



ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

LAKE RIDGE, VA

www.setonlakeridge.org



Did you not know that I must
be in my Father's house?

LUKE 2:49

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December 29, 2024 | FEAST DAY OF THE HOLY FAMILY

PARISH OFFICE:

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Parish Office Hours:

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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)

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.)

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.....**CLOSED**

(*5:00pm - 8:00pm during Lent)

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

WELCOME TO ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON CATHOLIC CHURCH

PARISH MISSION AND VISION

Here at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church, it is our mission to grow with and accompany those within our parish boundaries, fostering a community that journeys together in the faith in a way that is personal, purposeful, and prayerful.

New to the Parish?

Welcome to Seton Lake Ridge! We are excited to connect with you! Please complete your Parish Registration Card by stopping by the Parish Office or online at setonlakeridge.org/parish-registration.

If you are a returning Catholic, we welcome you home. Everyone is invited to rediscover the gift of our faith and the unique role that each of us has in this family of God!

Becoming Catholic (OCIA)

If you are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith or becoming Catholic, please contact our OCIA Director, Catherine Mays at ocia@setonlakeridge.org.

Baptisms

Holy Baptism is the basis of the whole Christian life; it is the gateway to life in the Spirit and the door which gives access to the other sacraments. At our parish, Baptisms occur every 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month. To register for the required Baptism Workshop and schedule a date for the Baptism, please contact the Parish Office.

Matrimony – Congratulations on your engagement!

Registered Parishioners that wish to be married here or elsewhere, are asked to contact one of the Parish Clergy at least 6 months prior to their intended wedding date to begin the Pre-Cana preparation process.

Blessings

Sacramental Blessings - A priest will bless Sacramentals every 1st Saturday of the Month | After 9:00am Mass Near Baptismal Font

Please Note: Previously blessed items are not to be blessed again.

Seeking information about the priesthood, diaconate, or consecrated religions life?

If you are seeking more information about **Holy Orders and Consecrated Life**, please contact one of the Parish Clergy or the Diocesan Office of Vocations (703-841-2514).

Pastoral Care of the Sick

If there are any parishioners who are hospitalized or homebound, please notify us so that we may best assist and accompany them. **Holy Communion**, 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.

BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

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FROM OUR PAROCHIAL VICAR



As I mentioned in my column of 12/01, Jesus wants us to hear and heed his voice, especially as we remember that he is born in order to die..., and then to rise! St. Bernard of Clairvaux (1090-1153) reminds us of this hard truth (my previous column) and how to live it out in our prayer life (my column today).

“Let us take our stand on secure ground, leaning with all our strength on Christ, the most solid rock, according to the words: *He set my feet on a rock and guided my steps* (Ps 40:2). Thus firmly established, let us begin to contemplate, to see what he is saying to us and what reply we ought to make to his charges.

“The first stage of contemplation ... is constantly to consider what God wants, what is pleasing to him, and what is acceptable in his eyes. *We all offend in many things* (James 3:2); our strength cannot match the rectitude of God’s will, being neither one with it nor wholly in accord with it; let us then humble ourselves *under the powerful hand of the most high God* (1 Peter 5:6) and be concerned to show ourselves unworthy before his merciful gaze, saying: *Heal me, Lord, and I shall be healed; save me and I shall be saved* (Jeremiah 17:14). And again, *Lord, have mercy on me; heal my soul because I have sinned against you* (Psalm 41:4).

“Once the eye of the soul has been purified by such considerations, we no longer abide within our own spirit in a sense of sorrow, but abide rather in the Spirit of God with great delight. No longer do we consider what is the will of God for us, but rather what it is in itself. For *our life is in his will* (cf. Proverbs 19:21). Thus, we are convinced that what is according to his will is in every way more advantageous and fitting for us. And so, concerned as we are to preserve the life of our soul, we should be equally concerned, insofar as we can, not to deviate from his will.

