



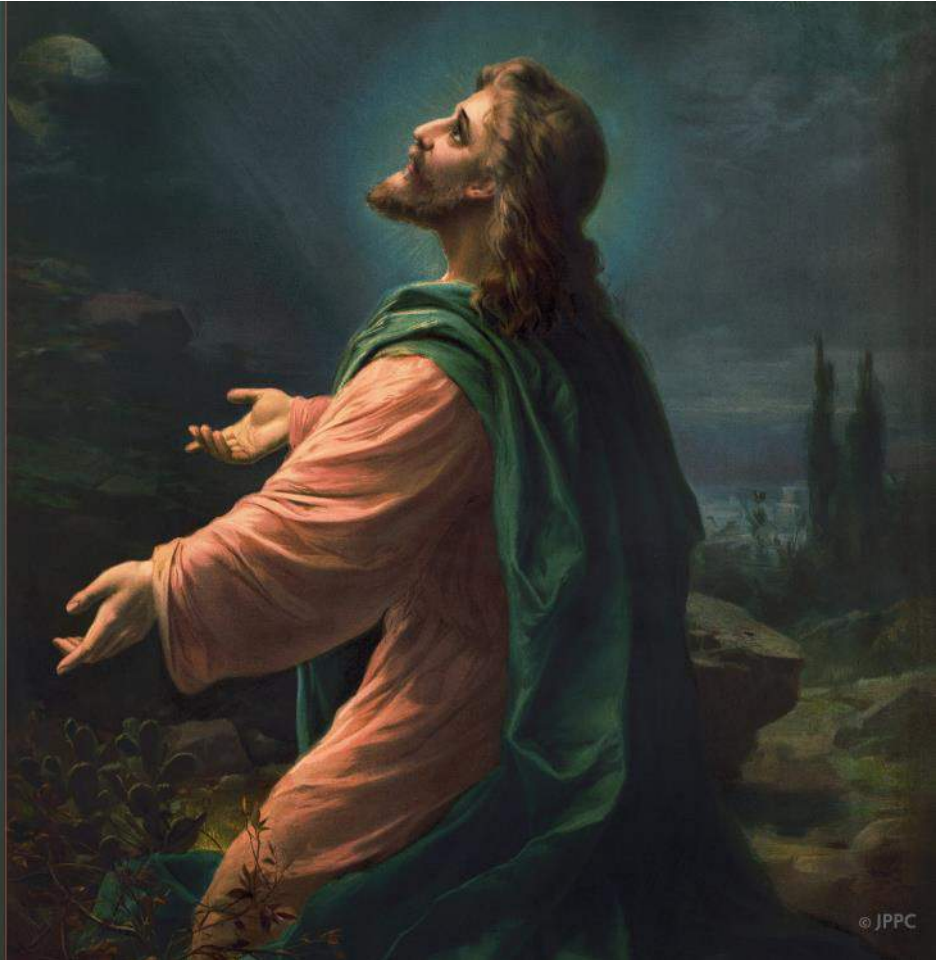
ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH
LAKE RIDGE, VA

www.setonlakeridge.org

That they may
all be one, as
you, Father,
are in me and
I in you.

JOHN 17:21



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June 1, 2025 | SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

PARISH OFFICE:

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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

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



I am so pleased to announce the hiring of RAYCHEL NAMIOTKA as our new COORDINATOR OF FAMILY FAITH FORMATION.

Raychel, and her husband David, have been parishioners here at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton since they moved to Lake Ridge in 2016. They have two adult children, Zach and Ellie. Raychel joins us with extensive experience in Faith Formation. She previously led the K-8 school religious education, Sacrament Preparation, and VBS programs at a parish in Columbus, Ohio.



She also taught Physics and Math at St. Paul VI Catholic High School and Christendom College here in our diocese, as well as at Bishop Watterson High School in Columbus. We welcome Raychel to our “Stellar Staff” and are excited for her to join our team as we seek to support, equip and accompany our parish family to build the Lord’s Kingdom here in Lake Ridge, and well beyond!



