

# St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church

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THIRD SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME  
JANUARY 24, 2021

## PRIESTS

Very Rev. Fr. Brian D.M.J. Grady, TOC, VF- Pastor  
Rev. Fr. Colin Easton- Parochial Vicar

## DEACONS

Mr. Kenneth Giacone  
Dr. Richard Marcantonio

## WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4:00PM  
Sunday: 8:00, 9:30, and 11:15AM

## WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday thru Saturday 8:45AM

## RECITATION OF THE HOLY ROSARY

Monday thru Saturday 8:15AM

## RECITATION OF THE DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

Monday thru Saturday  
immediately following the 8:45AM Mass

## SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Tuesdays 6-6:45pm  
Saturday 9:15-10:00AM  
3:00-3:45PM

(CURRENTLY IN THE PARISH OFFICE  
ENTER THROUGH THE NARTHEX DOORS)

## SACRED HEART

ADORATION CHAPEL  
MONDAY- SATURDAY 8-10AM

## BLESSING OF MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARIES

2nd Weekend of the Month at all Masses

## BLESSING OF EXPECTANT MOTHERS

4th Weekend of the Month at all Masses

## WEEKLY BLESSING OF RELIGIOUS ARTICLES

Please drop off articles to be blessed at the  
Parish Office on Tuesdays during office hours.  
Blessed articles will be ready for pickup the  
following Wednesday morning.

# ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON, CRYSTAL LAKE

## PARISH SCHEDULE AND MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 24- THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00AM Mass (Living and Deceased Members of St.  
Elizabeth Ann Seton)  
9:30AM Mass (+Apolinario Bautista ~ +Mary Gayosa)  
10:45AM Becoming Catholic- Confirmation  
11:15AM Mass (Charlotte Girolamo ~ Sr. Janice Rosinski)  
1:30PM Homeschool Confirmation Class (via Zoom)  
6:30PM Youth Ministry Life Teen (via Zoom)

### MONDAY, JANUARY 25- THE CONVERSION OF ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE

8:15AM Rosary  
8:45AM Mass (The Girolamo family ~ +Charlotte Floro)  
9:15AM Divine Mercy Chaplet

### TUESDAY, JANUARY 26- SS. TIMOTHY & TITUS, BISHOPS

8:15AM Rosary  
8:45AM Mass (Joan Finamore ~ +Dick Abraham)  
9:15AM Divine Mercy Chaplet  
1:00PM Holy Hour of Reparation (dial-in prayer)  
6:00PM Confessions (Parish Office Reception Area)  
6:30PM Youth Ministry Edge (virtual)

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27- ST. ANGELA MERICI, VIRGIN & RELIGIOUS FOUNDER

8:15AM Rosary  
8:45AM Mass (Donald Purn ~ +Irmgard Svejcar)  
9:15AM Divine Mercy Chaplet  
6:30PM High School Game Night (via zoom)

### THURSDAY, JANUARY 28- ST. THOMAS AQUINAS, PRIEST & DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH


8:15AM Rosary  
8:45AM Mass (Fr. Grady ~ Fr. Easton)  
9:15AM Divine Mercy Chaplet

### FRIDAY, JANUARY 29

8:15AM Rosary  
8:45AM Mass (+Mary Anne Roll ~ Stacy Sullivan)  
9:30AM Divine Mercy Chaplet

### SATURDAY, JANUARY 30- BVM

8:15AM Rosary  
8:45AM Mass (+Louise Hintz ~ +Gary Krawchuck)  
9:30AM Divine Mercy Chaplet  
Confessions (Parish Office Reception Area)  
3:00PM Confessions (Parish Office Reception Area)  
4:00PM\* Mass (Simon Beane ~ +Daniel Miller)

\*These Masses will be live-streamed on  YouTube  
Go to the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church channel.



