



Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton
ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

1811 Pueblo Vista Dr.
Las Vegas, NV 89128
Parish Office 702-228-8311
Fax 702-228-8310
School 702- 804-8328
www.seaslv.org



**CELEBRATION OF THE
EUCHARIST**

Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm
Sunday: 6:30am,
8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00pm,
4:00pm, 6:00pm
Monday -Saturday: 8:00am

**SACRAMENT OF
RECONCILIATION**

Saturdays: 8:30am
(or by appointment)

CHURCH OPENS

Monday-Saturday: 7:00 am
Sunday: 5:30 am

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday:
8:30am-5:00pm
Saturday:
8:30 am-4:00 pm
Closed for Lunch:
12pm-1:00pm

**The Holy Family
of Jesus,
Mary, & Joseph**

December 29, 2013



Photo: ©Getty Images/Photos.com/Thinkstock
Copyright © J.S. Paluch Co., Inc.

When the magi had departed, behold,
the angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said,
“Rise, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt.”

Matthew 2:13

Staff**Pastor**

Fr. Bede Wevita 804-8312
frbwevita@seaslv.org

Associate Pastor

Fr. Frank Yncierto 804-8370
frfyncierto@seaslv.org

Deacons

Dcn. Joe Deegan
Dcn. Steve Doucet 804-8303
Dcn. Aruna Silva

Executive Assistant to**Fr. Bede**

Rosie Arellano 804-8312
rarellano@seaslv.org

School Principal

Dr. Carey Roybal-Benson
droybal-benson@seaslv.org

Director of Faith Formation

Helen Silva 804-8351
hsilva@seaslv.org

Assistant for Faith Formation

Patricia Pavliga 804-8306
ppavliga@seaslv.org

Director of Youth Ministry

Meghan Hernandez 804-8313
mhernandez@seaslv.org

Director of Music Ministry

Dee Dee Brunelle 804-8308
dbrunelle@seaslv.org

Outreach Coordinator

Jeanne Kilduff 804-8311
jeanne@seaslv.org

Receptionist/Gift Shop

Cheryl Shaffer 804-8302
cshaffer@seaslv.org

Parish Accountant

Michelle Sullivan 804-8315
msullivan@seaslv.org

Financial Assistant

Sal Milano 804-8322
smilano@seaslv.org

Kitchen Coordinator

Maureen Cerza 804-8307
mcerza@seaslv.org

Volunteer Coordinator

Ingrid Quinlan 804-8310
iquinlan@seaslv.org

Welcome to St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Register in the Parish In order that we may better serve you, please register in the parish. This way you are known to us when requesting the services of the church. Registration forms are available in the gathering space of the church or in the gift shop.

Sacrament of Baptism Baptisms for infants and children up to 7 years of age are celebrated on Sundays during Mass or on the 1st & 3rd Sundays at 1:45pm. Parents should attend the baptism class on the first Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm in the Church and register in the parish.

Sacrament of Matrimony At least one party must be a registered, participating member of the parish for at least 4 months. A 6 month minimum time period is needed to complete the marriage preparation requirements. The first step is for both parties to attend the marriage preparation class on the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in Room 2 of the Church. If either party was married before, he or she is to make an appointment to speak with a priest prior to attending the class.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick Call the parish office at any time if you need to receive the anointing of the sick. In case of hospitalization, let the hospital staff know that you would like to have one of the Catholic priest chaplains see you.

Holy Communion to the Sick If you are at home, please call Tom & Patty (285-5573) and an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion will visit you. In case of hospitalization, inform the admissions department that you are a Catholic and would like to receive Communion.

Mass Intentions Mass requests are scheduled through the parish office during office hours. If a specific date is desired, please schedule as far in advance as possible.

Funerals In the event of a death of a loved one, please contact the Funeral Ministry at 403-8416 BEFORE making arrangements with any of the professional services. Pre-planning is available.

House Blessings For those who live in our area, house blessings are available by appointment. Please register in the parish before requesting your house to be blessed.

Vocations Please consult with one of the priests.

Intentions

Saturday-12/28
8:00am †Isabel Haddow
4:00pm †Anthony Valletto

Sunday-12/29
6:30am †Nelida Rueda
8:00am Parishioners of SEAS
10:00am †John & Regina
Zachary
12:00pm †Norma & Wayne
Heidinger
4:00pm Book of Remembrance
6:00pm †Robert E. Gorman

Monday-12/30
8:00am †Nestor Poliquit

Tuesday-12/31
8:00am †Reynalda Lopez

Wednesday, 1/1
9:00am For World Peace

Thursday, 1/2
8:00am Rod Wilson

Friday, 1/3
8:00am †Anne Mansour

Saturday, 1/4
8:00am Steve Beecher
4:00pm Book of Remembrance

Sunday, 1/5
6:30am †Stella & Andrew
Slominski
8:00am †Anne Mansour
10:00am †Yvonne DeWoody
12:00pm †Eduardo Ortiz
4:00pm †SEAS Parishioners
6:00pm †Eugene Peron

Our Parish Book of Remembrance is located in the gathering space. You are welcome to inscribe names of loved ones, living and deceased, as well as special intentions for inclusion in masses and prayers.