I also want to extend a big congratulations to all our GRADUATES OF THE CLASS OF 2025 on reaching this significant milestone in their lives! On behalf of all of us here at Seton Lake Ridge, we are all immensely proud of each of you and the dedication, hard work, and perseverance you have shown to arrive at this moment. Graduation marks not just the end of a chapter but the beginning of a new and exciting journey filled with numerous possibilities. As you step into this new phase,

remember to carry with you the values and lessons you've learned, both academically and spiritually. Trust in God's plan for you, and know that He is with you every step of the way, guiding and supporting you. Embrace the future with confidence and faith, knowing that your parish family is here cheering you on and praying for your continued success and fulfillment. May God bless you abundantly as you embark on this new adventure. Congratulations once again, and go forth with courage and joy!

With heartfelt blessings to all, ~ Fr. Bashista

WEEKLY REFLECTION

God’s Nearness Brings Stillness

When God wants to speak to his people, he leads them into the wilderness. The desert is a place of quiet where God can more easily make himself heard. But God speaks not only in the stillness. What God speaks is a word of silence; God’s speech gives birth to a deep silence.

When the disciples had seen Jesus transfigured on the mountain, they were filled with silence: “And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen” (Lk 9: 36). The most beautiful example of the stillness God’s nearness causes in a human being is Mary, who treasures and ponders in her heart all the wonderful things God does in her (see Lk 2: 19, 51).

As soon as God begins to stir in you, he creates stillness and quietude within you. If you are prepared and eager to leave your own ways behind, you will experience this stillness. When you try to pray by your own efforts, you can easily generate quite a bit of noise – fantasies, thoughts, and imaginations – inside of you. But when God finds an open door that lets him inside of you, this noise will be silenced.

Mystical theology sometimes uses the word *ligature*. Originally, this was a medical term, which means the binding of blood vessels. When used in a mystical context, *ligature* means that our inner strength is somehow tied together by God, as if seized and caught by God’s silence. In mystical prayer, where God truly possesses a person, it is as if that person is pressed into stillness in his or her whole being. Silent love is the language that God understands the best.”



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FEATURED EVENTS AND INITIATIVE

CATHOLIC POLITICAL THOUGHT

Sunday, June 1 | 1:45pm – 3:30pm | Trinity 1



Please join the Seton Lake Ridge VCC Advocacy Team TODAY for Catholic Political Thought! We will look at the French Revolution and its Civil Constitution of the Clergy which stripped the Church of her authority. We will also discuss how Pope Pius VI fought to defend the Church against these attacks.

REACH MORE: EMPOWERING DISCIPLES TO SHARE THE GOSPEL

Tuesdays Beginning June 3 | 6:30pm – 8:30pm | Bayley’s Cellar

Our parish is excited to once again 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 ON OUR PARISH’S CLEAR PATH...

As part of our Clear Path to Discipleship – Connect, Encounter, Grow, and Accompany – Reach More Training is central to the Accompany 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!



FIRST FRIDAY FEATURING EXALT

Friday, June 6 | 7:00pm – 8:30pm | Main Church

Each First Friday of the month, all are invited to join us for First Friday Mass, Holy Hour with Praise and Worship, Confessions, and Healing Prayer and special for the month of June, we will be joined by EXALT to lead us in Praise and Worship!

Whether you are seeking physical healing or would simply like to spend some time with the Lord, this is a wonderful opportunity to escape the busyness of life, slow down, and encounter the Lord.

All are invited to join us anytime throughout the night. All Night Adoration will continue in the Chapel at 8:30pm.

THE ANNUAL MISSION COOPERATIVE PLAN APPEAL

Second Collection for June 7/8



Karonga Diocese
We Shall Go to Them!



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LAKE RIDGE, VIRGINIA

Our Parish Mission Organization: Diocese of Karonga

As part of our parish's missionary outreach, we are proud to support the Diocese of Karonga through this year's Missionary Cooperative Plan (MCP) Appeal. This mission serves our brothers and sisters who lack access to essential pastoral care — such as Mass, the Sacraments, and faith formation — as well as basic human needs like food, shelter, and healthcare. You can help bring hope and healing to these communities through this second collection. If donating by check, please make it payable to St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church and write "MCP" in the memo line.

GIVE A GIFT FOR LIFE THIS FATHER'S DAY

Sponsored by the Seton Lake Ridge Respect Life Ministry, **Give a Gift for Life** is a beautiful and meaningful way to honor (living) or remember (deceased) a special mother or father in your life! When you make a donation in their name, your contribution will directly benefit the following Pro-Life Diocesan Programs: Gabriel Project, Catholic Charities Pregnancy and Adoption Services, and Project Rachel.



