



POPE FRANCIS  
MARCH 13, 2013

# Living The Word

Reflections for  
Palm Sunday  
of Lent  
March 24, 2013

*Lord, even in Your last hours, You teach us to serve those whom God brings into our lives, even those who do not treat us well. May we be quick to forgive, quick to respond to those in great need, and quick to entrust our lives to the Father. May your prayers be ours. Amen.*

## NEXT SUNDAY'S FOCUS: TILL HIS LAST BREATH

*A piece of palm leads us to remember the story of Jesus and His final hours. The One whom we shout Hosanna as we begin the liturgy is the One who “emptied Himself, taking the form of a slave” and who “humbled Himself, becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.”*

### FIRST READING

*My face I did not shield from buffets and spitting, knowing that I shall not be put to shame (Isaiah 50:4-7).*

This third Song of the Suffering Servant speaks of one who brings consolation to the weary, even while his is the subject of terrible suffering. It was never clear who this figure was supposed to be. Jesus, through His words, showed that He considered Himself to

be the fulfillment of this prophecy. In spite of the agony, he remained obedient to the will of God. He professed His faith in the Lord and knew that God would deliver Him from all His distress. This was fulfilled when He was raised up from the dead on Easter Sunday.

### SECOND READING

*Christ humbled Himself. Because of this, God greatly exalted Him (Philippians 2:6-11).*

The ultimate degree of humility was to be obedient to the Father, even to the point of death. We might think this humility was humiliating for Jesus, but He did not see it that

way. He saw it as the fullest expression of His love and trust in the Father. God the Father responded to this trust by proclaiming Jesus as Lord, a title that affirms His divinity.

### GOSPEL

*The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ (Luke 22:14—23:56).*

The Jewish leaders have to lie when they bring Jesus before Pilate, because he would not have been interested with their religious arguments. He is accused of opposing taxes paid to Caesar and of making Himself a king, both capital offenses under Roman law. Pilate was not convinced of their accusations. Pilate represents Roman authority, and Luke is try-

ing to show that a good Roman authority should be able to discern His innocence. Pilate sends Jesus to Herod, and they dressed Him in resplendent garb. Luke consistently mentions the names and titles of kings and governors and speaks of how Jesus brought peace and well-being to all He encountered, even those putting Him on trial. Pilate proclaims Jesus innocent, but the crowd would not release Him, demanding Barnabas be released and further demanding Jesus be crucified. Pilate hands Jesus over. Jesus is crucified at the place of the skull. The darkness that covered the whole land is a symbol of the apparent triumph of the sons of darkness. Jesus is obedient to His Father, and with His death, we encounter holiness everywhere upon the earth. His Blood consecrated the world to His love.

### Readings for the Week March 18th-23rd:

Mon.: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 [41c-62]; Jn 8:12-20

Tues.: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22;  
Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a

Wed: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52-56; Jn 8:31-42

Thurs.: Gn 17:3-9; Jn 8:51-59

Fri.: Jer 20:10-13; Jn 10:31-42

Sat.: Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-13; Jn 11:45-56

### REFLECTION

That last night could not have been easy. At supper, Jesus knows His end is approaching, with much suffering, after being betrayed by someone He has loved, now sitting at the table. He knows Simon will deny Him three times. And He has to face an argument that breaks out among the disciples—again!—over who is the greatest. But Jesus patiently reminds them that service will win them a place in the kingdom. It will take a visit from the Spirit for this message to sink in. From the cross we see how faithful Jesus himself is to this call to serve all. Only in Luke's Passion does Jesus speak these words we hear on Palm Sunday. His first word is a prayer of forgiveness. Looking around at those mocking Him and jeering at Him, He prays: “Father, forgive them, they know not what they do.” His second word comforts, responding to the request of the thief on His right: “Today you will be with Me in Paradise.” And His final Word, addressed to God, serves us: “Father, into Your hands I commend my Spirit,” teaching us how to die trusting God. Three times Pilate declares Jesus innocent. This judgment is further reinforced by the Roman centurion saying: “This man was innocent beyond doubt.” The word innocent literally means one who does no harm. More than that, until His last breath, Jesus is the Savior who does only good, who serves, bringing forgiveness, replacing fear with the promise of paradise, and showing all that God can truly be trusted.

**HABEMUS PAPAM FRANCISCUM**

*We Have A New Pope!*

SINCE THE RESIGNATION OF POPE BENEDICT XVI, we have prayed for the Pontiff. Our prayers were fulfilled and last Wednesday at 2pm a very special announcement reached our ears: *Habemus Papam!* I share with you a brief biography of our new Pope:

POPE FRANCIS, FORMERLY CARDINAL JORGE MARIO BERGOGLIO, S.J., had been Archbishop of Buenos Aires, Argentina, since 1998. He was born on December 17, 1936 in Buenos Aires, to an Italian immigrant who worked on the railroads, and his wife was also of Italian descent. He was ordained for the Jesuits on December 13, 1969 during his theological studies at the Theological Faculty of San Miguel.

HE WAS NOVICE MASTER IN SAN MIGUEL, where he also taught theology. He served as Provincial for Argentina from 1973 to 1979 and as rector of the Philosophical and Theological Faculty of San Miguel from 1980 to 1986. After completing his doctoral dissertation in Germany, he returned to his homeland to serve as a confessor and spiritual director in Córdoba.

ON MAY 20, 1992 HE WAS APPOINTED titular Bishop of Auca and Auxiliary of Buenos Aires, receiving episcopal consecration on June 27. On June 3, 1997 he was appointed Coadjutor Archbishop of Buenos Aires and succeeded Cardinal Antonio Quarracino on February 28, 1998. Archbishop Bergoglio was named cardinal by Blessed John Paul II on February 21, 2001. He served two terms as President of the Bishops' Conference of Argentina from November 2005 until November 2011.

IN HIS FIRST SPEECH TO THE PEOPLE, Pope Francis said: "Now, I would like to give you a blessing, but first I want to ask you for a favor. Before the Bishop blesses the people, I ask that you pray to the Lord so that he blesses me. This is the prayer of the people who are asking for the blessing of their bishop. In silence, let us say this prayer for you and me."

LET US HONOR OUR NEW POPE'S REQUEST for prayer and ask the Holy Spirit for guidance.

**Thank You For Men's Club Fish Fry**  
A BIG THANK YOU to the Men's Club for hosting their 20th Annual Fish Fry. I address a special thanks to Bob Witkiewicz for his tremendous effort in organizing this tasty event. It was a fine occasion to meet together, have a good time and share good food.

**God Bless You,**

*Fr. Stan Auca*

**WELCOME**

**Chad and Eileen Arsich**  
(Children: **Sarah and Liam Arsich**)  
**James and Jean Fitzmaurice**  
**Mary Harrison**  
**LaVerne Krueger**

**WEDDINGS**

Please pray for those preparing for the Sacrament of Matrimony:  
**Rebecca Hayward and Matthew Stortz; 4-6-13**

**PLEASE PRAY FOR**

We remember the sick, infirm, and those recommended to our prayers, that they may experience the healing power of Christ:

**Cookie Werner**  
**Joanne Geibel**  
**Rita Prost**  
**Mary Code**  
**Wally Heidinger**

And for our deceased:

**John Ambriz**

"Heavenly Father, accept the prayers which we offer for them."

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Sat., March 16th (5pm) **Chester Wilk; Dan Cronin; Beverly Perkowski; Algerda Paris; Helen and Philip Iwan; Nader Dollah**  
Sunday, March 17th  
(7:15am) **Joseph Kelbus**  
(8:30am) **Camille Kosiak; Patrick McGinty; Mamie Michels; Danny Keating; Marion Leo**  
(10am) **Ellen T. Shanahan; James Brown; Robert Roeper; Arlene Bergamini; Jose Palabrica; Hilda Breuer; Wayne Strauss; James Kirrane**  
(11:30am) **Eileen Vaughan Biel**  
Mon., March 18th (9am) **Bill Kramer**  
Tues., March 19th (9am) **Tony Ciannamea; Evelyn Mniszewski; Carl Adamon; GiusePpe Latorraca**  
Wed., March 20th (9am) **Harriet Dorken; Dan Cronin; Eric Ondoy**  
Thurs., March 21st (9am) **Joan Sipowicz; Rose Zemovich; Frank Allen; Aril Ondoy; Alma and Ernie Ondoy**  
Fri., March 22nd (9am) **Irene Cherrington; Daniel Raila**

**STEWARDSHIP**

MARCH 10, 2013: **\$21,971.51**  
CHILDREN'S COLLECTION: **\$53.51**  
Thank you for your generosity.

# FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

## *Reconcile Yourself To God And Others*

### NOT BY BREAD ALONE

*A reflection by  
Robert F. Morneau*

### THE WOMAN IN THE GOSPEL

perceived it, this something new. It was the compassion of God revealed in Jesus, Saint Paul perceived it, this something new. In experiencing the mystery of Christ, he considered everything, by comparison, to be rubbish. All the great saints perceived it, this something new. It was the experience of God's grace that came to them unmerited, totally gratuitous.

**WE SHOULD INCLUDE IN THIS LISTING** the psalmist who sings out in our responsorial refrain, "The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy" (Ps126:3). At the center of those great things is liberation, being freed from our captivity to sin and death. The woman caught in adultery was liberated when Jesus told her that he did not condemn her. What joy must have raced through her heart. What gratitude must have filled her being in not only being freed from the law's command that she be stoned but also from the guilt and shame that are the consequences of sin. Probably, for the rest of her life, she turned every night to Psalm 126 and lifted her voice in song.