“Thus, having made some progress in our spiritual exercise under the guidance of the Spirit who searches the deep things of God, let us reflect how sweet is the Lord and how good he is in himself; in the words of the prophet, let us pray to see God’s will; no longer shall we frequent our own hearts but his temple. At the same time, we shall say: *My soul is humbled within me, therefore, I shall be mindful of you* (Lamentations 3:20).

“The whole of the spiritual life consists of these two elements. When we think of ourselves, we are perturbed and filled with a salutary sadness. And when we think of the Lord, we are revived to find consolation in the joy of the Holy Spirit. From the first we derive fear and humility, from the second hope and love.

WEEKLY REFLECTION

Unity in Diversity

When we behold the Holy Family as Christmastimes, we see how different the various members are. Jesus, Mary, and Joseph each have their own specific calling and task in the mystery of salvation. But there has never been a more harmonic and peaceful family. Precisely in their differences, these people find their deepest unity.

So it is in the Holy Trinity as well. The Father and the Son are completely different from each other, but they love each other so intensely that they become one in the Holy Spirit, as a man and a woman become one in their child.

If a family or a community doesn’t function well, we so easily resort to saying: “We are too different.” But it isn’t differences that cause the conflicts, but lack of love. Love transforms the difference into harmony, not by destroying it, but by affirming and respecting it.

Respect is one of the choicest qualities of love – respect for the individuality and unique personality of the other. If I love, I wish for the other to become ever more himself or herself. I confirm the other in what makes him or her unlike me.

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FEATURED EVENTS AND INITIATIVES

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF OUR LORD

(Vigil Mass) Tuesday, December 31 | 7:00pm

Adoration will end at 6:00pm

(Holy Day) Wednesday, January 1 | 9:00am and 12:00pm

On New Year's Day, Catholics celebrate the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, marking the eighth day (or octave) of Christmas. In the modern Roman Calendar, only the feasts of Christmas and Easter are extended with an octave, highlighting their profound significance. This solemnity honors Mary's divine motherhood, recognizing her unique role in the mystery of salvation.

The title "Mother of God" comes from the Greek term Theotokos, meaning "God-bearer." This celebration reminds us of Mary's pivotal role in salvation history: chosen by God the Father to bring Jesus Christ, the Savior, into the world. Her faithful "yes" to God made the Incarnation possible, setting the stage for Jesus to redeem humanity through His life, death, and resurrection. Mary's willingness to participate in God's plan is a profound reason for thanksgiving and celebration.



FIRST FRIDAY

Fri., January 3 | 7:00pm—8:30pm

Main Church

Escape the busyness of life and come experience the best hour you will ever spend on Earth.

Each First Friday begins with **MASS** and is followed by a **HOLY HOUR WITH PRAISE AND WORSHIP MUSIC** from 7:30pm to 8:30pm. Additionally, during this hour, **CONFESSION** will be available, and our trained prayer teams will be available to offer **INDIVIDUAL PRAYER FOR HEALING**. *All are invited to join us anytime throughout the night.*

GOD'S GIFT BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

January 4-31, 2025!

Our Respect Life Ministry invites you to share Christ's love with our mothers and babies, both born and unborn, by participating in the God's Gift Baby Bottle Campaign. Proceeds will benefit A Best Choice Mobile Ultrasound & Pregnancy Resource Center, Paul Stefan Foundation, and Mary's Shelter. More information on how to participate and donate will be out soon.

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO LOBBY?

Virginia Pro-Life Day Informational Meeting

January 6, 2025 | 7:00pm | Trinity 1

LOBBY FOR LIFE! The 4th Annual VA Pro-Life Day will be held on January 29, 2025 and on January 6th, our Seton Lake Ridge VCC Advocacy Team will be having an Informational Meeting for those interested in attending, but may not know exactly what it means to lobby. At the Informational Meeting you'll learn all about what *lobbying* is and how to do it so you can be well equipped to join us in Richmond, VA!