Please take one of our fillable cards to send to your loved one or survivor to make them aware of this special gesture made on their behalf. For more details or to make a donation, please visit our display in the Narthex or scan the QR code.



NURSERY SUMMER HOURS

Please note that during the summer months — June, July, and August — our 9:00am Nursery will be on pause, however, the 10:45 am Nursery will remain open and available for families with young children.

If you love caring for little ones and are looking for a meaningful and joyful way to serve, we invite you to consider joining our Nursery Ministry.

Volunteering just one Sunday a month can make a big difference for our young families!



FATHER'S DAY SPIRITUAL BOUQUET CARDS

Father's Day Spiritual Bouquet Cards are available in the Narthex. Please return the envelope to the Parish Office by Monday, June 9, 2025.

These intentions will be placed in a white box next to the Tabernacle and prayed for from father's Day to the end of June. The intentions will also be posted on the church monitors.



COME AND ENTHRONE JESUS IN YOUR HOME PARISH-WIDE HOME ENTHRONEMENT

Saturday, June 14 | 9:30am (After 9AM Mass) | Main Church

The Legion of Mary is sponsoring a parish-wide Home Enthronement of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and your family is invited!

What is the Home Enthronement? The Home Enthronement is when the family declares Jesus as the King and center of their family. The Legion is asking each family to bring an image or statue of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and an image or statue of the Immaculate Heart of Mary to Mass that morning. You can purchase these items in our Seton gift shop. Father will bless these items on June 14 and will lead the Consecration prayer. After the prayer, the family can then display the images or statues in their living room or in a prominent place in their home.

In 1673 Jesus appeared to St Margaret Mary and asked her to promote His Sacred Heart. During one of Jesus' apparitions to St Margaret Mary, He made twelve promises to her for those souls who are devoted to His Sacred Heart. Jesus said "I will bless the homes in which the image of My Sacred Heart shall be exposed and honoured."

If you have any questions, please contact Lorna Wickham at bdwickham@verizon.net.

VRIGINA CATHOLIC CONFERENCE

During the 2025 Virginia General Assembly session, your state senator and delegate cast key votes on critical issues impacting human life, dignity and the common good. Legislators' votes on the "Opposing Extreme Abortion Amendment" are listed on the Virginia Catholic Conference (VCC) website (vacatholic.org). Please join the VCC email network to receive important updates.



2025 JUNE PRIMARY ELECTION DAY

Tuesday, June 17 | 6:00am – 7:00pm

The Democratic ballot has races for Lt. Governor and Attorney General. Since the Republican Party has only one nominee per race, they will not have a June Primary. Check out the listed Important Dates and Times below:

- Absentee/Mail-In Ballot Online Request Deadline.....Fri., June 6
- Early Voting Begins (at the Office of Elections in Manassas).....May 2
- Early Voting at Satellite Locations (incl. DMV Woodbridge).....June 7-14
- Early Voting Hours:
 - Weekdays: 8:30am - 4:30pm (7pm on Wednesdays)
 - Saturdays (June 7 and June 14 ONLY) 8:30am - 5:00pm
 - Sunday (June 8 ONLY) 11:00am - 5:00pm



For more information, please visit: pwcvotes.org



CORPUS CHRISTI EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION

Sunday, June 22 | 3:00pm – 4:00pm | Parish Grounds

In honor of Jesus Christ, truly and substantially present through the Eucharist, all are invited to join us for our Eucharistic Procession in celebration of Corpus Christi!

What is Corpus Christi?

Also known as the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, this feast day is celebrated to commemorate the institution of the Holy Eucharist and honor Jesus Christ, truly and substantially present through the Eucharist.

Through transubstantiation at the Consecration of the Mass, this Presence happens and the "church fulfills the mandate of Christ, who on the evening before His death instituted the Holy Eucharist and commissioned his disciples: Do this in remembrance of me."