Pastor's Note

Dear Parishioners,

Today we are celebrating the feast of the Holy Family: Jesus, Mary and Joseph. This feast day is still within the Octave of Christmas. The message of Christmas is so wondrous that we can't celebrate it all in just one day, so we continue to rejoice for eight days as if it were one.



The Christmas Season goes beyond the Epiphany to the Baptism of Jesus. We should not stop celebrating the special Season just because the stores have. We should continue to celebrate Christmas with festivities, food, song, dance, rituals and seasonal greetings to one another. So try to keep your tree until at least the feast of the Epiphany if you have not already tossed it.

Happy New Year!

In a few days, we celebrate the beginning of the New Year, 2014. The word January comes from the word Janus (who was a Greek god). Janus had two faces, one to look forward and one to look back.

It is fitting that on the 1st, the Church celebrates the Feast of Mary, the mother of God. A special Mass on that day will be celebrated at 9:00 am. Mary is our model in so many ways. Mary is our link between the old and the new. She believed in God's promises of the old and looked forward to the fulfillment in Jesus. In the same way, we can look back over our past year and see how well we kept our covenant relationship with God. Has our relationship with Him improved or diminished? As this New Year begins, we can make a resolution to be closer to God and His Church (His people). We do this by taking an active part in the life of the Church and developing our personal spirituality. This is also the perfect time to give thanks for last year and seek His blessings for the next year.

Earlier this month I had the privilege of attending the Christmas Concert and Cantata. The combined Choirs

under the direction of Dee Dee Brunelle and Brian Hicks performed beautiful Christmas Classics. It was brilliantly

done! I would like to thank all of the children who participated, their families and all the choirs for their dedication and hard work to make this Concert possible. To all who participated – thank you!!

Again I want to thank those who bought toys, clothes and gift cards for the Angel Tree project. Your response was heartwarming. A huge thank you also goes to Outreach Coordinator, Jeanne Kilduff who volunteers countless hours to the Outreach Ministry and make many miracles happen. Jeanne, the entire Outreach Department, Squires, and many volunteers work together to make this project possible year after year. God bless you all.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to wish to you God's blessing for the new year. As the Lord said to Moses...

The LORD bless you and keep you!

The LORD let his face shine upon you, and be gracious to you!

The LORD look upon you kindly and give you peace!

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Bede Wevita

Many thanks to those very thoughtful parishioners who sent Christmas cards or brought gifts and special treats to the parish office.

We are very blessed to have such wonderful people as friends.

Fr. Bede and all the Staff

Holy Family



© J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

During the week of January 19, 2014 many of our Diocesan Priests will be participating in Clergy Continuing

Education. On January, 21, 22, and 23 **Morning Prayer** will be prayed daily in the Church at 8:00 am and Mass will *not* be celebrated. Daily Mass will resume in the Church on Friday, January 24, 2013 at 8:00 am.

Saints and Special Observances

- Sunday: The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph
- Monday: Sixth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord
- Tuesday: Seventh Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord;
St. Sylvester I;
New Year's Eve
- Wednesday: The Octave of the Nativity of the Lord;
Mary, the Holy Mother of God;
World Day of Prayer for Peace;
New Year's Day
- Thursday: Ss. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen
- Friday: The Most Holy Name of Jesus; First Friday
- Saturday: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton; First Saturday



© J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

Altar Flowers for a Loved One Did you know you can be a sponsor of the altar flower arrangements presented each weekend? If you would like to honor a special event in the life of a loved one OR honor the memory of a loved one please visit the parish office. The cost is \$250.00. All Donors and family members will be recognized in our church bulletin.

Offertory and Attendance

December 15	Offering	Attendance
4:00pm Vigil	4,912.00	674
6:30am	7,560.00	387
8:00am	4,571.00	733
10:00am	6,407.50	1058
12:00pm	4,276.00	883
4:00pm	4,536.00	827
6:00pm	3,325.51	739
Mailed-in	1,885.00	
Online	8,593.00	
	46,066.01	
Diocesan Assessment		243,028.00
Total Pledged		291,759.00
Total Paid		282,705.00
Returning to our A/C Unit Replacement Families Participating		46,376.00
		745

Offering & Attendance Due to earlier than normal publication of this bulletin, attendance and collection numbers for Dec. 22 will be published in an upcoming bulletin.

