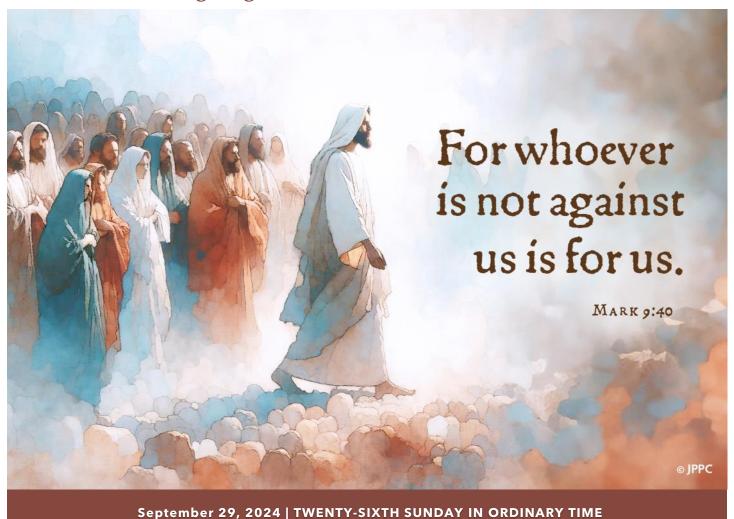


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ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH LAKE RIDGE, VA



#### **PARISH OFFICE:**

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#### Parish Office Hours:

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

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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)

## **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	CLOSED
<b>(</b> *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 <b>–</b> 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

<u>Sacramental Blessings</u> - 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 <u>Monday, two weeks before the Sunday publication date.</u> Note: Due to space limitations, submissions are not guaranteed a space.

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### FROM OUR PASTOR



ELECTION DAY is fast approaching and EVERYONE WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO VOTE HAS AN OBLIGATION AND DUTY TO DO SO! In the Catholic Tradition, responsible citizenship is a virtue, and participation in political life is a moral obligation. If you are not currently registered to vote in Virginia, I so strongly encourage you to do so by THE DEADLINE OF TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15th.



Vice President

**KAMALA HARRIS** 

TIMOTHY M. KAINE

I also want to call to everyone's attention this week's bulletin inserts: the <u>Voter Registration flyer</u>, the <u>letter from the Bishops of Virginia</u>, and the <u>Virginia Catholic Conference's (VCC) President and Senate Candidates Comparison Charts.</u> You can also access the charts and more information at

www.vacatholic.org/election2024/ As the comparison states: "In keeping with its mission, the Virginia Catholic Conference aims to educate and inform Catholics about a wide range of issues. The information compiled here has been

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gathered from policies, public statements, official and campaign websites, and other resources, as of September 6, 2024, to help voters form their consciences before voting in November. The issues that appear here do not represent a complete list of issues that may be of importance to Catholics. The VCC neither supports nor opposes any candidate for public office."

VOTE BECAUSE YOUR TIME IS NOW! Early Voting began on Septem-

ber 20th and will end on November 4th. Voting early is highly recommended because of its convenience and because it helps avoid potential conflicts on Election Day (Nov. 5th). Ballots are submitted and counted same as on Election Day. Beginning Oct. 15th, you can cast your ballot for early voting at: DMV Woodbridge; 2731 Caton Hill Rd, Woodbridge VA. Hours of Operation: Weekdays and Mon., Tues., Thur., Fri.: 8:30 am to 4:30 pm; Wed.: 8:30 am to 7 pm; Sat.: 8:30 am to 5 pm; Sun.: 11 am to 5 p.m. Required Items: ID Card



If you have a new residence address or name change, an <u>update to your registration is needed</u>. See <u>www.vote.elections.virginia.gov/VoterInformation</u> or you can scan the QR code to the left. <u>VERY IMPORTANT</u>, please note that redistricting may change your polling place on election day. To find your polling place, visit <u>www.elections.virginia.gov/casting-a-ballot/polling-place-lookup/</u>. To access any of the websites mentioned, visit <u>www.setonlakeridge.org/votenow</u>

May our good Lord continue to guide and protect us all ~ Fr. Bashista

# **WEEKLY REFLECTION**

# The End Is the Beginning

Jesus mentions war, persecutions, earthquakes, famine, and cosmic catastrophes as signs that will precede his return. These events have happened throughout history. Many time people thought that the end was near. But the world is still here.

