Welcome to Seton Lake Ridge! Please complete a registration card found in the church narthex or by stopping by the parish office. 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 workshop.

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 wishing 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.

FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

You can find Parish Funeral Information on our website: www.setonlakeridge.org/liturgy/funerals/upcoming funerals. Also on myParishApp, under the "In Memoriam" button.

BLESSINGS:

First Saturday of the month: After the 9:00am Mass, a priest will bless Sacramentals near the Baptismal Font.
Third Saturday of the month: After the 9:00am Mass, a priest will bless your vehicles. Please park near Seton Hall for this blessing.
Note: Previously blessed items are not to be blessed again.

BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS:

Must be received, by email, **Monday, two weeks** before the Sunday publication date. Send to: ***bulletin@setonlakeridge.org***.
Note: Due to space limitations, submissions may not be guaranteed a place

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FROM OUR PAROCHIAL VICAR

The great Abbott Blessed Columba Marmion once made a very profound observation. He said that the whole old testament is one long Advent Season. The Jewish people throughout their long history awaited with desperate longing the arrival of the Messiah who was to bring them salvation. In fact, I really have to admire the Jews because at the center of their spirituality is something that I need to work on: "patient waiting." I have a sneaking suspicion that most of us don't particularly associate the words 'patient' and 'waiting.' And in fact, this is one of the very reasons why the Church celebrates the liturgical season of Advent.

In this season we are given the opportunity to re-live that same patient sense of waiting which should result in our desperate sense of longing for God. But do we have such a longing at all? Are we in touch with our desperate need for salvation? So often I hear people say to me things like this: "I've been praying so long and God hasn't acted? Does He hear me?" Why all this waiting? In a word: "when will be that powerful act of salvation and deliverance?"

Saint Thomas Aquinas answers this question on the necessity of waiting quite beautifully. He writes: "It was necessary that men, who had sinned through pride should be obliged, through an experience which was prolonged by their weakness and the extent of their misery, to recognize the absolute need they had of a redeemer, and yearn for His coming *with every fiber of their nature.*" (Saint Thomas, III, Q. 1, a. 5). Let me translate that for you: "Its not so much that God makes us wait, but He waits for us to come around; to get through our hard heads the fact that we desperately need Him!" So, the question is there this Advent and really every day of our lives: "are we aware of our need for a redeemer?"

Oh, the temptation is always there to wait for salvation by natural means: politics, self-improvement programs, pop - psychology. You name it! But we will be delivered only by Jesus. Perhaps we will only learn - as the Jews did - just how good the good news is when we see just how bad the bad news is. But if we are wise, we will begin right now, in the words of St Thomas: "to yearn for His coming with every fiber of our nature."

WEEKLY REFLECTION

No Substitute

Jesus says "Abide in my love" (Jn 15:9). He wants to show you his love, not only every now and then, but he wants you to abide in his love forever.

You can abide in Jesus, as he abides in the Father. As he has his home in the Father, so you can have your home in God's love. After all, it is from his love that you have come forth.

Every human being longs to return to his o her origin. Jesus did too: "I came from the Father and have come into the world; again, I am leaving the world and am going to the Father" (Jn 16:28).

The field of psychoanalysis says that the human being longs to return to the womb, to the safety enjoyed there. Since it is not possible to return there, we seek a substitute. The search for this substitute is thought to explain the rise of religion. We try to create a god in whom we can be children once again.

A Christian knows that the truth is the exact opposite. We, who have gone out from God, want to go back to him. God is our deepest existential longing. The security to be found only in God.