Readings for the week

Monday:	1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-10; Lk 2:36-40
Tuesday:	1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-13; Jn 1:1-18
Wednesday:	Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21
Thursday:	1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28
Friday:	1 Jn 2:29 — 3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-6; Jn 1:29-34
Saturday:	1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Jn 1:35-42
Sunday:	Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

A Stewardship Moment

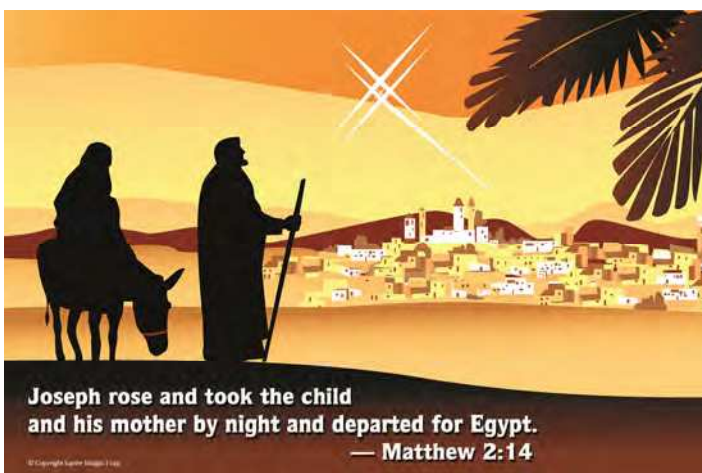
In today's second reading we listen to one of the most compelling exhortations for Christian living: "Whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him" (Col 3:17). "Whatever you do"---that means the whole of life is to be related to Christ Jesus. Everything in life, every activity, can become an act of glorifying the Lord. Good stewards commit even their daily routine to Christ: doing everything "in the name of the Lord." Perhaps it would be a good idea this week to memorize this marvelous verse and repeat it to yourself frequently. Make it part of your morning prayer each day.

Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

Subordinate Clause

The second reading today has both a long form and a short form. The short one omits the verses about wives being subordinate to their husbands. That verse offends many women (and men smart enough to agree with their wives). St. Paul, of course, meant no offense. In fact, he saw men and women as equals in the eyes of the Lord (Galatians 3:28). Remember that after Paul lists the qualities of a Christian, he tells us that love is the most important. What he recommends for wives, husbands, and children is based on that love. Think of how you would do anything for someone you love. That is the kind of subordination Paul is talking about.

Look at how those last verses apply to the Holy Family. Mary loved Joseph enough to go with him to Bethlehem for the census. She trusted him enough to go to Egypt based on his dream message from the angel. When a later dream warned him to return to Galilee instead of Judea, Mary went along with it. Her faith and love gave her the freedom to be "subordinate" to Joseph.



Joseph did not treat Mary as his property. He loved and trusted her enough to take her into his home when he learned she was pregnant. He raised Jesus and taught him to be a carpenter (Mark 6:3). And even Jesus "went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them" (Luke 2:51).

Today's feast is part of the Christmas season. It shows us how God became one of us, even to the extent of sharing the joys and troubles of family life. As members of the body of Christ, we can try to see Christ in our own families--in the joys we share, in the pains of growing up, in the miracle of new life. St. Paul also tells us to be grateful; perhaps one of the best ways to give thanks to God is in the love we show to our closest relatives.

Tom Schmidt, Copyright (c) J. S. Paluch Co.



*"[Christ] is present . . .
when the Church prays and sings"*

(Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy, 7)

The Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy

Since the Second Vatican Council, parishioners have been encouraged to sing the texts of the liturgy. Much of the music of the liturgy is based on Scripture, and thus on the words and life of Christ. Music expresses the faith of the Church, but also builds unity and harmony. Singing and praying requires the use of our lungs, the breath that comes out of our being. Breath is an ancient word for the Spirit. When we pray and sing, the Spirit given to us in Baptism flows through us, empowering our words and music with Christ's presence. When members of the Church pray and sing, their words are infused with Christ's words. It is indeed Christ, present in the action of singing and prayer, who takes our prayers to God.

The 50th Anniversary of the Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy: A Parish Celebration © 2013 Archdiocese of Chicago: Liturgy Training Publications. Orders: 1-800-933-1800. Written by Kristopher W. Seaman. Text from the Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy © 1982, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation (ICEL). Imprimatur granted by the Reverend Monsignor John F. Canary, Vicar General, Archdiocese of Chicago on June 5, 2013.

*Over all [other virtues] put on love,
that is, the bond of perfection.*
— Colossians 3:14

Parish News

Vocation Committee

The SEAS Vocation Committee Meets the 2nd Monday of each month at 4:00 PM in Rm. 6 of the Parish Hall. We are responsible for promoting an awareness and need for vocations in our parish; to nurture, enlighten and pray for those who are responding to God’s call. For more information contact Chris Pristas 363-6931 and please pray for our religious daily.