### Something New

*"Remember not the events of the past,  
the things of long ago consider not;  
see, I am doing something new!  
Now it springs forth,  
do you not perceive it?"  
— Isaiah 43:18-19a*

### ST. PAUL EXPERIENCED

that great liberation, that something new that set him free. After his conversion experience, he desired but one thing: to share in the suffering of Christ so as to share also in his glory. His life was consumed by the ministry of evangelization. By spreading the good news of our freedom in Christ, he would offer the possibility of peace and joy to the people of his own day and to us through his epistles. With single-mindedness Paul proclaims, "Just one thing: forgetting what lies behind but straining forward to what lies ahead, I continue my

pursuit toward the goal, the prize of God's upward calling, in Christ Jesus" (Phil 3:13b-14).

**DURING LENT WE CONTINUE TO REFLECT** on the goal that St. Paul pursued, eternal life. Because of the mystery of Jesus' paschal mystery, we know that this goal is attainable in grace. Thus we live as people freed, no longer enslaved to guilt and shame.

- What are the "new things" that you have experienced during this season of Lent?
- How has God liberated you from sin?

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*Loving and merciful God, we give you thanks for your liberating grace,  
for making all things new in our life.*

*We desire to sing of your goodness,  
to praise you for the wonders of your love.*

*Be with us this day so that we may perceive the newness of life.*

ST. ELIZABETH SETON CHURCH PRESENTS

# We Were There

A Lenten Cantata  
composed and written  
by Pepper Choplin

March 24, 2013

3pm

Directed by  
Linda McKeague,  
Director of Music  
and featuring the  
St. Elizabeth Seton:  
Adult Choir  
Teen Choir  
Lectors  
Liturgical Dancers  
Orchestra





Journey with the Lord and let your heart hear God's Words....

## The Road To Emmaus

By Margie Guadagno  
St. Elizabeth Seton Pastoral Associate

### Scrutinizing Our Lives

When the disciples  
met Jesus  
on the road,  
they were  
disappointed  
and sad.  
He walked with them  
and listened to  
their story.  
Then, by opening up  
the Scriptures  
He gave them hope!  
He helped them see  
that they were  
not abandoned  
or left orphaned,  
that God  
was with them  
and would  
always be part  
of their journey.

**I HOPE THAT YOU HAVE HAD THE CHANCE TO BE AT A MASS WHERE OUR ELECT WERE PRESENT.** As they journey through these last weeks of their preparation for the Easter sacraments, it is really important that they have the prayers of our community to accompany them.

IN THE RCIA PROCESS, Lent is called the Period of Purification and Enlightenment. It is a time for a more intense spiritual preparation rather than instruction. Each of our Elect is asked to search their own hearts to reveal areas in their lives where it may be necessary for them to do penance. There are three Sundays where this focus is particularly pronounced. They are the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays of Lent and they are called Scrutiny Sundays.

THESE ARE NOT SCRUTINIES IN THE SENSE OF AN INTERROGATION to judge the sincerity of *their* conversion. In fact, the RCIA ritual book actually says that the Lenten theme of purification and enlightenment should 'renew the entire community along with those being prepared to celebrate the paschal mystery.' That is because we are all born into an imperfect world where evil exists and so we *all* need to pray for God's protection and deliverance from those evils that we are powerless to overcome without God's help. So, as we pray for the Elect we pray for ourselves, too.

ON THE THREE SCRUTINY SUNDAYS there are specific gospels that are to be proclaimed when the Elect are present. Therefore, at the first scrutiny we listened to the story of Jesus' encounter with The Woman at the Well. We looked inward to discover: what are the things we thirst for? To belong? To be accepted? To be able to

judge the deeper truth, not just what is seen on the surface? At the second scrutiny as we listen to the story of The Man Born Blind, we 'see' that we ourselves are often blind, blind to our anger, our envy, our greed, our fear. It is only with God's help that we can confront our blindness and be healed of it. This Sunday is the third scrutiny and we hear about the Raising of Lazarus. Just as Lazarus is in the grip of death, what things might be keeping us in a death spiral? What circumstances keep us from breathing new life? or bringing new life to others?

**AS WE PONDER THESE GOSPELS AND DRAW CLOSER TO HOLY WEEK,** what changes do we need to make to help us act more Christ-like? What do we thirst for, what do we need to see, what will give us new life?

DURING THESE LAST WEEKS BEFORE EASTER, please keep our Elect in prayer. I would also ask if you could take a moment to write a note of welcome to them. We will give it to them at the reception after the Easter Vigil.

*Elect for Initiation Sacraments of  
Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist*  
**Michael Farthing**

*Candidate for Full Communion*  
**Edward Nelson**

*Candidates for  
Completion of Initiation Sacraments of  
Confirmation and Eucharist*  
**Marcus McKibben  
Nick Tessari**

# An Important Note About Our R.C.I.A. ...

*Lent is a time of prayer and reflection for our Candidates as they prepare during these final weeks for the Easter sacraments.*



**Michael Farthing**  
*Elect preparing for Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist*

**Nick Tessari**  
*Elect for the Completion of the Sacraments of Initiation*



**Edward Nelson**  
*Elect to be received into Full Communion with the Catholic Church*

**Marcus McKibben**  
*Elect for the Completion of the Sacraments of Initiation*

## PART OF THAT PREPARATION CALLS FOR THE CELEBRATION OF THREE SCRUTINIES.

These are special rites that are celebrated on the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays of Lent. The prayer said over the Candidates asks the Spirit to open their hearts to God, to reveal to them their weaknesses in their struggle against sin and to strengthen all that is good and holy within them.

Because of the presence of our Elect for the Scrutinies, the assembly at the Masses that they attend will hear the Cycle A readings from the Gospel of John. That is because those readings are meant to accompany all those elect who are journeying to the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist.

The Scrutinies continue. This Sunday, March 17th at the 10:00am Mass, the Gospel will be the story of *The Raising of Lazarus*.

*Please continue to pray for  
—and with—  
our Elect as they seek God’s path for their lives.*

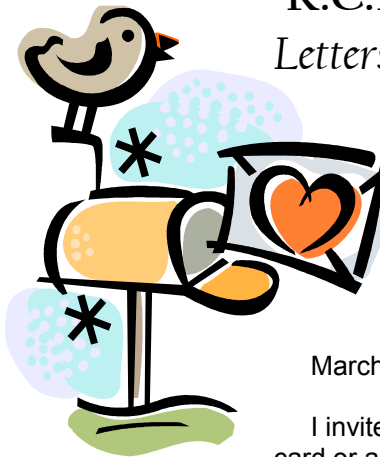


### Treats Needed for RCIA Reception!

To express your gratitude to God for the power of the Spirit in the lives of our candidates who will make their faith commitment to the Catholic Church on Holy Saturday, you might like to offer a bit of sweets, veggies, fruit, crackers, cheese, or finger foods.

Please bring your donation to the Church Hall on Holy Saturday, March 30th, between 10-11:30am.

Thank you!



## R.C.I.A. Letters of Welcome

We, the heartfelt community of St. Elizabeth Seton, are preparing to welcome our four candidates at the Easter Vigil service on Holy Saturday, March 30<sup>th</sup> at 8pm.

I invite **YOU** to write a little card or a note to **EACH** of these wonderful people to be given to them at the reception following the Holy Saturday Vigil. Your letters of welcome may be placed in the collection basket or dropped off in the parish office no later than Holy Thursday!

Thank you for your support,  
**Margie Guadagno**  
Pastoral Associate

## *Lenten Weekday Prayer Opportunity*



## **LENTEN LITURGY OF THE HOURS**

*Daily Morning Prayer in the church (Monday-Friday)  
beginning Thursday, February 14th at 8:30AM  
February 25th-March 1st; March 4th-8th;  
March 11th-15th; March 18th-22nd  
March 25th-29th (Holy Week)*

### *What is the Liturgy of the Hours?*

Not many people are thoroughly familiar with this form of communal prayer. Long ago, our ancestors in faith had ways for individuals and households to praise and thank God constantly, with the poetic richness of praying at morning and evening with hymns and psalms known by heart. As time went on we lost those forms of prayer. Along with the Lord's Supper, fixed-hour prayer is considered the oldest form of Christian spirituality. The psalmist's example to praise God seven times each day, were trying to follow St. Paul's exhortation to "pray without ceasing." The apostles too used psalms in their prayers, and the psalms remain the backbone of the *Liturgy of the Hours* today. Both the ending and the beginning of the day were, to the ancients, natural times for prayer.

We learn to pray by praying, and we learn to pray the Mass through the many ways that ritual prayer enters our lives throughout the day and week. In liturgy as in life, one thing regularly leads to another: understanding leads to loving, loving to participation, participation to commitment and commitment to a transformed way of living. It seems so elementary. Morning prayer makes us rise and thank God for a restful night, for another day of life, and for the strength and courage to do God's will. The spiritual practice of celebrating Morning Prayer is a way of consecrating the day to God.

## **EVENING PRAYER**

*Wednesdays, 7-7:30PM in the Church  
Beginning February 20th*

### *What is the Evening Prayer?*

We all may have heard of priests and religious praying the "breviary," which is another name for the *Liturgy of the Hours*. Although every Catholic knows that Eucharist is the official public prayer of the Church, the *Liturgy of the Hours* is considered the "other half" of our official public prayer — a half which most of us have rarely had an opportunity to experience. In the *Liturgy of the Hours*, the singing or reciting of the Psalms takes place at various hours around the clock. Praying the Psalms at different hours of the day and night is a traditional Catholic way of "sanctifying" every hour and moment of our lives with prayer and reflection.