This week, the blue Our Lady of  
Perpetual Help sanctuary candle  
will burn for the intentions of

**The Bombino Family**

### READINGS FOR MASS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 24, 2021

SUNDAY: Jon 3:1-5, 10 / 1 Cor 7:29-31 / Mk 1:14-20

MONDAY: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22 / Mk 16:15-18

TUESDAY: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5 / Mk 3:31-35

WEDNESDAY: Heb 10:11-18 / Mk 4:1-20

THURSDAY: Heb 10:19-25 / Mk 4:21-25

FRIDAY: Heb 10:32-39 / Mk 4:26-34

SATURDAY: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 / Mk 4:35-41

SUNDAY: Dt 18:15-20 / 1 Cor 7:32-35 / Mk 1:21-28

*Please keep the sick, the needs of our parish community,  
and the Church in your daily prayers.*



## FROM THE DESK OF THE PASTOR

As you are probably aware, the COVID-19 vaccines have begun in the last weeks to be administered to front line workers and those in high risk categories. The rest of us will be offered them possibly as early as April, but on that we are not sure. In response to this announcement, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) weighed in on the issue and said that it was morally acceptable to take the Pfizer or Moderna vaccines. I thought I would explain a little of the rationale for this decision in my own words— although you can read the full statement on the USCCB's website.

First, we should have a little catechesis on elements of ethical choices that go into making such a decision. They involve the terms called *formal* and *material*, and also *proximate* and *remote*. Because evil exists all around us in this world, we are not always going to be able to avoid cooperating (if only remotely) with evil at some level. For example, when we pay taxes, on some level we are cooperating in evil. We say this because our federal and state governments often participate in morally objectionable practices that we, on our own, would not do (such as funding Planned Parenthood for abortions). However, we cannot use that as a reason to not pay our taxes.

So when we have these ethical dilemmas, we look to see *how close* we are to cooperating in that evil. We want to avoid situations when our cooperation is *formal* and *proximate*. For example, we are *formally* cooperating in evil if we are a doctor that performs abortions. If we are a receptionist in an abortion mill (we say “clinic” because no one who goes there gets better) we may not be *formally* cooperating in the evil because we are not the ones actually performing abortions, but we are *materially* cooperating because abortions are routinely being performed there. While it is not as bad as being the abortion doctor, we are still *proximate* (close) to the evil, so it is wrong. So, in this case, our cooperation is *material* and *proximate* and would not be morally permissible.

It is when our cooperation is *material* and *remote* that we *may* be permitted to engage an activity without committing sin. Of course, this all depends entirely on how remote the cooperation is and the circumstances involved. So, for example, let us say that we are a bus driver and one of the scheduled stops on the route is in front of an abortion mill. It is a part of our job to stop and let off riders at this location. We know that those who get off at the stop are likely going to the mill for an abortion. In this case, our cooperation is *material* yet *remote* not requiring us to quit the job—though I would counsel that person to ask for different bus route.

Now, I know that is a lot of background to digest, but it is critical for us to understand what we should do when it comes to the Covid-19 vaccines. So let's talk about the vaccine. In 1973, a three-month fetus died, either by abortion or miscarriage and stem cells were extracted. If the baby died from a miscarriage and the mother consented to donate part of her child's body to medicine, no evil was committed. If the baby was aborted and stem cells were harvested for experimentation, that is a completely different story.

We are told that neither the Pfizer nor the Moderna vaccine involved the use of cell lines that originated in fetal tissue taken from the body of an aborted baby at any level of design, development or production. These two vaccines are *not completely free* from any connection to abortion, however, as both Pfizer and Moderna made use of a tainted cell line for one of the confirmatory lab tests of their products. So, there is a connection, but it is relatively remote.

