



ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

LAKE RIDGE, VA

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know that
He is near.

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November 17, 2024 | THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PARISH OFFICE:

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Parish Office Hours:

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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

All submissions to the bulletin must be sent in using the **Communications Submission Form**. This form can be found on setonlakeridge.org/bulletins, and must be submitted on **Monday, two weeks before the Sunday publication date**. *Note: Due to space limitations, submissions are not guaranteed a space.*

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FROM OUR PASTOR



IMPORTANT REMINDER encouraging parishioners to attend the **Tuesday, November 19th** PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING AT **2 PM** in the **McCoart Building located in the Prince William County Complex**. (1 County Complex Ct, Woodbridge, VA 22192). **Parking and seating are limited, so please try to arrive by 1:30 PM.**



This very important Public Hearing will consider approval of our parish's Special Use Permit (SUP) application to continue construction for our Capital Campaign Projects, including the columbarium. Please show your support by your silent presence as we seek to have as many enthusiastic Seton Lake Ridge Parishioners there as possible.

This **FINAL APPROVAL** meeting will be to review our remaining **Phase III-V Facilities Master Plan**.



These phases involve several differed maintenance issues including badly needed new pavement, inadequate exterior lighting, erosion and installation of a drainage system for the underground spring that unfortunately surfaces in the middle of our parking lot. It will also allow for improvements to the parish campus including a connector plaza, parish outreach center, columbarium, walking path

and more. Caring for and improving our facilities ensures the ministerial life of our parish and the sacramental and spiritual lives of every member of our parish family will function at a higher level.

For more information or to view our **Case Statement Supplement** visit our website setonlakeridge.org. Click the "Facilities Expansion" tab under "Quick Links" to the right, or contact the Parish Office if you have questions. We hope to see you there!



Christ's blessings! ~ Fr. Bashista

WEEKLY REFLECTION

Darkness Precedes the Light

The signs that precede the coming of Christ tell us that we must stay awake and ready. But there is hardly any period in history when these signs haven't occurred. Does that mean that Jesus has fooled us? No! He knows that the hour is *always* near (Rev 1:3). He also sees how everything is correlated, how every war and every disaster down through history points to the last, decisive calamities that will transform all the old into something new. When everything is as bad as can be, then it is time to hope the most. When the night is at its darkest, then the light suddenly breaks through. When you are at the bottom of despair, then everything can turn and a new life begins.

John of the Cross describes this event in a wonderful poem:

I descended so very deeply, so very deeply
That I ascended so very high, so very high
that I ended up changed.

To "come up changed," that is, to reach what we most deeply long for, we must first descend into the abyss that rips us from everything that is ours. God can only fulfill and transform us when we have become totally powerless.

That which is true for the individual also holds for the world as a whole. When the world truly comes to an end, exactly then it is saved.

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FEATURED EVENTS AND INITIATIVES

VOLUNTEER AT OUR MOTHER SETON GIFT SHOP!

If you love interacting with others and are looking for a way to serve the parish community, we'd love to have you join our team. Volunteers help with greeting customers, organizing inventory, and assisting with sales. Your time and support will directly contribute to the ministry and outreach of our parish. No experience is necessary – just a friendly smile and a willingness to help! There are many shifts available, with the most need being weekends. The Christmas season is around the corner, please help to keep the doors open. Any volunteer who works 2 days a month will receive a 10% discount. For more information about contact Karen Kiesner at giftshop@setonlakeridge.org.



CHRIST THE KING NOVENA & EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION

Fri.-Sat., November 15-23; Sunday, Nov. 24 | 3:00pm – 4:00pm

Novena: Prepare your hearts for the Christ the King Novena! As we approach the Solemnity of Christ the King, this novena is a beautiful way to honor Jesus as King of our hearts and lives.