The mother, who carries and gives birth to her child represents God, he who is the original life-giver of all that exists. The true security is found only in him, a security that lasts forever

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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 5th
9:00 a.m. ✝ Chyo Matsumoto

Tuesday, December 6th
9:00 a.m. ✝ Ray Labier

Wednesday, December 7th
9:00 a.m. ✝ Joseph Zuraski
7:00 p.m. Raymond Fiedler

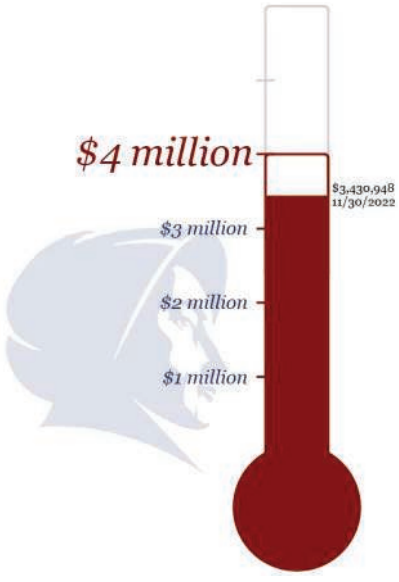
Thursday, December 8th
6:30 a.m. For the people of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
9:00 a.m. ✝ Teresa Amendola
6:00 p.m. ✝ James McGarry
7:30 p.m. Bernadette Jacob

Friday, December 9th
9:00 a.m. ✝ Luis Santos

Saturday, December 10th
9:00 a.m. Anthony Zimmerman Family
5:00 p.m. ✝ Members of the Jeannot Family

Sunday, December 11th
7:30 a.m. ✝ Buddy Blake
9:00 a.m. ✝ John Short
10:45 a.m. ✝ Elaine Wiley
12:30 p.m. For the people of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN



With goals to renew and refresh our Parish, help us reach our Capital Campaign goal by donating an engraved brick! This is a great way to remember family members or events (birthdays, weddings, sacraments, etc.). Each brick donation of $250 helps us one step closer to our goal!

Payment may be made by cash, check, Faith Direct, or by credit card. Please contact Mary Gildersleeve at m.gildersleeve@setonlakeridge.org or see our website for further information!

READINGS OF THE WEEK

Monday: Is 35:1-10; Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday: **St. Nicholas (Optional Memorial)**
Is 40:1-11; Ps 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac, 11-12, 13; Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday: **St. Ambrose (Memorial)**
Is 40:25-31; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10; Mt 11:28-30

Thursday: **The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Feast)**
Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3bc-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38

Friday: **St. Juan Diego (Optional Memorial)**
Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4, 6; Mt 11:16-19

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

Sunday: **Third Sunday of Advent**
Is 35:1-6a, 10; Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10; Jas 5:7-10; Mt 11:2-11

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

The sick of our parish family: Rose Marie Scheller, Gaynne Zimmerman, Albert Leyson, Gerardo Duran, Kevin McDowell, Mitzi Roman, Ray Itumenik, Pat DiGioia, Marie Pelletier

The deceased of our parish family: John Short III, Brendan Castronuovo, Ann Garavito, Luzviminda Bartolome

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWLY BAPTIZED

Sade Marie Campos,
Damian Anthony Jayamaha
Margaret Grace Paras

COLLECTIONS FOR NOVEMBER 2022

Collection *(Average Weekly)*	$	26,403.13
Capital Improvements *(Average Weekly)*	$	1,246.00
Poor Box	$	664.00
Votives	$	1,679.80
Flowers	$	2,852.00
Special Collections:		
Archdiocese of the Military (every 3 years):	$	4,633.79
Retirement for Religious:	$	6,680.00
Campaign for Human Development	$	2,676.00

Thank you to all those who support our parish!

PARISH EVENTS

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION *A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION*

December 8

Vigil Mass: Wednesday, December 7 | 7:00pm
Mass: Thursday, December 8 | 6:30am, 9:00am, 6:00pm, and 7:30pm

"In the Constitution Ineffabilis Deus of 8 December, 1854, Pius IX pronounced and defined that the Blessed Virgin Mary "in the first instance of her conception, by a singular privilege and grace granted by God, in view of the merits of Jesus Christ , the Saviour of the human race , was preserved exempt from all stain of original sin." (*Catholic.org)*

CHILDREN'S NATIVITY PLAY

December 11 and 13 | Upper Seton Hall

Join us as we retell the story of the birth of our Lord and sing some Christmas carols for our Nativity Play which will feature the children of our parish! This event is open to anyone who would like to get in the Christmas spirit.