The USCCB states it is considered a “tainted cell line”, but the connection to abortion is *remote*. So, this means if we get the vaccine, our cooperation is *material* and *remote*. When we speak of the remoteness, we need to look at the steps removed the action is from the evil. First, the abortion or miscarriage was not performed *to obtain* the cell line, it occurred regardless. Second, the cultivated cells were not created to produce or test this vaccine— they already existed. In addition, in one test done by each company, the test did not even use the commonly used but morally compromised HEK293 cell line directly, but used mice descendant from a mouse edited with HEK293 to produce human rather than mouse lung lining proteins. So, there are several factors that contribute to how far removed (remoteness) the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines are from an immoral act.

The USCCB letter concludes: “*In view of the gravity of the current pandemic and the lack of availability of alternative vaccines, the reasons to accept the new COVID-19 vaccines from Pfizer and Moderna are sufficiently serious to justify their use, despite their remote connection to morally compromised cell lines.*” The Bishops agree that at the level of the recipient, it is morally permissible to accept this vaccination when there are no alternatives and there is a serious risk to health.

The USCCB also advises us, “*We should be on guard so that the new Covid-19 vaccines do not desensitize us or weaken our determination to oppose the evil of abortion itself and the subsequent use of fetal cells in research.*”

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Let me restate that there is simply no way to live life in modern day America or this world and not on some level be cooperating in an evil. So many of the businesses that we deal with on a daily basis fund the abortion magnate, Planned Parenthood. Companies such as Starbucks, JP Morgan Chase, United Airlines, American Express, Charles Schwab, Nike, Converse, Jiffy Lube, PepsiCo, Frito Lay are regular Planned Parenthood contributors. There are even more companies that fund Planned Parenthood indirectly through third parties, such as the United Way. We try to avoid patronizing these businesses, but sometimes we aren't even aware. It is extremely difficult—almost impossible—to avoid remotely cooperating in this evil.

Now, having said all of this, the no one is advising that we must get the Covid vaccine. Keep in mind both the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines are still deemed 'experimental' and are only approved by the FDA for emergency use. It is just too soon to know how effective and safe these vaccines truly are. You must weigh all of these factors and make the best decision for the health of your body *and* your soul.

There is so much more that can be explored regarding this issue, and I am no expert. I did want to at least give you some information that will help you make your decision whether to get the vaccine or not. If you have not already received the vaccine, I would encourage you to take this issue to prayer and talk about it with your family. You may also want to seek out other good Catholic resources to further guide in your decision.

(Please be aware there is another Covid vaccine developed by Astra Zeneca in the UK. This vaccine is not yet approved for use in the US, but may be approved for emergency use sometime in the spring. This vaccine *is more morally compromised* than those offered by Pfizer and Moderna. The HEK293 cell line was used in the design, development, and production stages of this vaccine, as well as for confirmatory testing. If and when it is available in the US, the Astra Zeneca vaccine should be avoided. )

**Was one of your new year's resolutions to read the Bible every day? Do you struggle through reading the Bible? Do you need some help in comprehending what Scripture is saying? This new podcast may be just what you need!**

Ascension's *Bible in a Year* Podcast, hosted by Fr. Mike Schmitz, guides Catholics through the Bible in 365 daily episodes starting January 1st, 2021. Each 20-25 minute episode includes:



- two to three scripture readings
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## HOLY HOUR OF REPARATION

### TUESDAYS AT 1:00PM

**THIS CONTINUES TO BE A DIAL-IN PRAYER UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.**



**The Holy Hour of Reparation** aims to help the Church and the world by offering prayers of reparation to the Holy Face of Jesus through Our Lady asking for peace, hope, and healing.

**Dial in Number:** 1 + 515-605-0071  
**PIN:** 718918 #

Please download the "Holy Hour of Reparation- Hope & Healing for the World" prayer booklet from the parish website: [elizabethannseton.org](http://elizabethannseton.org)  
After dial-in welcome @ 1:00PM, please *mute your phone* and join in prayer from home along with prayer leaders!