MOTHER SETON GIFT SHOP SUMMER HOURS

Starting June 15 through September 9, the Mother Seton Gift Shop will be open ONLY on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Sundays; it will be closed all other days of the week

Our summer hours are as follows:

Mon./Thurs./Fri./Sat.
CLOSED

Tuesday/Wednesday
9:30am – 12:00pm

Sunday
8:00am – 2:00pm

POWER AND PURPOSE CONFERENCE

June 20-22, 2025 | Steubenville University

Find freedom and encounter the Holy Spirit! At the Power and Purpose Conference, you'll join a vibrant community where you can build lasting friendships and experience the joy of Catholic fellowship on Franciscan University's campus in Steubenville, Ohio.



Our parish is organizing a bus to the conference, making it easier than ever to attend.

Use Group Code: 25KFISCHER when registering for the conference! Scan the QR Code to learn more.



FOR CHILDREN

INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL?

July 14 – 18 | 8:30am – 12:00pm | Seton Hall

Vacation Bible School is just around the corner – and we’re seeking enthusiastic and committed volunteers – teens and adults alike – to serve as station leaders, small group guides, snack helpers, and behind-the-scenes support.

Whether you can give one day or the whole week, your time and energy can help create lasting memories and spiritual growth for our kids. Come be part of something truly meaningful – join us in bringing the love of Christ to life this summer!

Sign-Up to Volunteer using the QR code on the image on the right!

All adults **MUST BE** *Virtus Trained*, to be approved to volunteer at VBS.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS) 2025!

July 14 – 18 | 8:30am – 12:00pm | Seton Hall

Vacation Bible School is a week-long half-day camp where children can explore, learn, and grow in their Catholic faith! This year's theme is *The Great Journey With Jesus: Through the Church Year!* Each day will begin with Mass followed by an opening assembly, five small group stations, and a closing assembly where parents are invited to join us for a song performance by the kids; the stations will include faith, crafts, games, music, and snacks!

VBS is open to all 2024-25 Kindergarteners through 2024-25 5th Graders. Registration will open soon, so keep an eye out for new details and updates!

CALLING ALL AQUINAS ALUMNI!

Do you have an exciting life update to share? We would love to include it in our summer magazine.

Just a few ideas, did you:

- Graduate from high school
- Graduate from college
- Start a new job
- Get married
- Have a baby
- Any other special life event you would like to share



Scan the QR code to submit your entry



FOR YOUTH



MASS FOR GRADUATING SENIORS

Fri., June 13 | 7:00pm – 10:00pm | Main Church/Seton Hall

Join us as we celebrate and send forth our graduating high school seniors with a special Mass in their honor. This beautiful liturgy is a chance to recognize their hard work, achievements, and the new journey ahead as they prepare to begin the next chapter of their lives. Following Mass, graduates and their loved ones are invited to stay for a reception/fellowship as we continue the celebration together.

Graduating Seniors, please register using the QR on the left!

YOUTH MINISTRY GATHERING

Sun., June 1 | 6:30pm – 8:30pm | Bayley's Cellar (HS); Youth Center (for MS)

Through thought-provoking videos, small group discussions, and a shared meal, Alpha Youth creates a space for real conversations about life and what we believe. Whether you're curious about your faith or looking to deepen your relationship with Christ, this is the place for you. Bring a friend and come see what it's all about – we'd love to have you! To learn more or to register, please scan the QR code!



FOR WOMEN

FINDING JESUS WITH ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX: WOMEN'S RETREAT

Friday – Saturday, June 13-15 | San Damiano Retreat Center, White Post, VA

St. Therese is a magnificent manifestation of "the Feminine Genius" and a "Wise Woman" in the fullest sense of the words. Pope St. Pius X called her "the Greatest Saint of Modern Times" and Pope St. John Paul the Great declared her a Universal Doctor of the Church. St. Therese's spiritual doctrine is easily understood and can be practically applied in our very occupied, day-to-day lives. Her counsel can ably assist us in enduring and embracing difficulties in prayer, overcoming scruples, and patiently putting up with people who challenge us.

Join Fr. John Riley at the San Damiano Retreat Center in White Post, VA in silence and solitude to learn about this great Saint. This retreat begins at 6 pm Friday June 13th and concludes Sunday June 15th at noon. Retreat cost is \$285. For further information, please contact Father John Riley at: john.riley@arlingtondiocese.org For more information about San Damiano and retreats being offered in the months ahead, please visit www.arlingtondiocese.org/retreat

FOR MEN

FOLLOWING ST. JOSEPH TO JESUS – MEN'S SILENT RETREAT

Friday – Saturday, July 11-13 | San Damiano Retreat Center, White Post, VA

He played an essential role in the greatest event in human history; husband to Mary, adopted Father of Jesus Christ, a quiet carpenter... and a righteous man. Aside from these things we don't know much about St. Joseph – but what we do know can help us to be better Men...husbands, and fathers.