TV Masses for the Homebound Thank you to all the parishioners and friends who attended the Masses on Wednesday, December 18th. In our midst there are those who are hospitalized and those who for health reasons are unable to leave their homes. But through your participation in these Masses the homebound can feel very much a part of our community. May God bless you! The next TV masses will be taped on **Wednesday, January 8, 2014**. These Masses are for the benefit of the sick and homebound and can be viewed every Sunday on the CW network at 7:30 am or online at www.seaslv.org.

New Beginnings Grief Support Group

A support group, in a Catholic environment, for those who have suffered the loss of a close loved one. Members can freely discuss on-going problems associated with grief, how to adjust to beginning a new life, and how to discover new interests to make life more enriching. Meets each Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. in the Parish Hall. For more information call: Bob Landsperg 655-9191 or Kay Varchetto 255-0929.

The Gift of Generosity This holiday season, we thank everyone who has supported St. Elizabeth Ann Seton this past year with their time, talent and financial contributions and look forward to support from all of our members and friends in the year ahead. If you need a convenient way to make regular offerings or if you plan to make an additional gift before the end of the year, we encourage you to look into our electronic giving options. As the pace of life speeds up, especially around the holidays, you may find electronic giving a most welcome way to make contributions. Visit www.seaslv.org or contact the church office for more information.



© J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

**Daily Mass will be celebrated
at 9:00 am from
December 26th through
January 1st.**

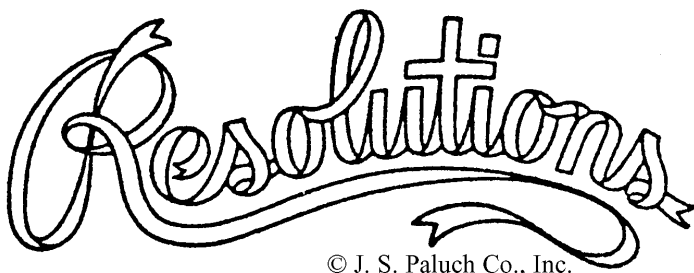
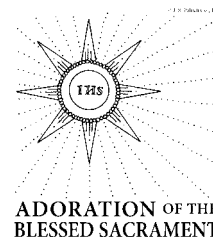
In observance of the Christmas Holiday, the parish office will be closed Tuesday, December 24th through Saturday, January 4th. The office will reopen on Monday, January 6, 2014.

The Gift Shop will be open December 28th/29th and January 4th/5th before and after mass.

Dearest Adorers

The Mater Dei Chapel will be closed and there will be NO Eucharist Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from: Sunday, December 22, 2013 at 6:00 am until, Sunday, January 5, 2014. The Chapel will open and Adoration will resume on January 5th following the 6pm Mass. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! Peace and Blessings to you and your loved ones always-Judy

We invite you to consider signing up for 1 hour a week to sit in the presence of our Lord. Most needed times are 11:00pm to 6:00am. Contact: Judy Galizia if you have any questions, 480-0564.



Anaheim Youth Day March 12-13, 2014



Who: High School Students

Cost: \$220 Bus Transportation, Hotel, 3 Meals, Knott's Berry Farm, Youth Day, T-Shirt, and Loads of Fun included!

To Register: Fill out the bottom portion of this flyer completely and return it to the Youth Office with a \$50 non-refundable deposit. You will receive detailed information in the mail once you register. Along with an excused absence form to give your school.



Total due by Feb 23, 2014 Registration is limited to first come, first serve. *Register Today, only 20 spots available!*

What is Youth Day? Youth Day is an amazing event where thousands of teens from across the nation attend. This day involves great music, listening to inspiring speakers, Mass with the Cardinal and much much more. On the Wednesday before Youth Day, we will be spending the day at Knott's Berry Farm as a group followed by dinner. We wake up early on Thursday and spend the rest of the time at Youth Day, an all day event. The Anaheim Youth Day and Knott's Berry Farm trip is a quick trip packed with fun, excitement, entertainment and inspiration. Come and celebrate our faith with 15,000 other Catholic teenagers from all over the country.

Please return this portion with \$50 non-refundable deposit.

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____ Age: _____

Email Address: _____

Conf I Conf II YG Adult Chaperone T-shirt size (adult sizes) S M L XL XXL

Sandwich—Please circle one: Turkey Ham Roast Beef Veggie

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parish News

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

The Program

The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) is an approach to the religious formation of children that is rooted in the Bible, the Liturgy of the Catholic Church, and the self-teaching educational principles of Dr. Maria Montessori. This method of nurturing the faith life of children evolved from children themselves. Beginning in Rome in 1954, CGS is the result of a long period of careful observation of children by Dr. Sofia Cavalletti, a Hebrew and Scripture scholar, along with Gianna Gobbi, her Montessori collaborator.



Level I, II and III

There are three levels of Catechesis of the Good Shepherd beginning with the Level I atrium for children ages 3– kindergarten. The Level I work revolves around the Parable of the Good Shepherd.