## A PRAYER FOR TRUTH

Lord, Jesus Christ,  
You are the Way, the Truth and the Life.  
Hear our prayer for truth and integrity  
in all segments of society today.

May our hearts be open to recognizing the truth  
when it is revealed to us.

We pray that we are not mislead by half-truths  
or truth that has been twisted  
to serve the evil intents of Satan  
the father of lies.

May the truth be spoken by us and affirmed in others,  
that in seeking truth, the world will come to find You,  
the Source of All Truth.

Wherever relationships are weakened  
by deception or hypocrisy,  
give us the fortitude to speak the truth in love  
correcting the falsehoods we may have spoken  
asking for forgiveness from those we have hurt.

May your Spirit of Truth transform minds and hearts  
open to a moral integrity so strong  
that both words and actions can be trusted.

In public and private life,  
deepen among us a genuine commitment  
to honesty, sincerity and truth-telling.  
Let your 'Yes' mean 'Yes,' and your 'No' mean 'No.'  
Anything more is from the Evil One."

Let nations and peoples not compromise truth  
by rationalization, pretense or selfish intent,  
but safeguard and defend truth always  
as Your most precious gift.

Lord, may those around us come to know  
that they can take us at our word,  
until that day when all the world lives in Truth  
and the Truth sets us free. Amen.

## WHAT TO DO WITH UNWANTED SACRAMENTALS, OR OTHER RELIGIOUS/ BLESSED OBJECTS?

The proper disposal of broken, irreparable, unwanted sacramentals, or other blessed items, is to burn or bury them. Assuming they have been blessed, all rosaries, scapulars, votives, medals, holy books or pictures, Bibles, statues, palms etc. should *never* be thrown in the trash. Those that can be burned should be burned. Those that cannot be burned, should be buried. For this reason, we will gladly accept any unwanted, old, or broken holy items at the parish office. You can bring them anytime during office hours. When we have accumulated a good amount of these items, we will set up a "re-gift" table in Seton Hall for parishioners to browse and take whatever items they would like for themselves. Any items that are not taken from the table will be disposed of properly. We will have a "regift table" when we are able to fully open the parish. Please bring items you no longer use and we will take care of the rest. Stay tuned...



## 2020 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

In keeping with the IRS Contribution Disclosure Requirements, we will be mailing Contribution statements to all who donated \$250 or more to St. Elizabeth Ann Seton in the calendar year 2020. Contribution statements will be mailed out the week of January 24, 2021. If you have moved, please call the Parish Office at (815)459-3033 and give us your correct address, ensuring this, and all future correspondence reaches you.



You **do not** need to contact us *if any of the following are true* to receive this statement:

- ◆ You contributed \$250 or more in the calendar year
- ◆ You are a registered parishioner, and we have your current address information in our records
- ◆ You have not moved or updated your address information.

*If you can live amid injustice without anger,  
you are immoral as well as unjust.*

*St. Thomas Aquinas*

## THIS IS MY HOME THE GIFT OF MY TREASURE

	BUDGETED	ACTUAL	%
January 17	\$14,975.	\$14,278.	-4.5%

**Our 3% tithe this week goes to The Poor Clares of Rockford at the Corpus Christi Monastery-** to assist the sisters in their need and in gratitude for their service and prayers

**Amount Owed (Parish Debt) Mortgage: \$410,207.00**

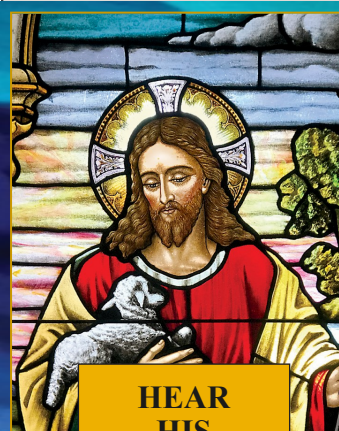
(Full mortgage payment was due 10/30/2018)

Original mortgage amount \$1,837,559. (2003)

## ONLINE GIVING

Parishioners have the option of making their regular parish offerings securely and hassle free! It's so easy and convenient to have your Sunday, Holy Day and other church donations automatically transferred from your checking account or your debit/credit card. Enroll via our website [elizabethannseton.org](http://elizabethannseton.org).