Join Fr. John Riley at our Arlington Diocese Retreat Center at the edge of the Shenandoah Mountains in White Post, VA to "rest and pray" with Christ. This retreat begins at 6 pm Friday July 11th and concludes Sunday July 13th with lunch at noon. Retreat cost is \$285. For further information, please contact Father John Riley at: john.riley@arlingtondiocese.org

For more information about San Damiano and retreats being offered in the months ahead, please visit www.arlingtondiocese.org/retreat

FOR COUPLES

LIVING THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE – MARRIED COUPLE'S RETREAT

Friday – Saturday, July 11-13 | San Damiano Retreat Center, White Post, VA

A retreat for married couples to contemplate the gift of their Sacrament. We will pray individually and together, pondering the graces of Marriage and reflecting on God's promises and Presence in the life of a family. We shall also consider how God elevates the capacity of spouses to love each other and their children, and how He makes the home of a family a privileged place of healing and sanctification. Join Fr. Daniel Hanley, coordinator of the blessed Stanley Rother House of formation at Mount St. Mary's Seminary, at the San Damiano Retreat Center in White Post, VA for this unique retreat opportunity. Retreat cost is \$285. For further information, please contact Deacon Mark Maines at:

mark.maines@arlingtondiocese.org. For more information about San Damiano and retreats being offered in the months ahead, please visit www.arlingtondiocese.org/retreat.



MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS OF THE WEEK

Sunday, June 1st

5:00 p.m. † Stan fowlew
Vigil
 7:30 a.m. † Robert Franklin Petry
 9:00 a.m. For the People of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
 10:45 a.m. † Joavenell McCoy
 12:30 p.m. Alex Dorogi

Monday, June 2nd

9:00 a.m. Xander LaVille

Tuesday, June 3rd

9:00 a.m. Ethan Salayon

Wednesday, June 4th

9:00 a.m. † Jose G. Reyes, Jr.

Thursday, June 5th

9:00 a.m. † Marcelina Rapues

Friday, June 6th

9:00 a.m. † Kelly Miklos
 7:00 p.m. † Leon Klomkowski

Saturday, June 7th

9:00 a.m. † Frank and Dorothy Quinn
 5:00 p.m. † Frank Coniglio
Vigil

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

The sick of our parish family: Owen Howery, Mike Parra, Lillian Taylor

The deceased members of our parish family: Tim Noone, Steve Wassenberg, Robert M. O'Toole

COLLECTIONS FOR APRIL 2025

Collection (<i>Average Weekly</i>)	\$	35,123.11
Capital Improvements	\$	5,305.00
Poor Box	\$	978.00
Votives	\$	1,661.50
Flowers	\$	1,228.00

Holy Days and Special Collections

Catholic Homes Mission Appeal	\$	3,912.00
Holy Land Shrines	\$	4,804.00

Thank you for your generous donations!

Sunday: **Ascension of the Lord**
 Acts 7:55-60 Ps 97:1-2, 6-7, 9 Rv 22:12-14, 16-17, 20 Jn 17:20-26

Monday: **Sts. Marcellinus and Peter (m)**
 Acts 19:1-8 Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab Jn 16:29-33

Tuesday: **St. Charles Lwanga and Companions (M)**
 Acts 20:17-27 Ps 68:10-11, 20-21 Jn 17:1-11a

Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38 Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab Jn 17:11b-19

Thursday: **St. Boniface (M)**
 Acts 22:30; 23:6-11 Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 Jn 17:20-26

Friday: **St. Norbert (m)**
 Acts 25:13b-21 Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 1920ab Jn 21:15-19

Saturday: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31 Ps 11:4, 5 and 7 Jn 21:20-25

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

FROM YOUR BUSINESS MANAGER #10

Dear Parishioners: I hope you've all been enjoying the Easter season! First up in this edition is the Fiscal Year 2026 budget. Fiscal Years in the Diocese of Arlington run from July thru June, so with just a couple of months left in this fiscal year, we're right in the peak of budget preparation season. The final draft of the budget will be presented to the Finance Council for approval in June. The Parish will receive a summary of the budget with the Annual Financial Report to parishioners this Fall (contact me if you have any budget-related questions). A related issue is collection numbers which continue to exceed last year's numbers by a respectable margin! This is great news for our Parish, our Pastor and the Diocese (and for me - less gray hair!). I see the sustained increase as a reflection of the great faith our Parish has in Our Lord Jesus Christ and His Church.