EVANGELICAL CATHOLIC: REACH MORE

Beginning Jan. 14 | 6:30pm—8:30pm | Bayley's Cellar
REGISTER BY January 7 | FREE

Our parish is excited to launch *Reach More* by Evangelical Catholic, a transformative series that equips you to confidently and effectively share your faith in everyday life. Rooted in the Church's mission to evangelize, this training will help you grow as a disciple and become a missionary in your own community.

Reach More Training provides practical tools, spiritual formation, and ongoing support to help you live out your calling as a disciple of Christ. Over the course of this training, you'll learn how to:

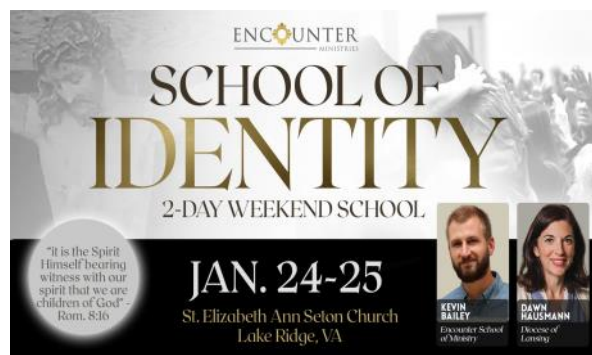
- Deepen your personal relationship with Jesus through prayer and scripture.
- Build authentic relationships with others and invite them to encounter Christ.
- Lead small groups that foster meaningful conversations about faith.

A STEP IN OUR PARISH'S CLEAR PATH

As part of our Clear Path to Discipleship—**CONNECT, ENCOUNTER, FORM, AND EQUIP** (also displayed in the Narthex)—Reach More Training is central to the *Equip* step.

Designed to empower you to bring the joy of the Gospel to others, by participating in Reach More, you'll play a vital role in our parish's mission to create a vibrant community of disciples who are equipped to evangelize in their families, workplaces, and beyond. Whether you feel called to lead or simply want to take the next step in living out your faith, Reach More Training empowers you to confidently share the Gospel in your everyday life!

Register Now, Space is Limited! It's free to join our upcoming Reach More Training, but space is limited, so sign-up today!



ENCOUNTER MINISTRIES: SCHOOL OF IDENTITY

January 24—25 | Schedule Varies
Fellowship Hall



Come experience a two-day intensive to help you grow in your identity as a son or daughter of God! Drawing from the rich tradition of Catholic teaching and Sacred Scripture as well as honoring different Christian faith denominations, our dynamic teachers, transformative content, and uplifting culture will prepare you to walk with Jesus under an open heaven.

GUEST SPEAKERS:

Kevin Bailey: After a profound encounter with Jesus in the Eucharist, Kevin Bailey experienced a desire to share the love of Christ with everyone he meets. Changing majors, schools, and lifestyles, Kevin has been working in ministry and speaking for over 10 years. His passion is seeing people walk in their identity as sons and daughters through powerful encounters and rich prayer lives. Kevin currently serves as a missionary with the Impact Center, ministering to the ministers of the Church.

Dawn Hausmann (Director of Consecrated Vocations, Coordinator of Young Adult Ministry, and Delegate of Consecrated Life, serving the Diocese of Lansing since 2011): She has a degree in social work from Michigan State University and a master's in theology from the Pontifical John Paul Institute for the Studies of Marriage and Family in Washington D.C. She has a passion for spreading John Paul II's Theology of the Body, teaching Ignatian Spirituality, and helping people journey in vocational discernment. She herself has responded to a call to the consecrated life in the vocation of consecrated virginity in November 2019.

THE RESCUE PROJECT

Jan. 29 – Mar. 19 | 6:30pm – 8:30pm
Fellowship Hall

The Rescue Project, a powerful and inspiring series created by Fr. John Riccardo, designed to help you rediscover the profound story of salvation and God's incredible plan for your life! In this series, Fr. Riccardo dives deep into the "why" behind Christianity.

