

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish

Bringing People Into A Growing Relationship With Jesus Christ

This Week's Message

CHRIST the KING

This weekend we celebrate The Feast of Christ the King. The concept of the kingdom of God has its origins in the Old Testament and was developed by Jesus during his life time. According to Jesus the kingdom of God has already begun. But what is the kingdom like? We are already "kingdom people." The only way we lose our place is by failing to do "good works," that is, being so selfish that we have no room for others in our lives and hence no room for God either. How are you building the Kingdom of God? -Fr. Mark

Holiday Office Hours

The office will be closed on Thur., Nov. 22 and Fri., Nov. 23 for the Thanksgiving holiday.



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JOIN US FOR OUR ADVENT MESSAGE SERIES 2018

As a team, our staff, realized over 5 years ago that we couldn't continue to be

business as usual here at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton. We decided to take God at His word, His promise to be with us always. We began to embark on an adventure to reshape how we think about church, how we do church and how we are church.

We determined that the efforts of this parish would be outwardly focused. As disciples we pray, we learn, we share and then we WITNESS. This Advent we are reaching out to YOU...we can't do what we set out to do without you. We are focusing on inviting Metro Mel into a relationship with Jesus Christ and our community. We will introduce you to Metro Mel during our Advent Message Series. Will you join us in preparing the way for Metro Mel to have a life changing encounter?

Week 1 (December 1 & 2): Promise
Week 2 (December 8 & 9): Prepare
Week 3 (December 15 & 16): Joy
Week 4 (December 22 & 23): Friendship

Small Group Study Guide: Promise

Week One Video



**Go Deeper into our Advent
Message Series “Prepare the Way”
JOIN A SMALL GROUP!**

If you want to grow in your relationship with Jesus, you need to have intentional relationships with people who have the same goal—a small group is the ideal place for that. We are so excited about the message we have for our parishioners this Advent that we want people to meet, discuss and pray together all around a common theme! Advent small groups of eight to twelve adults will meet for four weeks. You'll be encouraged to live out the truths you discover in the weekend message and readings as you encourage others to do the same. We offer small groups for adults in various stages of life. Get a group together, or join an existing group. Sign up weekends will be after Mass on November 17 & 18 and 24 & 25.

Questions? Contact Trish Lokmer:
tlokmer@seasp.org, 393-3778.

Sign Up for A Small Group

NEW! Coming Soon...PRAYZBAGS

We are excited to be offering PRAYZBAGS for our

youngest children (approximately ages 2-8) to learn and grow in their faith during Mass. Some PRAYZBAG items include: a Mass journal, Mary doll, picture missal, rosary and faith books. To pick up a bag, stop by our Information Desk to check one out to use during Mass. Bags can be returned after Mass to the Information Center. Due to limited quantity, we request for you to check out one per family. Bags will be available during all Mass times, starting Sun., Nov. 25.



Children's Program Schedule

There will be no PRAYground, PRAYzkids, or Children's Liturgy of the Word on Sun., Nov. 25.



Wine & Wisdom with Archbishop Jackels

Join us for Wine & Wisdom Thur., Dec. 6 at St. Pius X as we discuss the importance of Holy Mass on Sunday. We participate with our community, not only to offer worship to God, but also to be transformed, and to be agents of transformation. The cost is free. The social gathering begins at 6:30 PM with the presentation being from 7:00 PM-8:00 PM. For more information or questions, contact Trish Lokmer: tlokmer@seasp.org.



SHARE

Top 5 Reasons to Give at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton



Number 5
Inspire our youngest members!



Number 4
Sing! You don't have to join an ensemble, sing



Number 3
Share gifts of treasure to help support programs,



Number 2

Sign up for an Alpha Session or be part of the Alpha Team!



Number 1

Serve in a Weekend Ministry! Help us make our weekend experience a great one!

Advent Giving Tree

Please include area families in need in your preparations for Christmas. Our Advent Giving Tree is in the walkway, with requests on paper mittens from families referred to us by HACAP or by the parish office. Clothing and non-clothing items (or gift cards) in the range of \$30, food boxes (about \$25), and gift wrap are needed. If you take a mitten, please fulfill your commitment and bring your donation back UNWRAPPED by Sun., Dec. 9 with the mitten attached. We have to use parish funds to cover any unfulfilled gift requests.