Children spend three years enjoying and nurturing a relationship with the Good Shepherd. Many are deeply affected by the endless love of the Shepherd for his sheep.

God, and what is my place in it?" It is a primary question which lays the foundation for a lifetime commitment to God.



Level II is for children ages 6–9(grades 1-3). The children deepen their understanding of Catholic identity, while the parables bring the children closer to the moral teachings of the Catholic Church. In Level III, 9-12 year-olds (grades 4-6) listen to the Old Testament, following the history of God's plan for salvation, linking all people together in communion. They begin to ask, "What is the Reign of



Parish News

Training for Catechists

This course is designed to attune participants to the religious life of the 3-6 year old child and to provide specific methods and materials to foster the faith formation of this age group. Each Level builds on each other and Level I is the foundation for Level II and III.

Schedule:

This course will meet one Saturday and Sunday per month for 6 months. Sessions will be from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Training Dates:

- ▶ January 25-26, 2014
- ▶ February 8-9, 2014
- ▶ March 29-30, 2014
- ▶ April 12 & 13, 2014
- ▶ May TBA
- ▶ June TBA



This training is open to all registered and active parishioners at SEAS. For more information contact the Faith Formation

Office at SEAS: Helen Silva 702-804-8351 or hsilva@seaslv.org



Why Consider CGS Training?



- ▶ An opportunity to fall in love with Jesus, the Good Shepherd, and lay a foundation for a deep and meaningful relationship with God that will last a lifetime.
- ▶ A solid grounding in the theology and liturgy of the church, not "watered down" for children, but distilled to its essential elements, so that it meets the spiritual and developmental needs of the child.
- ▶ An opportunity to foster the child's natural spirit of wonder and thankfulness toward God.
- ▶ An approach to moral formation, growing out of the child's relationship with God.

Faith Formation

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Roman Catholic Church Faith Formation Program



January 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 	2	3	4 <i>St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Feast</i>
5 <i>The Epiphany of the Lord</i> 	6 Faith Formation 4:30 & 6pm 	7 Faith Formation 4:30 & 6pm	8 <i>High School Youth Group</i> 6-8pm <i>Youth Room</i>	9	10	11 <i>Year 2 Sacrament Prep Parent Education Meeting (4)</i> 9:30-11:30 <i>Parish Hall</i>
12 <i>Jr. High Youth Group</i> 11am-12:30pm <i>Youth Room</i> <i>Conf I and II</i> 2:30-5pm	13 Faith Formation 4:30 & 6pm	14 Faith Formation 4:30 & 6pm Salvation History 5:30-7pm	15 <i>No High School Youth Group</i> <i>Good luck on finals!</i> 	16 <i>Year 2 Sacrament Prep Parent Education Meeting (4)</i> 6-8 pm. <i>School Assembly Hall</i> 	17	18
19 	20 <i>No Classes</i> 	21 Faith Formation 4:30 & 6pm	22 <i>Youth Group</i> <i>High School Youth Group</i> 6-8pm <i>Youth Room</i>	23 	24	25
26 <i>Pancake Breakfast</i> <i>All are invited! 9-12</i> <i>Jr. High Youth Group</i> 11am-12:30pm <i>Conf I and II</i> 2:30-5pm	27 Faith Formation 4:30 & 6pm	28 Faith Formation 4:30 & 6pm Salvation History 5:30-7pm	29	30 <i>High School Youth Group</i> 6-8pm <i>Youth Room</i>	31	Feb. 1 Teaching Mass All Faith Formation Families are invited 10-11:30am Conf I & II ~ 8 a.m. Homeless Retreat

Teaching Mass

A Teaching Mass is where the presider explains the prayers and the gestures of the Liturgy to the congregation throughout the Mass.

If you have ever wondered why we do what we do at Mass, this is your best opportunity to learn. This is a great learning experience for all children who are preparing for the Sacrament of Eucharist.

When: Saturday February 1, 2014

Time: 10 –11:30am

Where: Church

Presider: Monsignor Joe Cosgrove

Year 2 Sacrament Preparation

Parent Education Meetings

The Mass II

Saturday, January 11, 2014 at 9:30 am-11:30 am
Parish Hall

The Mass II

Thursday, January 16, 2014 at 6:30 am-8:00 pm
School Assembly Hall

Please note the change of date for the 5th Parent Meeting.

Old dates: Saturday February 22, and Thursday February 27 is now moved to

New Dates: Rite of Reconciliation
Saturday, March 1, 2014 at 9:30 am-11:30 am
Parish Hall

Thursday March 6, 2014 at 6-8 pm School Assembly Hall

Parish News

Caring For and Assisting the Elderly



Join us for a parish forum on the plight of caring for and protecting the vulnerable elderly.

**Saturday,
January 18, 2014 at
9:30 AM-School
Assembly Room**

PEACE, JUSTICE, AND RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE

In September a parish forum regarding Caring For and Protecting the Elderly addressed the following questions.

