



ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH
LAKE RIDGE, VA

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March 8, 2026 | THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

PARISH OFFICE:

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Lake Ridge, VA 22192**

Parish Office Hours:

Mon. & Wed.: 9:00am - 8:00pm
Tuesday: 9:00am - 7:00pm
Thurs, & Fri.: 9:00am - 4:00pm
Sunday: 8:00am - 2:00pm

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CONFESSION SCHEDULE:

Monday: 7:00pm - 7:45pm
Wed.: 6:30pm - 8:00pm (*during Lent*)
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

First Friday All Night Adoration:
7:30pm - 8:30am (Sat.)

PARISH NURSERY:

Sunday: During the 9:00am and
10:45am Mass

MOTHER SETON FOOD PANTRY

Thursday 12:00pm - 2:00pm

MOTHER SETON GIFT SHOP

Sunday.....8:15am - 2:00pm
Monday.....**CLOSED**
Tues/Wed/Thurs.....9:30am - 12:00pm
Friday.....**CLOSED**
Saturday.....4:00pm - 6:30pm

PARISH LIBRARY

Sunday.....8:15am - 2:00pm
Mon/Wed.....9:00am - 8:00pm
Tuesday.....9:00am - 7:00pm
Thurs/Fri.....9:00am - 4:00pm
Saturday.....**CLOSED**

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 prayerful, purposeful, and personal.

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.

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 Take place every 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

Sacramentals - 1st Saturday of the Month
After 9:00am Mass | Near Baptismal Font
Vehicles - Occurs 4 times a year on Ember Saturdays
Enrollment in the Brown Scapular - Occurs 4 times a year on Ember Fridays
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 PAROCHIAL VICAR



Jesus shows us what great love God has for us, but how do we show God that we love him? This passage from the Detailed Rules for Monks by Saint Basil the Great, (330–379 A.D.) can help us see that the ability to love is within each of us!

Love of God is not something that can be taught. We did not learn from someone else how to rejoice in light or want to live, or to love our parents or guardians. It is the same—perhaps even more so—with our love for God: it does not come by another’s teaching. As soon as the living creature (that is, man) comes to be, a power of reason is implanted in us like a seed, containing within it the ability and the need to love. When the school of God’s law admits this power of reason, it cultivates it diligently, skillfully nurtures it, and with God’s help brings it to perfection.

For this reason, as by God’s gift, I find you with the zeal necessary to attain this end, and you on your part help me with your prayers. I will try to fan into flame the spark of divine love that is hidden within you, as far as I am able through the power of the Holy Spirit.

First, let me say that we have already received from God the ability to fulfill all his commands. We have then no reason to resent them, as if something beyond our capacity were being asked of us. We have no reason either to be angry, as if we had to pay back more than we had received. When we use this ability in a right and fitting way, we lead a life of virtue and holiness. But if we misuse it, we fall into sin.

This is the definition of sin: the misuse of powers given us by God for doing good, a use contrary to God’s commands. On the other hand, the virtue that God asks of us is the use of the same powers based on a good conscience in accordance with God’s command.

Since this is so, we can say the same about love. Since we received a command to love God, we possess from the first moment of our existence an innate power and ability to love. The proof of this is not to be sought outside ourselves, but each one can learn this from himself and in himself. It is natural for us to want things that are good and pleasing to the eye, even though at first different things seem beautiful and good to different people. In the same way, we love what is related to us or near to us, though we have not been taught to do so, and we spontaneously feel well disposed to our benefactors.

What, I ask, is more wonderful than the beauty of God? What thought is more pleasing and wonderful than God’s majesty? What desire is as urgent and overpowering as the desire implanted by God in a soul that is completely purified of sin and cries out in its love: I am wounded by love? (Song of Songs / Canticle of Canticles / Song of Solomon 2:5). The radiance of divine beauty is altogether beyond the power of words to describe.

WEEKLY REFLECTION

Love is Never in Vain

God’s will is that you are motivated by good intentions in all your actions. The good intention is always love. If an act fails from a technical point of view, it is nevertheless fundamentally good if it was love that inspired you to carry it out.

It is love that gives your actions their most important quality. This quality is of more value than the efficacy of the act. Every time you act with a good intention, the level of love rises in the world. Love is never lost. To love is *never* in vain.

However, when it comes to the result—the visible result—the act can quite often appear to have failed or even been destructive. But it is important here to consider another aspect of the equation. We don’t have a complete view of the results. What may look like a complete failure right now may open the way for a glorious result later on.