Yet, these signs can teach us a great deal. The second coming of Christ is not the last link in a long, positive, straight evolution. To be sure, our task is to try to build up the kingdom of love and peace here on earth. But we will never

completely succeed. It is not possible all conflicts will be resolved and all fractures healed.

Only a few decades ago, people lived in an illusion that technical progress would make all the causes behind strife and war disappear on their own. Everyone would have enough to eat, everyone would be fine. Noting much is left of that illusion.

The closer we get to the end, the greater the confusion, chaos, hate, and war. This is Jesus' view of history. It appears pessimistic, but it isn't. When this old world is over, it is not yet over. Then the Lord comes, and with him a new heaven and a new earth, not built by human hands but by him.

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### **FEATURED EVENTS AND INITIATIVES**



#### **ALPHA FALL 2024**

Wednesdays | 6:30pm - 8:30pm | Fellowship Hall

There's a seat for everyone at the table, and we saved one for *you*!

Whether you are exploring the faith or looking to deepen your relationship with Christ, everyone is welcome and no questions are off limits! Designed to provide individuals with the opportunity to connect with one another while being able to share thoughts, ideas, and opinions in an open environment is what Alpha is about. Each session will include a meal, video presentation, and small group discussions. Learn more or register by scanning the QR code with your phone's camera!

#### 40 DAYS FOR LIFE FALL CAMPAIGN

September 25 – November 3 | Alexandria Women's Health Clinic

Join us for the Fall Campaign of 40 Days for Life, a peaceful and educational presence that sends a powerful message to the community about the tragic reality of abortion. By standing witness, we offer a call to repentance for those involved in the abortion industry and those who visit the facility. Together, we can be a voice for life and hope.

Visit 40daysforlife.com, select Alexandria Women's Health Clinic (2616 Sherwood Hall Lane, Hybla Valley, Alexandria, VA) as your site, and choose the day(s) and time you wish to spend an hour. Details: Public sidewalk, Across from the firehouse; parking behind the firehouse or diagonally across the street in the Library parking lot; NO PARKING at the bank or at 2616 Sherwood Hall Lane Alexandria, Virginia

# FIRST FRIDAY MASS, HOLY HOUR WITH PRAISE AND WORSHIP, AND HEALING

Friday, October 4 | 7:00pm – 8:30pm | Main Church

All are invited to join us each first Friday of the month for Mass, Praise and Worship Holy Hour, Healing, and All Night Adoration. Whether you are seeking physical healing or would just simply like to spend some time with the Lord, this is a wonderful opportunity to step away from the busyness of life, slow down, and encounter the Lord.

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, the confessionals will be open and our trained prayer teams, composed of members of the parish who were a part of the Encounter Ministries School of Healing, will be available to offer individual prayer for healing during this hour. All Night Adoration will continue in the Chapel after 8:30pm.



#### **DIOCESAN GOLDEN JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE-**

Saturday, October 5 | 9:00am – 2:30pm | Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception

Bishop Michael Burbidge, Bishop of Arlington, invites you to join him at the final celebration of the 50th anniversary of the Diocese of Arlington by participating in the Diocesan Golden Jubilee Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. on Saturday, October 5th, 2024. After what has been an exciting three years of preparation, we will continue to focus on our theme of Renew as we prayerfully gather as one diocesan family within the Shrine devoted to Our Lady.

While we are no longer accepting individuals on our bus as it is full, the pilgrimage is free and open to all! Individual pilgrims and families are welcome to participate on their own and there is no registration required to attend.

#### **REGISTRATION NOW OPEN:**

#### **ANNUAL PARISH FALL FESTIVAL**

Sunday, October 6 | 1:30pm – 8:00pm | Parish Grounds FREE | Scan QR Code to Register

**Get ready to eat, dance, and play!** We are just ONE WEEK away from the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Fall Festival, so if you haven't registered already, what are you waiting for!

Open to the whole community, the Fall Festival is the perfect opportunity to spend time with family, friends, and to connect with those in our community, so bring everyone along. We'll have a variety of local food trucks to try from as well as many fall-themed games and activities like pumpkin SMASH!, a mini train ride, bounce house, climbing wall, corn hole, and so much more! Joining us for the day will also be DJ Freddie B and a special guest musician! All games will be FREE; food, drinks, and pumpkins for purchase.