Play Times:
Sunday, December 11 | 4:30pm—5:30pm
Tuesday, December 13 | 5:30pm—6:30pm

SILVER FOXES: RIVERSIDE DINNER THEATER OUTING

Dec. 11 | 11:30am—6:00pm | Fredericksburg

The Silver Foxes will be having an outing to Riverside Dinner Theater for "Christmas Spectacular"!

Cost: $85/person (includes dinner, transportation, taxes, and gratuity)
Contact: Call Rita for more info at 703-244-4943

A BETTER KIND OF POLITICS SESSION 3: "AVOIDING EVIL, DOING GOOD"

December 11 | 2PM | Trinity 1

VIRGINIA CATHOLIC CONFERENCE

Are you interested in finding out how best to use the virtue of Prudence when making moral choices, including those dealing with politics? Join us for Session 3 of "A Better Kind of Politics" entitled "Avoiding Evil, Doing Good." to learn more about how Bills are passed, discuss Scripture and Faithful Citizenship and receive a tip sheet on meeting face-to-face with legislators!

WINTER EMBER DAYS

GRIEF AND LOSS TALK

Dec. 14 | 7:00pm | Fellowship Hall

Often consumed with remembering holidays and people from the past, all the overflowing cheer can be a bit overwhelming for the reluctant reveler during the holidays. As part of our Winter Ember Days please join Jason Sparks of Life Christian Counseling for his talk on Grief and Loss. In his talk, he will share and teach about the impacts of grief on the mind, body, and spirit; five stages of grief; what to say (& NOT to say) to those who have experienced loss; different types of losses and more. To read more about this event, please scan the QR code!

To read more about each of our Winter Ember Days events, please SCAN the QR code!

SIMBANG GABI & RECEPTION

Dec. 16 | 6:00pm | MC/Upper Seton Hall

Simbang Gabi is a devotional, nine-day series of Masses attended by Filipino Catholics in anticipation of Christmas. In keeping with our beloved traditions from the years past, we ask for your support by bringing a Filipino dish to share at the reception or to please make a monetary donation which will be used to order other Filipino dishes and desserts! Please scan the QR code for more details and how to sign up!

BLESSING BAG ASSEMBLY

Dec. 17 | 9:00pm | Upper Seton Hall

From November 12 through December 12, parishioners have been donating personal care products and household cleaning supplies in anticipation of our Winter Ember Day of Service! We invite you to join us as we assemble Blessing Bags containing these donations, for struggling individuals and families being served by Catholic Charities Mobile Response Center (Mercy Van) and Migration and Refugee Services Program. Scan the QR code for more details!

K. OF C. CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

December 19 | 2pm | Seton Hall | Contact: Kevin Tamai (tamaikevin@gmail.com) or 703-622-6861

The Knights of Columbus Council 8183 is hosting a children's Christmas Party on Sunday December 19th in Seton Hall, and it will begin at 2pm. Crafts will be available. Light refreshment will be served. Santa will arrive to give a small present to registered children. Please RSVP with children's ages and total attendees so we have a count!

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION (K-8)

Sheri Suess, Director | s.suess@setonlakeridge.org | ext 130

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEXT WEEK is our **Children's Nativity Play** during our Family Faith Formation classes. This is a regular class for our weekly program and will begin with prayers in the Main Church. Seating will begin on Sunday, December 11th at 4:30pm and Tuesday, December 13th at 5:30pm in Upper Seton Hall. All parishioners are welcome to attend!

