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ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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LAKE RIDGE, VA



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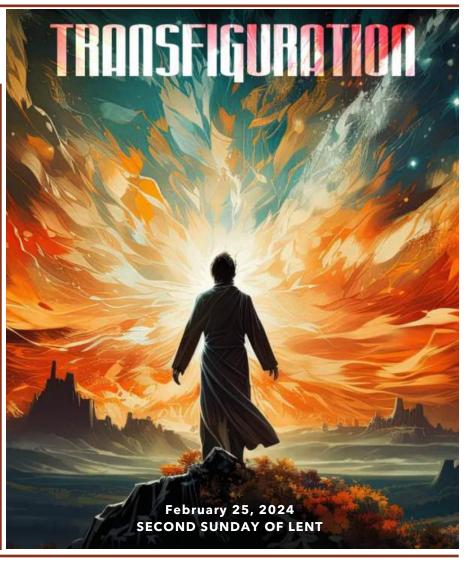
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PARISH OFFICE:

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Parish Office Hours:

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571-455-0402

CONFESSION SCHEDULE:

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

MASS SCHEDULE:

Daily: Monday - Saturday: 9:00am (Rosary at 8:25am)

Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm

Sun.: 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:45am, 12:30pm

*First Friday Evening Mass: 7:00pm; *7:30pm during Lent

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.)

MOTHER SETON FOOD PANTRY

Thursday 12:00pm - 2:00pm

MOTHER SETON GIFT SHOP

Sunday	8:15am — 2:00pm
Monday	CLOSED
Tues-Thurs	9:30am – 12:00pm
*Friday	5:00pm-8:00pm
*During Lent Onl	y, Excluding Good Friday
Saturday	4:00pm — 6:30pm

PARISH LIBRARY

Sunday	8:15am — 2:00pm
Mon/Wed	9:00am – 8:00pm
Tues/Thurs/Fri	9:00am – 4:00pm
Saturday	4:00pm — 6:30pm

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/upcoming funerals.

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, <u>Monday, two weeks</u> 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.

THE PARISH OFFICE PHONE NUMBER IS: 703-494-4008

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FROM OUR PAROCHIAL VICAR

Now, that I have finished the Reflective Version of the Lord's Prayer, let's now listen to a beautiful reflection on the Our Father by St. Augustine from his letter to Proba, as it appears in the Liturgy of Hours on Tuesday of the 29th Week in Ordinary Time.

"We need to use words so that we may remind ourselves to consider carefully what we are asking, not so that we may think we can instruct the Lord or prevail on him.

"Thus, when we say: *Hallowed by your name*, we are reminding ourselves to desire that his name, which in fact is always holy, should also be considered holy among men. I mean that it should not be held in contempt. But this is a help for men, not for God

"And as for our saying: Your kingdom come, it will surely come whether we will it or not. But we are stirring up our desires for the kingdom so that it can come to us and we can deserve to reign there.

"When we say: Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven, we are asking him to make us obedient so that his will may be done in us as it is done in heaven by his angels.

"When we say: Give us this day our daily bread, in saying this day we mean "in this world." Here, we ask for a sufficiency by specifying the most important part of it; that is, we use the word "bread" to stand for everything. Or else, we are asking for the sacrament of the faithful [the Eucharist], which is necessary in this world, not to gain temporal happiness but to gain the happiness that is everlasting.

"When we say: Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us, we are reminding ourselves of what we must ask and what we must do in order to be worthy in turn to receive.

"When we say: Lead us not into temptation, we are reminding ourselves to ask that his help may not depart from us; otherwise, we could be seduced and consent to some temptation, or despair and yield to it.

"When we say: Deliver us from evil, we are reminding ourselves to reflect on the fact that we do not yet enjoy the state of blessedness in which we shall suffer no evil. This is the final petition contained in the Lord's Prayer, and it has a wide application. In this petition, the Christian can utter his cries of sorrow, in it he can shed his tears, and through it he can begin, continue and conclude his prayer, whatever the distress in which he finds himself. Yes, it was very appropriate that all these truths should be entrusted to us to remember in these very words.