Eucharistic Procession (Main Church): The Christ the King procession is a Catholic tradition that takes place on the Feast Day of Christ the King, which falls on the last Sunday of the liturgical year. Each year the procession follows a specific route in which Christ is surrounded by priests, altar servers, and laypeople who follow through the streets while praying and singing hymns. *Visit our website for the Novena and for more details about the Eucharistic Procession!*

CHRISTMAS GIVING TAG TREE PROGRAM

November 16 – December 1 | Narthex

Each year, our parish's Christmas Giving Tag Trees offer us a chance to bring hope and joy to those in need – and this year, your generosity can help make Christmas brighter for families and individuals facing difficult times. This year we'll be supporting the mothers and children at the St. Margaret of Cortona Transitional & Maternity Housing Program in Woodbridge and the men at Christ House Transitional Housing Program in Alexandria as well as the homeless men and women who receive their evening meal from Christ House. To participate, simply take a tag from one of the trees and follow the instructions. Your gifts will make this season special for so many!

PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SUP APPROVAL MEETING

Tuesday, November 19 | 2:00pm | PWC Complex



Located in the McCoart Building at the Prince William County Complex (1 County Complex Ct, Woodbridge, VA 22192), this very important Public Hearing will consider approval of our parish's Special Use Permit (SUP) application to continue construction for our Capital Campaign Projects, including the columbarium. Please show your support with your silent presence as we seek to have as many enthusiastic Seton Lake Ridge Parishioners there as possible!

This public hearing (County Supervisor's vote later on final consideration) will be to review our remaining Phase III-V Facilities Master Plan. These phases involve several different maintenance issues including badly needed new pavement, inadequate exterior lighting, erosion, and installation of a drainage system for the underground spring that unfortunately surfaces in the middle of our parking lot. It will also allow for improvements to the parish campus including a connector plaza, parish outreach center, columbarium, walking path, and more. Caring for and improving our facilities ensures that the ministerial life of our parish, and the sacramental and spiritual lives of every member of our parish family will function at a higher level.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FOOD FOR THE NEEDY CAMPAIGN

Help Feed the Hungry

The Catholic Charities St. Lucy Food Project aims to address the invisible hungry throughout the 21 counties and seven cities of our Diocese. By operating several food pantries in Alexandria City, Sterling, and Front Royal and a distribution warehouse in Manassas, they are able to serve those struggling with food insecurity. The Mother Seton Food Pantry right here at our parish also aims to support parishioners and families in the Lake Ridge community experiencing food insufficiency. To continue supporting these two incredible efforts, especially this time each year, our Knights launch their Food for the Needy Campaign in which donations will go towards benefitting the St. Lucy Project and our very own Mother Seton Food Pantry.



Please take and use the envelopes in the Narthex to place your donations in. You can drop them off in the Food for the Needy box or the regular collection basket. You can also donate online by scanning the QR code!

We graciously thank you for your support.



AMERICAN HERITAGE GIRLS BAKE SALE

November 23/24 | After All Masses | Fellowship Hall

Add an extra treat to your Thanksgiving table, and help support our American Heritage Girls Scout Troop by purchasing a delectable dessert at their annual bake sale after all Masses November 23rd and 24th. To learn more about our American Heritage Girls Troop, please visit setonlakeridge.org/scouting/. Thank you and enjoy!

K. of C. PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Sunday, December 1 | Fellowship Hall

After the 7:30am, 9:00am, and 10:45am Masses

Hosted by our Knights of Columbus, join us for a delicious pancake breakfast. Bring your family and invite friends along for this wonderful opportunity to enjoy a delicious breakfast and spend time together as a community!