FAMILY CHALLENGE

Help your child prepare for the sacrament of Reconciliation.
There are a lot of wonderful versions of an Examination of Conscience for Children. We will be offering the sacrament for the children in our program during our Family Faith Formation classes this week. All other parishioners are welcome to go during our scheduled times on Monday evening, Friday morning, or Saturday afternoon.

THIS WEEK'S CLUE...

A white cloth that covers the altar during the celebration of the Mass. Mass must be celebrated with natural candles which signify the presence of Christ, our light.

FIRST PENANCE:

First Penance will be on Saturday, January 7th at 10:30am.

MANDATORY CONFIRMATION MEETING

Jan. 8 | 3:00pm

Our next mandatory meeting will be Sunday, January 8th at 3pm in Upper Seton Hall. Paperwork that is past due: Registration form, Sponsor name. Please turn those into our office as soon as possible. Thank you!

CONFIRMATION SERVICE HOURS

Assist the children during the Nativity Play and help with clean up at the end of program. The time involved will be 4:00-6:00pm on Sunday, December 11th or 5:00-7:00pm on Tuesday, December 13th. Contact s.suess@setonlakeridge.org to volunteer.

DECEMBER SERVICE PROJECT: *ST. LUCY REVERSE ADVENT BAGS*

Instead of taking something OUT of an Advent Calendar, consider putting food IN to a St. Lucy Project bag for the needy. Pick up a blue bag in the Narthex or downstairs on the Family Faith Formation table to add the food listed on the outside of the bag. Thank you for your generosity!

OUR PARISH SCHOOL

OPPORTUNITY: AQUINAS FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Aquinas Finance Committee is seeking a new member. Qualifying individuals should have a background in finance (CFO, accountant, contract) and should not have a child currently enrolled at Aquinas. With expertise in the financial field and one independent small business owner, our current members include representatives from each of our 3 parishes: Sacred Heart, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, and Our Lady of Angels whom meets monthly. If you think God may be calling you to give back in this way, please send a cover letter and resume to the chair of the Aquinas Finance Committee, Mrs. Kathy Kirby, at katherinavp@hotmail.com.

LITURGICAL LIVING

December

Advent

DEVOTION: ADVENT

VIRTUE: PATIENCE

CELEBRATING THE SAINTS

December 7

St. Ambrose

Patron Saint of:
beekeepers, beggars, learners, and Milan

LITURGICAL LIVING

The first candle, which is purple, symbolizes hope. It is sometimes called the "Prophecy Candle" in remembrance of the prophets, especially Isaiah, who foretold the birth of Christ. It represents the expectation felt in anticipation of the coming Messiah.

The second candle, also purple, represents peace. It is called the "Bethlehem Candle" as a reminder of Mary and Joseph's journey to Bethlehem.

Read More Here!
https://tinyurl.com/bt5zhdm2

EVANGELIZATION & ADULT FORMATION

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ADULT FORMATION

Here at our parish, we offer multiple Adult Formation groups that meet on Wednesdays, Fridays, or Sundays! Some groups meet in the mornings and others meet in the evenings.

Scan the QR code to find a group that caters to your schedule!

SETON SENTINELS UPCOMING EVENTS!

To Sign Up/RSVP for Seton Sentinel Events, please visit their page on our website under Groups; Women; Seton Sentinels

SETON SENTINELS DECEMBER MEETING

December 5 | 7:00pm—8:30pm | Fellowship Hall

All women are invited to join us for our December gathering! Each meeting we begin with a fun icebreaker, followed by a prayer, something educational, and an activity.

Topic: Sacred Art "The Annunciation"
Activity: Make *Pomander Balls* (oranges with cloves)

MUSIC MINISTRY

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ALMA REDEMPTORIS MATER *RECESSIONAL HYMN*

During the weeks of Advent, the traditional recessional hymn **Alma Redemptoris Mater** will be sung at all musical Masses except at the 9:00am Mass.

