



ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

LAKE RIDGE, VA

www.setonlakeridge.org

SETON SPOTLIGHT

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH!

HOLIDAY CLOSURES

THE PARISH OFFICE & MOTHER
SETON FOOD PANTRY WILL BE
CLOSED DEC. 23 – JAN. 1, 2024

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 28

LAST DAY TO SIGN-UP FOR
ALPHA MARRIAGE
(IN-PERSON PARISH)

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 7

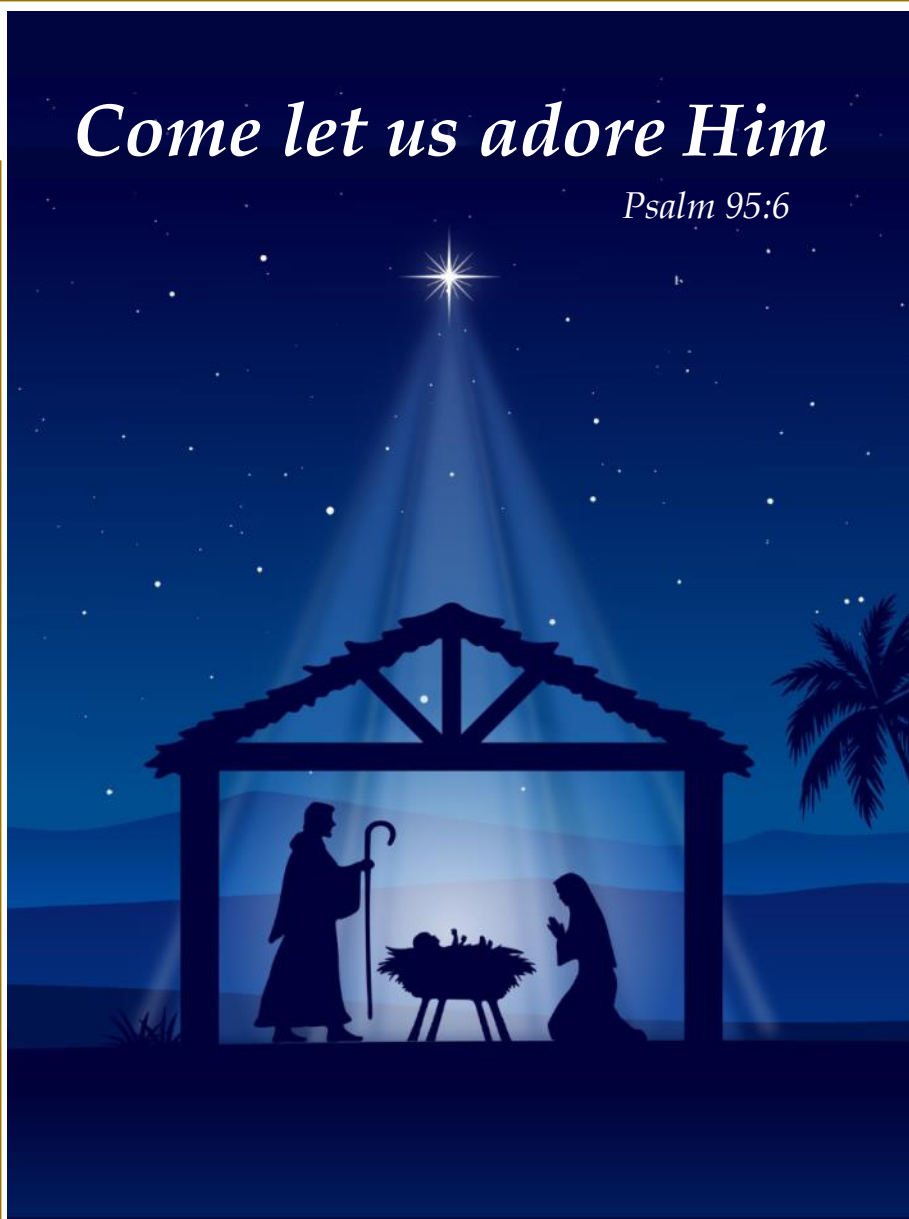
CHARISMS DISCERNMENT
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FRIDAY, JANUARY 19

NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE

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Come let us adore Him

Psalm 95:6

PARISH OFFICE:

12807 Valleywood Drive
Lake Ridge, VA 22192

Parish Office Hours:

Mon. & Wed.: 9:00am - 8:00pm
Tues, Thurs, & Fri.: 9:00am – 4:00pm
Sunday: 8:00am - 2:00pm

Phone: 703-494-4008 Fax: 703-494-1995

Email: receptionist@setonlakeridge.org

Sacramental Emergency:
571-455-0402

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 12:00pm - 2:00pm

CONFESSION SCHEDULE:

Monday: 7:00pm – 7:45pm

Friday: 9:30am – 10:00am

Saturday: 3:30pm – 4:30pm

EUCCHARISTIC 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:

Occurs every 2nd and 4th Sunday. 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: setonlakeridge.org/liturgy/funerals/upcomingfunerals.

BLESSINGS:

Sacramental Blessings: Every 1st Saturday of the month after the 9:00am Mass, a priest will bless Sacramentals near the Baptismal Font. **Car Blessings:** Every Ember Day Saturday after the 9:00am Mass, a priest will bless your vehicles. Please park near Seton Hall for this blessing. (See Ember Days below) *Note: Previously blessed items are not to be blessed again.*

BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS:

Must be sent in using the *Communications Submission Form* found on setonlakeridge.org/bulletins on, **Monday, two weeks** before the Sunday publication date. *Note: Due to space limitations, submissions are not guaranteed a space.*

EMBER DAYS:

Here at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church, we celebrate Ember Days as part of Living Liturgically in our parish. Ember Days are celebrated four times a year, following the seasons: Winter, Spring, Summer, Fall. Each season consists of three days of celebration: Reflection, Mass/ Adoration/ Confession, and Stewardship. More information will always be provided on pg.5 of the bulletin as we near our Ember Days each season.

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www.aquinastars.org



Christmas 2023

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

At Christmas, we hear the proclamation: *"For unto us a Savior is born who is Christ and Lord."* This good news of great joy is the reason for our renewed faith and hope.

In a world experiencing so much unrest, a Savior is born who announces peace, brings glad tidings, and comforts his people. In a nation that is divided, a Savior is born who unites us as God's holy family, as brothers and sisters. In our lives, when we are overwhelmed by our crosses and sufferings, a Savior is born who embraces us in his love and mercy with the strength and grace we need.

And for all these gifts, the Lord asks so little in return. He simply wants us to strive every day to trust him, to be faithful, and to be instruments of his peace to all those we love and meet. What we do at Christmas teaches us the way.

So, with the help of Mary and Joseph, strive to be what our Church and world need more than ever: *holy families*. Do so by loving and respecting one another and giving to each other the most precious gifts of all: your time and attention. As you have been forgiven, ask for the grace to forgive others, especially those who have offended you, so that no bitterness is within your heart. Continue the spirit of giving that is so prevalent at this time of year, especially as you share your resources and blessings with our brothers and sisters in most need.

Dear friends in Christ, please be assured of a special remembrance at the Christmas Masses I will celebrate, and please pray for me. Through the intercession of Mary and Joseph, trust in the power of the Lord to renew and transform our world, nation, and each one of us. May the peace that only Christ can give be yours at Christmas and always.

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge
Bishop of Arlington

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, December 24th

4:00 p.m. † Margaret Janos
7:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus Christmas
12:00 a.m. † Edward Okereke

Monday, December 25th

9:00 a.m. † John Garner
10:45 a.m. For the People of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
12:30 p.m. † John Garner

Tuesday, December 26th

9:00 a.m. For the Deceased Members of the Alvin Krogh Family

Wednesday, December 27th

9:00 a.m. † William & Dorothy Taylor

Thursday, December 28th

9:00 a.m. † Michael Muench Jr.