You are obviously to do whatever you can to secure a good, fruitful, and efficient result. At the same time, however, you must have complete trust in God and rest assured that even though you make dumb mistakes, if your intentions were good, God will direct them to a good outcome.

God knows that human reason is limited and that you often will make erroneous judgments and mistakes. There is consideration for this in God’s plan. It isn’t difficult for God to make something good and blessed out of human errors.

Such confidence gives an enormous freedom. You do the best you can and leave the rest to God. And he does manage!



FEATURED EVENTS AND INITIATIVE

FRIDAYS DURING LENT

Lenten Soup Supper:

5:00pm – 7:00pm | Fellowship Hall

All are invited to join us each Friday during Lent. The K. of C. will be serving soup and grilled cheese sandwiches. Please bring homemade soup or a meatless dish to share!

Stations of the Cross (Main Church):

Children's Stations | 5:00pm – 5:30pm

Regular Stations | 7:00pm – 7:30pm

CONFESSIONS DURING LENT

Mondays.....7:00pm – 7:45pm

Fridays.....9:30am – 10:15am

*Wednesdays.....6:30pm – 8:00pm

Saturdays.....3:30pm – 4:30pm

***The Light is On For You Confessions**

As part of our Lenten journey, we are offering "The Light Is On for You," a special additional confession time to our regular schedule. Whether it has been weeks, months, or years, all are welcome. Come as you are and let Christ's light meet you with forgiveness, healing, and peace during this holy season of Lent.

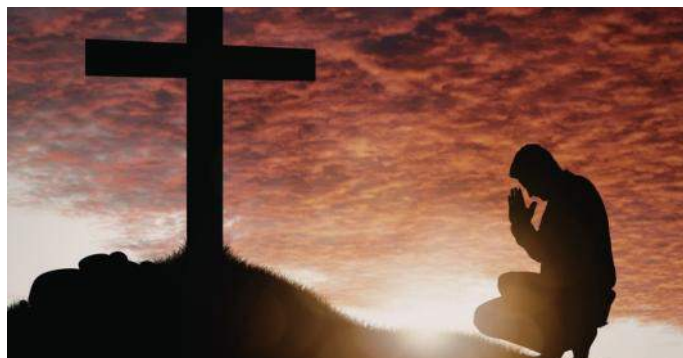


CATHOLIC POLITICAL THOUGHT

Sunday, March 8 | 1:45pm – 3:30pm | Trinity 1

You are invited to join us for *Catholic Political Thought*, an opportunity to deepen your understanding of Catholic history and its relevance to today's world.

Join us for a video and discussion exploring the debates within the American Catholic Church leading up to the Second Vatican Council. Together, we'll reflect on the Church's teaching on religious freedom and consider whether Vatican II marked a change in its long-held stance on liberalism and religious indifferentism. We'd love to see you there!



WHY GOD ALLOWS EVIL, PAIN, AND SUFFERING

Sunday, March 15 | 3:00pm – 4:30pm | Seton Hall

Join Steve Hemler, President of the Catholic Apologetics Institute of North America (CAINA), for a talk exploring why God allows evil and suffering. This apologetics presentation looks at how the greatest Christian thinkers of all time have dealt with the problem of evil and the mystery of suffering in a world made and pronounced "good" by God. This will help us and those we love become better, instead of bitter, when facing hardships and difficulties.



SPRING SPRUCE UP

Saturday, March 21 | 9:45am – 12:00pm | Parish Grounds | Scan the QR code to register!



Love working outdoors or just want to lend a helping hand? This is a great opportunity to serve, connect with others, and honor the Lord through the care of His Creation. We are in need of volunteers of all ages - families, teens, seniors, everyone can help! We will be raking, weeding, picking up sticks, and putting out mulch in order to "Spruce Up" our Seton Lake Ridge home! Join us after the 9 am Mass in Upper Seton Hall to fuel up on coffee and donuts. Immediately after, we'll head out to work on beautifying our Parish Grounds. Bring your gloves, rakes, clippers, wheelbarrows, and gardening tools if you have them and be sure to label them with your name!



GOD'S GIFT BABY BOTTLES LENTEN FUNDRAISER

The Seton Lake Ridge 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.