"Whatever be the other words we may prefer to say (words which the one praying chooses so that his disposition may become clearer to himself or which he simply adopts so that his disposition may be intensified), we say nothing that is not contained in the Lord's Prayer, provided of course we are praying in a correct and proper way. But if anyone says something which is incompatible with this prayer of the Gospel, he is praying in the flesh, even if he is not praying sinfully. And yet, I do not know how this could be termed anything but sinful, since those who are born again through the Spirit ought to pray only in the Spirit."

WEEKLY REFLECTION

Confident in Jesus' Victory

Jesus' struggle with the devil in the desert is a cosmic battle, a clash of the highest spiritual powers, the depth of which we cannot even fathom, Jesus comes out of this battle victorious. In the wilderness Jesus wins the first match against darkness. On the cross, this victory is sealed forever.

Jesus has conquered evil once and for all. But he doesn't hold on to this victory as a personal possession. He fought for us, and it was for our trespasses that he subdued anything that would threaten to lure us away from God. Just as the little David fought Goliath and won a victory on behalf of all the people (1 Sam 17), so the victory of Jesus belongs to all humankind.

Those who remain in Jesus conquer all evil and all darkness. It does not matter whether one is weak or strong. It is Jesus who fights in you and through you, and he is strong.

Have you not, on occasion, had the experience of being overpowered by evil inclinations and thereby giving in to a temptation, only to realize that it happened because you had not stayed close to Jesus? You fought by yourself, or perhaps not at all, and you did not adhere to the good your conscience was speaking within you.

Evil will have no power over you when you remain in Jesus, trust in him, and turn to him in prayer. You need not fear the battle. Jesus has already fought it for you, You can rest secure in his victory

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MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS OF THE WEEK

Sunday, February 25th

5:00 p.m. For the People of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Vigil

7:30 a.m.† Rosa Phuc Pham9:00 a.m.† J. Robert Scheller

10:45 a.m. † Daniel Dewey Wallis

12:30 p.m. Zack Moyes

Monday, February 26th

9:00 a.m. † Zita Sun Kim

Tuesday, February 27th

9:00 a.m. † Jean Stevens

Wednesday, February 28th

9:00 a.m. † Mark Diplacido

Thursday, February 29th

9:00 a.m. † Daisy Diaz Aldarondo

Friday, March 1st

9:00 a.m. **†** Ed Warzywak 7:00 p.m. **†** John Neill

Saturday, March 2nd

9:00 a.m. Zack Moyes

5:00 p.m. For the People of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Vigil

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

The sick of our parish family: Ainsley Woodard, James Bright, Ann Vellion, Baby Josephine, Alex Crawley, Frank Tillotson, Joyce Donohue

The deceased of our parish family: Jason Brunsman, Sharon Carton

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

Sunday: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18 Ps 116:10, 15, 16-

17, 18-19 Rom 8:31b-34 Mk 9:2-10

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10 Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13 Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday: St. Gregory of Narek (m)

Is 1:10, 16-20 Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23

Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20 Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16 Mt 20:17-28

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10 Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a Ps 105:16-17,

18-19, 20-21 Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20 Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12

Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Key: Memorial (M), Optional Memorial (m), Feast (F), S (Solemnity)

COLLECTIONS FOR JANUARY 2024

Collection (Average Weekly)	\$ 33,862.25
Capital Improvements	\$ 11,827.00
Poor Box	\$ 643.00
Votives	\$ 1,648.72
Flowers	\$ 265.00

Special Collections

Church in Latin America \$3,471.00

Thank you for your generous donations!



CAPITAL CAMPAIGN 2021

Capital Campaign 2021 (CC2021) Extension.

The Parish reached a total Extended Campaign pledge amount of \$1,172,298. The combined pledge amount for the 'original' Capital Campaign and Extended Campaign is \$4,644, 406. Thank you to all for your generous contributions!

If you have questions on the status of our Capital Campaign, Legacy of Faith, please contact me at your convenience via e-mail at r.yates@setonlakeridge.org or phone at 703-494-4008.

God bless! Robert Yates, Business Manager

FEATURED EVENTS AND INITIATIVES



Lenten Soup Supper:

Friday, March 1 | 5:00pm – 7:00pm | Fellow-ship Hall

Share a meal with family and friends! The Knights of Columbus will provide soup and grilled cheese; bring a soup or meatless dish to share.