This hymn dates back a thousand years to Blessed Hermanus Contractus (1013-1054) and is even mentioned in Chaucer's *Canterbury Tales.* The English translation, by St. John Henry Newman is a beautiful Advent and Christmastide prayer to pray with the whole family!

Loving Mother of the Redeemer,
who remains the accessible Gateway of Heaven,
and Star of the Sea,
Give aid to a falling people
that strives to rise;
O Thou who begot thy holy Creator,
while all nature marvelled,
Virgin before and after
receiving that "Ave" from the mouth of Gabriel,
have mercy on sinners

Listen on Youtube and sing along at Mass (or with the family at home!!!)

SCAN ME

YOUTH MINISTRY

Kara Lilly, YM Coordinator | k.lilly@setonlakeridge.org | ext

YOUTH MINISTRY FAMILY REGISTRATION

Families with middle and high school teens that plan to participate regularly in youth ministry activities from September 2022-August 2023 **MUST** register online via the youth ministry page of the parish website or the Scan the QR code here.

YM MONTHLY GATHERING

TONIGHT (Dec. 4) | 5:30pm – 7:30pm | Youth Center

Attention all 6th-12th grade teens & *pre-approved* volunteer youth ministers! On December 4th we will be having our Monthly Youth Ministry Gathering.

Held in Lower Seton Hall (Youth Center), we will begin with dinner and socializing. You will also have the opportunity to meet new friends, get to know your adult youth ministers, play games and hear a brief talk on the month's theme. Upcoming youth ministry activities will also be announced during this time!

HUMAN CONCERNS

Betty Maher, Director | b.maher@setonlakeridge.org | ext. 145

STAMPS FOR THE WOUNDED–*WE NEED YOUR POSTAGE STAMPS!*

Seton Lake Ridge continuously collects **used stamps** for the "Stamps for the Wounded" organization. At the request of Armed Services Hospitals, donated postage stamps are provided to wounded and ill servicemen and servicewomen to help them with boredom, loneliness, frustration, futility, and despair. Stamps can give bedridden patients, long-term treatment patients, and convalescent patients a consuming interest. All undamaged US First Class as well as FOREIGN stamps are accepted!
Please keep at least ¼ inch envelope space around the stamp and place your stamp donations in the marked bin, under the information stand located left of the parish office reception area.

We THANK YOU for allowing your "trash" to benefit others!

BLESSING BAG COLLECTION FOR WINTER EMBER DAY OF SERVICE PROJECT

DONATE: November 12 - December 12 | **VOLUNTEER**: December 17

Till December 12th, our parish will be collecting urgently needed **personal hygiene** and **household cleaning products!** All donated items will be used to help families in need by creating ***Blessing Bags*** for our Winter Ember Day of Service Project. Volunteer on December 17th at 9:00am in Upper Seton Hall to help us sort through the items and assemble the bags! ***Please note, bolded items are what we are still greatly in need of!***

□ **Regular size Shampoo (13-15 oz preferred; adult and child)**
□ Regular size Conditioner

□ **Full size deodorant (male and female)**
□ Bars of individually boxed/wrapped soap (all varieties, sensitive skin types helpful)
□ Toothbrushes (Child and Adult – individually packaged)
□ Toothpaste (Child and Adult – regular size)

□ **Disposable razors (men's and women's)**
□ **Feminine products (all varieties, but pads preferred to tampons)**
□ Tube/bottle of lotion
□ Small travel size packs of tissues
□ Sponges (regular, scrubbing type, and microfiber rags)
□ Dish soap (no jumbo sizes, please)

□ Liquid Hand Soap
□ **13-gallon kitchen trash bags (any count/type)**
□ **Scouring Pads (i.e.: Brillo, SOS, etc.)**
□ Spray cleaners (general or bathroom)
□ 1 gallon plastic reclosable storage bags (zipper type closure preferred)
□ Dryer sheets (any size pack)

SETON LAKE RIDGE 2022 CHRISTMAS GIVING TAG TREE PROGRAM

November 19—December 4 | Narthex | ww.ccda.net/need-help/housing.