Friday, December 29th

9:00 a.m. † Rose Murray

Saturday, December 30th

9:00 a.m. † Caesar Calero
5:00 p.m. For the James A. Flickinger Family
Vigil

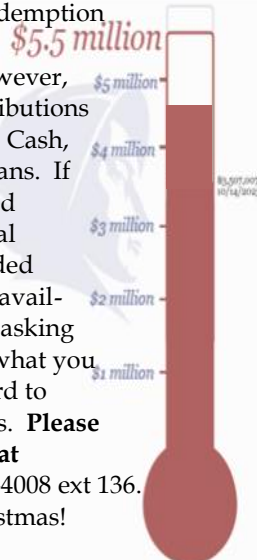
CAPITAL CAMPAIGN 2021

Seton Lake Ridge continues to advance toward our Extended Capital Campaign Pledge goal of \$2,000,000, with 314 pledges and just over \$1,000,000 pledged through December 3rd.

While the \$1,000,000 in contributions is great news, we remain \$1,000,000 shy of our \$2,000,000 Extended Campaign goal, and 60% of those who contributed to the 'original' Campaign have not yet responded. Father Bashista will be speaking to the Parish this weekend at the end of each Mass to provide words of encouragement and the latest on our fundraising efforts. The Extended Campaign redemption period begins officially on 1 Jan 2025 and extends through 31 Dec. 2020. However, your Extended Campaign Pledge contributions are welcome now through Faith Direct, Cash, Check, stock distribution and other means. If you intend to contribute to the Extended Campaign, just write "Extended Capital Campaign" on your check. An "Extended Capital Campaign 2021" appeal is also available on Faith Direct. Father Bashista is asking all parishioners to prayerfully discern what you can contribute and submit a Pledge Card to convey that to us—nothing more or less. Please call or e-mail me with your questions at r.yates@setonlakeridge.org or 703-494-4008 ext 136.

In closing, blessed Advent, Merry Christmas!

Robert Yates, Business Manager



READINGS OF THE WEEK

Sunday: **Vigil of The Nativity of Our Lord**
Is 62:1-5 Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29 Acts 13:16-17, 22-25 Mt 1:1-25 or Mt 1:18-25

Monday: **The Nativity of Our Lord**
Is 52:7-10 Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 Heb 1:1-6 Jn 1:1-18

Tuesday: **St. Stephen (Feast)**
Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59 Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 8ab, 16bc and 17 Mt 10:17-22

Wednesday: **St. John the Apostle (Feast)**
1 Jn 1:1-4 Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12 Jn 20:1a and 2-8

Thursday: **The Holy Innocents (Feast)**
1 Jn 1:5 — 2:2 Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7cd-8 Mt 2:13-18

Friday: **5th Day in the Octave of the Nativity (Opt. Mem)**
1 Jn 2:3-11 Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6 Lk 2:22-35

Saturday: **6th Day in the Octave of the Nativity**
1 Jn 2:12-17 Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10 Lk 2:36-40

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

The sick of our parish family: Josephine Carlson, Diana Hotop, Greg Catolico, Pilar Whitehurst

The deceased of our parish family: Beverly Rishel, Joe Yoders, Wesley Calayag, Karen Moran, Jeanette Palmer, Gil Soriano, Jovita Laoyon

Dear God, we place our worries in your hands. We place our sick under your care and humbly ask that you restore your servants to health again. Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge your will and know that whatever you do, you do for the love of us. Amen

COLLECTIONS FOR NOVEMBER 2023

Collection (Average Weekly)	\$ 27,879.29
Capital Improvements	\$ 5,117.00
Poor Box	\$ 513.00
Votives	\$ 1,564.57
Flowers	\$ 2,624

Special Collections

Catholic Campaign for Human Dev.	\$ 3,554.00
Retirement Fund for Religious	\$ 6,199.00

Thank you to all those who support our parish!

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

IMPORTANT NOTICE ABOUT HOLIDAY OFFICE CLOSURES

Please note that the Parish Office will be closed from Saturday, December 23rd through Monday, January 1st.

Our Office will reopen on Tuesday, January 2nd, 2024.



THE GIFT SHOP & LIBRARY ARE NOW OPEN!

Stop by our Library and Gift Shop to browse through a wide variety of books and unique items for yourself or to gift! See operating hours below.