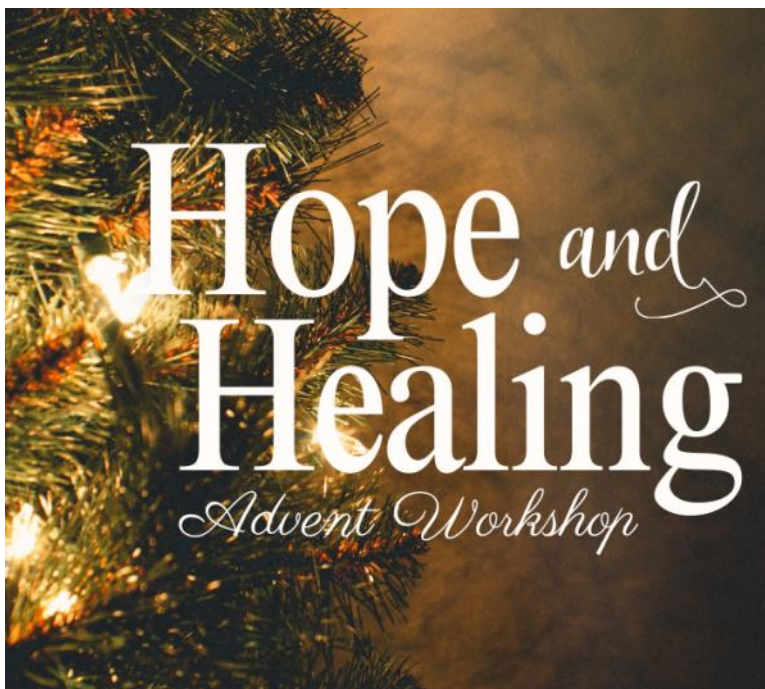
HOPE & HEALING ADVENT WORKSHOP

December 12-14 | Fellowship Hall

If the coming holiday season brings to mind physical illness or pain, sorrow over a loss (of a friend, a loved one, a home, a job), regret or remorse, or other trials, join us in reflection and prayer as we open our hearts to God's healing grace at the Hope and Healing Advent Workshop.

In this 4-session Advent Workshop, we will explore how our suffering can bring us into closer union with Christ using Dr. Bob Schucht's video series and book *Real Suffering: Finding Hope and Healing in the Trials of Life*.

Registration is FREE, and all are invited. We will have a limited number of books available for those who wish to purchase a copy (optional). Please contact healingministry@setonlakeridge.org with any questions.



KEEPS CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS CARD AND WREATH SALES



It's that time of the year again! The Knights of Columbus have begun selling their "Keep Christ in Christmas" cards and you can purchase your box of 10 any time after all Sunday Masses. Card recipients will be remembered at the 7:00pm Christmas Eve Mass.

This year's card, "Away in a Manger" features artwork of the Nativity, and the Knights will also be taking orders for live wreaths and centerpieces. In-person orders end on Dec. 1 and online orders (giftitforward.com) close on Dec. 7. Our Knights thank you for your support!

Price: \$10.00 per Box of Ten (10) Cards.

Use Fundraising Code: KELLEYVA001.

Name of Referring Member: Paul Zerkow

MEN AND WOMEN'S RETREAT: FINDING DIVINE TRUTH IN CATHOLIC LITERATURE

Friday, December 13 – Sunday, December 15 | San Damiano Retreat Center in White Post, VA

Our faith has produced an abundance of Catholic writers throughout the ages, and the grace they received in the Sacraments permeates their works. Come spend a weekend with Fr. Rich Miserendino at the Arlington Diocese's San Damiano Retreat Center in White Post, VA and dive into short stories and snippets of longer works as we contemplate the divine Word glimpsed in the written word in the likes of O'Connor, Chesterton, Waugh and more.

This unique retreat experience is for both **men and women**. The retreat begins at 5 p.m. on Friday, December 13, and ends at 1 p.m. on Sunday, December 15. Retreat cost is \$285 per person. For further information or to register, please contact Deacon Mark Maines at mark.maines@arlingtondiocese.org



About Fr. Rich Miserendino: Fr. Rich Miserendino discovered a deeper love of God and the faith during his undergraduate studies at the University of Rochester and the Eastman School of Music. There, by the grace of God, many good friends and professors helped him discern his vocation to the Priesthood. He entered the Seminary in 2009, and holds degrees from both the Pontifical Gregorian University and the Pontifical University Saint Thomas Aquinas in Rome. He is currently serving at the University of Mary Washington (UMW) Catholic Campus Ministry!

FOR CHILDREN

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION WEEK 5/6 REMINDERS

This week, Group B's Family Faith Formation (Session II at 10:30 am) will meet on Sunday, November 17, for their 5th week, which will include a scheduled fire drill. Group A (Sessions I & II at 8:45 am and 10:30 am) will meet for their 6th week on Sunday, November 24.

Fire Drill Details for Group B:

- Session II (10:30 am) fire drill will start at 11:00 am and conclude at 11:20 am.