Please take a bottle and fill it with a monetary donation of loose change, cash, or a check. Checks should be made payable to St. Elizabeth Ann Seton with "Baby Bottles" written in the lower left-hand corner. Return your bottle to the collection bin in the Narthex!

YOUTH MINISTRY ALMS BOARD

Every dollar donated to the Youth Ministry's Alms Board directly impacts the programs, events, and opportunities that we provide our teens as they walk their journey of faith with their families, friends, and community. **How it Works:** Grab an envelope from the board in the Narthex and place cash or a check with the matching amount on the front.

Want to donate online to the Baby Bottles or YM Alms Board? Visit:
setonlakeridge.org/lenten-resources/



ENCOUNTER MINISTRIES: SCHOOL OF HEALING

Friday & Saturday, April 24-25



Jesus never proclaimed the Gospel without demonstrating it in power and love. Jesus' healing ministry is at the heart of His Gospel of power and he expects his disciples to minister his healing on the earth (cf Mt 16:18-19).

The Encounter Ministries School of Healing provides a foundation for partnering with the Holy Spirit to bring healing to the world around us. Jesus wants to use you as an instrument of his divine healing. Are you going to give him the chance?

We are excited to welcome Franciscan Friar of the Renewal Fr. Isaac Spinharney, CFR, and Austin Farinholt, head of JMU Campus Ministry, as speakers. Special early bird registration of \$65 is available until March 25th. [Register using the QR code!](#)

HEALING SERVICE

Saturday, April 25 | Main Church

All are invited to join us for a Healing Service. This will include a time of worship and praise, proclamation of the Gospel and preaching, corporate prayer for healing, and individual prayer teams for healing. *More info soon!*

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BLOOD DRIVE

Saturday, March 14 | 7:00am – 11:30am | Seton Hall



Join the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Knights of Columbus in donating the gift of life. The Knights of Columbus have teamed up with INOVA Blood Donor Services to sponsor a blood drive on March 14, 2026. The drive will be held in Seton Hall from 7 a.m. until 11:30 a.m.

This is a community event in which local churches, in collaboration with INOVA Blood Donor Services, reach out to our Lake Ridge community to help with the critically low blood shortage. Blood donors can expect a well-trained, caring and professional blood collection team, modern, comfortable donation equipment and delicious refreshments provided by INOVA Blood Donor Services.

Potential donors can register using the attached QR code or by calling 1.866.256.6372, use code 3389. Walk-in donors are also welcome to join us at Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton's Church, 12807 Valleywood Drive, Lake Ridge, VA 22192. For additional information contact Kevin Tamai at tamaikevin@gmail.com or call 703-622-6861. Appointments can also be made by calling INOVA Blood Donor Services at 866-256-6372.





CHILD-CARE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR ST. MARGARET OF CORTONA HOUSING PROGRAM

St. Margaret of Cortona Housing Program is currently seeking dedicated child-care volunteers to assist on select Monday evenings from 6:00–8:00 PM. Volunteers will provide supervision for our clients’ children in Seton Hall while their mothers attend classes. The children range in age from newborn to teenagers.

Volunteers will help oversee planned, age-appropriate activities. You can find the Child Care Volunteer opportunity on the CCDA website here: <https://ccda.net/give-help/volunteer/>.

FOR CHILDREN

AQUINAS LENTEN FAMILY MINI RETREAT

March 10 (English) and March 11 (Spanish) | 5:30pm – 8:15pm | Aquinas School Hall

The retreat will be led by Sister Mary Johanna and will be based on the book “A Short Guide to Praying as a Family.” Please register at aquinastars.org/familyretreat or scan the QR code.



FAMILY FAITH FORMATION REMINDERS

Updated schedules can be found on our website or in the narthex.

Sunday Track I: At-Church Sessions for WONDER are cancelled – your Leadership Team Member will reach out to you this month to check in. This week – WONDER Family Meeting 5 (At-Home).

Sunday Track II: The next At-Church Session is March 22nd. This week – ZEAL Family Meeting 4 (At-Home). Have a final Family VISIT with your Leadership Team Member between now and Confirmation.

Sunday Track III: The next At-Church Session is March 22nd. This week – NOURISH Parent Guide & Family Meeting 1 (At-Home).

Sunday Track IV: The next At-Church Session is March 22nd. This week – NOURISH Parent Guide & Family Meeting 1 (At-Home). Have a final Family VISIT with your Leadership Team Member between now and Confirmation.