Thank you!



[Sign up to sort or deliver gifts](#)



Seton Hall Vacuum Team- ONE opening!

We have an opening on our team for vacuuming Seton Hall. This ministry is a once a month commitment. Each member of the team takes one week of the month. It is a great family opportunity. Training/job shadowing is available. Please contact Kelli with any questions or to jump in! kdevries@seasp.org or 319-393-3778.

Alpha Ministry Team: current availability and future sessions!

Alpha is a wonderful ministry, a place where the culture is open to everyone, an encounter with Christ awaits and evangelization happens. We can't make Alpha happen when we don't have dedicated ministers like all of you! We have current opportunities to serve during one of our three active sessions. You can view current opportunities here: <https://www.seasp.org/get-involved>.

These opportunities will help as we wrap up the remaining weeks for our current Alpha sessions. Teams are forming now for the spring sessions. Teams include Kitchen, Food, Childcare, Prayer, Table Hosts/Helpers. Contact Kelli with any questions or to sign up for an Alpha Ministry Team! kdevries@seasp.org, 319-393-3778.



Our Usher Ministry is GROWING and we need you!

We are in need of Ushers at all three Mass times on the weekend. Our greatest need is at our 5:00 PM, but we have openings at all times. This ministry is open to WOMEN and MEN! It is a great opportunity to get involved as a couple or individual. There is a one time a month commitment. Training is provided! Please contact Kelli to get started or ask any questions you might have! kdevries@seasp.org or 319-393-3778.

Sound Board Team for all Mass Times!

Maybe you have recently noticed the changes during Mass thanks to our Audio Visual Team! There are some great opportunities to get involved with operating the sound board at all Mass times. All experience levels are welcome and training will be provided! If you have questions, or interest, please contact Bob Flood at raflood61@gmail.com.



Baptism This Weekend

Congratulations *Henry Matthew Roach*, child of Andrew & Alison Roach.



Rite of Reception

Congratulations and prayers of thanksgiving and blessings for Sheila Morris, as she is received into the full communion of the Catholic Church (receiving Confirmation and First Communion) at the 8:30 AM Mass on Sun., Nov. 25. "The Rite of Reception of Baptized Christians Into the Full Communion of the Catholic Church is the liturgical rite (which can be celebrated outside of the Easter Vigil) by which a person born and baptized in a different ecclesial community is received, according to the Latin rite, into the full communion of the Catholic Church."— Adapted from Paragraph #473 in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults.



Rite of Acceptance

PRAY



Discussion Questions

November 25: Each person born into this world is to live their own truth. What/who helps you do this best?

December 2: Jesus gives us hope by encouraging us to stand secure in God's unconditional love. How does this make hope possible for me?

Mass/Liturgy Readings for November 25, 2018

Sunday, November 25, Our Lord Jesus Christ Kind Of The Universe, ([Jn 18:33b-37](#))

Monday, November 26, Weekday ([Lk 21:1-4](#))

NO MASS

Tuesday, November 27, Weekday, ([Lk 21:5-11](#))

Mass at the Hiawatha Care Center at 9:45 AM, *Anna Barbaglia*
Wednesday, November 28, Weekday, ([Lk 21:12-19](#))

Mass at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton at 12:15 PM, *Stephen Miller*

Thursday, November 29, Weekday, ([Lk 21:20-28](#))

School Mass at St. Pius at 9:00 AM

Friday, November 30, St. Andrew, ([Mt 4:18-22](#))

Mass at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton at 6:30 AM, *Jeannine Dvorak*

Saturday, December 1, Vigil: First Sunday Of Advent, ([Lk 21:34-36](#))

Mass at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton at 5:00 PM, *Ron Basquin*

Sunday, December 2, First Sunday Of Advent, ([Lk 21:25-28, 34-36](#))

Mass at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish at 8:30 AM, *Anna Dietz*

Mass at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish at 11:00 AM, *For the Parish*

PRAYZkids and/or PRAYground are available at the 8:30 AM and 11:00 AM Mass times

Weekly Giving For 11/18/2018

Envelopes: \$15,436.00

Bank Checks: \$ 805.00

EFT: \$ 31,075.33

Loose: \$1012.00

Almsgiving (Feed Iowa First): \$ 42.51

Building Fund: \$ 582.50

Total: \$ 48,953.34



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