Stations of the Cross:

Fridays, March 1 | Main Church

Children's Stations: 5:00pm – 5:30pm Regular Stations: 7:00pm – 7:30pm

The Light Is On For You (Wednesday Confessions)

Wed., Feb 28 | 6:30pm - 8:00pm | Main Church

In addition to our regular Monday, Friday, and Saturday Confession times, we will also be including Wednesdays for Lent only.

Mother Seton Gift Shop Friday Hours

During *Lent Only*, the Mother Seton Gift Shop will be open on Fridays from 5:00pm — 8:00pm. Come by and browse through our various Lenten resources, gifts, and more!

FIRST FRIDAY MASS AND HOLY HOUR (WITH PRAISE AND WORSHIP)

Friday, March 1 | 7:30pm | Main Church and Chapel

All are invited to join us for every first Friday of the month for First Friday Mass and Holy Hour with Praise and Worship music.

Spend time in reflection and prayer before the Blessed Sacrament during this Lenten season.

TRAIL LIFE USA MULCH SALES

Order up until March 3, 2024; Deliveries made on March 16

Need mulch delivered to you this spring? Please support St. Elizabeth Ann Seton's Trail Life Troop by purchasing mulch during their annual mulch madness fundraiser. All proceeds go directly to supporting activities of the troop to include community service, camping, hiking, fishing, holy pilgrimage, and more!

Mulch can be purchased via the mulch madness link on the parish website until March 3rd; all orders will be delivered on March 16. Please

consider making a purchase and if you don't need mulch donations are welcome too! To purchase online, please visit setonlakeridge.org/TL.

ALL SAINTS CAR RAFFLE

All Saints Church (Manassas, VA) has invited our parishioners to participate in their Multi Car Raffle! Prizes include four 2024 vehicles from Ourisman Ford of Manassas: Ford Escape, Mustang, Ranger Truck and Bronco Sport.

One \$5.00 ticket offers the purchaser a chance to win all four vehicles plus \$40,000 (including one for \$20,000) in cash prizes!

The raffle continues to benefit our parish and many other charitable causes throughout the diocese, as it has in the past. We hope that you will support our efforts by buying or selling your tickets. Please make your checks payable to All Saints!



SAVE THE DATE: SPRING BLOCK PARTY

Saturday, May 18 | 1:00pm – 9:00pm | Parish Grounds

Mark your calendars for our Spring Block Party! Bring your family and friends and join us for an evening of music, food, games, and some friendly competition!

Join the Spring Block Party Service Team!

Do you have a knack for planning and organizing? Do you know or have you suspected your charisms may be in the areas of Administration, Service, Helps, Creativity or Hospitality? The Holy Spirit may be tugging at you to use your charisms in service to St. Elizabeth Ann Seton! Our parish is looking for individuals to help organize and execute our next major outreach event for the Spring Block Party, and we need many hands.

Don't bury your talent! You were born for this!

Please contact Teresa Caldaro at t.caldaro@setonlakeridge.org for more information and other inquires.

CATHOLIC POLITICAL THOUGHT

Sunday, March 10 | 1:45pm | Trinity 1

Emperor Justinian and Roman Law will be the topic for our next gathering!

Learn what the Justinian Code is and why it is so important in the foundation of civil law and to our Catholic Faith. In addition to this, we will also take a look at insights about the fall of the Roman Empire.

All are welcome to join us at the VCC gathering!



Friday – Saturday, May 3-4 | Fellowship Hall

Jesus promised "These signs will accompany those who believe... They will lay hands on the sick and they will recover." (Mark 16:17) Jesus has called us to do what He did, and that includes healing the sick. This event is a two-day conference to teach, impart, and activate Christians to be more effective ministers of Jesus' healing in the world. **Are you going to give him the chance?** Scan the QR code to learn more about the School of Healing, the conference schedule, or to register!



Saturday, March 9 | 5:00pm | Church of the Nativity, Burke, VA

Join Bishop Michael Burbidge and former Swiss Guard, mentor, author, and business entrepreneur, Andreas Widmer from the Catholic University of America, to learn how embracing creativity and the spirit of entrepreneurship celebrates the dignity of work and helps us and our neighbors thrive. Mr. Widmer is author of The Pope and the CEO: Pope St. John Paul's Lessons to a Young Swiss Guard, and The Art of Principled Entrepreneurship: Creating Enduring Value.