Together, we'll walk through the core questions: **Why is there something rather than nothing? What is our purpose? What went wrong in the world? And most importantly, what has God done about it?**

To register or to learn more,
scan the QR code!

A STEP IN OUR PARISH'S CLEAR PATH

Falling under the Connect/Encounter Step in our Parish's Clear Path, the Rescue Project is designed to reignite or deepen your relationship with Jesus Christ. *Seton Lake Ridge Clear Path Displayed in Narthex.*

Whether you're taking your first steps in faith or are looking to reconnect, this is the perfect opportunity to encounter God's love and mercy in a profound way. From here, we'll guide you on your journey to grow as a disciple, serve others with your gifts, and share the Gospel with confidence and joy.

WHAT'S YOUR STORY?

the
RESCUE
project



MEAL | EPISODE | DISCUSSION
All Adults and Teens are welcome!

The adventure you were born for beckons



NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE 2025

Together, we stand for the unborn.

January 24, 2025 | Washington D.C.

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 24th, the National March for Life will take place in Washington D.C. and all are invited to join us! Our parish will be taking our buses, and seats are LIMITED.

The cost will be \$5.00 per person and \$20 max per family. Payments can be made upon registering.

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.

VIRGINIA PRO-LIFE DAY

January 29, 2025 | Richmond, VA

AS A GROUP, we will be taking a bus down to Richmond together for the VA Pro-Life Day! **You do NOT need to attend the Informational Meeting to Sign-Up and Reserve your seat on our bus.** Virginia Pro-Life Day is your chance to advocate for the protection of human life at all stages. The day begins with an inspiring morning of advocacy, during which participants will meet with legislators at the Virginia General Assembly.

Please note: In 2025, the VA March for Life and VA Pro Life Day will take place on two separate dates! The 2025 Virginia March for Life will take place on April 2, 2025.





FOR CHILDREN

REVERSE ADVENT FOOD DRIVE: ST. LUCY FOOD PROJECT

Family Faith Formation (FFF) is excited to be partnering once again with Catholic Charities to support their St. Lucy Food Project this holiday season! Missioned to serve those struggling with food insecurity within all 21 counties of our Diocese, the Catholic Charities St. Lucy Project operates several food pantries in Alexandria City, Sterling, and Front Royal and a distribution warehouse in Manassas.

Beginning this weekend, FFF Families and Parishioners can pick up a blue bag after any Mass to fill up with the various items listed on the flyer. Bags can be found upstairs in the Narthex and downstairs on the table. Once filled, you can drop them off in the bin marked St. Lucy Food Project downstairs next to the Fellowship Hall.

We will accept donations until January 5, 2025. Thank you for your generous support!



FOR YOUTH

CALLING ALL YOUTH: BE PART OF SOMETHING GREAT!

Are you looking for a place to have fun, make friends, and grow in your faith? Our parish youth ministry is the perfect place for YOU! Join us for exciting activities, meaningful discussions, and opportunities to connect with others who are also seeking to live their faith boldly. This is your chance to be part of a community that supports, inspires, and walks with you on your journey with Christ. Come as you are – we can't wait to welcome you! To learn more or join, please send an email to youthministry@setonlakeridge.org.

ALPHA YOUTH RETURNS TO YM GATHERINGS!

January 19, 2025 | 6:30pm – 8:30pm | Youth Center

Beginning in the new year, all youth are invited to join us for Alpha Youth! Alpha Youth exists to **EQUIP THE CHURCH** to help **RIISING GENERATIONS** discover and develop a **RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS**. We do this by providing culture-curating **PRODUCTS & RESOURCES**, transformative **EXPERIENCES**, and **CURIOUS CONVERSATIONS**.

Scan the QR code to learn more to register for Alpha Youth 2025 here at Seton Lake Ridge!



FOR MEN

BECOME A MAN AFTER GOD'S OWN HEART: THAT MAN IS YOU! (TMIY!)