#### CHILI COOK-OFF

At the Fall Festival | 2:00pm – 4:00pm | Seton Hall | Scan the QR code to Register for the Chili Cook-Off

Join us for a sizzling showdown at our Fall Festival! All are invited to sign up and bring their best batch of chili to compete for the "Chili Champion" title! Prizes will be awarded to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners. Whether you're a seasoned chef or a home cook, this is your chance to shine and share your favorite chili with the community. Spots are limited, so sign up soon and be part of this fun and flavorful event! If you are interested in participating in the Chili Cook-Off, scan the QR code for more information or to register!



**EVANGELICAL CATHOLIC REGIONAL CONFERENCE** 

Friday and Saturday, October 18 and 19 | Fellowship Hall

The world needs evangelical Catholics — missionary disciples rooted in Christ and the Church, who bring the light of faith, hope, and love into every corner of the world. Come to the *Evangelical Catholic Regional Conference* to get the inspiration and tools to sustain you in a lifestyle of following Jesus and sharing him with others. Join a movement of normal (yet extraordinary) Catholics who are taking hold of the abundant life of Jesus.

Discover how deep prayer, authentic community, and relational mission can bring joy and fruitful-



André Lesperance

- Find inspiration for becoming fully alive in your lay vocation
- Refocus on what's most important and be refreshed in your life with God
- Identify your unique mission in the world

ness to your life and the lives of those around you.

• Create a plan for a lifetime of missionary discipleship

Connect with other evangelical Catholics! **Jason Simon, Andre Lesperance,** and **Josh Dart** will also be joining us here at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton!



The cost for the weekend Conferences is \$50. There will be light refreshments, but meals will NOT be included Details/Schedule/Registration can be found by scanning the QR code!



#### SAFE HAVEN BABY BOX INITIATIVE

All of October Beginning on the 6th

Did you know that Virginia has great Safe Haven Laws that allow parents to safely surrender their infant within the first 30 days of life if they are not ready to parent? Another option is surrendering their infant to an alarmed, climate-controlled safety device known as a Safe Haven Baby Box. According to Safe Have Baby Boxes, their mission is to "prevent the illegal abandonment of newborns by raising awareness, offering a 24-hour hotline for mothers in crisis, and offering the Safe Haven Baby Box as a last resort option for women who want to maintain complete anonymity" (shbb.org).

Currently there are none in our area, but your generous donation can allow for the construction, installation, and maintenance of baby boxes in Northern Virginia. Beginning next week, October 5/6, we will be launching our Safe Haven Baby Box Initiative! Stay tuned for more details!



# FAITHFUL CITIZENSHIP SETON LAKE RIDGE VCC ADVOCACY

Our national tradition of religious freedom permits and encourages all people of faith to bring the insights of their religious traditions to bear on political matters. As Pope Francis affirmed during his visit to the U.S., "Religious liberty, by its nature, transcends places of worship and the private sphere of individuals and families.... Religion itself, the religious dimension, is not a subculture; it is part of the culture of every people and every nation."

"If society is to have a future, it must respect the truth of our human dignity and submit to that truth. . . . A society is noble and decent not least for its support of the pursuit of truth and its adherence to the most basic of truths" (Fratelli Tutti, no. 207). The truths that guide public life can be known by natural reason. The sanctity of human life, the equal dignity of all individuals, the obligation to protect the vulnerable, the nature and purposes of sex, marriage, and family — these are not exclusively "religious" truths, but truths that all people of goodwill can come to know without the aid of revelation. Our Catholic faith sheds light on these truths, and so we have a duty to bring that light to our nation.



# VOTER INFORMATION FROM OUR SETON LAKE RIDGE ADVOCACY COMMITTEE!

Register to Vote by October 15, 2024

Update Existing Registration by October 15, 2024

Request Absentee Ballot by October 25, 2024

**Early Voting Begins:** Saturday, October 26, 2024

Early Voting Ends: Saturday, November 2, 2024

Election Day
Tuesday, November 5, 2024
6:00am – 7:00pm

#### **LIFE CHAIN-STAND & PRAY**

Sun., Oct. 6 | 2:30pm – 3:30pm | At the corner of Smoketown Road and Gideon Dr. (Olive Garden vicinity)

Life Chain is a peaceful, prayerful, public National witness of pro-life individuals standing in remembrance of at least 65 million lives lost to abortion, praying for our nation, for people in crisis pregnancy situations, and for a permanent end to abortion.

It is a visual statement of solidarity by the Christian community that abortion kills children, hurts women and men, and that the Church supports the sanctity of human life from the moment of conception to natural death. Please join us, rain or shine, and support this very important effort!