Sponsored by the diocesan Peace and Justice Commission, this event will begin with 5:00pm Mass at the Church of the Nativity and is then followed by dinner, a special talk by Mr. Widmer, and a Q&A Session. To register, go to Peaceandjustice2024.eventbrite.com.

LIVING



DEVOTION: THE HOLY FAMILY

VIRTUE: FASTING – ALMS – PRAYER

CELEBRATING THE SAINTS

St. Gregory of Narek *February 27*



About St. Gregory of Narek

A professor of theology, Gregor wrote a mystical interpretation of the Song of Songs, and a long mystical poem called the Book of Prayer or the Book of Lamentations. He described his poem as "an encyclopedia of prayer for all nations." This classic of Armenian literature has been translated into 30 languages. The Russian text of the Book of Lamentations was set to music in 1985. (Franciscanmedia.org)

LITURGICAL LIVING

Stewardship Reflection: Second Sunday of Lent

"'Here I am!' he answered."

Genesis 22:11

It is easy to say, "Here I am, Lord," when we are kneeling in church. But how easy is it to say "Here I am, Lord," when a neighbor needs our help, or when we are invited to join a parish ministry, or when we are asked to provide financial support? Often times we are called when it's not convenient for us.

Discipleship is not easy, most of the time it will make us uncomfortable and vulnerable.

(arlingtondiocese.org)

The Marian Antiphon sung at the 12:30 Mass on Sundays from Candlemass (February 2) until Holy Thursday is *Ave Regina Caelorum*. Despite the penitential season we are in, the antiphon reminds us of the joy of our salvation by contemplating Mary's role in the birth of Our Lord and the glory she enjoys in Heaven. It dates back to at least the 12th century and was possibly composed by Blessed Hermanus Contractus – also the composer of the *Salve Regina*!

Hail, Queen of the Heavens!
Hail, Lady of the Angels!
Hail root and hail gate,
Through which the Light has risen upon
the world!
Rejoice, O Glorious Virgin,
Loveliness surpassing all!
Hail, O hail Beautiful One!
And pray to Christ for us.



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SMALL GROUP ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Group A: Group A will meet today, February 25th at 8:45am (for Session 1) and at 10:30 am (for Session 2).

Group B: The next meeting for those in Group B will be on March 3rd at 10:30 am.

For Grades 1-8 assigned homework/chapters must be completed using My Catholic Faith Delivered (MCFD) by Wednesday of each week.

CONFRIMATION CANDIDATES:

Mandatory Meeting for Confirmation

TODAY! February 25 | 4:00pm - 5:00pm

A Confirmation meeting for 8th graders and their parents will be held TO-DAY (Sunday February 25th) from 4 pm-5 pm in Fellowship Hall. Be sure to bring your "Saint Name Paper" and your signed "Permission Form" for the upcoming Retreat in Emmitsburg, MD on March 9th.

Confirmation candidates should ensure that their sponsor forms are sent to Mylene Garcia or Dori Cook at the parish office NLT March 9, 2024. Sponsor forms must be signed by a parish priest confirming that the person is qualified to be a Confirmation Sponsor.

FIRST COMMUNION

Mandatory Meeting for First Communion

Sunday, March 3 | 4:00pm – 5:00pm | Fellowship Hall

For children preparing to receive their First Communion, we will have a mandatory meeting on Sunday, March 3, 2024, in Fellowship Hall. All parents and children must attend this meeting.



SETON CHILDREN'S EUCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR

Tuesdays | 4:00pm - 5:00pm | Chapel

In addition to anytime the Blessed Sacrament is exposed in the Church/Chapel, we have also included another special hour for children and their parents specifically to rest with our Lord! This is a beautiful opportunity for children to deepen their understanding of their faith and relationship with Christ as they pray and reflect in His presence.

CHILDREN'S STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday During Lent | 5:00pm | Main Church

All children and their parents are welcome to join us every Friday during Lent for the Children's Stations of the Cross. This age-appropriate version of the Stations of the Cross is a wonderful opportunity for children to walk with Jesus and reflect on His journey to the Cross. Families are welcome to join us for our Lenten Soup Suppers in Fellowship Hall following the Children's Stations! For more *Fridays During Lent*, please see pg 5 in the bulletin.