Library

Sunday.....8:15am – 2:00pm
Mon/Wed.....9:00am – 8:00pm
Tues/Thurs/Fri9:00am – 4:00pm
Saturday.....3:30pm – 7:00pm


Gift Shop

Sunday.....8:15am – 2:00pm
Mon/Wed.....5:30pm – 8:00pm
Tues/Thurs.....9:30am – 12:00pm
Saturday.....3:30pm – 7:00pm

STAY CONNECTED AND JOIN OUR MONTHLY NEWSLETTER!



Scan the QR code and sign up for our Monthly Newsletter to be the first to hear about any upcoming events, volunteer/service opportunities, conferences, and sign-ups! No spam!

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2024 ALPHA MARRIAGE

Registration for In-Person Parish closes **December 28**.



Whether engaged, or married for a few years or several decades, the Alpha Marriage Course is open to couples of all ages and stages. Providing a valuable opportunity for couples to invest in their relationship and build a strong foundation for the future, it is designed to strengthen and enrich marriages.

In the coming year, our parish will offer 3 different ways to participate: *In-person at the parish (free onsite childcare)*, in a *small group*, or *on-your-own with an assigned mentor couple*. For our in-person at the parish option, **space is LIMITED**, so sign-up soon! [SCAN THE QR CODE FOR MORE DETAILS.](#)



CHARISMS DISCERNMENT WORKSHOP

Sunday, January 7 | 3:00pm | Fellowship Hall

Workshop Cost: \$10 (for Assessment)



Charge your New Year with the Holy Spirit!

Join certified Leadership Coach, Laura Lenz, to learn about charisms: the Gifts of the Holy Spirit, how they are intended for all of us, and what gifts you have been given. [How can this awareness can help you discern what God is calling you to in His Church and in the world?](#)

How to Participate:

1. Scan the QR code above to register for the Workshop and complete the payment!
2. Take the Charisms Discernment Assessment (*Please Note: After registering and completing the payment, you will receive a confirmation email with your unique link to the Charisms Discernment Assessment.*)

FOOD TRUCKS, LIVE MUSIC, GAMES, PRIZES AND MORE!

SPRING BLOCK PARTY

Save the Date!

JOIN OUR MONTHLY NEWSLETTER & GET THE LATEST UPDATES!

SATURDAY,
MAY 18, 2024

Saturday,
Feb. 3, 2024

Trivia Night

Registrations
begin Mid-
January!

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION (K-12)

Mylene Garcia, Coordinator | m.garcia@setonlakeridge.org | ext 126

Dori Cook, Coordinator of Sacrament Prep | d.cook@setonlakeridge.org | ext 129

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Merry Christmas to all students, parents and facilitators involved in our Family Faith Formation program. May you be blessed with the love of Christ on this holy night and always. Let us all rejoice at the birth of our Savior.

Small Group Announcement: Due to the Christmas and New Year's break, Small Group Sessions have been postponed. Group A will meet again on January 14, 2024 and Group B reconvenes on January 7, 2024.

REVERSE ADVENT PROGRAM REMINDER

A big thank you to all those who joined us in collecting food items for the Catholic Charities' Reverse Advent Program. We are grateful for your generosity and kindness and are excited to share it with those families in need. Just a reminder that the **last day to return your bags** of non-perishable food items will be **January 15, 2024**.



Drop-off will be in the Family Faith Formation bin under the stairs leading to Fellowship Hall. Thank you!

OUR PARISH SCHOOL

AQUINAS REGIONAL SCHOOL

Dominican PreK – 8th Grade Catholic School | admissions@aquinastars.org



In the season of Advent as we prepare for the birth of our Lord, we take a moment to express our gratitude to all those who support the mission of St. Thomas Aquinas Regional School through prayer and financial donations. Our benefactors and their intentions are often in our prayers as a school community.

SETON SCOUT TROOPS



A cord of three strands is not easily broken.
— Ecclesiastes 4:12

American Heritage Girls & Trail Life USA are the premiers of Christ-centered character, leadership, and adventure organizations for girls and boys (K-12), serving 60,000+ members in 50 states. Along with your family and church, we share a passion for creating safe and active opportunities in a Christ-centered environment to equip the next generation for Christian service. To learn more about our troops and how to get involved, please visit setonlakeridge.org/scouting!