Click 'DONATE' at the top right side of our Home Page, drop down to 'ONLINE GIVING' and follow the prompts for quick and secure automatic transfers. For more information, please contact Patti at (815)459-3033 X227 or Sue at X225



**HEAR  
HIS  
VOICE**

## 2020 DIOCESAN STEWARDSHIP APPEAL

**GOAL \$92,629.**

PLEGGED: \$64,150.

PAID: \$52,276.

FAMILIES  
PARTICIPATING: 180

Additional pledge envelopes may be found in the Narthex, or outside the parish office. You can also donate electronically via [rockforddiocese.org](http://rockforddiocese.org).

*Thank you for your generosity!*

## THIS IS MY HOME— RESERVED PARKING FOR OUR PARISH FAMILY OF THE MONTH

As a way to express our gratitude to those who financially support our parish home, we randomly draw a monthly winner for a prime parking spot! If you are one of the many who support our parish, you will have a chance to win a reserved parking spot in the front row of the lot for a month. Every family that actively gives to our parish is automatically entered into the drawing, and one recipient is drawn. The winner of the parking spot for the month of January is:

*Kathy McEvilly*

*Thank you for your continued support to our parish home!*

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Pete Aceto, Shari Anchor, William Becker, Ron Bitz, Dolores Buss, Tim Cannon, Emma Capuno, Marcia Cassin, Fortuna Calez, John Chalmers, Jonathan Christensen, Becky Corcoran, Anthony Costa, Carla Decker, Jessica Diaz, Mary Diaz, Jessica Duffy, Mia Durand, Lily Elder, Eleanor Erbes, Sandy Ferrell, Jill Fisher, Gabriel Garbacz, Bernadette Gates, Howie Gielow, Charlotte Girolamo, Michalene Gordon, Marilyn Gustafson, Jack Hardt, Bill Hayes, David Hess, Marlene Hill, Pat Hill, Tracy Holcomb, Julietta Jacobi, Leo Jerman, Mary Ann Johnson, Carolyn Joos, Ashley Kelly, Madelynne Kersting, Kara Kolmar, Len Korn, Trish Koval, Amberley Kowalski, Sylvia Laux, Michelle Lee, Blanche Lichon, Bea LoBianco, Don Luna, Dave Marsh, Bob McCormick, David Mead, Eugene Melone, Carol Miller, Laura Miller, Bonnie Moriarty, Stephen Morrison, Sherry Muehlbert, Evelyn Moss, Michael O'Donnell, Ted Ougheltree, Nicole Orfanos, Regina Oroni, Felie Onishi, Rosario Polanek, Tim Polanek, Tim Reidy, Carolyn Regini, Laura Salata, Judy Schroeder, Victor Schuett, Mary Skipper, Richard Sloan, Linda Slatter, Theresa Smith, Lawrence Smith, Caliope Sudzina, Stacy Sullivan, Kristen Thomas, Scott Tober, Regina Trasga, Brad Toman, Carl Vanisi, Lawrence Vanderleest, Jessica Van Horn, Katherine Van Horn, Daniel Wilczak, Beverly Wasilk, Cora P. Wasilk, John G. Wasilk, John P. Wasilk, Bart Wisz, and Jim Wolfe

## FOR YOUR PERSONAL PRAYER INTENTIONS

Fr. Grady has set up a personal/private email for you to send your personal prayer intentions to him if the pandemic keeps you isolated.