*Evening Prayer* is the "sunset" hour of the *Liturgy of the Hours*, and begins with a light ceremony in which lamps and candles are lit for the evening activities (originally at a time when there was no electricity). During the lighting of the lamps, we sing a hymn praising "Christ our Light." Incense is burned as we sing and pray that all our prayers will rise to God just as the smoke and fragrance of the incense rises. Then, we sing from the Book of Psalms (the heart of prayer). We close the service with a hymn of thanks. This is a prayerful way to end our day and begin our evening activities.

*Lenten Weekly Prayer Opportunity*



**DAILY MASSES DURING LENT**

*Monday-Friday, 9:00am*

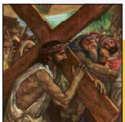


**EVENING PRAYER**

*Wednesdays, 7-7:30pm*

The official public, daily prayer of the Church is the celebration of the Liturgy of the Hours. The daily singing and reciting of the Book of Psalms is a most ancient tradition — a way of “sanctifying every hour and moment of our lives with prayer, scripture, and reflection.” In the complete “Liturgy of the Hours”, during the course of a month, all 150 Psalms are prayed, scriptures are proclaimed, hymns and Canticles are sung, and intercessory prayer is offered. Here is an outline of the evening celebration:

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| <i>Procession</i>                      | <i>Singing of the Magnificat</i> |
| <i>Evening Hymn</i>                    | <i>Intercessory Prayer</i>       |
| <i>Lighting of the Evening Lights</i>  | <i>Lord’s Prayer</i>             |
| <i>Singing from the Book of Psalms</i> | <i>Concluding Blessing</i>       |
| <i>Scripture Proclamation</i>          | <i>Sign of Peace</i>             |
| <i>Quiet Reflection</i>                |                                  |



**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

*Fridays, 7-7:30pm*

We remember the three-day journey of Jesus’ Passion, Death, and Resurrection, by “walking” with Him... from the First Station *Jesus is Condemned to Death*, through the 14th Station, *The Resurrection of Jesus*. This familiar traditional prayer takes place each Friday evening of Lent in the Stations Chapel.

**Good Friday is known to all Christians as the day Jesus died on the Cross. The Cross has been the symbol of our faith since that day 2000 years ago.**

**Walk With The Cross  
Good Friday  
March 29th  
1:30pm**

Join Father Stan Kuca and a group of Seton parishioners on Good Friday as we carry the Cross in procession down 167<sup>th</sup> Street.

We will gather in the Seton church parking lot at 1:30pm and walk east on 167<sup>th</sup> Street. We will return to the church going west on 167<sup>th</sup> Street and arrive by 2:45pm for the traditional service of Veneration of the Cross. Veneration of the Cross will begin at 3pm in the Church.



**A GOOD FRIDAY PROCESSION**

# FOR LENT FOR LIFE

WHAT YOU GIVE  
UP FOR LENT  
CHANGES LIVES.

St. Elizabeth Seton Parish is participating in Catholic Relief Services RICE BOWL this Lent. Rice Bowl boxes were distributed at Masses. If you did not receive a Rice Bowl, you can pick one up on the counter in the Church Narthex. All monies raised will be given to Catholic Relief Services in an effort to end world-wide poverty and hunger. Rice Bowls will be collected on Easter Sunday.



## Week Five: Ismael's Story

My name is Ismael and I live in a small village in Pakistan with my wife and our 9 children. Our village had no source of clean water — the nearest drinking water was more than a mile away. Having to walk so far to collect water meant time away from our livestock and fields. CRS came to our community and helped us build a water pump right in the village. I myself worked on the project, helping to dig the trench for the pipeline.

The water pump in our village brings many benefits both for our whole community and for my family.

Building the water pump helped unite the families in our village. Now we work together to help each other solve our problems. Because we can easily get clean water from our village pump, my family is able to raise more animals. I can also grow vegetables in a small garden near our house. With more food from our garden and more animals on our farm, I can provide a better life for my wife and children. We thank God for CRS and for the gift of life-giving water.

## Lenten Reflection

In your prayer this week, reflect on the ways that God has invited you to bend low in humility to learn important truths about yourself and the world. How has God been waiting for you in places you did not want to explore?

## Facts To Consider

In Pakistan, CRS works with local partners to ensure that communities have access to clean, safe water sources for both domestic and livelihood use.

- **Domestic use** (water supply, sanitation and hygiene) — CRS helps communities access clean water through the installation and repair of hand pumps, water storage tanks and water ponds. The installation of latrines in the community also helps to raise awareness about the importance of good hygiene practices.
- **Productive use** (livelihoods, irrigation, home gardens, electricity) — CRS helps communities to rehabilitate and reconstruct flood-damaged irrigation systems, which help farmers to improve their crop yields and support their families.
- **Environmental use** (watershed management, water conservation) — CRS helps communities to improve water infrastructures and use water more efficiently in their agricultural and livestock practices, by introducing new irrigation methods and drought-resistant crops.
- **Emergency use** — Following the 2011 floods in Pakistan, CRS distributed hygiene kits and clean water provisions to families affected by the emergency.

By ensuring that their water consumption is as efficient as possible, farmers in Pakistan are protecting and preserving the environment for themselves and for future generations.



**TINLEY PARK POLICE DEPT.  
Neighborhood Watch Meeting**

Thursday, March 21st at the Tinley Park Public Library, 7851 Timber Drive from 7-8:30pm with guest speaker Skip Gonsoulin from the Illinois Attorney General's Office. He will share information about the services available from the Illinois Attorney General's Office and current scams. All are welcome.

**Building With Broken Pieces**

*Divorced and Widowed Conference*

**Life sometimes breaks.** Those who are divorced or widowed understand that perfectly. Their lives have been reduced to mere broken pieces, often at the least expected time. They are left to struggle with the brokenness that rudely forced its way into their homes and hearts. On Saturday, April 13, Amy Florian, a nationally recognized speaker, teacher and retreat leader will help you look at the struggle to rebuild after a divorce or the death of a spouse. Known for her engaging and dynamic presentations, Amy is fully aware of what it is like to experience a painful loss and transition. The formative experience of her life was when her husband died at the age of 25, leaving her a young widow with a 7-month old. The conference day will begin with at check-in from 9-9:40am at the St. Charles Pastoral Center in Romeoville and concludes with a 4pm Vigil Mass celebrated by Bishop Siegel. A suggested donation of \$35 includes morning coffee, lunch and all materials.

Amy is a liturgy and bereavement consultant and holds a Master's Degree in Pastoral Studies and a Fellow in Thanatology (the highest level of certification in the field of death and grief studies). She founded Corgenius Inc., a company that teaches professionals how to better serve clients in times of transition and loss. Amy teaches in the graduate ministry department of Loyola University in Chicago, and at Dominican University, and has published over 90 articles and two books (*Sign & Symbol, Word & Song* and *The Mass: An Invitation to Enjoy It*). Registration is needed by April 2nd. For form visit [www.dioceseofjoliet.org/familyministry](http://www.dioceseofjoliet.org/familyministry), contact [familyministry@dioceseofjoliet.org](mailto:familyministry@dioceseofjoliet.org) or call 815-838-5334.

*Multi Parish 2013 Knowledge and Prayer Series*

**Fatherhood and a Pro-Life Attitude**

St. Bernard's, Our Lady of the Woods, St. Francis of Assisi and St. Michael Churches are offering a monthly pro-life education series. On Tuesday, March 19th, Justin Wozniak, PhD, presents "Fatherhood and a Pro-Life Attitude" at 7pm at St. Bernard Church, 13030 W. 143rd St., Homer Glen. Come hear his story on integrating a Christian viewpoint into today's hectic world and how he developed creative ways to support a Culture of Life. Justin, who holds a PhD in Computer Sciences and Engineering from Notre Dame balances a busy professional life with an active family life and a busy Respect Life project. Come and hear his insights on The Gospel of Life, family, and the role of fathers.

*Do you recognize this box? It's the  
St. Vincent DePaul Society Offering Box*  
**My Lenten Sacrifice**



*You are invited to give a monetary gift as a Lenten sacrifice for families in our community.*

*For your convenience, SVDP boxes are located at all the entrances of our church. We depend solely on the contributions that are placed in the donation boxes. All monies donated go directly to those in need. We service clients within our parish*

*boundaries with emergency assistance for utilities, rent, security deposits, food, clothing, medical, dental, eye care, and occasionally gasoline to get to a job site. These needs continue to grow during these stressful economic times and as government and program funds are reduced. As calls come throughout the year we look to your generosity and sense of sharing and justice to offer assistance. It is your goodness that makes our work possible.*