Each fire drill will last approximately 20 minutes. Parents, please be sure to arrive on time for your scheduled session.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS POSTER CONTEST

Deadline for Submissions: December 1, 2024

Dedicated to bringing back the true spirit of Christmas and to remind families that the season is about more than Santa Claus and presents, this contest allows the youth to engage their creative talent and imagination while understanding the true and spiritual meaning of Christmas.

Who Can Enter the Contest? The contest is open to all youth: Kindergarten through 8th grade.

Contest entrants compete in one of several age groups: Kindergarten, Grade 1-2, Grade 3-4, Grade 5-6, and Grade 7-8.

Poster Contest Rules and Details:

- Each poster must reflect the theme of Keep Christ in Christmas, include a slogan reflecting the topic, and an original visual image.
- Each poster must be the original work of a single person.
- Each poster should be approximately 11x17 inches.
If pastels, chalk or charcoal are used, the poster must be laminated or covered with clear plastic to prevent smearing.
- Each poster must be submitted with a Knights of Columbus Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest entry form. Each form must indicate the council number (Council 8183). The name and grade of the entrant should be printed on the reverse side of the poster in case the poster and entry form get separated.
- Participants may submit more than one poster. *There is no limit to the number of posters an individual can submit.*
- All entries become the property of the Knights of Columbus and will not be returned.

Awards

All participants will receive a participation certificate while all the award winners will receive an award certificate. The top three award winners in each age category will receive a monetary prize off \$50 for first place, \$25 for second place, and \$10 for third place. The top winners in each age category will advance to the District, State, Supreme and International Levels.

The contest runs from November 1 to December 1, 2024. Final poster submissions are due to the Knights of Columbus no later than December 1, 2024, or you can drop off your entry to Mylene Garcia at the Parish Office on or before the due date. For more information please contact: Tom Genova at tgenova0@gmail.com.



AQUINAS OPEN HOUSE

Thursday, November 21 and January 30 | 6:00pm

Dominican PreK through 8th Grade Catholic School

Tuition Assistance Available

Open House is an excellent way to learn about Aquinas and discover the spiritual and academic opportunities.

RSVP at aquinastars.org or use the QR code

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton parishioners may be eligible to receive a discount. 13750 Mary's Way, Woodbridge, VA - 703.491.4447

FOR YOUTH

YM MONTHLY GATHERING

Sunday, November 17 | 6:30pm – 8:30pm
Youth Center (Lower Seton Hall)

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

We will meet in Lower Seton Hall beginning with snacks and socializing as well as games like gaga ball and jungle pong. In the second hour we will gather to watch and discuss Alpha Youth's Life on Purpose. This month's video is all about growing in prayer.



FOR MEN

REGNUM CHRISTI: MEN'S EVENING OF REFLECTION

Wednesday, November 20 | 7:00pm—9:30pm | Divine Mercy University
45154 Underwood Drive Sterling.



Looking to grow in your relationship with Christ? All men who are seeking to deepen their faith are invited to an evening of reflection and prayer. Regnum Christi's Men's Evening of Reflection provides Catholic formation with spiritual talks, reflection, prayer, and fellowship. Mass and opportunities for Confession will also be offered.

Registration Fee: \$25

For more information or to register contact rcmenssectionva@gmail.com

FOR WOMEN

SETON SENTINELS MONTHLY GATHERING

Monday, December 2 | 7:00pm—8:30pm | Fellowship Hall

Women of Seton Lake Ridge, bring a girlfriend and join us for a fun round of trivia! Four teams will compete – Team Hope, Team Love, Team Joy, and Team Peace. We will also deepen our understanding of the Advent season as it illustrates the beginning of a new liturgical season and prepares us for Christmas and the celebration of the birth of Christ! Each monthly meeting begins with a fun ice breaker, followed by an activity and finishes with a prayer.

FINDING PEACE AND JOY WITH JESUS AND MARY IN ADVENT: WOMEN'S SILENT RETREAT

Friday-Sunday, December 6-8 | San Damiano Retreat Center, White Post, VA

Calm—Quiet—Contemplative—Peaceful—Waiting in Joyful Anticipation" these words describe what the Holy Season of Advent ought to be (and rarely is). Instead, the weeks before "the Holidays" tend to be manic, stressful, anxious, and distracted as women rush to meet the "great expectations" of their families and those around them.