Saturdays Beginning Jan. 11 | 7:00am – 8:45am | Fellowship Hall

This Catholic men's leadership program 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! Interested in joining or learning more? Send us an email at tmiy@setonlakeridge.org

SHE SHALL BE CALLED WOMAN (SHE)
TRANSFORMING WOMEN AND THEIR FAMILIES IN GOD'S LOVE

Saturdays Beginning February 8 | 10:00am – 11:30am



She Shall Be Called Woman (SHE) is a program that engages the deepest longings of the feminine heart. With engaging sessions, small group discussions, and community it's a place for women who want to be truly known and loved on their journey with the Lord.



SHE Transforms:

- Women's hearts so that they discover the profound depths of the feminine heart.
- Relationships with God and other people.
- Ordinary life into a story of extraordinary grace.
- Daily living so that women imitate the 10 virtues of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
- And more!

Register for our Spring Sessions now!

SETON SENTINELS DINNER AND MOVIE

Monday, January 11 | 6:00pm – 8:30pm | Bayley's Cellar

Seton Lake Ridge Women! Here is another opportunity to get together! Join us for a Dinner and a Movie! We're watching *Unsung Hero*, a remarkable true story which follows David Smallbone as he moves his family from Down Under to the States, searching for a brighter future after his successful music company collapses. You are invited to join us for a delicious potluck dinner, some suggestions are themed from the movie. Please RSVP and if you are interested in contributing, select what you would like to bring via sign-up genius: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0545A9AC22A4FB6-53540810-dinner>. We will eat at approximately 6pm, following the Saturday Vigil Mass. The movie will begin at 6:30pm. Thank you!



STRENGTHEN YOUR MARRIAGE IN THE NEW YEAR!

Saturdays Beginning January 11 | 6:00pm | Upper Seton Hall

Our parish is excited to launch The Alpha Marriage Course, a seven-week program designed to help couples invest in their relationship and build a stronger, healthier marriage. Whether you've been married for 1 year or 50, this course offers practical tools and guided discussions to help you grow closer, communicate better, and navigate life together.



Each session includes video presentations, private couple conversations, and refreshments in a welcoming, relaxed setting. The course begins in January, and **childcare** will be provided to make it easier for parents to attend.

Invest in your marriage and discover the joy of growing together!

REGISTER NOW!



MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS OF THE WEEK

Sunday, December 29th

5:00 p.m. † Dan Jr. and Anne Cleary
Vigil
7:30 a.m. For the People of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
9:00 a.m. † Rose Murray
10:45 a.m. † Edith Faist
12:30 p.m. † John and Lottie Engels

Monday, December 30th

9:00 a.m. In Thanksgiving

Tuesday, December 31st

9:00 a.m. Deceased Members of the Santos and Jose Families
7:00 p.m. Deceased Members of the Lynch Family

Wednesday, January 1st

9:00 a.m. Deborah Santiago
12:00 p.m. † Irene Poblete

Thursday, January 2nd

9:00 a.m. † John Grosskopf

Friday, January 3rd

9:00 a.m. Joanna Bogusky
9:00 a.m. Dr. and Mrs. Kurtzke and Family

Saturday, January 4th

9:00 a.m. † John Grosskopf
5:00 p.m. † John Lawkowski
Vigil

Sunday:

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28 Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 or Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10 Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17 or 1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24 Lk 2:41-52

Monday:

St. John of the Kanty

1 Jn 2:12-17 Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10 Lk 2:36-40
1 Jn 2:18-21 Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13 Jn 1:1-18

Tuesday:

Wednesday:

The Nativity of Our Lord (S)

Nm 6:22-27 Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 Gal 4:4-7 Lk 2:16-21

Thursday:

St. Stephen (F)

1 Jn 2:22-28 Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 Jn 1:19-28

Friday:

St. John the Apostle (F)

1 Jn 2:29-3:6 Ps 98:1, 3cd-4, 5-6 Jn 1:29-34

Saturday:

The Holy Innocents (F)

1 Jn 3:7-10 Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9 Jn 1:35-42

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

FROM YOUR BUSINESS MANAGER!