Tuesday Track I: At-Church Sessions for WONDER are cancelled – your Leadership Team Member will reach out to you this month to check in. This week – WONDER Parent Guide & Family Meeting 5 (At-Home).

Tuesday Track II: The next At-Church Session is March 24th. This week – ZEAL Family Meeting 4 (At-Home). Have a final Family VISIT with your Leadership Team Member between now and Confirmation.

FOR YOUTH

YOUTH MINISTRY PILGRIMAGE TO THE FRANCISCAN MONASTERY

Saturday, March 28 | 9:00am – 3:30pm
Franciscan Monastery, Washington D.C.



Draw closer to the Heart of Jesus by journeying with Him on a pilgrimage to the Franciscan Monastery this Lent, March 28, 2026. This special event invites our middle school and high school youth into a deeper encounter with Christ through prayer, reverence, and worship. The pilgrimage will include a tour, personal reflections, the Rosary, Confessions, and Holy Mass. We will be taking our parish buses, so please see the steps on how to register below. Please note that NO lunch shall be provided, so participants must bring their own lunch. We shall only provide snacks and drinks. To learn more or register, scan the QR code!





YOUTH MINISTRY BIBLE STUDIES

For Girls: Lower Seton Hall; **For Boys:** St. C. Acutis Youth Center

If your child is in the 8-12th grade, your youth is invited every 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month for YM Bible Study!

Boys and girls meet in separate small groups, creating a comfortable space for honest conversation. Together, we explore Scripture, discover and reflect on how God works in our lives, and encourage one another to live out our faith with confidence and joy!

For inquiries, please contact Fr. John at frjohn@setonlakeridge.org

FOR MEN

DIocese OF ARLINGTON MEN'S CONFERENCE 2026

Sat., March 7 | 8:00am – 2:00pm | St. Joseph Catholic Church | \$65

All men of the Diocese are invited to a day of fellowship, prayer and learning at the 2026 Men's Conference! This day will include keynote speaker, Matthew Bunson, Mass with Bishop Burbidge, vendors, and a Q&A with the Bishop and Mr. Bunson. Matthew Bunson is vice president and editorial director of EWTN News. For the past 20 years, he has been active in the area of Catholic social communications and education, including writing, editing, and teaching on a variety of topics related to Church history, the papacy, the saints, and Catholic culture. Register using the QR code on the right.



In partnership with Catholic Charities St. Lucy Project, we are inviting you to also join us in a food drive at the event to support St. Lucy Project in their work of feeding the hungry in our area. Scan the QR code to see what items they need, especially the following: Canned chicken, canned tuna, baked beans, pasta sauce, Spaghetti O's, and Mac and Cheese.

PEACE BE WITH YOU: A SILENT YOUNG MEN'S RETREAT

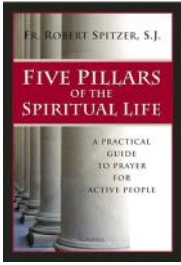
Friday, April 17 – Sunday, April 19 | San Damiano Retreat Center | All young adult men, ages 19-35



Join Fr. Briggs for a time of silence, prayer, and rest as we reflect on the graces received during Lent and the celebration of the Paschal Triduum. Fr. Briggs will guide participants in contemplating the post-Resurrection accounts found in Scripture and will offer opportunities for spiritual guidance and personal prayer. Men from across the Diocese are invited to gather for this retreat experience and deepen their relationship with our Resurrected Lord.

Fr. Philip Briggs is a priest of the Diocese of Arlington who was born and raised in Front Royal in the Shenandoah Valley. The fourth of nine children, Fr. Briggs attended Christendom College where he obtained his bachelor's degree in Political Science and Economics. After graduating with his degree and working at a Virginia winery for three years, he discerned a call to the priesthood and entered Mount St. Mary's Seminary for the Arlington Diocese. He was ordained in 2022 and currently serves as parochial vicar at St. Philip's Parish in Falls Church. His interests include cooking, hiking, reading, and traveling. Cost: \$299; includes meals and accommodation.

We never want a young adult to miss a retreat or event for financial reasons so do ask if financial assistance is needed.