May God bless you,

**The St. Elizabeth Seton SVDP Society**



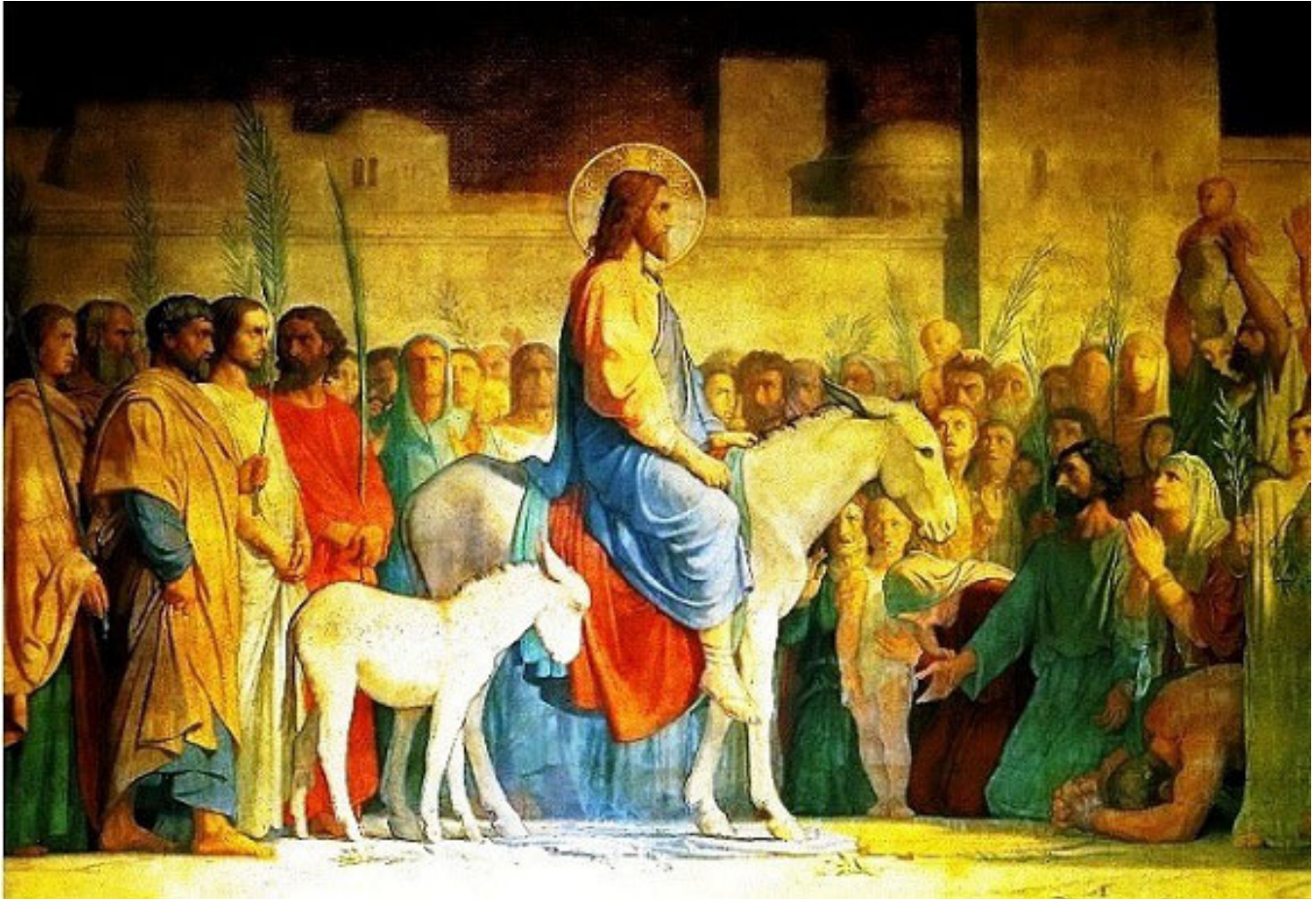
**EASTER FLOWER MEMORIALS**

The Art and Environment Team is asking for donations for flowers to decorate the church for Holy Week. If you use the

Easter Flower envelopes found in regular envelope packets be sure to include the name of your loved one along with your donation. If you already submitted a donation envelope in the memory of a loved one please fill out their name(s) and drop in the collection basket/or Church Office. Names will be printed after Easter. **Please PRINT legibly.** Name(s):

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# What Is Holy Week?



*We will begin Holy Week with the commemoration of our Lord's entrance into Jerusalem...*

## **Passion Sunday**

With a crowd of people waving palm branches, throwing their cloaks down before his donkey and shouting loud hurrahs of "Hosanna to the Lord!", Jesus entered the city. By the end of the week, however, Jesus had been arrested, condemned to die, and finally, put to death on Golgotha, *place of the skull*, crucified with some criminals. Although it begins joyfully, the Palm Sunday liturgy continues with the Gospel account of the Passion of our Lord. The very same disciples who ate that Passover meal with Jesus on Thursday night, and pledged their undying loyalty, when put to the test later that evening, would:

- 1) deny Him;
- 2) betray Him;
- 3) manage to make themselves very scarce, when the authorities came to arrest Him and question Him.

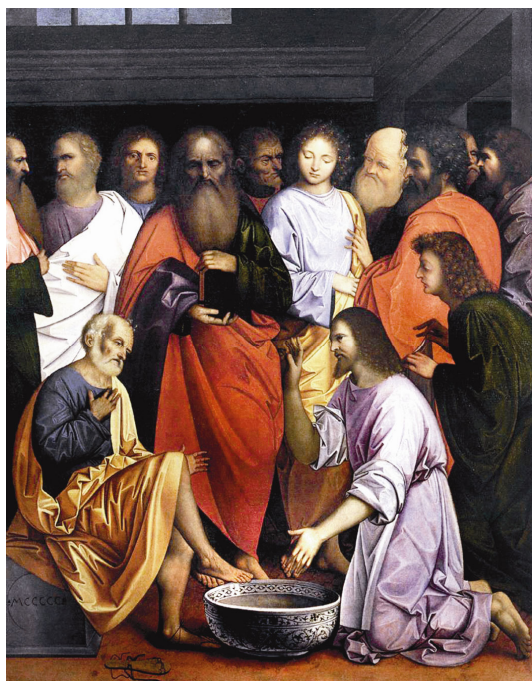
## **Triduum (Three Days)**

On Thursday of Holy Week, we begin the Triduum, the three central holy days in the tradition of our faith. Even though they are three separate days, in a sense, they are rather three parts of one liturgical celebration: beginning Holy Thursday evening and continuing through the end of the Easter Masses. In sign and symbol, we remember and keep the Vigil of Our Lord's Passion, Death and Resurrection — we celebrate and participate in the Paschal Mystery.

## **Symbols**

(Central to the Triduum liturgies)

Scripture — the telling of our Christian history, our story — is a central part of each of the three days. Besides the Scripture stories, some additional symbols also take an important place on each of these days.



*Washing of the Feet*  
*Institution of the Lord's Supper*  
**Holy Thursday**

*The Holy Thursday Collection will be given to our St. Vincent DePaul Society to assist those in need within our parish boundaries.*

On Holy Thursday, the two symbols that take central place are: 1) washing of the feet, and, 2) sharing of the Eucharist on the night Jesus commanded: "Do this in remembrance of me." On Holy Thursday, we hear: the night that Jesus was betrayed, he "rose from the meal and took off his cloak...picked up a towel and tied it around himself...poured water into a basin and he began to wash the disciples' feet." Peter resists this action from his Lord, but Jesus' reply is "if I washed your feet—I who am Teacher and Lord—then you must wash each other's feet. What I just did was to give you an example, as I have done, so you must do." This action of foot-washing is commemorated on Holy Thursday—after the homily, all of our priests and our Pastoral Associate, Margie Guadagno, will wash the feet of several parishioners. After the washing, we continue with the memorial meal: the sharing of Jesus' Passover meal on unity, forgiveness and peace: the Eucharist. The bread and wine that will be eaten on Good Friday are reserved from the Eucharist. This meal is sent to the sick and homebound in our parish that evening. Our Ministers of Care are:

**Eric Ondoy**  
**Debbie Ceglarski**  
**Martha Cisneros**  
**Gene Connelly**  
**Barb Cristofaro**  
**Dennis Cristofaro**  
**Debbie Davison**

**Beverly DeJonge**  
**Mary Therese Galka**  
**Betty Gildea**  
**Theresa Hanlon**  
**Paulette Havlin**  
**Joann Janiak**  
**Barbara Knight**

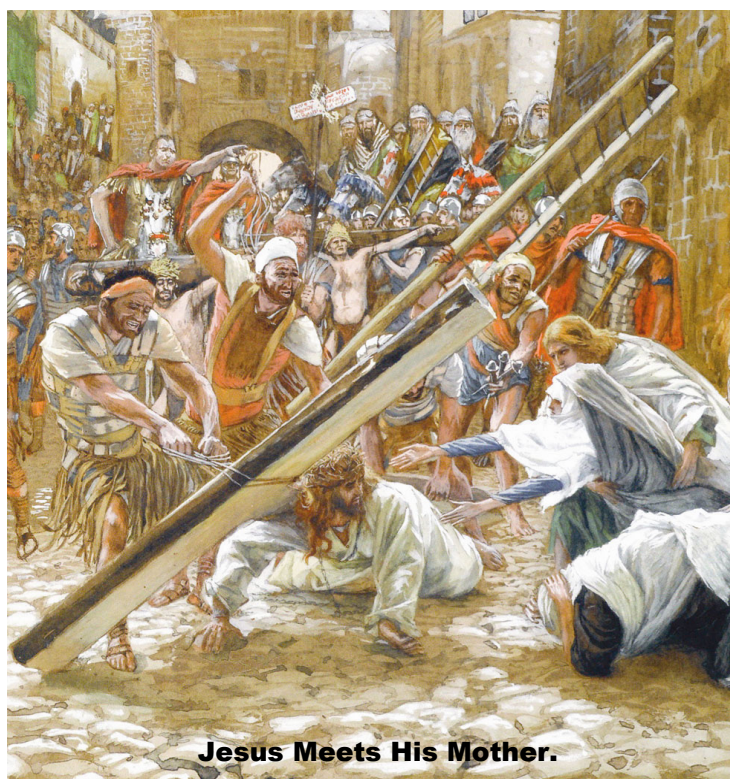
**Eileen Kramer**  
**Karen Kosinski**  
**Teresa McDermott**  
**Steve Michalek**  
**Pat Orozco**  
**Dominic Roti**  
**Annie Roti**

**Anna Marie Talley**  
**Gene Talley**  
**Claudia Nolan**  
**Bozena Wrona**

*Walk With The Cross Procession,*  
*Veneration of the Cross, Prayer of Intercession;*  
*Eucharist, Stations of the Cross*

**Good Friday**

On Good Friday two symbols that take a central place are 1) The Veneration of the Cross, and 2) our offering of Intercessory Prayer for the whole world. On Good Friday, we hear again the reading of the Passion narrative. After the homily, a large cross is brought forward on which hung the Savior of the World. "Come, let us worship." We offer our prayers of intercession at the foot of the cross, asking that all of our prayers be offered in the name of the One "who lives to make intercession for us: Jesus, Our Lord". Then we come forward with reverence to Venerate that cross...as we genuflect or bow before it, touch or kiss the Cross, we acknowledge the power of the saving love of Christ that has triumphed over death, redeemed us, and we acknowledge also, our mission as the Body of Christ: to "make up what is lacking in the sufferings of Christ".