[pray4me@elizabethannseton.org](mailto:pray4me@elizabethannseton.org)



## FOR THE MOST UP TO DATE COMMUNICATIONS—

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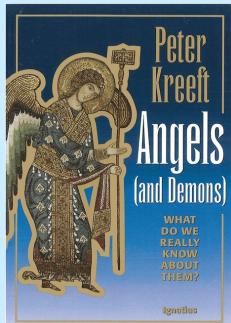
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### OUR FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK



#### ANGELS & DEMONS: WHAT DO WE REALLY KNOW ABOUT THEM?

by Peter Kreeft

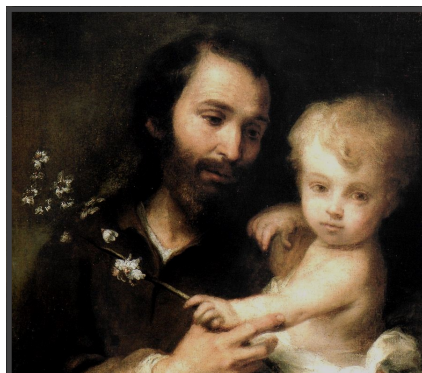
In response to actual questions many people have asked him about angels and demons, well-known author and philosophy professor Peter Kreeft

separates fact from fantasy, and myth from reality, as he answers 100 common questions about these spiritual beings. Based on a very popular college course he teaches on this subject, this book responds to the incredible amount of interest in angelic beings and attempts to clear up some of the misinformation abounding in the numerous books today on what we know about these mysterious spirits.

Drawing on the Bible, traditional Church teaching, and St. Thomas Aquinas, Kreeft gives straight, clear answers to the perennial and philosophical questions asked about angels and demons throughout time. In his typical lucid, profound, and sometimes humorous style, Kreeft answers such questions as "What are angels made of?", "How do angels communicate with God?", "How do angels communicate with us?", "Do demons, or devils, or evil spirits really exist?", and many more. Includes art depicting angels.

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*St. Joseph,  
pillar of families—  
Pray for us!*



## ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON MARRIAGE MINISTRY

**MARRIAGE TIP-** "How do you know me?" (John 1:48)

While learning about the other person is generally associated with the dating period, continuing to ask and learn about your spouse is an essential part of marriage. Ask questions! Tell stories! Keep learning about your beloved.

*"This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel."*

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Registration  
By Appointment Only



**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17<sup>TH</sup>**  
**6:30– 9:00PM**

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21<sup>ST</sup>**  
**10:30AM – 1:00PM**

Beginning February 1<sup>st</sup>, please call (815)338-4220, x107 to schedule your appointment

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**BECOME A HURRICANE!**

Learn more about the graces of a **FIRST WEDNESDAY** devotion to St. Joseph in this year dedicated to St. Joseph!

- 1) Attend Holy Mass (or offer an "Act of Spiritual Communion" if physically unable to attend) in honor of the Most Pure Heart of St. Joseph.
- 2) Pray the Joyful Mysteries of the Holy Rosary reflecting on the life of St. Joseph.

Let us remember St. Joseph on the First Wednesday of each month and every Wednesday dedicated to him by sharing a small act of kindness!



ICONOGRAPHY IS THE ORIGINAL TRADITION of Christian sacred art, and has been an integral part of the worship and mystical life of Christians since apostolic times. Referred to in the Eastern tradition as "windows into Heaven," they have inspired and uplifted millions of the faithful, and have at times been the instruments for demonstrating God's miraculous intercession in the life of mankind.

**Our Mother of Perpetual Help** is a Byzantine icon that is believed to have its origin sometime in the 14th century. The icon is known for being miraculous—over the centuries countless healings and special graces have been attributed to it, so much so that the image has been honored and venerated by many Popes. The original icon is housed in the church of St. Alphonsus in Rome.

Icons draw the viewer into the spiritual world with the highly stylized and symbolic figures. We look beyond the natural world that we know—into the divine world that we long to see.

Here is a look at some of the iconographic elements used on the icon of Our Lady of Perpetual Help that are used to draw the viewer into the sacred.