YOUTH MINISTRY

youthministry@setonlakeridge.org

The youth ministry of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton is an important aspect of the parish community which serves young people in 6th-12th grade throughout Lake Ridge and beyond. Formed in what it means to be a disciple of Christ, youth ministers encounter young people where they are, invite them into a relationship with Jesus Christ and accompany them as they engage in the life of the parish through the sacraments, prayer, & fellowship! **To learn more** about our Youth Ministry or to join, check out our webpage here: setonlakeridge.org/youthministry



LITURGICAL LIVING

December

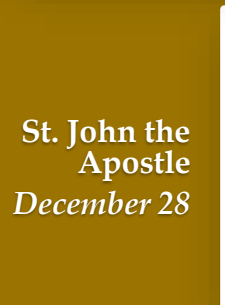
DEVOTION:
ADVENT (CHRISTMAS)

VIRTUE: PURITY

CELEBRATING THE SAINTS



St. Stephen
December 26



St. John the Apostle
December 28



St. Thomas Becket
December 29

LITURGICAL LIVING

How to Celebrate the 12 Days of Christmas

What does December 26th mean to you, personally?

For most people, December 26 marks the end of Christmas.

They feel blue, take down their Christmas lights, drag the tree out onto the curb, and return to everyday life with a sigh.

But did you know that December 25th is actually the start of the Christmas Season?

Christmas *isn't* over on December 26th. The carols, the feasting, the lights, the joy, have only just begun! We are about to rejoice in a long celebration of the birth of Christ, our Messiah. (thegoodcatholic.org)



Scan the QR Code and check out our 12 Days of Christmastide

DISCIPLE FORMATION AND ACCOMPANIMENT

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Kara Lilly, Coord. of Disciple Accompaniment | k.lilly@setonlakeridge.org | ext. 139



WOMENS GROUPS

MOM'S GROUP

Fridays | 9:30am – 12:00pm | Nursery

Designed to support and affirm women in the many roles that we have in life as mothers, wives, daughters, sisters, and friends, the Seton Lake Ridge Mom's Group is a ministry about women bonded by their vocation and their Catholic faith. We are a ministry of women who come together to share the joys and struggles of motherhood. Moms of all ages and stages are welcome and invited to join! We hope to see you soon!

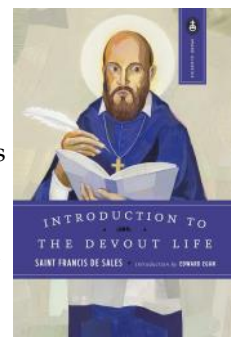
We coordinate & communicate on WhatsApp and you can join our group chat here: chat.whatsapp.com/ExWR6H7E9RfBdSQ7L1qGu1

WOMEN'S SATURDAY A.M BOOK STUDY

Saturdays Beginning January 6, 2024

9:30am – 11:00am | Bayley's Cellar

The *Introduction to the Devout Life* by St. Francis De Sales has remained a uniquely accessible and relevant treasure of devotion for nearly four hundred years. The desire to be closer to God found in people from all levels of society led St. Francis to compile these instructions on how to live in Christ. Through practical ways of attaining a devout life without renouncing the world this book guides the reader through prayers and meditations to strengthen devotion in the face of temptation and hardship.



Sign-Up for our women's book study using the QR Code!

SETON SENTINELS MONTHLY GATHERING

Mon., Jan. 8, 2024 | 7:00pm – 8:00pm | Fellowship Hall

About Seton Sentinels: This women's group is designed to form, grow, and maintain God's army of women through fellowship and faith-centered activities. The Sentinels use their God-given values for the benefit of their self, family, parish, & community.

Upcoming Monthly Meeting:

The **theme** for the January 2024 Meeting will be *New Year, New You!* and the **activity** for the evening will be *Word of the Year* and *Charisms* – We will pray for and choose a "Word of the Year" to guide us and then we will learn about what charisms are and what to do once we have discerned our God-given gifts! Take the Charisms Discernment Assessment by scanning the **QR code** and bring your results and booklet to our Monday Meeting in January!