NOW ACCEPTING 2024-25 APPLICATIONS!

Dominican PreK – 8th Grade Catholic School Tuition Assistance Available

- Administered by the Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia
- Advanced Courses in Math & Language Arts
- Diverse Student Body
- Interactive Boards in Every Classroom

Contact: Call now to schedule for PreK and K Screenings at 703-491-4447 aquinastars.org. Aquinas is happy to be the Catholic School for St. Elizabeth Ann Seton!

FOR YOUTH



INTERESTED IN JOINING A SMALL GROUP?

Led by one of our adult Youth Ministers, small groups are separated by girls and boys to ensure a safe and supportive environment for young people to grow deeper in their faith and their relationships with Christ. Any boy or girl currently in 7th-12th grade are welcome to join a Youth Small Group!

To learn more about how you can join or get connected with our Seton Lake Ridge Youth Ministry, send an email to youthministry@setonlakeridge.org.

YOUTH MINISTRY MONTHLY GATHERING

Every 3rd Sunday of the Month; March 17 | 6:30pm -8:30pm | Lower Seton Hall

All current 6th-12th grade teens in public, private, or home school are invited to join us for our March YM Monthly Gathering!

We will meet in Lower Seton Hall beginning with snacks and socializing. You can expect to meet new friends, get to know your adult youth ministers, play games, and hear a brief talk on the month's theme and announcements for upcoming youth ministry opportunities.





(Y) FOR WOMEN

SETON SENTINELS DINNER AND A MOVIE NIGHT

Saturday, March 2 | 6:00pm – 8:00pm | Bayley's Cellar

Mark your calendars - we are hosting another dinner and a movie night - the film pick? "Florence Foster Jenkins."

Based on the incredible true story, Meryl Streep delivers a hilarious and touching performance as a New York socialite who dreams of becoming a great opera singer. While the voice she hears in her head is beautiful to everyone else it is hilariously awful. Her husband and biggest fan St. Clair Bayfield (Hugh Grant) is determined to protect his beloved Florence from the truth. But when Florence stages a huge concert at Carnegie Hall he faces his greatest challenge to make sure her performance hits all the right notes.

All women are invited!

Please review the sign up genius link to contribute: signupgenius.com/go/70A0545A9AC22A4FB6-47869717-seton

SETON SENTINELS MONTHLY GATHERING

Monday, March 4 | 7:00p – 8:30pm | Fellowship Hal

Upcoming Monthly Meeting Theme: Consecration of St. Joseph and Traditions Held In Italy.

This month, we are going to learn about St. Joseph - he was Blessed Virgin Mary's spouse, Jesus' earthly father and a carpenter. He fulfilled his obligations courageously, always obeyed the commands of God, and faithfully served his vocations as spouse and father. He is celebrated annually on March 19 and we're going to provide some great resources for you to take home and celebrate with your family. Join us for a fun ice breaker, a carpentry class, and learn about Italian traditions! All women are invited!



MEN'S LENTEN EVENING OF REFLECTION

Wednesday, February 21 and March 20 | 7:00pm – 9:00pm Divine Mercy University, Sterling, VA

Looking to grow in your relationship with Christ?

Alongside Catholic formation through spiritual talks, reflection, prayer, and fellowship, this Lenten series also provides a space for men to come together and deepen their relationship with God.

Mass and opportunities for confession are also offered.

The sessions are Wednesday, February 21, and Wednesday, March 20, from 7-9 p.m. at Divine Mercy University, 45154 Underwood Drive, Sterling.

Schedule:

7:00pm-Mass

7:30pm – Dinner

8:00pm - Spiritual Talk

8:30pm – Reflection

8:45pm – Practical Talk/Small Group

Directions: From 66: Exit 53 and merge onto VA-28 N. Take VA-606 W/Old Ox Rd exit toward US-50 W. Turn right onto State Rte 866. Turn right into parking lot. Building located on right.

Fore More Information or to Register: Contact Charlie McCullough at mccullough.charlie@gmail.com or 703-969-2930.