1. **GREEK CHARACTERS** Largest and near the top of the icon, we see the Greek letters *MP ΘΥ* = Mother of God; over the angel on the right is inscribed *O AP M* = the Archangel Michael; over the angel on the left is *O AP I O* = the Archangel Gabriel
2. **MARY'S STAR** Reminds us she is the dawn announcing the coming of Jesus. It symbolizes the role of Mary in the mystery of Christ and the Church. The star indicates that she is the one who will lead us to Christ.
3. **MARY'S EYES** Mary's eyes are filled with compassion and love, are fixed on us, her children on earth. She is our source of constant comfort and hope. Her eyes draw all who look into her face toward the mystery of Redemption which she holds in her arms.
4. **ARCHANGEL MICHAEL** He is holding a lance, a pole with a sponge, and a vessel of vinegar. These prefigure scenes from Jesus' crucifixion. The Archangel's veiled hands inculcate reverence for holy things.
5. **ARCHANGEL GABRIEL** Gabriel is holding a cross and nails, the very instruments of the coming death that has driven the boy Jesus to His mother's safe embrace. His veiled hands inculcate reverence for holy things.
6. **MARY'S CLOAK** The colors of Mary's cloak symbolize both her virginity (red) and motherhood (blue). These are also the colors of royalty.
7. **MARY'S HANDS & ARMS** Mary's hands and arms hold Jesus in a manner that indicates she is presenting Him to us. Her flat pointing right hand points directly into the heart of the Christ Child, up to the Cross the angel is holding. Her left hand position, along with the view of the right hand, is one of presenting the Child to those who stand before the icon as she says: "Receive the Word of God."
8. **THE FACE OF JESUS** The Christ Child looks out beyond the instruments of His passion to our future redemption. While Jesus' body is that of a child, His face is more mature, symbolizing wisdom beyond His years.
9. **JESUS' HANDS** The joining of his hands with his mother's signify the perfect conformity of Mary's will with Her Son's, and that together with Him, she participated in the work of the Redemption.
10. **JESUS' CLOTHES** His green tunic symbolizes His humanity and creation. The red sash around His waist symbolizes the Blood of Christ shed for our salvation. The gold cloak is symbolic of the Resurrection. Together, the colors of the garments are a statement of the Incarnation, Passion, Death and Resurrection of Christ.
11. **MARY'S FACE & MOUTH** The smallness of her mouth teaches us to be silent before the presence of God.
12. **JESUS' FEET & SANDALS** The falling sandal informs us that He became human like us in all things but sin. Showing his heel is from the promise of God in the book of Genesis 3:15: "I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her seed; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel."

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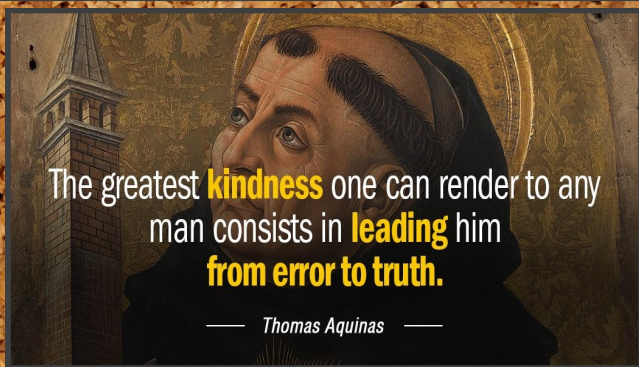
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# ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON, CRYSTAL LAKE

## Requirements for Baptism

In order to have your child baptized at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, the following is required:

- To be a registered member of our parish.
- Attend a Baptismal Preparation Class. Call the Parish Office to register for this class. For your convenience, you may attend the class *before* your child is born.
- Schedule the Baptism. Baptisms take place on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month following the 11:15AM Mass (12:30PM Baptismal Service).