WOMEN'S FRIDAY MORNING FAITH SHARING

Friday Mornings | 9:45am – 11:30am | Ss. Peter and Paul Rooms

Friday Morning Faith Share is for ALL Women wanting to grow in their Faith and enter more deeply into the heart of God. We will be exploring the book “*Five Pillars of the Spiritual Life*” by Fr. Robert Spitzer, S.J. This book provides a practical, rich guide for helping busy people develop a regular and deeper prayer life. Please register by contacting Claudia Brown (claudiabrown36@gmail.com). Participants are to purchase their own book. Check out our Gift Shop for remaining copies!

DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON: WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Sat., March 14 | 8:00am – 2:00pm | St. Joseph Catholic Church

This year's Conference, featuring keynotes by Helen Alvaré and Mary Stanford, will highlight the accomplishments and gifts of Catholic women past and present who have formed our great nation since its founding 250 years ago. The day will include these keynotes, Mass celebrated by our bishop the Most Rev. Michael F. Burbidge, lunch, and a Q&A with the Bishop and our two speakers. Vendors will also be present selling all kinds of gifts for yourself and your family.

Keynote Speakers:

Helen Alvaré is the Robert A. Levy Endowed Chair in Law and Liberty at Antonin Scalia Law School, George Mason University, where she teaches Family Law, Law and Religion, and Property Law. She publishes on matters concerning marriage, parenting, and the First Amendment religion clauses.

Mary Stanford, author of *The Obedience Paradox: Finding True Freedom in Marriage*, is a speaker, teacher, and writer on Catholic marriage and family life. She is an adjunct professor at Christendom College and holds degrees from the University of Dallas and the Pontifical John Paul II Institute for Studies on Marriage and Family. She and her husband Trey are the parents of seven children.



ADVENTURES IN MARRIAGE—REGISTER TODAY!

Fridays in March Beginning on the 6th | 7:00pm-9:00pm

Whether you've been married for years or are newly navigating life together, **Adventures in Marriage (AIM)** is a transformative experience designed to take your relationship to new heights. This interactive, faith-filled program combines Christian principles with the latest relationship research to help couples grow stronger together. Over the course of this engaging journey, you'll discover how to better meet each other's needs, communicate clearly and lovingly, resolve conflict in healthy ways, and deepen your emotional connection. **Please note: ONLY ONE PERSON in the couple needs to register.**



HOW TO PRAY WITH YOUR SPOUSE

“Ever wonder how to pray more intimately with your husband? Wish you were spiritually closer to your wife? Couples can learn a great deal from the Mass about how to pray together as husband and wife and how to deepen their intimacy at the same time. This is because the Mass is the perfect prayer between Christ and His Bride, the Church. Spouses who want to learn how to pray together can begin by following the same basic structure of the Mass. So let's first look at how the People of God – the Church – pray during Mass and then we will explore four simple steps for praying with your spouse.” (foryourmarriage.org)



MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS OF THE WEEK

Sunday, March 8th

5:00 p.m. † Jack McNealy

Vigil

7:30 a.m. † Andy Burrell

9:00 a.m. † Bombaci Giovanni and Procidano
Giuseppa

10:45 a.m. For the People of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

12:30 p.m. † Lewis Perelman

Monday, March 9th

9:00 a.m. † Dolores

Tuesday, March 10th

9:00 a.m. † Elvia McFadden

Wednesday, March 11th

9:00 a.m. † Joseph Chat Pham

Thursday, March 12th

9:00 a.m. † Gloria Vitkowski

Friday, March 13th

9:00 a.m. † John Sheeran

Saturday, March 14th

9:00 a.m. † Edward Stephens

5:00 p.m. † Kathleen Murray

Vigil

Sunday:

Third Sunday of Lent

Ex 17:3-7 Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 Rom 5:1-2, 5-8 Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

Monday:

St. Frances of Rome (m)

2 Kgs 5:1-15b Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4 Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday:

Dn 3:25, 34-43 Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9 Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday:

Dt 4:1, 5-9 Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20 Mt 5:17-19

Thursday:

Jer 7:23-28 Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 Lk 11:14-23

Friday:

Hos 14:2-10 Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17 Mk 12:28-34

Saturday:

Hos 6:1-6 Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab Lk 18:9-14

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

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

The sick of our parish family: Catalina Buendia

The deceased members of our parish family:

Edward Stevens, Helen LaRose

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 JANUARY 2026

Collection (<i>Average Weekly</i>)	\$	45,692.21
Capital Improvements	\$	13,101.45
Poor Box	\$	992.00
Votives	\$	1,601.00
Flowers	\$	498.00

Holy Days and Special Collections

Latin America	\$	4,284.17
Solemnity of the BVM	\$	8,275.00

Thank You!