- Are you a person who can be considered a “senior citizen,” that is 65 and older?
- Do you have concerns and questions about programs and services for seniors but do not know where to call or go for information?
- Do you have a parent who is a senior citizen living with you?
- Are you a caregiver to a senior citizen?
- Are you concerned about the growing number of scams focused on seniors?
- Do you have or know a senior in a care facility that is neglected or requires more support?
- Do you know a senior that is suspected of being abused by someone?

In response to some of the issues discussed, information regarding the following will be provided:

- Services available through the Alzheimer’s Assn, Southern Nevada Region of the Desert Southwest Chapter.
- The Caregivers Support Group recently started at SEAS
- Advance Planning – Directives, Wills, Power of Attorney, etc.

Knowledge is Power – Come and be Empowered!

Catholic Teaching on the Option for the Poor and Vulnerable: Scripture teaches that God has a special concern for the poor and vulnerable. The Church calls on all of us to embrace this preferential option for the poor and vulnerable, to embody it in our lives, and to work to have it shape public policies and priorities. A fundamental measure of our society is how we care for and stand with the poor and vulnerable. –

USCCB Administrative Committee,
Faithful Citizenship: A Catholic Call to Political Responsibility, p. 15

School News

Look What's Trending

Re-Registration for Returning

Students St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic School re-registration will begin January 21, 2014 and run through the close of business on January 31, 2014. Packets for returning students will be sent home with paperwork to be updated and the non-refundable application and registration fees of \$ 300.00 are required to register your student. All paperwork and fees must be returned to the school office by January 31st to ensure registration for next year.



Mrs. Whalen & Room 2A Second Graders

Enrollment for New Students in Grades

1-8 Applications will be accepted for new students beginning January 21, 2014 and will run through the close of business on January 31, 2014. Applications will be available in the school office and also on the school website www.seaslvc.org. There is a non-refundable fee of \$35.00 which covers the application fee. Once enrollment is offered, there is a non-refundable registration fee of \$265.00 which is payable at the time of enrollment. All new students will be required to be tested before admission is granted.

SEAS Catholic School-Kindergarten

All parents with prospective Kindergarteners for the 2014/2015 school year are invited to pick up an informational packet at the school office regarding the Kindergarten screening process. Packets can also be mailed to you. The Authorization Form and test fee of \$100.00 must be returned to the office as soon as possible. Upon receipt of this information, a letter will be sent confirming your test date and time. The screening process will take place on January 30, 31, 2014 and February 1, 6 and 7, 2014. Appointments will be scheduled on the January dates first until they are full. Children must be 5 years of age on or before September 30, 2014 to be eligible for Kindergarten for the 2014/2015 school year. *Screening appointments may become unavailable at any time and without notice. For more information: 804-8328*

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic School

Positions Available: **Extended Care Program**

Assistant Monday-Friday. Work hours are 2:30 a.m.-5:45 p.m. Duties include: Providing for the health and safety of students assigned Receive students and document attendance, verify identity of a receiving adult upon student release, supervise and engage with students in various after school activities, maintain care and manage use of school facilities and equipment, communicate with parents, students, teachers, and administration to resolve issues/concerns. provide first aid as required, other duties as directed. Forward an application via mail or e-mail to seasschool@seaslv.org or fax (702)228-8906. Applications are available on the website. Interviews will be scheduled following the screening of applications. Applications will be accepted until filled. All applicants must be able to pass a background check.

Tuition Assistance Notice Please be advised that registered families seeking tuition assistance for the 2013/2014 school year must complete and submit a tuition assistance application packet. These packets are available in the school office January 21st through February 3rd, 2014 and should be mailed directly to PSAS. This is the **ONLY** means of obtaining tuition assistance and you must submit a complete packet to be considered for assistance. *Tuition assistance does not automatically carry over from year to year.* The deadline for all completed packets must be postmarked no later March 31, 2014.

Non-Affiliated



Basketball Contest

Boys and Girls: The Knights of Columbus will be holding their Annual Basketball Free Throw Contest on Saturday, January 18, 2014 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm in the School Gym. All boys and girls ages 9-13 are encouraged to participate.



**Poland Pilgrimage Tour
May 12-24, 2014**

Organized and escorted from Las Vegas by Society of Christ Fathers (Fr. Gerald Grupczynski and Fr. Richard Philiposki) from Our Lady of Las Vegas Parish and Fr. Eugene Kinney of Holy Family Parish. Visiting Berlin, Poland's Baltic Sea Coast, Tri-Cities of Gdansk, Gdynia & Sopot, Malbork Castle, Gniezno, Poznan, Lichen, Glogowiec, Niepokalanow, Warsaw, Czestochowa, Auschwitz, Wadowice, Zakopane, Wieliczka Salt Mine & Krakow. Many shrines and places connected with the lives of Bl. John Paul II, St. Faustina and St. Maximilian Kolbe will be visited. Cost: \$2,895 (based on double or twin hotel room) including airfare, transfers, guides entrance fees, exclusive motor coach, breakfast and dinner daily. To be on mailing list for brochure and be notified of first informational tour meeting that will be scheduled in January. Please call (702) 802-2300 or Fr. Richard at (702) 419-6640.