## Sacrament of Marriage

One or both of the engaged couple should be a registered member of the parish. Wedding arrangements need to be made *at least* six months in advance. Please call the Parish Office to begin the process.

## Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

Please call the parish office if a loved one is seriously ill or in the hospital.

## Becoming a Catholic

If you are interested in becoming Catholic or want to learn more about the Catholic faith, please call the parish office. The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) program begins in the fall and concludes with Easter.

## St. Thomas The Apostle Catholic School

St. Thomas the Apostle School is a Catholic Pre-K through 8th grade elementary school serving the parish communities of both St. Thomas the Apostle and St. Elizabeth Ann Seton. Every student in our Catholic school receives a strong foundation in all core subjects— Religion, Reading, English, Math, Science, and Social Studies, along with regular classes in Spanish, Computer Technology, Music, Art and Physical Education. For more information, please contact Gina Houston, principal, at (815) 459-0496 [www.stthomascl.org](http://www.stthomascl.org)

## Marian Central Catholic High School

Marian Central Catholic High School is a college preparatory Catholic high school. The school shares the teaching mission of the Church along with the support from the parents and parishes of the McHenry Deanery. The school is supported by the 17 Catholic parishes in McHenry County. For more information, please call the school (815) 338-4220.

## Religious Education (F.I.R.E.)

Religious Education (K-7) is typically held on the first Saturday of each month beginning in October through May from 4:45PM-7:15PM. A 2-year preparation is required for students to receive their Sacraments. Those preparing for their sacraments will *also* meet on the Second Sunday of each month from 10:30AM-12PM. For more information, please call the Religious Education Office (X223).

## Youth Ministry

Youth Ministry is for grades 8-12. The Sacrament of Confirmation is received after two years of preparation (8th-9th grade). Youth Ministry is a year-round program with extra activities including spiritual and social events. For further information, please call the Youth Ministry Office (X231).

## Ministry of Care

If you or a family member is ill, homebound, or unable to get to Church for Sunday Mass and would like to receive Holy Communion or a visit, please call the parish office. We are here for you.

## Prayer Chain

If you have a loved one in need of prayers, please call the parish office or e-mail us at [parish.office@elizabethannseton.org](mailto:parish.office@elizabethannseton.org) with your prayer request for a special need.

## Parish Information

Telephone: Parish Office (815) 459-3033  
FAX (815) 459-3040  
Religious Education (815) 459-3096

Office Hours: MONDAY THROUGH THURSDAY:  
9:15AM - 4:00PM  
FRIDAYS 9:15AM- 12:00 NOON  
SUNDAYS 9:00-11:00AM

Mailing Address: 1023 McHenry Avenue  
Crystal Lake, IL 60014

Parish Web Site: [www.elizabethannseton.org](http://www.elizabethannseton.org)

St. Vincent dePaul Helpline: (815) 701-2737

## Parish Staff

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## New Parishioners

All adult (high school graduates and older) and new parishioners are invited to register through the parish office. Please call the parish office at (815) 459-3033 to register. Regular attendance at Sunday Mass does not automatically make one a registered member of the parish. We hope you will become a member of our parish family!

## Moving?

If you are moving, please notify the parish office at (815)459-3033 with any changes of address or phone number(s). This will help ensure that our parish records are accurate.

## Website

Please refer to the parish website [elizabethannseton.org](http://elizabethannseton.org) for additional information and on-line bulletins. If you would like a parish event or ministry information posted on the site, please send a detailed email to: [website@elizabethannseton.org](mailto:website@elizabethannseton.org).

## Weekly Bulletin Articles

All articles for the weekly bulletin must be submitted via email by 12:00PM on the Wednesday *a week before* the desired publication weekend (10 days prior to publication date). Articles should be e-mailed directly to: [parishbulletin@elizabethannseton.org](mailto:parishbulletin@elizabethannseton.org).