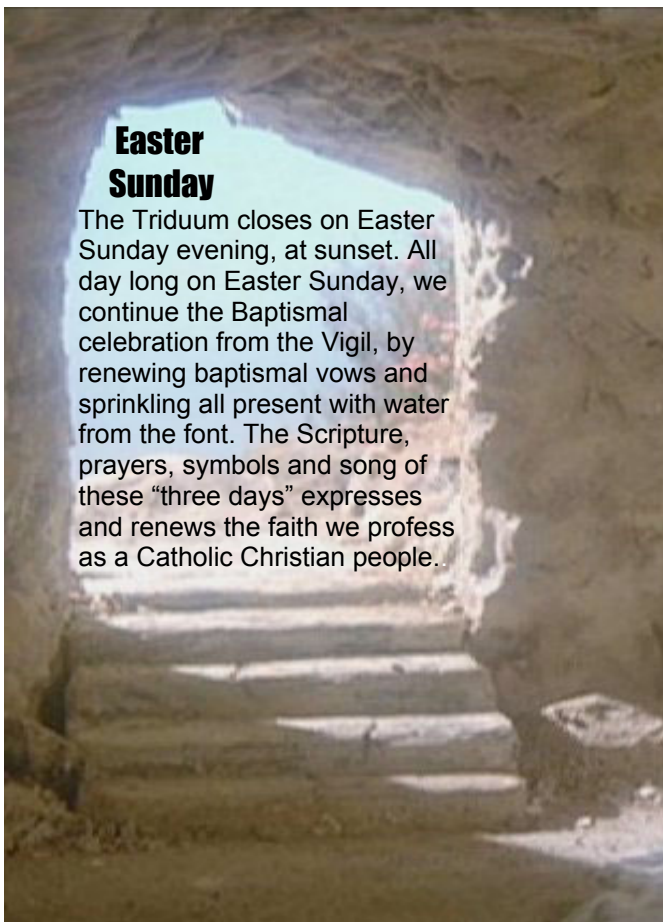
**Jesus Meets His Mother.**

*Fire and Vigil; Eucharist*

## **Easter Vigil**

The Easter Vigil celebration “Night-watch of the Resurrection” is at the heart of our Christian Year. The actions and symbols of the evening proclaim who we are as a people of faith. This is the night when we celebrate Christ’s Passover from death to life, and we participate in it by bringing in new life to our Church. The evening begins with a bonfire outside the church, and the lighting of the

new Paschal Candle. We enter the church singing: “Christ be our Light” and proclaim: “This is the night when Christ broke the bonds of death.” Our Vigil continues with Scripture readings from Genesis through the proclamation of the Easter Gospel of the empty tomb. We celebrate Eucharist together and end the evening with a reception in the Parish Hall. If someone were to ask what it means to be Catholic, you might tell them, “Come to the Easter Vigil and see”... their experience will perhaps be the best answer one could give to this question!



## **Easter Sunday**

The Triduum closes on Easter Sunday evening, at sunset. All day long on Easter Sunday, we continue the Baptismal celebration from the Vigil, by renewing baptismal vows and sprinkling all present with water from the font. The Scripture, prayers, symbols and song of these “three days” expresses and renews the faith we profess as a Catholic Christian people.

## **Holy Week and Easter Liturgies**

### **Passion (Palm Sunday)**

*Saturday, March 23rd 5pm*

*Sunday, March 24th Regular Mass Schedule*

*“Once Upon A Tree” Musical Cantata, 3pm*

### **Evening Prayer**

*Wednesday, March 27th, 7pm*

### **Holy Thursday**

*March 28th, 7pm*

*Eucharist and Washing of Feet*

### **Good Friday**

*March 29th*

*Walk With The Cross Procession, 1:30pm*

*Veneration of Cross; Communion Service, 3pm*

*Living Stations of the Cross, 7pm*

*(Led by the Youth of the Parish)*

### **Holy Saturday**

*March 30th*

*Blessing of the Easter Basket Prayer Service, 11am*

*Individual Reconciliation, 3:45-4:45pm*

*Easter Vigil, 8pm*

*New Fire and Water; Eucharist*

### **Easter Sunday**

*March 31st*

*7:15, 8:30am, 10am, 11:30am Masses in the church*

*This past Wednesday I, like many of you, turned on my TV in the afternoon in anticipation of the second papal ballot...*

## OUR NEW POPE

By Fr. Bill Gubbins

**A**S CNN KEPT focusing on the small chimney on the roof of the Sistine Chapel waiting for the white smoke to appear I looked over the list of my chosen favorites — Cardinals Scola, Scherer, Turkson, Schonborn, Ouellet and Tagle. I felt that these men had great qualifications and great potential.

The white smoke appeared and the drama began. When the famous “Habemus Papam” was announced to the huge crowd and the name of the new pontiff, Cardinal Jorge Bergoglio, was broadcast to the world, my reaction was, “Who is he? I never heard of him.” Then they mentioned the name he would take — ‘Francis’. And I did like that.

As more information began to leak out I realized that there were a number of things that I like about this little-known Cardinal:

### 1. He is from the Third World.

He was not from the wealthy and industrial nations like Europe and the United States. And he was very aware of world poverty and the inequities and injustice of our current world. He was a preacher and promoter of social justice and this was one of his priorities.

### 2. He was a man who practiced poverty.

He was living in a small apartment, cooking his meals and commuting by public transportation. He preferred that the people address him as ‘padre’ and not as ‘Your Eminence’. He is not



one for pomp and ostentation. He appears to be a very holy and humble man.

### 3. He is a Jesuit.

Although the Jesuits have produced so many of our modern saints, have done much for education and missionary activity, and have been so prominent in the history of the Catholic Church, they have never been honored with one of their members being named a pope. They deserve this recognition.

### 4. He has taken the name ‘Francis’.

What, to me, are the implications of this name? The famous story told about St. Francis was that, shortly after his conversion to seek a life of poverty and a total commitment to the following of Christ and to evangelical poverty, he was repairing the broken-down little chapel of San Damiano, when he heard the words of Christ, “Francis, go and repair my house which, as you see, is falling completely to ruin.”

*And we know the rest of the story:*

Francis did rebuild the Church! His followers, his thousands of monks, his Poor Clare sisters and his lay brothers truly transformed the medieval Church, both throughout Italy, and then, throughout all of Europe. Never has the world seen a spiritual revolution of such magnitude! A corrupt and worldly Church was truly converted and reformed!

**I**T IS TRULY MY HOPE AND MY PRAYER that this new Francis will be able to truly rebuild the Church of Christ in our day and help us to grow in faith and holiness.

# Join CROSSwalk Chicago 3-22-13

## What is CROSSwalk?

Founded at All Saint's Episcopal Church, is an initiative of the Episcopal Diocese of Chicago to address the violence that is killing children and youth in Chicagoland. More than 797 children and youth have been killed since 2008.

## What is the CROSSwalk event?

The CROSSwalk event is a procession across the heart of the city to remember murdered youth and to connect participants with opportunities to protect children and mitigate violence. The Second Annual CROSSwalk procession will be held on Friday, March 22nd — the Friday before Passover and the Christian Holy Week. It will begin at 6pm at St. James Commons (65 E. Huron), travel through the Loop to stops at Daley Plaza and Old St. Pat's, and proceed to the lawn outside Stroger Hospital. CROSSwalk is not a protest march. It is a vigil, one that connects to follow-up action. Participants are welcome to walk the entire route or join in at any point. The event should conclude by 9pm and buses will be available to transport participants back to Daley Plaza or St. James Commons.

## What are the goals?

The primary goals are threefold:

**To heighten** awareness about more than 797 children and youth killed in Chicago since 2008 by engaging individuals and institutions, and encouraging them to get involved.

**To create** new partnerships that advance the ongoing work surrounding violence.

**To link** CROSSwalk participants to each other and to programs and organizations in need of their time, energy and resources.

## What about partnerships?

CROSSwalk is focused on creating partnerships that raise the volume of our collective voice. The goals are to ask, to listen and to mobilize. All faith communities of every religion as well as secular organizations are welcome to join in CROSSwalk. We will invite partners to shape the procession and the actions and opportunities which spring from it.