THAT MAN IS YOU! (TMIY)

"That Man is You! honestly addresses the pressures and temptations that men face in our modern culture, especially those relating to their roles as husbands and fathers. The program harmonizes current social and medical science with the teachings of the Church and the wisdom of the saints to develop the vision of man fully alive!" (TMIY).

All men in our parish and community are welcome to join us! For more information and details you can visit our webpage at setonlakeridge.org/tmiy. Contact information can also be found on the page!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus is a fraternal organization dedicated to serving the community, supporting the Catholic Church, and promoting charitable works. With a strong emphasis on faith, family, and service, the Knights of Columbus strive to make a positive impact by assisting those in need, defending life, and standing up for religious freedom. Through their commitment to charitable actions and support of various initiatives, the Knights exemplify the values of unity, charity, fraternity, and patriotism.



All men 18 years and older are invited to join the K. of C. Council #8183 here at the parish! To learn more about the types of events our Knights host and sponsor, please visit setonlakeridge.org/knights-of-columbus/. If you are interested in joining, contact information can also be found on the webpage!

Name	Age	Council	District	State
Daniel Gilson	9	X	X	X
Olivia Haller	9	X	X	
Isabella Torres	10	X		
Liam Collins	10	X	X	
Gianna Marcell	11	X	X	
Nathan Haller	11	X	X	X
Asher Cross	12	X		
Eliana Haller	12	X	X	X
Peter McCloskey	13	X	X	
Kavina Jackson	14	X	X	X

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR SOCCER CHALLENGE WINNERS!

Congratulations to the winners of this year's Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge. The challenge provides an athletic outlet for children ages 9 to 14 and encourages them to develop the values of sportsmanship and healthy competition.

Our young athletes demonstrated their skills and won accolades at the council, district, and state levels!

FOOD FOR THE NEEDY CAMPAIGN

To donate to the St. Lucy Project, Birthright, ACTS, and our own Mother Seton Food Pantry, please use the envelopes found in the Narthex or scan the QR code to donate via PayPal. Envelope donations may be returned to the Food for the Needy box located in the Narthex or the regular Sunday Collection basket.

Thank you for your generosity!



MUSIC MINISTRY

Director of Music | c.stevens@setonlakeridge.org | ext. 203

Thank you to all of our wonderful Music Ministry volunteers who put in such hard work providing music to celebrate Christ's birth and worked extra hard leading up to it.

Some musicians who were particularly of invaluable assistance and should receive an extra big thank you are: **Emily Atwood** and **Magda Brier** for their help with the Children's Choir; **Devin Long** for his leadership of the Traditional Choir; **Kelly Kingett** and **Claire Vivian** for their help accompanying at the many extra Masses during this liturgical season; and both **Kristen Donovan** and **Kara Lilly** for stepping into cantoring roles on short notice and doing their usual outstanding jobs! We are always looking to add talented musicians to our roster. Please contact Carter Stevens if you are interested in joining us in the new year!





MARCH FOR LIFE 2024

The March for Life is an incredible opportunity to stand up for the sanctity of life and give a voice to the voiceless. On January 19, the National March for Life will take place in Washington D.C. and all are invited to join us! Our parish will be taking 2 buses, and seats are **LIMITED**.

The cost will be \$5.00 per person and payments can be made upon registering (use the QR code to reserve your spot on the bus!)



By joining this movement, you become part of a powerful force that advocates for the protection of the unborn which also urges governmental and societal change. Let your steps echo the resounding message that every life, regardless of circumstance, is valuable and deserves to be protected! Together, we can make a difference and provide hope for a future where all lives are cherished and celebrated. For further inquiries/questions, please email respectlife@setonlakeridge.org.

VOLUNTEER SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES FOR 2024

The **HUMAN CONCERNS OUTREACH MINISTRY** is dedicated to supporting (through service) the needs of the poor, the homeless, the hungry, the elderly, and the ill/disabled in our parish, diocese, and community and provides opportunities for parishioners of all ages to perform the corporal and spiritual works of mercy through its myriad outreach programs.