FROM YOUR BUSINESS MANAGER #19

Dear Parishioners,

I dedicate this, my final "From Your Business Manager", column to all of you who give so generously as Seton Lake Ridge parishioners. Stewardship, or being caretakers of Christ's Church, is a great responsibility. It's nothing new, in fact stewardship is evident even in the Holy Gospels where there are many instances where one can read how Our Lord was taken care of financially (and otherwise) by generous contributions of people of faith. In my almost 3-years in this position, your actions, giving and thoughtfulness have made it clear that Seton Lake Ridge parishioners understand the importance of taking care of (and building) Christ's Church through contributions of time and treasure. In fact, I have been inspired by the consistently increasing contributions that have been offered by you all across the board, to Sunday Offertory, Capital Improvements, the Capital Campaign, Religious Education, Second and Special Collections, Youth Ministry and more. My time in this position has allowed me to see how all give according to their means - without reservation - and do so with gratitude and appreciation for the blessings they have received through the work of Our Lord and Creator.

As I depart, please know that you all, my friends and fellow parishioners, will remain in my thoughts and prayers as Barb and I move west to join our family in Winchester and become members of another parish. I close by saying thank you one last time and praying that each of you, and your families, will have the most blessed Lenten Season and Easter!

In Christ Our Lord,
Robert Yates, Business Manager (703-494-4008;
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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, March 8th

7:30am – 12:30pm	Music Choir Rehearsals	Music Room
8:45am – 10:00am	Nursery	Nursery
9:30am – 11:30am	O CIA	Seton Hall
10:30am – 12:00pm	Family Faith Formation Track III and IV	Fellowship Hall
10:30am – 12:00pm	Nursery	Nursery
1:45pm – 3:30pm	Catholic Political Thoughts	
6:30pm – 8:30pm	YM Boys and Girls Bible Study	Bayley's Cellar

Monday, March 9th

10:00am – 12:00pm	Seton Crafters	Trinity 2 and 3
5:30pm – 8:00pm	St. Margaret of Cortona Life Skills Class	Seton Hall
7:00pm – 8:00pm	AI-Anon	St. Paul Room

Tuesday, March 10th

9:30am – 8:30pm	All Day Adoration	Chapel
9:30am – 10:30am	Blue Army Devotion	Chapel
7:00pm – 8:30pm	Upper Room	Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, March 11th

9:30am – 11:30am	Divine Mercy Holy Hour	St. Mary Room
9:30am – 1:30pm	Silver Foxes Lenten Day of Recollection	Fellowship Hall
9:45am – 11:45am	Wednesday Bible Study	Ss. Peter and Paul Rooms
10:00am – 11:00am	Phase III Construction Meeting	Office Conference
1:30pm – 3:30pm	Lumen Christi Drama	Seton Hall
6:30pm – 8:30pm	Mother of Joy Prayer Group	St. Paul Room
6:30pm – 8:30pm	Rescue Project	Fellowship Hall
7:00pm – 8:30pm	WorkCamp 2026 Meeting	Lower Seton Hall

Thursday, March 12th

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
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 – 9:00pm	Traditional Choir Rehearsal	Music Room

Friday, March 13th

9:30am – 12:00pm	Mom's Group	Nursery
9:45am – 12:30pm	Friday Morning Faith Sharing	Ss. Peter and Paul Rooms
10:00am – 11:30am	Legion of Mary	Trinity 3
10:00am – 12:00pm	Lumen Christi Club Day	Lower Seton Hall
3:00pm – 3:30pm	Divine Mercy Chaplet	Main Church
5:00pm – 5:30pm	Children's Stations of the Cross	Main Church
5:00pm – 7:00pm	K. of C. Lenten Soup Supper	Fellowship Hall
7:00pm – 7:30pm	Parish Stations of the Cross	Main Church
7:00pm – 9:00pm	Adventures in Marriage (AIM) Couple's Retreat	Upper Seton Hall

Saturday, March 14th

7:00am – 11:30am	Knights of Columbus Blood Drive	Upper Seton Hall
7:00am – 9:00am	That Man is You! (TMIY!)	Fellowship Hall
9:30am – 10:00am	Rosary at the Unborn Child (Knights of Columbus and Legion of Mary)	Parish Grounds
9:45am – 11:30am	She Shall Be Called Woman (SHE)	Fellowship Hall

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