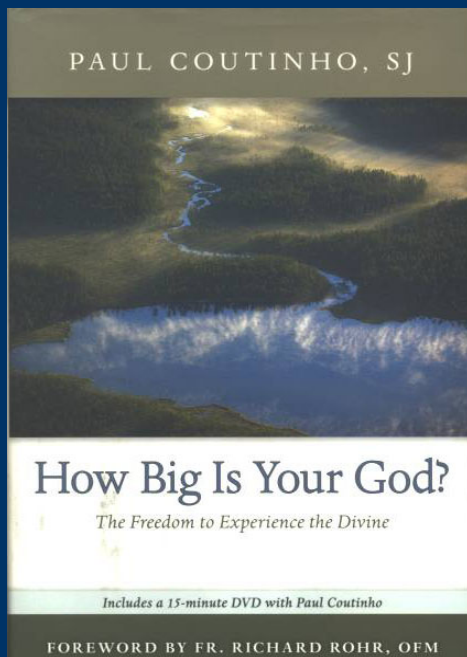
## How can partners help?

CROSSwalk is meant as a connection point for action and impact. Partners are needed to share ideas, help to drive turnout on March 22, and offer insight into programs that might benefit from CROSSwalk participants' support following the event. There is no financial commitment Required, however donations are accepted to defray costs.

## More information?

For more information, contact Jack Clark, CROSSwalk Director at [jack@crosswalkchicago.org](mailto:jack@crosswalkchicago.org) or 708-380-0056. Sign up to participate or visit the website at: [www.crosswalkchicago.org](http://www.crosswalkchicago.org).

## This Lenten Season deepen your experience of God by moving from religion to relationship...



Ask yourself the following questions:

- Do you know God, or just know about God?
- Do you believe in a God without limits, or have you placed God in a box and sealed the lid?

Indian Jesuit priest Paul Coutinho asks each of us to carefully consider questions such as these. With his warm sense of humor and a talent for telling just the right story to drive home a point, Coutinho guides us to reconsider who God is and how we can have fellowship with God beyond anything we have imagined. The immensely powerful yet eminently readable wisdom in *How Big Is Your God?* will move us past religion as we know it and toward a relationship with God that can change the way we think, love and live!

**How Big Is Your God? continues...**  
(Please read chapter before session)

Session 5	March 20th	Chapters 33-40
Session 6	March 27th	Chapters 41-48

We invite you to join us for book discussion during Lent on Wednesdays at 10am in the Cornerstone. (Please purchase book and read chapters.)



**Newborns in Need**

The Seton Sowers Chapter of Newborns in Need will be meeting Monday, March 18th at 9:30 in the downstairs church hall meeting room. If you knit, crochet, or sew, we can use your skills to make clothing and blankets for newborn babies who need to spend time in the hospital. If you have been looking for a good way to spend your time working for a charity, this is a really wonderful one. We can also use donations of yarn and fabric. For more information call Carol Dimer at 708-479-6994.

**SEWING KITS FOR HAITI  
NOW AVAILABLE  
IN THE PARISH OFFICE**

Dress/pants/diaper kits are now available in the church office to sew for the children of Haiti. All the sewing items needed are provided (including pattern) in individual kits. Please return garment when complete to the St. Elizabeth Seton church office. Thank you for your support.

**KNOW THE MASS, ONE WORD AT A TIME**  
*Remember*

Photo © John Zich



Every Mass remembers the Death and Resurrection of Jesus, but not as you would expect. Most of our day-to-day talk about remembering really means recalling or bringing up something that

happened in the past. Our remembering at Mass is much, much different. It is not a matter of recall, but rather of making present—here and now—what we remember. The Mass doesn't just commemorate the Death and Resurrection of Jesus as a past event. The Mass makes this event present to us, right now, right here, in sign and sacrament. Our remembering in the Mass enables us to be present to him—right here and right now—as the self-sacrificing Lord who destroys death and restores life.

Each one of the Eucharistic prayers has an *anamnesis*, or a special prayer of remembering. So, for example, the priest prays in Eucharistic Prayer IV: "Therefore, O Lord, as we now celebrate the memorial of our redemption, we remember Christ's Death and his descent to the realm of the dead, we proclaim his Resurrection and his Ascension to your right hand. . . ." And in our prayer of remembering, we don't just recall Jesus, we meet him as the dying and rising Lord who draws us into new life.

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO + STRATEGIC PASTORAL PLAN  
**YEAR OF SUNDAY MASS / YEAR OF FAITH**



*Paul has been "taken possession of by Christ."*  
Knowing that he belongs to Christ gives Paul the courage he needs to persevere. Knowing that we belong to Christ gives us courage as well. If you have you ever thought about a vocation to priesthood, consider attending the next Exploring Priesthood Weekend retreat held on April 12-14, 2013 at Mundelein Seminary to learn about the possibilities of diocesan priesthood in Chicago.

For information about the diocesan priesthood in the Archdiocese of Chicago, contact Fr. Brian Welter at [bwelter@archchicago.org](mailto:bwelter@archchicago.org) or call 312-534-8298 or visit [www.ChicagoPriest.com](http://www.ChicagoPriest.com). For information on religious life contact Sr. Elyse Ramirez, OP at [eramirez@archchicago.org](mailto:eramirez@archchicago.org) or call 312-534-5240, and for the Permanent Diaconate Program, contact Deacon Bob Puhala at [bpuhala@usml.edu](mailto:bpuhala@usml.edu) or 847-837-4562.

**Vocation Cross Participants Needed**

Participants are presented the Vocation Cross at the 9am Mass on Wednesday and pray for Vocations for the week. The cross is returned the following Wednesday for the 9am Mass. Sign up in the parish office.

**A PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS**

*Holy Spirit open your hearts and minds of young men and women so that a new flowering of holy vocations may show forth the fidelity of your love, and all may know Christ, the true light of the world to offer to every human being the sure hope of eternal life.*

*Amen.*

*Addison, Aidan & Anastasia, born 8 weeks early, required ongoing blood transfusions their first months to survive their prematurity.*

## **Saint Elizabeth Seton Church**

### **Women's Club**

## **Community Blood Drive**

**Saturday, March 23rd**

**8:00 am - 12:00 noon - Parish Hall**

**Please sign up online at [www.heartlandbc.org](http://www.heartlandbc.org)  
or after Mass on March 16th or 17th.**

**Walk-ins Welcome! Bring a Friend!**

**Every successful donor will receive  
a FREE Culvers gift card!**



**PHOTO ID REQUIRED**

**Visit Our  
Warm Hearts Club  
Online Store at  
[www.heartlandbc.org](http://www.heartlandbc.org)!**





## Women's Club

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- Wednesday, March 20th**  
**St. Patrick/St. Joseph Dinner**  
**Doors open at 6:15pm**  
**Dinner served at 6:30pm!**

*May the luck of the Irish be with you...*

Corned Beef/Cabbage/Potatoes and Lasagna Dinner to be served. (RSVP was needed by 3-15-13).

#### **Burial Cloth Workshop at March meeting**

After our festive dinner we will be having a Burial Cloth Workshop for the people of Haiti. Please bring a pillow case with you. If you have scraps of ribbon, lace, stickers, colored markers — we will have these supplies on hand and more would be greatly appreciated. **USED GREETINGS CARDS WITH RELIGIOUS PICTURES ARE NEEDED TO DECORATE CLOTHS.**

We are looking for people interested in joining the Officer Board for a two-year term. Positions to open are: Treasurer and Membership Chairperson.

#### **RCIA Welcome Reception**

We are looking for volunteers to help with the RCIA Welcome Reception following the Saturday Easter Vigil. Helpers for set up, break down and clean up also needed. Please contact AJ (563-357-7135) to volunteer. Anytime you can offer will be appreciated.

#### **Pie Certificates For Sale**

Baker's Square Pie Certificates will be available at our March meeting.

#### **Donation for Father Hicks and NPH**

We will be taking a free-will donation for Fr. Ron Hicks to share with the children of Nuestros Pequeños Hermanos Orphanage this Easter. A basket will be passed around at our March meeting.



### **Women's Club Bakers Square Gift Certificate Fundraiser**

The Seton Women's Club will sell Bakers Square gift certificates in the Narthex on 3/16-17 and 3/23-24 after all the Masses and in the church office.

***Gift certificates for sale this weekend!***

### **St. George Church Offers Bereavement Ministry**

St. George Church, 6707 West 175<sup>th</sup> St., Tinley Park, will begin Group Support Sessions on Monday, April 1st for anyone who has lost a loved one. The sessions will be held each Monday evening for six weeks from 7-8:30 pm in the Cahill Parish Life Center (Meeting Room 3 – 1<sup>st</sup> Floor). If you or someone you know feels that you would benefit from peer support after the loss of a loved one, please join us. If you wish to attend or if you need additional information, please call Mary Elizabeth Flaws at 708-466-0064 or Mary Hagan at 708-429-6043.

### **Alcoholics Anonymous**

If you have a problem with alcohol and feel a sincere desire to stop drinking, you are welcome to attend a meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous (A.A.) in the downstairs St. Elizabeth Seton Church Hall on Thursdays from 7:30-8:45pm. Alcoholics Anonymous is a fellowship of men and women who share their experience, strength, and hope with each other so that they may solve their common problem and help others to recover. The only requirement is a sincere desire to stop drinking.

### **Families Anonymous**

If your life has gone astray due to living with someone who has a substance abuse problem, consider attending Families Anonymous on Mondays from 7-8:30pm at Palos Hospital, 123rd and 80th Ave., Palos Heights (Ambulatory Care Center, Rm. 1, enter Emergency Room to elevator to the Lower Level). For information call Warren, 708-429-2507 or Therese at 708-269-9853.

*Makes a great Easter gift!*



**2013**  
**Golden Opportunities**  
*now discounted for only \$10*  
**Available in the parish office!**

**Golden Opportunities Coupon books** offer local restaurants offering discounts of 50% off or 2-for-1. In addition, great savings at movies, grocery stores, sporting events, and more! Many coupons valid once a month.