The ministry oversees the year-round operation of the Mother Seton Food Pantry, and recently sponsored the Christmas Giving Tag Tree Program which provided which provided 1,057 gifts for the residents of St. Margaret of Cortona and Christ House, two Diocesan transitional housing programs for the homeless, as well as the homeless men and women who access the Evening Meal Program at Christ House. We invite you to volunteer with us!



Year Round:	<i>Mother Seton Food Pantry – Thursdays, Noon-2pm</i>
January 1-31:	<i>ACTS Food Collection Month</i>
January 6-31:	<i>Respect Life Baby Bottle Fundraiser</i>
January 7:	<i>Catholic Political Thought</i>
January 19:	<i>National March for Life, Washington, DC</i>
February 3:	<i>Respect Life Trivia Night Fundraiser</i>
Feb. 10/11:	<i>2024 Superbowl Sunday Charity Bake Sale</i>
February 21:	<i>Defending Life Day/5th Annual Virginia March for Life, RVA</i>
Feb. 14-Mar. 22:	<i>Lenten Giving Tag Tree Program</i>

Human Concerns Outreach Ministry:
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Mother Seton Food Pantry
Stephanie Hanley, Coordinator
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Respect Life Committee:
Stephanie Hanley, Committee Chair
respectlife@setonlakeridge.org

VCC (Virginia Catholic Conference):
Claudia Brown, Parish Liaison
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To view the full list of dates and opportunities to volunteer and serve in 2024, please visit our website at setonlakeridge.org/human-concerns-ministry-overview/

DIOCESAN/COMMUNITY EVENTS AND NEWS



The Diocese of Arlington is a thriving community in Northern VA made up of seventy parishes and is also one of the fifty largest dioceses in the United States! To learn more about the Catholic Diocese of Arlington, visit their website at www.arlingtondiocese.org/

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

Sunday, December 24TH - Fourth Sunday in Advent and Vigil of The Nativity of Our Lord

7:30am—8:30am	4th Sunday of Advent Mass
9:00am—10:00am	4th Sunday of Advent Mass
10:45am—11:45am	4th Sunday of Advent Mass
12:30pm—1:30pm	4th Sunday of Advent Mass
4:00pm—5:00pm	Christmas Vigil Mass
7:00pm—8:00pm	Christmas Vigil Mass
11:30pm—12:00am	Chorale Prelude
12:00am—1:00am	Midnight Christmas Mass

Monday, December 25TH - The Nativity of Our Lord

ALL DAY Parish Office Closed

9:00am—10:00am	Christmas Mass
10:45am—11:45am	Christmas Mass
12:30pm—1:30pm	Christmas Mass

NO 7:00pm Confessions

Tuesday, December 26TH - St. Stephen (Feast)

ALL DAY Parish Office Closed

9:30am—8:30pm	All Day Adoration	Chapel
9:30am—10:30am	Blue Army Devotion	Chapel
4:00pm - 5:00pm	Children's Eucharistic Holy Hour	Chapel

Wednesday, December 27TH - St. John the Apostle (Feast)

ALL DAY Parish Office Closed

9:00am—10:00am	Daily Mass	Main Church
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Thursday, December 28TH - The Holy Innocents (Feast)

ALL DAY Parish Office Closed

9:30am—8:30pm	All Day Adoration	Chapel
8:15pm	Benediction	Chapel

Friday, December 29TH - Fifth Day Within the Octave of the Nativity (Memorial)

ALL DAY Parish Office Closed

9:30am—10:15am	Confessions	Main Church
3:00pm—3:30pm	Divine Mercy Chaplet	Chapel

Saturday, December 30TH - Sixth Day Within the Octave of the Nativity (Memorial)

ALL DAY Parish Office Closed

8:25am—8:55am	Daily Rosary	Main Church
3:30pm—4:30pm	Confessions	Main Church
5:00pm—6:00pm	Vigil Mass	Main Church

MERRY
Christmas

On Behalf of Fr. Bashista, Fr. Merkle, Deacon Rob, and the staff at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, we wish you all a very Merry Christmas!

To all those in the community who are returning or visiting our parish this Christmas, please know that you are always welcome and that we hope to see you soon!

Please see page 5 for details on our Holiday Office Closures.

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