Dear Parishioners: Why don't we begin this edition by taking a victory lap together over the 19 November approval of the Seton Lake Ridge Special Use Permit (SUP) by the Prince William Board of County Supervisors (BOCS)? The show of support from you all – it was literally standing room only in the BOCS Conference Room – was overwhelming! In fact, BOCS Chair Deshundra Jefferson commended all present for the 'silent (but effective) show of support' for the Seton Lake Ridge SUP shown by our overwhelming presence at the meeting. In the end, despite all of my pre-meeting jitters, Our Lord once again knocked the ball right out of the park and our SUP received unanimous approval. The resultant exchange of handshakes, high fives, smiles and even a few hugs – allowed the love of Christ to flow freely within the McCoart Building that day! Thanks to all who have supported our Special Use Permit/Capital Campaign efforts; you can expect an update on next steps *very* soon. Moving now to remind all as we approach the end of the calendar year and (inevitably) tax season – contribution statements will go out in the mail in January. I'll close now by expressing thanks to each of you, for the last time in 2024, for your generosity of time and treasure in support of our Church and wish you and yours a most blessed Advent and Christmas season. May the light of the infant Jesus and the intercession of His holy Mother shine upon each of you and your families throughout the Christmas Season!

God bless! *Robert Yates*

*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 2024

Collection (<i>Average Weekly</i>)	\$	29,369.71
Capital Improvements	\$	4,816.00
Poor Box	\$	445.00
Votives	\$	1,624.34
Flowers	\$	3,132.00

Special Collections

Retirement Fund for Religious	\$	6,732.10
Catholic Campaign for Human Development	\$	3,582.00

Thank you for your generous donations!

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 29th - The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

ALL DAY Parish Office Closed for Christmas Holiday

Monday, December 30th - Sixth Day within the Octave of The Nativity

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Tuesday, December 31st - Seventh Day within the Octave of The Nativity

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9:30am—6:00pm All Day Adoration Chapel

9:30am—10:30am Blue Army Devotion Chapel

7:00pm—8:00pm Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God Main Church

Wednesday, January 1st - Solemnity of Mary, Mother of Our Lord (S)

ALL DAY Parish Office Closed for Christmas Holiday

9:00am—10:00am Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God Main Church

12:00pm—1:00pm Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God Main Church

Thursday, January 2nd - Sts. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen (F)

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

9:30am—10:45am Divine Mercy Holy Hour Chapel

12:00pm—2:00pm Mother Seton Food Pantry Fellowship Hall

7:15pm—8:45pm Traditional Choir Rehearsal Music Room

Friday, January 3rd - The Most Holy Name of Jesus

9:30am—12:00pm Mom's Group Nursery

9:45am—12:15pm Friday Morning Faith Sharing St. Peter and Paul Room

10:00am—11:30am Legion of Mary Trinity 3

7:00pm—8:30pm First Friday Mass, Praise and Worship Holy Hour, and Healing Main Church

Saturday, January 4th - St. Elizabeth Ann Seton (F)

9:30am—10:15am First Saturday Devotions Chapel

9:30am—11:30am Mother Seton Feast Day Celebration Fellowship Hall

6:00pm—8:00pm Seton Volunteer Epiphany Party Seton Hall



MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM OUR CLERGY AND SETON LAKE RIDGE STAFF!

On behalf of Fr. Bashista, Fr. Merkle, Deacon Rob, and our Parish Staff, HAPPY NEW YEAR! As we step into this new year, we thank God for the gift of our parish community and for the countless ways you have enriched our faith family with your prayers, service, and presence.

We pray that 2024 will be a year of grace, peace, and abundant blessings for you and your loved ones. May this be a time to draw closer to Christ and to grow in love, hope, and faith.

Thank you for being a part of our parish family. We look forward to another year of worship, fellowship, and serving the Lord together!

Please note that the Parish Office will be closed for Christmas and New Year's from [December 24, 2024—January 1]. Regular office hours will resume on [Tuesday, January 2].