**5.**  
**The Dignity of Work and the Rights of Workers**

**Change your coffee and change the work conditions of coffee growers**

**FACTS**

- Americans spend more than \$20 billion a year to feed their coffee habit.
- More than 100 million people in Africa, Asia, and Latin America depend on coffee farming for their livelihoods. CRS directly assists coffee farmers overseas and supports them by promoting FAIR TRADE COFFEE here in the United States.
- FAIR TRADE sets prices designed to allow producers to cover their costs of production and provide a decent standard of living for their families, regardless of what is happening in the market.



**CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING**

Catholic Social Teaching calls on us to support the dignity of work and the rights of the workers.

By purchasing FAIR TRADE COFFEE, you are supporting better conditions for the coffee workers including a fair wage and healthy and safe working conditions.



**PERSONAL ACTIONS**

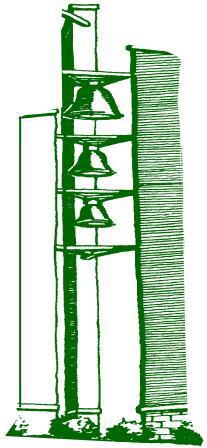
- Change your coffee to Fair Trade Coffee
- This week look for the fair trade label on the coffee you purchase or go to the Catholic Relief Services web site at: <http://www.crs-fairtrade.org/products/coffee-overview/buy-coffee/> to purchase coffee.



Go to [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org), the website for the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and learn more about The Dignity of Work and the Rights of Workers. <http://www.usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings/what-we-believe/catholic-social-teaching/the-dignity-of-work-and-the-rights-of-workers.cfm>

**Read more about coffee growers, Fair Trade, and how you can make a difference at [www.crsfairtrade.org](http://www.crsfairtrade.org)**

*"Create a Ripple" is an activity of the Joliet Diocese Social Justice Coalition (JDSJC), a ministry of the Office for Human Dignity, made up of parishes and religious institutions in the diocese. Standing firmly on the ground of Scripture and Catholic Social Teaching, led by the Spirit, afire for social justice, we are centered in prayer and united in right relationships as we raise awareness, educate, and take action to create a just world locally, nationally, and internationally. Please join us. Email: [peace@dioceseofjoliet.org](mailto:peace@dioceseofjoliet.org).*



## Seniors of Seton

### UPCOMING EVENT

#### APRIL 17-18TH TRIP

We will visit the National Shrine of St. Joseph/Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help where she appeared in October of 1859 in Champion, Wisconsin (the year after she appeared in Lourdes and asked that the children be taught their faith). We will also visit Lambeau Field near Green Bay, Wisconsin. We will stay at the Quality Inn (adjacent to Riverwalk). Total trip price is \$245/

person double occupancy, \$285/person single occupancy, payable by April 1, 2013. For reservations or information call Anna Talley at 708-532-6731.

#### APRIL 30TH

The Seniors of Seton are invited by Peace Village for a tour of their facilities and a free lunch. If interested, call Phyllis at 708-478-0471 for more information.

#### MAY 14TH

We are inviting the Seniors of Seton to a tea party at the Pickwick Society Tearoom in Frankfort. Each person receives their very own special pot of freshly brewed tea: fruit salad, four delicious cold tea sandwiches, a scone served with clotted cream and jam, and three desserts for \$22.00. If interested, Call Phyllis at 708-478-0471.

**Cardinal Joseph  
Bernardin School  
Children of Genesis  
Theatre presents**

### THE WIZARD OF OZ

**Saturday, March 16th 7pm**

**Sunday, March 17th 2pm**

*The Wizard of Oz, Young Performers' Edition* is directed by Candace Hohner, Julie Martin and Christina Eubank. This heart-warming show is based on the book by L. Frank Baum, with music and lyrics by Harold Arlen and E.Y. Harburg. Students from your parish school will perform this classic musical on **Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm and Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup> at 2 pm.** All are welcome! Follow the yellow brick road to Andrew High School's Performing Arts Center at 9001 West 171<sup>st</sup> Street, Tinley Park. Doors open 30 minutes prior to curtain. Ticket prices: adults-\$8 each; students, children and seniors-\$6 each. To place an order for will call tickets, please contact Kim Sluis, at Cardinal Bernardin School, at 708-403-6525 x 153 or Stacy Zampillo at 708-802-6862. Limited tickets sold at the door.



## SAINT OF THE WEEK

### ST. JOHN JOSEPH OF THE CROSS

1654-1734

SELF-DENIAL IS NEVER AN END IN ITSELF BUT IS ONLY A HELP TOWARD GREATER CHARITY—  
AS THE LIFE OF ST. JOHN JOSEPH SHOWS.

John Joseph was very ascetic even as a young man. At 16 he joined the Franciscans in Naples; he was the first Italian to follow the reform movement of St. Peter Alcantara. John Joseph's reputation for holiness prompted his superiors to put him in charge of establishing a new friary even before he was ordained.

Obedience moved John Joseph to accept appointments as novice master, guardian and, finally, provincial. His years of mortification enabled him to offer these services to the friars with great charity. As guardian he was not above working in the kitchen or carrying the wood and water needed by the friars.

When his term as provincial expired, John Joseph dedicated himself to hearing confessions and practicing mortification, two concerns contrary to the spirit of the dawning Age of Enlightenment. John Joseph was canonized in 1839.

#### COMMENT

John Joseph's mortification allowed him to be the kind of forgiving superior intended by St. Francis. Self-denial should lead us to charity—not to bitterness; it should help us clarify our priorities and make us more loving. John Joseph is living proof of Chesterton's observation: "It is always easy to let the age have its head; the difficult thing is to keep one's own" (G. K. Chesterton, *Orthodoxy*, page 101).

#### QUOTE

*"And by this I wish to know if you love the Lord God and me, his servant and yours—if you have acted in this manner: that is, there should not be any brother in the world who has sinned, however much he may have possibly sinned, who, after he has looked into your eyes, would go away without having received your mercy, if he is looking for mercy. And if he were not to seek mercy, you should ask him if he wants mercy. And if he should sin thereafter a thousand times before your very eyes, love him more than me so that you may draw him back to the Lord. Always be merciful to [brothers] such as these" (St. Francis, Letter to a Minister).*



**TICKET PRICE \$20 EACH**  
**GRAND PRIZE \$5,000**  
**SECOND PRIZE \$2,500**  
**THIRD PRIZE (3 winners) \$1,000**

**TICKETS WILL BE ON SALE** in the Narthex on the weekends of **MARCH 9/10 & 16/17.**

Drawing will be held Saturday, April 13, 2013 at CJB's **SWEET HOME CHICAGO** Spring Event, CD & ME, Frankfort, IL. Winner need not be present

**ALL PROCEEDS DIRECTLY BENEFIT THE ACADEMIC PROGRAMS FOR OUR STUDENTS**

The Grand Raffle, as part of our Spring Event, is our largest annual fundraiser. With your support, we can continue our mission of providing a nurturing environment of traditional Catholic values and high academic standards.

**GRAND RAFFLE TICKET MAIL- IN ORDER**

You may also purchase tickets by using the mail in order form below. We will return your tickets via standard postal mail. Please complete and return to the school office no later than March 25, 2013.

**MAIL THIS FORM TO:** Cardinal Joseph Bernardin School, Attn: Grand Raffle, 9250 West 167th Street, Orland Hills, IL 60487.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

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**WE THANK YOU AND GREATLY APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT!**



**Congratulations to our Cardinal Joseph Bernardin CHEERLEADERS!**

Congratulations to the CJB Varsity Cheerleaders for winning first place in the Intermediate Junior High Division on Saturday February 23rd at the NCA High School Open Nationals Competition in Louisville Kentucky. CJB's cheerleaders were also honored with special awards for their outstanding jumps and tumbling. The team had a "perfect" season with first place wins at Wilmington High School, St. Francis University, Lincoln-Way North High School, Joliet West High School and Oak Forest High School Cheerleading Competitions. On Jan 19th they won the 6th straight IESA Cheerleading Championship for CJB Varsity Cheer. The NCA Nationals Competition was the final competition for CJB Varsity 8th grade cheerleaders: Lauren Bird, Cara Cox, Molly Hallberg, Amy Jensen, Sarah Kaley, Olivia Mitchell, Margaret Murphy, Hailey Radakovitz and Holly Sebastian. The team also includes 7th graders Morgan Coyle, Nikki McGinnis, Vivian Mitchell and 6th graders Andrea Kielbowicz and Fiona Rowe.

**Mayslake Ministries Men's Silent Retreat**

*The Empty Tomb: A Spirituality of Resurrection*

This retreat will take you back to the morning of the resurrection when Mary Magdalene, Peter and John ran to the tomb of Jesus and found it empty. When they encountered the risen Christ, who had triumphed over death, their hope took root and the Church began. This retreat also honors the Golden Anniversary of the Second Vatican Council (1962). Individual sessions conducted in the context of biblical, liturgical and communal prayer. The remainder of the weekend will be steeped in silence. Spiritual direction and reconciliation will be available. For more information visit [www.mayslakeministries.org](http://www.mayslakeministries.org) or call or call 630-268-9000.

**DATES/TIME:** 3/22 - 3/24/2013; 7pm Friday-11am Sunday

**LOCATION:** Cardinal Stritch Retreat House, 1300 Stritch Dr, Mundelein, IL

**FACILITATORS:** Fr. Jonathan Foster/Chris Grano

**COST:** \$250.00



**PICK UP IS THIS WEEK!**



*raising funds for education*

Pickup is Wednesday, March 20th from 5:30-6:30pm in the Seton Church Hall. Pay by credit card/online/cash or check at the sale. Call Jen at 708 873-1387 or Linda 708-429-1583 with any questions.