That's enough business for this edition; why don't we close with a prayer for the repose of the soul of Pope Francis, a request for the Holy Spirit to guide the Cardinal electors as they choose our next Holy Father, a sky full of white smoke and sound of the joyful words, "Habemus Papam," in the very near future!

Robert Yates, Business Manager (703-494-4008)

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, June 1st - The Ascension of the Lord

9:00am – 10:00am	Nursery	Nursery
10:45am – 11:45am	Nursery	Nursery
6:30pm – 8:00pm	Youth Ministry Girls Bible Study	Lower Seton Hall

Monday, June 2nd

ALL DAY	Parish Office Closed; NO 7pm Confessions	
7:00pm – 8:00pm	Al-Anon	St. Paul Room

Tuesday, June 3rd

9:30am – 8:00pm	All Day Adoration	Chapel
9:30am – 10:30am	Blue Army Devotion	Chapel

Wednesday, June 4th

9:30am – 11:30am	Divine Mercy Cenacle	St. Mary Room
9:45am – 11:30am	Wednesday Bible Study	Sts. Peter and Paul Room
6:30pm – 8:30pm	Alpha	Fellowship Hall
6:30pm – 8:30pm	Mother of Joy Prayer Group	St. Paul Room
7:30pm – 9:00pm	Finance Meeting	Office Conference

Thursday, June 5th

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
7:00pm – 8:30pm	Thursday Bible Study	St. Mary Room
7:15pm – 8:45pm	Traditional Choir Rehearsal	Music Room

Friday, June 6th

9:30am – 12:00pm	Mom's Group	Nursery
9:45am – 12:15pm	Friday Morning Faith Sharing	St. Peter Room
10:00am – 11:30am	Legion of Mary	Trinity 3 Room
3:00pm	Divine Mercy Chaplet	Chapel

Saturday, June 7th -

8:00am – 1:00pm	Trail Life USA Planning Meeting	Bayley's Cellar
8:25am	Daily Rosary	Main Church
9:00am – 12:00pm	Spring Spruce-Up	Parish Grounds/Upper Seton Hall
9:45am – 12:00pm	Silver Foxes	Fellowship Hall
6:00pm – 9:00pm	Young Adult Movie Night	Bayley's Cellar
6:00pm – 9:00pm	Small Group Facilitator BBQ	Parish Grounds/Seton Hall



STAMPS FOR THE WOUNDED

USED STAMPS are continuously being collected by our Parish for the "Stamps for the Wounded" organization. At the request of Armed Services Hospitals, these donated postage stamps are provided to help our wounded veterans become involved in an activity. The hobby of stamp collecting has them sort, soak, and arrange for them in their collections. All undamaged US First Class, as well as FOREIGN, stamps are accepted. Please keep at least ¼ inch envelope space around the stamp.

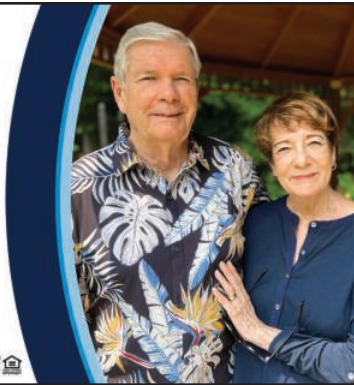
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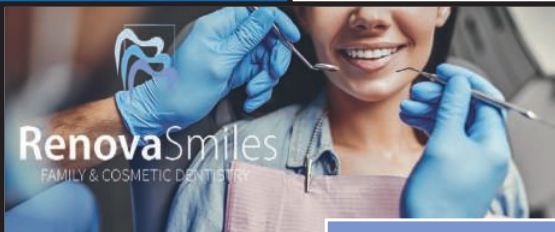


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