Retreat to the Arlington Diocese San Damiano Spirituality Center and savor the silence with your sisters. We will "treasure and ponder" the mysteries of Advent while we read, think, pray... and rest with Jesus Christ. Fr. John Riley will lead us in a consideration of the true meaning of the peaceful and solemn season of Advent and how we might better prepare to welcome the Christ Child with joy into our families and our homes on Christmas morning.



The retreat begins at 5 p.m. on Friday, December 6, and ends at 1 p.m. on Sunday, December 8.

Retreat cost is \$285 per person (financial assistance may be available) For further information or to register, please contact Deacon Mark Maines at mark.maines@arlingtondiocese.org.

FOR COUPLES

ABOUT NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING (NFP)

Natural Family Planning (NFP) is a **unique form of fertility education**. Specifically, NFP is the title for the moral, natural and healthy, modern and scientifically reliable methods of family planning. These methods teach married couples how to identify and understand their combined signs of fertility. This information then helps married couples plan to achieve or postpone a pregnancy. NFP is morally good because it helps married couples respect God's design for married love. (*Theresa Notare, PhD, Assistant Director, NFP Program, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops*)

Learn More at <https://setonlakeridge.org/nfp>



MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS OF THE WEEK

Sunday, November 17th

5:00 p.m. Julie Zackisson

Vigil

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

9:00 a.m. † Jason Brunzman

10:45 a.m. † Jerry Zimmerman

12:30 p.m. Ammie Laguilles

Monday, November 18th

9:00 a.m. † Joseph Chac Pham

Tuesday, November 19th

9:00 a.m. Deceased Members of the Lamb Family

Wednesday, October 20th

9:00 a.m. † Emelina Camp

Thursday, October 21st

9:00 a.m. † Nora Etheridge

Friday, November 22nd

9:00 a.m. † Janet Messier

Saturday, November 23rd

9:00 a.m. Silver Foxes

5:00 p.m. † Louis Braga

Vigil

Sunday:

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dn 12:1-3 Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 Heb 10:11-14, 18 Mk 13:24-32

Monday:

The Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. Peter and Paul *(m)*

Rv 1:1-4, 2:1-5 Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday:

Rv 3:1-6, 14-22 Rv 3:1-6, 14-22 Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday:

Rv 4:1-11 Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6 Lk 19:11-28

Thursday:

Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary *(M)*

Rv 5:1-10 Ps 149:1B-2, 3-4, 5-6A and 9B Lk 19:41-44

Friday:

St. Cecilia *(M)*

Rv 10:8-11 Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131 Lk 19:45-48

Saturday:

St. Clement; St. Columban; Bl. Miguel Agustin Pro *(m)*

Rv 11:4-12 Ps 144:1, 2, 9-10 Lk 20:27-40

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

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

The sick of our parish family: Kathy Dunn, Elena Santos

The deceased of our parish family: Donita Rardin, Hilda Amaya

COLLECTIONS FOR SEPTEMBER 2024

Collection (<i>Average Weekly</i>)	\$ 22,794.22
Capital Improvements	\$ 6,630.00
Poor Box	\$ 835.00
Votives	\$ 1,480.23
Flowers	\$ 292.00

Special Collections

Hurricane Relief	\$ 8,294.00
Porto Charities	\$ 1,727.00
World Mission Sunday	\$ 4,444.-00

Thank you for your generous donations!

FROM YOUR BUSINESS MANAGER!