# Branches

## SETON YOUTH PROGRAM

■ **Sunday, March 17th 5:30pm-8:30pm**  
**Teen Mass and Open Gym**

■ **Sunday, March 24th 5:30pm**  
**Living Stations Practice**

**LIVING STATIONS PRACTICE**

All Jr. High/High School parishioners and their friends are invited to join us in presenting our Annual Living Stations of the Cross on the evening of Good Friday, March 29th. Practices are an hour-long and will continue until March 24th). We do need two narrators, but all other actors have no speaking parts. And you get to wear cool costumes and use high-tech props. Come join us!

■ **Thursday, March 28th 7pm-Midnight**  
**Holy Thursday and Church Hopping**

Come join us for Holy Thursday Mass followed (at about 8:15pm) with visits to the sanctuaries of six other churches as part of our Church Hopping tradition. We'll head out to the Homer Glen and Palos areas and stop afterward at a local eatery (so bring some money). Parents, families, and other parishioners are welcome to join us

■ **Friday, March 29th 5:30pm-8:30pm**  
**Living Stations**

We'll do one more quick practice and then dress for the performance, ready to greet people by 6:30pm (performance starts at 7pm). We could use some parents to help with ironing and dressing. After the performance join us for pizza.

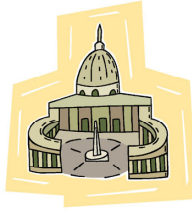
■ **Wednesday, April 3rd 6:30pm**  
**Mission Trip Meeting and TUF Night**  
Completed forms and payment are due.

**MISSION TRIP**

We still have two openings left! Total cost for the trip will be \$400. If you want to join us in Kansas City, July 14-20, fill out a form in the Parish Office today and turn in a \$75 deposit.



**Call co-adult leader Bruce Hall at 708-403-7834 with questions. Visit Branches on Facebook.**



Ministry Commission of Vicariate V and St  
Christopher Parish  
Invite you to attend this series  
Each evening begins at 7:00 in the church  
**SECOND VATICAN COUNCIL : WHERE IS IT  
LEADING US?**



**"In the present development of human events, through which [hu]mankind (Pope John XXIII, in the opening speech of the Second Vatican Council, Oct 11, 1962).**

For the past 50 years, we the Church have reflected and lived the Council. As we stand on the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary, what does the Council mean for the next 50 years? During Lent, the Vicariate Ministry Commission will host a five week discussion of this important Council. What was the Second Vatican Council; where has it led us, where will it continue to lead us?

**Monday March 18<sup>th</sup>—The History of the Council, speaker Rev Martin Zielinski**

**This presentation will provide a background on the reasons for calling the council, preparation for the council, an overview and accomplishments of the four sessions, and the results of the council.**

**Rev. Martin Zielinski** (M.Div., M.A., Ph.D.) is a priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago. He was ordained in 1978 and has taught at Mundelein Seminary of the University of St. Mary of the Lake since 1988. His area of specialization is American Catholic history, but he also has taught courses in medieval, Reformation, and modern Church history. Fr. Zielinski has published a number of articles in *Chicago Studies*, *U.S. Catholic Historian*, and was a contributor to *The Encyclopedia of American Catholic History*. In addition to his teaching duties, Fr. Zielinski is the Vice President of the Institute for Ongoing Formation. He is a weekend assistant at St. Patrick's Parish (Wadsworth).

**Tuesday March 19<sup>th</sup> — So What? The Ongoing Impact of Dei Verbum , speaker Kate Wiskus**

Dei Verbum creatively challenged us to look, listen, and learn anew. Insisting upon easy access to Sacred Scripture, the dogmatic constitution ushered in an era of radical changes for faith communities and for individuals of faith. This talk will begin with those changes in the lives of individual disciples and faith communities and then focus on work that remains to be done so that "by hearing the message we may believe, by believing we may hope, and by hoping we may love." Revelation through scripture, focus on Dei Verbum. Suggested reading:

DOGOMATIC CONSTITUTION  
ON DIVINE REVELATION  
DEI VERBUM  
SOLEMNLY PROMULGATED

BY HIS HOLINESS  
POPE PAUL VI  
ON NOVEMBER 18, 1965

[http://www.vatican.va/archive/hist\\_councils/ii\\_vatican\\_council/documents/vat-ii\\_const\\_19651118\\_dei-verbum\\_en.html](http://www.vatican.va/archive/hist_councils/ii_vatican_council/documents/vat-ii_const_19651118_dei-verbum_en.html)

**Dr. Kate Wiskus**, M.A., D. Min. serves as an Associate Dean of Formation, Director of Pre-Theology II Formation, Director of Field Education, professor in Pastoral Theology at Mundelein Seminary and Coordinator of the D. Min. Program at the University of St. Mary of the Lake in Mundelein. Prior to her work at Mundelein, Kate served as director of several offices and programs for the Diocese of Madison including the offices of Evangelization and Lay and Diaconate Formation. Her ministry in the Church began with 25 years as a youth minister and director of religious education. She earned her bachelor's degree in Religious Studies with a concentration on scripture from Edgewood College and her M.A. in Biblical Hebrew and Semitic Studies from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Her Doctor of Ministry degree was conferred by the University of St. Mary of the Lake.

**Wednesday March 20<sup>th</sup>—Ecumenism and Inter-religious Dialogue—speaker Liz Weigel**

**Suggested reading: DECREE ON ECUMENISM/ UNITATIS REDINTEGRATIO**  
[http://www.vatican.va/archive/hist\\_councils/ii\\_vatican\\_council/documents/vat-ii\\_decree\\_19641121\\_unitatis-redintegratio\\_en.html](http://www.vatican.va/archive/hist_councils/ii_vatican_council/documents/vat-ii_decree_19641121_unitatis-redintegratio_en.html)

DECLARATION ON  
THE RELATION OF THE CHURCH TO NON-  
CHRISTIAN RELIGIONS  
NOSTRA AETATE

PROCLAIMED BY HIS HOLINESS  
POPE PAUL VI  
ON OCTOBER 28, 1965

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**Liz Weigel** M.A. currently works as a Campus Minister at Calvert House, the Catholic Center at The University of Chicago. She graduated from St. Norbert College with a Bachelor of Arts in International Studies and Music and from Catholic Theological Union with a Master of Arts in Theology, concentrating in Interreligious Dialogue, specifically in Christian-Muslim dialogue. Ms. Weigel is especially interested in how interreligious dialogue occurs at the local level.

3/23 & 3/24	5:00PM	7:15AM	8:30AM	10:00AM	11:30AM
<b>GREETERS</b> Attention All Ministers! Ministers schedules available at: <a href="http://www.steseton.com">www.steseton.com</a> Then visit: Music and Liturgy	R. Gaskey J. Gaskey C. Labus S. Labus M. Pahl K. Pahl G. Roy C. Roy G. Roy K. Roy M. Roy	E. Briette R. Dickover J. Esposito C. Esposito M. Foley B. Hill B. Majer D. Meyers J. Niemiec	L. Allen D. Biallas J. Biallas J. Biallas S. Biallas M. Crance R. Cubalchini M. Cubalchini S. Giovanazzi C. Bannon	D. Ahern W. Bric K. Bric J. Grant J. Keller D. Keller M. Pfeiffer L. Pfeiffer R. Warja	M. Hattar S. Ivey R. Ivey S. Klean R. Mitchel B. Mitchel S. Potts T. Waters J. Waters
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## REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE

Monday-Friday      9am  
 Saturday              5pm  
 Sunday  
 7:15, 8:30, 10:00, 11:30am

## ST. ELIZABETH SETON PARISH INFORMATION

- **Sacrament of Reconciliation** is offered on Saturday, between 4:15-4:45pm.
- **Sacrament of Baptism** is celebrated twice monthly at 1pm. Reserve your time by calling the Pastoral Center early. We are limited to six children per Sunday.
- **Baptismal** Couples preparing for the birth of their child should contact the Pastoral Center to register for a one night seminar, focusing on a parent's role in his/her child's faith development. This session is mandatory prior to the Baptism.
- **Anointing of the Sick** is available in the Church every Monday after the 9am Mass. For those who are ill or facing hospitalization, it is appropriate to receive the sacrament once every six months. Please call the Pastoral Center for more information.
- **Ministry of Care** is available to give Communion to the housebound, to visit and pray for hospitalized and/or to arrange for the Anointing of the Sick. Please call the Pastoral Center for assistance.
- **In the Hospital?** Because of HIPAA Privacy regulations hospitals can no longer contact the parish regarding your hospitalization. It is the responsibility of you or a family member to notify our parish. We desire to offer whatever spiritual support we can. Please call the Pastoral Center.
- **Sacrament of Marriage** Couples planning to marry are encouraged to make arrangements at least six months in advance.
- **Wedding Workshops** are offered throughout the year. They provide engaged couples with guidelines and suggestions for the celebration of the Sacrament of Marriage. The workshop covers topics ranging from readings and music to flowers and video taping.
- **Adult Choir** sings at all 10am Sunday Masses, as well as at a number of special liturgies.
- **Moving?** Please call the office at 708-403-0101.

### HELP IS A PHONE CALL AWAY:

**DOMESTIC ABUSE 24-HOUR HOTLINE: 708-429-SAFE**

**CRISIS PREGNANCY HOTLINE: 888-4-HOPE-4-1**

**HURTING FROM AN ABORTION?: 888-456-HOPE**