#### **2024 MASS FOR JUBILARIANS**

Sunday, October 20 | 3:00pm | Cathedral of St. Thomas More, Arlington, VA

If you are celebrating your 25th (married in 1999) or 50th (married in 1947) wedding anniversary this year, you are invited to join Bishop Michael Burbidge for the 2024 Mass for Jubilarians! This special celebration honors the beauty and commitment of your marriage, recognizing the love and faith that have carried you through these milestone years. Come share this joyous occasion with fellow brothers and sisters! We look forward to celebrating your enduring love! Please contact our **Parish Office** for more information or to register.

# HILDA BARG MEAL PREPARATION: VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO PREPARE AND DROP-OFF FOOD FOR HOMELESS SHELTER FAMILIES

For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink. (Matthew 25:35)

As a member church of the PWC Cooperative Council of Ministries (CCoM), our parish is honored to provide nutritious balanced dinners for the families residing at the Hilda Barg Homeless Prevention Center in Woodbridge two weeks each year. This year our 2nd week is scheduled for October 20-26. As of this writing, the shelter is operating at capacity, so dinner would need to be prepared for 30 adults, which is enough to feed the children as well. You may cook at home or in the Parish Kitchen. Meals should consist of an entree and two side dishes. (Bread is not counted as a side dish.) Food should be dropped off at the shelter, hot and ready to serve, by 6:15-6:30 p.m. This is a wonderful opportunity to teach children compassion for the needy plus they can earn Confirmation or community service hours by shopping for ingredients, helping with food prep, and cleanup!

Contact Betty Maher, Director of Human Concerns at b.maher@setonlakeridge.org or 703.494.4008, ext. 105 to schedule a date for your family/group/ministry!



#### FINDING JESUS WITH PIER GIORGIO FRASSATI: A RETREAT FOR YOUNG ADULTS

Fri. – Sat., October 18 – 20 | San Damiano Retreat Center, White Post, VA

Verso l'alto "on to the heights" means not only to climb the mountains before us, but also refers to scaling the peaks and navigating the troughs of the spiritual life and finding Jesus. Join Fr. Joseph Townsend, Parochial Vicar at the Basilica of St. Mary in Alexandria, and Fr. John Paul Heisler, Parochial Vicar at St. James in Falls Church, at the Diocese of Arlington's San Damiano Retreat Center for a weekend of spiritual adventure! Together, we will scale the peaks and navigate the chasms of spiritual life as we ascend "the Heights" to Christ with Pier Giorgio Frassati. For more adventurous souls — come along on a Sunday afternoon excursion to the summit of a Blue Ridge Peak! This silent retreat will begin at 5:00pm Friday, October 18, and will end at 1:00pm, Sunday, October 20; Cost: \$285 per person (financial assistance may be available); More Information: Interested in learning more or registering? Please contact Deacon Mark Maines at mark.maines@arlingtondiocese.org

# **A** FOR CHILDREN

#### CATHOLIC CITIZENSHIP ESSAY CONTEST

All submissions are due by October 13 | Parish Office

*Calling all 8th to 12th Graders!* In an essay of 500-750 words, discuss, what are the two most important virtues for an elected leader to possess, and why? How can you determine if the leader has these virtues?

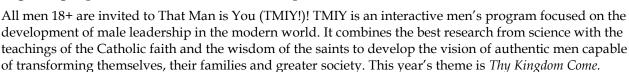
The Knights of Columbus is sponsoring the Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest. The goal of this program is to involve young Catholics in civic discourse and instill in them religious and life-affirming values. The contest is open to all young Catholics between 8th and 12th grade in public, private, parochial, or home schools. Entry forms as well as Contest Rules will be given to the 8th-12th Grade in the Family Faith Formation Program. Additional Entry Forms and Contest Rules will be available in the Parish Office for those attending parochial school and homeschool. All participants will receive a participation certificate and the top three winners in each age category will receive a monetary prize of \$50, \$25 and \$10 and an award certificate. The top winners in each age category will advance to the District, State, Supreme, and International Levels. Essay submissions will be evaluated by a panel.



## **FOR MEN**

### THAT MAN IS YOU! (TMIY!)

Beginning September 7 | 7:00am | Fellowship Hall





For more information please contact John Maher at TMIY@setonlakeridge.org. If you attended last year, no registration is necessary. All others may register by sending an email with your name, address and phone number to TMIY@setonlakeridge.org or via the QR code.