Parish News

Bible Study

Fr. McShane Bible Classes-All are welcome to attend. Classes are held on Mondays at 9:00am throughout the year. Subject of discussion: Encyclical "Lumen Fidei". Copies will be provided. Join us!



Young Adults

© J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

Young Adult Ministry

Calling all young adults in their twenties and thirties! Married, not married; kids, no kids-come share a meal with your peers! Don't worry about being a great cook, it's the fellowship that matters. Contact Meghan Hernandez for more details: mhernandez@seaslv.org or 804-8313.

Seton Singles

If you are single and over 50, looking for new friends and activities, plan to attend a Seton Single meeting. Meetings are held on the first Saturday of the month here at the parish/ Our meetings are short, our food is delicious, and our activities after the meetings are fun. Our members are ready to welcome you. Some of our activities include group dine outs, movie night, Pinoche, card games, Bridge and game night. We also attend theatrical productions and so much more. These are some of the activities you can participate in or you can just attend our friendly monthly meeting here at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton. Our annual dues are very reasonable. Come check us out!! If you have any other questions give Kathy a call at 804-8365.

Bereavement Group

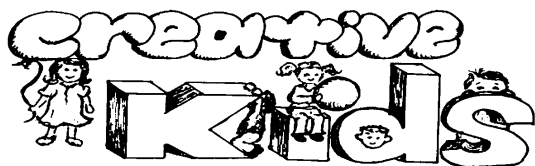
A safe, supportive, confidential, Catholic environment in which to deal with the immediate loss of a loved one and move through the bereavement process to a place of healing. Open to people for up to two years post loss. Meets each Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. in the Parish Hall. Contact Layna Woods 360-6689 or Joyce MacAulay 754-5963.



Marriage Encounter

Christ is the reason for the Season. Is Christ in your marriage? Worldwide Marriage Encounter can help you make your marriage Christ-centered Sign up to attend one of the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekends in 2014, **February 7-9**, May 2-4 and September 26-28th in the Las Vegas area. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information, call Steve and Terri Sharp at 702-589-0068 or go to www.lvloveyourspouse.org . For information on Spanish-language weekends, call Javier and Maria Lopez at 243-5934 or 206-4270.

Children's Page



GOD'S WORD FOR CHILDREN!

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph Year A

Redecorate Your Christmas Tree

At Christmas time we give gifts of love to those around us. We can continue by giving the gift of food to the animals around us.

1. Strip your Christmas tree of the lights, ornaments, ribbons, and bows. But leave any food such as popcorn garland.
2. Take your tree outside and place it where you can see it from your kitchen or family room window.
3. Add old bread and pretzels to the garland.
4. Gather pinecones and smear them with peanut butter and roll them into birdseed. Hang them on the tree.
5. Enjoy watching the birds all winter.
6. But remember, once you start feeding the birds you need to keep up a supply of food for them. They will be counting on you.

An angel appeared to Joseph in a dream and told him to take Mary and baby Jesus to Egypt because King Herod wanted to kill Jesus.

Sir 3:2-7, 12-14 Ps 128:1-5
Col 3:12-21 Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

Directions: Draw a picture of an angel.



When Herod died, an angel appeared to Joseph in a dream and told him to take Mary and baby Jesus to Israel.

Directions: Seek and find the words listed below. Circle all the ones you find.

Joseph was warned again in a dream and made a home for them in Nazareth.



Directions: Draw a picture of your home.

HEROD ANGEL JOSEPH JESUS
EGYPT ISRAEL NAZARETH

N	Q	W	I	E	R	T	Y	U
H	A	G	S	U	S	E	J	I
F	N	Z	R	D	S	A	J	O
Z	G	X	A	H	E	R	O	D
C	E	V	E	R	B	N	S	P
N	L	M	L	Q	E	W	E	L
R	T	E	G	Y	P	T	P	K
A	S	D	F	G	N	C	H	J

Stewardship



Generosity



You are called into one body. Bear with one another; forgive one another; let Christ's peace control you (Colossians 3:12-21 [12-17]).

With all the giving taking place this month I felt it an opportune occasion to reflect on the virtue of generosity – one of the hallmarks of Christian stewardship. Authentic generosity is born out of the virtue of gratitude, and we in North America certainly have much for which to be grateful. In fact, we do well to always and everywhere give thanks to God, because all that we

There is nothing more life-giving than knowing that someone less fortunate is benefiting from your sacrifice.

possess is his gift. When we are grateful to God we are inspired to give, not out of a sense of obligation or duty, but because giving is one way we can say thank you to God.