Dear Parishioners: I have a lot to cover and not much space to do so, so let me begin with a short note on CC2021 pledges – most of you have completed your ‘original campaign’ pledges, so I want to let you know that the contribution period for extended CC2021 campaign officially begins on January 1, 2025. I know – many of you have already been contributing to the extended campaign – good on you! Please call or email me if you have any questions on this. Next note is on the upcoming Seton Lake Ridge 2024-25 Offertory appeal. The last Seton Lake Ridge Offertory Appeal was three years ago in November 2021. What has changed since then? The answer, as we all know, is inflation! I compared some key costs this week and found that our annual Church electricity bill rose from just under \$54,000 in Fiscal 2022 to just under \$77,000 in Fiscal 2024 – a 30% increase! Natural gas costs rose similarly. With this in mind, Father Bashista will ask all of us to discern our ability to contribute to our Church on the weekend of November 16th and 17th. The Prince William County (PWC) Board of Supervisors will meet on November 19th at 2PM in the McCoart Building of the PWC Complex located just off of Prince William Parkway to consider approval of the Seton Lake Ridge Special Use Permit (SUP). I’ll be there with Father Bashista that afternoon and invite all of you to join in as well! If the SUP is approved, you can expect to hear about next steps on Phase III Construction by the first Sunday in Advent. Next topic is the Mother Seton Gift Shop (MSGs). MSGS Manager Karen Kiesner has stocked the shelves to meet your Advent and Christmas gift needs, and she’ll be running specials as well, so please stop by! She’s also in need of shop volunteers; if you can help her out, please contact Karen at giftshop@setonlakeridge.org. I’ll close now by expressing thanks to each of you for your generosity of time and treasure in support of our Church and wish you and yours a most blessed Thanksgiving celebration with family and friends! It’s *still* a great privilege to serve Christ’s Church and each of you as your Business Manager - contact me anytime with your questions or concerns! (Contact info on pg.2) God bless! - **Robert Yates**

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, November 17th - Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:45am—11:35am	Nursery	Nursery
9:30am—11:30am	OCIA	Seton Hall
10:30am—12:00pm	Family Faith Formation Group B Session 2	Fellowship Hall
1:00pm—3:30pm	Adventure in Marriage	Seton Hall
6:30pm—8:30pm	Youth Ministry Gathering	Lower Seton Hall

Monday, November 18th

5:30pm—8:00pm	St. Margaret of Cortona Life Skills Class	Seton Hall
7:00pm—8:00pm	Al-Anon	St. Paul Room

Tuesday, November 19th

9:30am—8:30pm	All Day Adoration	Chapel
9:30am - 10:30am	Blue Army Devotion	Chapel

Wednesday, November 20th

9:30am—11:30am	Divine Mercy Cenacle	St. Mary Room
9:45am—11:30am	Wednesday Bible Study	St. Peter's Room
1:30pm—3:30pm	Lumen Christi	Seton Hall
6:00pm—7:30pm	OCIA Youth Program Catch-Up	Trinity 3
6:30pm—8:30pm	Alpha	Fellowship Hall
6:30pm—8:30pm	Mother of Joy Prayer Group	St. Paul Room
7:00pm—8:30pm	Knights of Columbus Meeting	Upper Seton Hall

Thursday, November 21st

9:30am—8:30pm	All Day Adoration	Chapel
9:30am—10:45am	Divine Mercy Cenacle Holy Hour	Chapel
12:00pm—2:00pm	Mother Seton Food Pantry	Fellowship Hall
6:00pm—7:30pm	American Heritage Girls	Lower Seton Hall
6:00pm—7:30pm	Trail Life USA	Upper Seton Hall
7:00pm—8:30pm	Thursday Bible Study	St. Mary Room
7:15pm—8:45pm	Traditional Choir Rehearsal	Music Room

Friday, November 22nd

9:30am—12:00pm	Mom's Group	Nursery
9:45am—12:15pm	Friday Morning Faith Sharing	St. Peter and Paul Rooms
10:00am—11:30am	Legion of Mary	Trinity 3

Saturday, November 23rd

7:00am—9:00am	That Man is You! (TMIY!)	Fellowship Hall
9:00am—12:00pm	Morning of Mercy	Fellowship Hall
9:45am—10:30am	Knights of Columbus Exemplification	Chapel
10:00am—11:00am	Knights of Columbus Exemplification Reception	Bayley's Cellar
10:00am—11:30am	She Shall Be Called Woman (SHE)	Seton Hall
11:30am—12:00pm	Morning of Mercy Holy 1/2 Hour	Chapel



PARISH OFFICE CLOSURES

Wednesday—Friday, November 27-29

On Wednesday, November 27, the Parish Office, Gift Shop, and Library will close at 12:00pm and remain closed through Friday, November 29.

There will be NO 9:30am Confessions on Friday and NO small groups for Family Faith Formation on Sunday, December 1. We will reopen and resume our regular operating hours on Monday, December 2.