Last weekend to participate!
This year your generosity will provide gifts for the residents of two Diocesan transitional housing programs:
St. Margaret of Cortona (Woodbridge)
Christ House (Alexandria).

Due to a dramatic increase in the number of homeless individuals that Christ House supports, we will be purchasing additional items to protect these folks from the cold weather.

To Participate:

1)Take a tag from one of the trees and purchase the item that is indicated on the tag.
2) Gift wrap the item & securely attach the tag, with the information sheet still on it, to the package. Tags are needed to ensure that the correct person receives the gift.
3) Return the gift to Church and place it under one of the Christmas trees in the Narthex **no later than Sunday, December 4th.**

(If you take a tag and find you are unable to purchase the gift, please return the tag to the Parish Office no later than Thursday, Dec. 1st.)

DIOCESAN & COMMUNITY EVENTS

DAY OF RECOLLECTION FOR MEN DISCERNERS
WITH DIOCESAN SEMINARIANS AND RELIGIOUS

Saturday, December 17 | vocations@arlingtondiocese.org

Where is God leading you this Advent? Held at The Dominican House of Studies in Washington DC, take some time out for God as we prepare for His coming! This day of recollection is for men between the ages of 18 and 35. It is also an excellent way to prepare for Christ's birth, deepen your prayer life, and learn about seminary and religious life.

Arlington seminarians and priests, along with the priests and brothers at the Dominican House of Studies, will be sharing their experiences and answer your questions.

The day will include:
* Mass and vespers
* Talks
* Lunch
* and Meditations

Registration:
No Charge
Register via email by December 9 (email found above)

DAY OF REFLECTION FOR WOMEN DISCERNERS
WITH THE DAUGTHERS OF ST. PAUL

December 18 | 9:45am
www.arlingtondiocese.org/day-of-recollection-women/

Begin at the Manger…

Join the Convent of the Daughters of St. Paul and enter the Silence of Bethlehem at the Catholic Diocese of Arlington's Advent Day of Reflection for women discerners between the ages of 18 and 35. If you desire to deepen your prayer life and explore your vocation, this event is for you!

The day will include: Mass ,directed and personal prayer time, lunch, and opportunities for confession and talking with the sisters.

Registration:
No Charge
Register via email by December 10
(vocations@arlingtondiocese.org) | 703-841-2514

DAILY MASS
Monday - Saturday..... 9:00am

CONFESSIONS (STARTING NOV. 28)
Mondays..... 7:00pm - 7:45pm
Fridays..... 9:30am - 10:15am
Saturdays..... 3:30pm - 4:30pm

Monday, Dec. 19..... 7:00pm - 8:30pm
Friday, Dec. 23..... 9:30am - 11:30am
Saturday, Dec. 24..... NO CONFESSIONS

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION)
Vigil, Dec. 7 (*Wed*).....7:00pm
Mass, Dec. 8 (*Thurs*).....6:30am, 9:00am, *Adoration ends at 5:15pm* 6:00pm, & 7:30pm

EMBER DAYS

Wednesday, December 14
Grief and Loss Talk by Jason Sparks
What to know about Grief and Loss during the Holiday season
7:00pm | Fellowship Hall

Friday, December 16
Brown Scapular Enrollment
5:30pm | Chapel

Simbang Gabi Mass and Reception
6:00pm | MC/Upper Seton Hall

Saturday, December 17
Blessing Bag Assembly
9:00am | Fellowship Hall

CHRISTMAS MASSES

Vigil Masses, Dec. 24 (*Saturday*)
4:00pm, 6:00pm, 8:00pm
Note: NO 3:30pm Confessions
NO 5:00pm Vigil Mass