For generosity to be authentic it needs to be sacrificial and at the same time joyful. We need to give up something! Giving what we do not need is nice; but, it is not necessarily being generous. Sacrifice means that we give out of our own need and not simply from what is left over. When we sacrifice it makes the generous act more joyful because by saying no to something that we need or want, we are able to say yes to the greater good. There is nothing more life-giving than knowing that someone less fortunate is benefiting from your sacrifice. Whether you are giving your time or money, when the virtue of gratitude is behind the gift, the spirit of joy will naturally accompany the generous act. Joy makes the generous act mutually beneficial – joy shared is joy multiplied. Without joy, neither the giver nor the one receiving the gift will experience any benefit. Imagine giving, but doing it reluctantly or under compulsion; you would not be very motivated because there is no joy there. Joy is found inside an attitude of gratitude.

A simple formula for authentic generosity could be – share ten percent, save ten percent, spend eighty percent, in that order. I call it the 10-10-80 lifestyle. When we live well within our means we cultivate an acute awareness of our abundant blessings and this creates the desire, and the confidence, to share our gifts with authentic generosity. In gratitude our generosity is then rooted in our needing to give rather than giving to a need.

This article is part six in a series of 12 reflections on stewardship virtues by ICSC member, Dan Potvin, Director of Stewardship for the Archdiocese of Winnipeg, Canada.

Parish Council

James Kohl, President
Larry Brown
Tom Carroll
Elizabeth Donovan
Craig Galati
Edmund Finley
Terri Janison
Jeanne Kilduff
Greg Korte
Luzviminda Micabalo
Valerie Murzl
Alice Roybal-Benson
Ken Ryan
John Kilduff, Ex-Oficio

Finance Council

John Kilduff, President
Gil Castillo
Steve Schmitt
John Dube
Juan Garcia
Don Giancursio
T.J. Matthews
Carey Roybal-Benson

Prayer List

Recently: Patty Futterer
Karen Barefield
Katherine Cook
John Regester
Previously announced:
Veda Quintana
Kelly Charlotte
Lou Edward
Pat Edwards Mack

Liturgical Ministries

Altar Servers Steve Schmitt 338-8658,
Carol Borzage 228-7969
Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist
Kevin Kacvinsky 271-1704
Funerals 403-8416
Funeral Ministers: Patricia Muffley 683-2898
Margaret Terry 255-2157, Pat Torino 528-5004
Music Ministry Dee Dee Brunelle 804-8308
Readers Kevin Kacvinsky 271-1704
Sacristans Terry Biles 672-4933, bznt@cox.net
Liturgical Scheduler Cheryl Shaffer 804-8302,
cshaffer@seaslv.org

Other Ministries

Bereavement Ministry Layna Woods 360-6689,
Joyce MacAulay 754-5963
Busy Hands Crafters Lynette Bearer 485-3774
Grief Support Bob Landsperg 655-9191,
Kay Varchetto 255-0929
Sponsor Couple Program
Deacon Aruna & Helen Silva asilva@seaslv.org
Mary & Martha Guild Layna Woods 360-6689
Mothers, Faith, & Family Nancy Finley 363-7170
RCIA Fr. Bede Wevita 804-8304
Parents in Partnership Jessica Nelsen ronandjessica@cox.net
Justice/Peace & Respect Life Nancy Finley 363-7170
Tony Moreno tonymor13@gmail.com,
Kevin Kacvinsky 271-1704
Rosary Makers Lupy Ritzo 363-8691
Seton Singles (over 50) Kathy Lorenzo 804-8365
Vocation Committee Chris Pristas 363-6931
Volunteer Coordinator Ingrid Quinlan 804-8310

Devotions

Adoration
Judy Galizia 480-0564
Traveling Blessed Mother
Judy Galizia 480-0564

Non-Affiliated

Cub Scouts
Jenn Haley 688-3273
Daisy Scouts
Maggie Griffith
griffithm55@gmail.com
Knights of Columbus
Terry Ward 287-7132
Knights Ladies Auxiliary
Irene O'Rourke 256-8684
KofC Squires
Don Wood 254-6606
Retrouvaille (Re-tro-vi)
Chuck and Carol Moore
604-1006
Marriage Encounter
Steve and Terri Sharp
589-0068

Victim Advocacy Number

Advocacy is available for any individual who has been sexually and/or physically abused. The 24-hour hotline is: 702-235-7723

Parish Weekly Calendar

Sunday, 12/29

Wednesday, 1/1
Parish Office Closed

Friday, 1/3
Parish Office Closed

Monday, 12/30



Tuesday, 12/31
Parish Office Closed



Saturday, 1/4
Parish Office Closed

Thursday, 1/2
Parish Office Closed



© J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.