ADVENTURES IN MARRIAGE

April 26 – 28 | St. Elizabeth Ann Seton



Take your love to new heights and rediscover the sacrament of Marriage with your spouse! Designed to reach couples across the spectrum – from happy and highly motivated to struggling and highly stressed, the Adventures in Marriage retreat aims to help couples better understand themselves and each other!

This retreat is open to couples of all ages and stages, so wherever you are in your marriage, come as you are. **SPACE IS LIMITED!** To learn more or register, please visit: livethelife.org/aim-virginia

VALENTINE'S DATE NIGHT KIT

Available all throughout the month of February



Having a romantic Valentine's Day date doesn't have to cost much. Spend a romantic evening with your significant other learning something new while having fun together **AT HOME** with our Valentine's Date Night Kit! Set some time aside to reconnect, laugh, and enjoy one another during this holiday focused on love.

Scan the QR code above to access our Valentine's Date Night Kit for FREE and plan your date! This will be available anytime throughout the month of February.

Happy Valentine's Day!

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, February	/ 25 [™]	
8:00am – 9:00am	Praise and Worship Choir	Music Room
8:45am – 10:15am	Family Faith Formation Group A	
8:45am – 10:15am	Adult Formation	Fellowship Hall
9:00am - 11:30am	RCIA	Seton Hall
10:30am – 12:00pm	Family Faith Formation Group A	
10:30am – 12:00pm	Adult Formation	Fellowship Hall
12:15pm – 1:15pm	Logistics Meeting	St. Mary Room
2:00pm - 3:30pm	"Fearless" Watch Party	Fellowship Hall
4:00pm - 5:00pm	8th Grade Parent/Youth Confirmation Meeting #3	Fellowship Hall
Monday, February 26 TH		
10:00am - 12:00pm	Seton Crafters	Trinity 2,3
7:00pm - 8:00pm	Al-Anon	St. Paul Room
7:00pm - 9:00pm	Hope and Healing Workshop	Bayley's Cellar
	ary 27™ - St. Gregory of Narek (m)	
9:00am - 2:00p	Silver Foxes Day of Recollection	Fellowship Hall
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
6:30pm – 8:30pm	Reach More	Bayley's Cellar
Wednesday, Feb		
9:30am – 11:30am	Divine Mercy Cenacle	St. Mary Room
9:45am – 10:30am	Wednesday Bible Study	St. Peter Room
1:30pm – 3:30pm	Lumen Christi Drama Club	Upper Seton Hall
6:30pm – 8:00pm	The Light is On for You Confessions	Main Church
6:30pm – 8:30pm	Mother of Joy Prayer Group	St. Paul Room
6:30pm — 8:30pm	Knights of Columbus Meeting	Upper Seton Hall
Thursday, Febru		
9:30am -8:30pm	All Day Adoration	Chapel
9:30am – 10:30am	Divine Mercy Cenacle	Chapel
12:00pm - 2:00pm	Mother Seton Food Pantry	Fellowship Hall
5:00pm - 6:00pm	Children's Choir Rehearsal	Music Room
7:00pm – 8:30pm	Thursday Bible Study	St. Mary Room
7:00pm – 9:00pm	Traditional Choir Rehearsal	Music Room
Friday, March 1	ST	
9:30am – 12:00pm	Moms Group	Nursery
9:45am – 11:30am	Friday Morning Faith Sharing	Sts. Peter and Paul Rooms
10:00am - 11:30am	Legion of Mary	Trinity 3
4:00pm - 5:00pm	Moms Group	Nursery
5:00pm - 5:30pm	Children's Stations of the Cross	Main Church
5:00pm - 7:00pm	Lenten Soup Supper	Fellowship Hall
7:00pm	Stations of the Cross	Main Church
7:30pm - 8:00pm	First Friday Mass	Main Church
8:00pm – 8:30am	All Night Adoration	Chapel
Saturday, March	2 ND	
7:00am – 9:00am	That Man Is You! (TMIY!)	Fellowship Hall
9:30am	Blessing of Sacramentals	Main Church
9:30am – 10:15am	First Saturday Devotions	Chapel
9:30am – 11:00am	Women's Book Study	Bayley's Cellar
9:30am – 12:30pm	Diocesan DRE Workshop	Fellowship Hall
12:30pm – 1:30pm	Diocesan DRE Workshop Luncheon	Fellowship Hall
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