Midnight Mass, Dec 25
11:30pm - Chorale Prelude
12:00am - Mass

Christmas Day Masses, Dec. 25 (*Sunday*)
9:00am, 10:45am, 12:30pm
Note: NO 7:30am Mass

THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF OUR LORD
Vigil, Dec. 31 (*Sat*).....5:00pm
Mass, Jan. 1 (*Sun*) 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:45am, 12:30pm

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Daily Rosary: Mon-Sat | 8:25am—8:55am | Main Church
Daily Mass: Mon-Sat | 9:00am—9:30am | Main Church
Sat. Vigil Mass: 5:00pm | Main Church
Sun. Masses: 7:30am, 9am, 10:45am, 12:30pm | Main Church

Monday, December 5TH		
7:00pm—7:45pm	Confessions	Main Church
7:00pm—8:30pm	Seton Sentinels Meeting	Fellowship Hall
7:00pm—9:00pm	YM Discipleship Training and Formation Session	Youth Center
Tuesday, December 6TH - St. Nicholas (Optional Memorial)		
9:30am—8:30pm	All Day Adoration	Chapel
9:30am—10:30am	Blue Army Devotion	Chapel
9:30am—1:00pm	Lumen Christi	Upper Seton Hall
5:00pm—6:30pm	K-8th Family Faith Formation	Main Church
5:15pm - 6:15pm	Adult Formation	Bayley's Cellar
7:30pm—9:00pm	Knights of Columbus	Upper Seton Hall
Wednesday, December 7TH - St. Ambrose (Memorial)		
9:30am—11:00am	Divine Mercy Cenacle	Trinity 1
9:45am—11:30am	Wednesday AM Bible Study	Trinity 2, 3
6:30pm—8:30pm	Alpha	Fellowship Hall
6:30pm—8:30pm	Mother of Joy Prayer Group	Sts. Peter and Paul Rooms
7:00pm—8:00pm	Vigil Mass for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception	Main Church
7:00pm—8:00pm	10:45 Choir Practice	Music Room
Thursday, December 8TH - Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception		
6:30am—7:30am	Mass for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception	Main Church
9:00am—10:00am	Mass for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception	Main Church
10:00am—5:30pm	All Day Adoration	Chapel
9:30am—10:30am	Divine Mercy Cenacle Holy Hour	Chapel
12:30pm—2:30pm	Mother Seton Food Pantry	Fellowship Hall
6:00pm—7:00pm	Mass for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception	Main Church
7:00pm—8:30pm	Thursday Bible Study Group	Bayley's Cellar
7:30pm—8:30pm	Mass for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception	Main Church
Friday, December 9TH - St. Juan Diego (Optional Memorial)		
9:30am—10:15am	Confessions	Main Church
9:30am—11:00am	Mom's Group	Nursery/Trinity 1
9:45am—11:30am	Friday Morning Faith Sharing	Sts. Peter and Paul Rooms
10:00am—11:30am	Legion of Mary	Trinity 2, 3
3:00pm—3:30pm	Divine Mercy Chaplet	Chapel
7:00pm—8:30pm	Women's Friday Night Book Study	Bayley's Cellar
Saturday, December 10TH - Our Lady of Loreto		
7:00am—8:45am	That Man is You! (TMIY!)	Fellowship Hall/Kitchen
8:25am	Daily Rosary	Main Church
9:30am—10:00am	Knights of Columbus Exemplification	Chapel
10:00am -	Knights of Columbus Reception	Fellowship Hall
3:30pm—4:30pm	Confessions	Main Church
Sunday, December 11TH - Third Sunday of Advent		
9:30am—11:30am	RCIA	Trinity, St. Mary/St. Joseph Rms
2:00pm—3:15pm	Session 3 of "A Better Kind of Politics": Doing Good, Avoiding Evil	Trinity 1
4:00pm—5:30pm	Children's Nativity Play	Upper Seton Hall

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