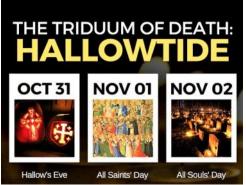


#### **FOR WOMEN**

#### REGISTER NOW FOR SHE SHALL BE CALLED WOMAN

Saturdays | 10:00am - 11:30am | Seton Hall

From the lay ministry that brought That Man Is You!, Paradisus Dei now presents She Shall Be Called Woman (SHE)! SHE is a transformative journey designed to meet the deepest longings of the feminine heart. Through vibrant conversations, authentic speakers, and enriching prayer experiences, our gatherings blend insightful video presentations with intimate small-group discussions for women of all ages! Registration is NOW OPEN, so register now by scanning the QR code with your phone's camera.



### SETON SENTINELS MONTHLY GATHERING

Monday, October 7 7:00pm – 8:30pm | Fellowship Hall

**Do you know what Allhallowtide is?** It is actually a kind of triduum: three days of commemoration which includes All Hallows Eve (October 31, shortened Halloween), All Saints Day (All Hallows Day, November 1), and All Souls Day (November 2).

Join us we learn about these events from the Catholic perspective and deepen our understanding of Allhallowtide. Each monthly meeting begins with a fun ice breaker, followed by an activity and finishes with a prayer. All women are invited!



### **MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS OF THE WEEK**

Sunday, September 29th

5:00 p.m. † Josephine Carlson

Vigil

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

9:00 a.m. Baek Family

10:45 a.m. † Stella Henderson12:30 p.m. † Steve LaGuardia

Monday, September 30<sup>th</sup>

9:00 a.m. † Sofia Gonzales

Tuesday, October 1st

9:00 a.m. † Mary Lou Schuler

Wednesday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>

9:00 a.m. † Richard Scordo

Thursday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>

9:00 a.m. **†** William Calhoun

Friday, October 4<sup>th</sup>

9:00 a.m. **†** Frank and Mildred Pauselli

7:00 p.m. † Donna Dotson

Saturday, October 5th

9:00 a.m. † Patricia Koch 5:00 p.m. † George Heind

Vigil

#### **REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**

**The sick of our parish family:** Cheryl Abon Jones, Lori Brunsman

The deceased of our parish family: J.R. Nolan, Connie Tovey

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 AUGUST 2024**

Collection (Average Weekly)	\$ 28,498.33
Capital Improvements	\$ 4,797.00
Poor Box	\$ 769.00
Votives	\$ 1,590.78
Flowers	\$ 398.00

**Special Collections** 

IHM Sisters \$ 9,499.00

**Sunday:** Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Nm 11:25-29 Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14 Jas 5:1-6 Mk

9:38-43, 45, 47-48

**Monday:** St. Jerome (M)

Jb 1:6-22 Ps 17:1bcd, 2-3, 6-7 Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday: St. Therese of the Child Jesus (M)

Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23 Ps 88:2-3, 4-5, 6, 7-8 Lk

9:51-56

**Wednesday:** The Holy Guardian Angels (M)

Jb 9:1-12, 14-16 Ps 88:10bc-11, 12-13, 14-15 Mt

18:1-5, 10

**Thursday:** Jb 19:21-27 Ps 27:7-8A, 8B-9ABC, 13-14 Lk

10:1-12

Friday: St. Francis of Assisi (M)

Jb 38:1, 12-21 40:3-5 Ps 139:1-3, 7-8, 9-10, 13-

14ab Lk 10:13-16

Saturday: St. Faustina Kowalska (m)

Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17 Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125,

130 Lk 10:17-24

#### FROM YOUR BUSINESS MANAGER!

Dear Parishioners: We'll begin Edition #3 with an update on the Capital Campaign (original) Pledge Completion Letters they went out on August 30th, and I've received confirmation of their arrival from many of you (thank you!). It took longer than anticipated to complete them to allow time to ensure the accuracy of our records before mailing them out; thank you very much for your patience :-) Now some good news on the Seton Lake Ridge Special Use Permit (SUP) for Capital Campaign 2021 Construction: as announced by Fathers Bashista and Merkle from the pulpit - the Prince William County (PWC) Planning Commission unanimously approved our SUP at their meeting on September 12th. While this is outstanding news (!), we're not out of the woods yet because a final hurdle remains - approval by the PWC Board of Supervisors. We anticipate that the Board of Supervisors (public) meeting will take place in the middle of November; the exact time and date will be disseminated from the pulpit and in FYBM Edition #4 as soon as PWC releases the schedule. A final note to those who have asked me how often I intend to release FYBM: From now on, I intend to 'release' an edition each month, so FYBM #4 will be out 2-3 November. :-) Time now to wrap it up by thanking you all once again for your remarkable generosity it's truly a blessing and is not taken for granted! Finally, please know that it is a great privilege to serve Christ's Church and each of you as your Business Manager - contact me anytime at r.yates@setonlakeridge.org (or 703-494-4008) if you have questions or concerns. God bless!

- Robert Yates

# THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Daily Rosary: Mon-Sat | 8:25am – 8:55am | Main Church

Sat. Vigil Mass: 5:00pm | Main Church Daily Mass: Mon-Sat | 9:00am – 9:30am | Main Church **Sun. Masses:** 7:30am, 9am, 10:45am, 12:30pm | Main Church

	per 29 <sup>th</sup> - Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
9:00am <b>–</b> 11:45am	Nursery	Nursery
9:30am <b>–</b> 11:30am	OCIA	Seton Hall
10:30am <b>–</b> 12:00pm	Family Faith Formation Group B Session 2	Fellowship Hall
Monday, Septer	nber 30 <sup>th</sup> - St. Pius of Pietrelcina (M)	
10:00am <b>–</b> 12:00pm	Seton Crafters	Trinity 3
7:00pm <b>–</b> 8:00pm	Al-Anon	St. Paul Room
Гuesday, Octob	er 1 <sup>st</sup>	
9:00am <b>–</b> 3:30pm	Aquinas 7th and 8th Grade Retreat	Seton Hall
9:30am <b>–</b> 8:30pm	All Day Adoration	Chapel
9:30am - 10:30am	Blue Army Devotion	Chapel
Wednesday, Oc	tober 2 <sup>nd</sup>	-
9:30am <b>–</b> 11:30am	Divine Mercy Cenacle	St. Mary Room
9:45am <b>–</b> 11:30am	Wednesday Bible Study	St. Peter's Room
1:30pm – 3:30pm	Lumen Christi	Seton Hall
6:00pm – 9:00pm	Praise and Worship Team Practice	Music Room
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, Octol	per 3 <sup>rd</sup> - Sts.	
9:30am <b>–</b> 8:30pm	All Day Adoration	Chapel
9:30am <b>–</b> 10:45am	Divine Mercy Cenacle Holy Hour	Chapel
12:00pm – 2:00pm	Mother Seton Food Pantry	Fellowship Hall
7:00pm <b>–</b> 8:30pm	Thursday Bible Study	St. Mary's Room
7:15pm <b>–</b> 8:45pm	Traditional Choir Rehearsal	Music Room
Friday, October		
9:30am <b>–</b> 12:00pm	Mom's Group	Nursery
9:45am <b>–</b> 12:15pm	Friday Morning Faith Sharing	St. Peter and Paul Rooms
10:00am <b>–</b> 11:30am	Legion of Mary	Trinity 3
3:00pm – 3:30pm	Divine Mercy Chaplet	Chapel
4:00pm <b>–</b> 5:00pm	Seton Sentinel Meeting	Fellowship Hall
7:00pm <b>–</b> 8:30pm	First Friday Mass, Praise and Worship Holy Hour, Healing	Main Church
8:30pm <b>–</b> 8:30am	All Night Adoration continues in the Chapel	Chapel
Saturday, Octobe	er $5^{th}$ - $St.$ Wenceslaus; $St.$ Lawrence Ruiz and $Co$ $(F)$	
7:00am <b>–</b> 9:00am	That Man is You! (TMIY!)	Fellowship Hall
9:30am <b>–</b> 9:45am	Blessing of Sacramentals	Main Church
9:30am <b>–</b> 10:15am	First Saturday Devotions	Chapel
9:30am <b>–</b> 10:30am	St. Francis Blessing of Animals and Cars	Parish Grounds
10:00am <b>–</b> 11:30am	She Shall Be Called Woman (SHE)	Seton Hall



#### ANIMAL BLESSING

Saturday, October 5 | 9:30am | Parish Grounds

Join us in celebrating the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi with a Blessing of Animals! Drive in and bring your beloved pets to receive a blessing and protection in honor of the patron saint of animals and nature. This unique event will take place in the parish parking lot.