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St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic Church Weekly Bulletin

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday–Thursday: 8:30am –1:00pm
Closed: Friday – Sunday

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday (anticipated): 4:00pm
Sunday: 8:00am, 10:00am, 6:00pm
First Saturday: 8:00am

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 7:00am
Wednesday: 5:30pm

Confessions:

Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri: 6:30–6:45am
Wednesday: 5:00–5:15pm
Saturday: 3:15 –3:45pm
First Saturday: 7:30 –7:45 am
By Appointment

Children’s Church is held at 10:00AM mass. Children 4 years old up to first communion are invited to participate in their own celebration of the Liturgy of the Word. Simply bring your children to the baptistry 10 minutes before Mass begins.

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6:00 Music Minister



BAPTISM

Registration during the early stages of pregnancy for the Baptism course is strongly recommended.

CONFIRMATION

All students, including those in public and Catholic schools, register in August of their eighth-junior year of school. Call the office for registration requirements.

FIRST PENANCE AND FIRST COMMUNION

All children, including those in public and Catholic schools, register at the beginning of their second grade in order to participate in the sacramental preparation.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (1st thru 11th grades, including Confirmation)

- Registration for all sections of Religious Education is in the Summer of 2024.
- First through fourth grades Religious Education classes meet on Sundays after the 10:00AM Mass (11:00 – 12:15PM).
- Fifth through seventh grades attend EDGE on Sundays 2:30 – 3:45PM.
- Confirmation classes meet on Sundays 4:15 – 5:45PM.
- Vacation Bible School, for children ages 4-10, is held for one week each summer, when scheduled.
- Adults wishing to learn more about their Catholic faith, including those wishing to become members of the Catholic Church, should call the office.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

The church can be reserved only after meeting with the Priest/Deacon to begin marriage preparation for the couple. It is recommended that an appointment be made one (1) year in advance of the anticipated date of the wedding. Marriage preparation requirements, policies and guidelines are reviewed and must be completed prior to any marriage in the church.

COMMUNION FOR THE HOMEBOUND

Please call the office to speak with Diane Triche.

NEW PARISHIONERS Are encouraged to call the office to register.

ADORATION Held every Tuesday at 8AM until Wednesday at 4PM.



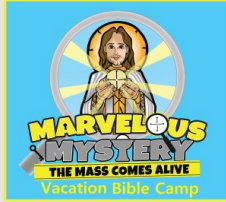
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"Jesus said, 'Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.'"

—MATTHEW 19:14

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Children entering kindergarten through 5th grades are in for a real treat this summer when we conduct our Vacation Bible Camp (VBC) program.

This VBC will immerse kids in the greatest mystery on earth as they learn about the incredible treasure of the Mass and develop a deeper love for Jesus in the Eucharist.

Camp Week: June 3-7, 2024, 8:30 am - 12 Noon
Camp Volunteer Prep Week: May 27-31, 2024

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The number of campers we can accept depends on having sufficient adult volunteers. Adults (18+) or Youth (6th -12th grades)

For more information, please contact Blake Harson by email blake@setonchurch.org or by calling (337) 235-1483.

Mass Intentions

Monday, May 27
7:00AM Sam & Genevieve (AD) Brown

Tuesday, May 28
7:00AM Deanna Boudreaux (BD)

Wednesday, May 29
5:30PM Fred James Souther (BD); Becky Meyers (BD); Seth Sebastian (BD); Rayward Frederick (AD)

Thursday, May 30
7:00AM Doris Ritter

Friday, May 31
7:00AM Alison Harson

Saturday, June 1
4:00PM Velma Gaudet; Lee & Jane

Hebert; Becky Meyers; M/M Eraste Primeaux; M/M Galbert Trahan; M/M Murphy Boudreaux; Lucille & Alton Olivier; Charles Miller; Charlie (BD), Kim & Brian Bare; Wade Brignac & McGuiert fly.; Simon & Overfelt fly.; Hebert & Venable fly.; M/M Michael E. Meche; Souls in Purgatory; Gloria Broussard; Agnes, John & Rena Lemaire; Keith Lemaire; Alozia Benoit; Camilla Chaisson; Valex Guilbeaux; Neal Cade (AD)

Sunday, June 2
8:00AM Mass for the People

10:00AM Jim & Doris Ritter (WA); Dwight Brumfield; Rhonda Foreman; Chip Romero (BD); Archie Simon

6:00PM No Mass Intentions

BD=Birthday, WA=Wedding Anniv., AD=Anniv. of Death



From the Staff at St. Elizabeth Seton Church



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MAY 26



MOST HOLY TRINITY

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Parish Offices Closed



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6:30PM Knights of Columbus Mtg. (KC Hall)

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JUNE 1

8:00AM First Saturday Mass, C

3:15PM Confession

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MOST HOLY BODY and BLOOD OF CHRIST

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Monday — Friday 8:30 — 12 noon



MARVELOUS MYSTERY THE MASS COMES ALIVE

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3:15PM Confession

SUN CHILDREN'S CHURCH (10:00AM Mass)

TUES ADORATION (After 7AM Mass until Wed 4:00PM)

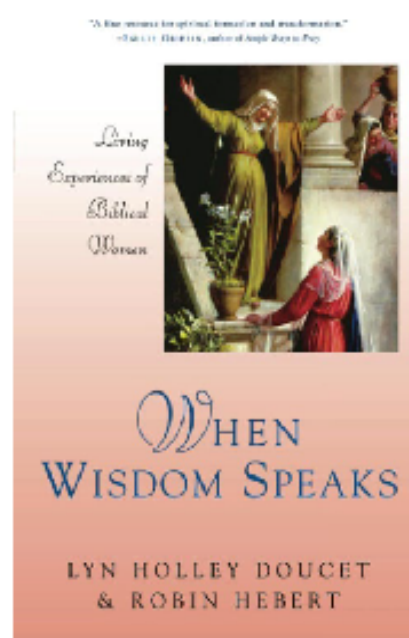
WED - ROSARY GROUP (10:00AM)

Date: June 4 through July 30

Day: Tuesday Evenings

Time:

- **Adoration:**
 - 5:30pm - 6:20pm
 - In Church
- **Book Discussion:**
 - 6:30pm – 7:30pm
 - Annex



We are having a **Women's Summer Read** program on Tuesday evening this summer beginning June 4th and ending July 30th. A 9-week discussion of the book: *When Wisdom Speaks* by Lyn Holley Doucet and Robin Hebert.

What would it be like to get to know the women of the Bible as real, living figures whose lives can challenge our own? What can we learn from their faith journeys? What would it be like to pray alongside them? Two lively spiritual directors take us into the world of the women of the Bible. Provoked by the desperation of the Canaanite woman, empowered by Mary's fiat, affirmed by the loyalty of Mary Magdalene and challenged by Ruth's fidelity, Doucet and Hebert enter into a new sisterhood with these active and contemplative holy women who emerge out of history. All of the stories link these holy women from the past with contemporary women, all of them longing after God's own heart.

Participants are asked to bring Bible each week.

Sign-Up next weekend, May 18th & 19th, in the welcome area of the church after Mass. Payment of \$20 is expected when you sign up. The books will be ordered and given prior to the class beginning.

Step-by-Step Walk Through the Mass: Do This in Remembrance of Me, Part 8: Penitential Act

FR. LUKE SPANNAGEL

After the priest's greeting and people's response at the beginning of the Mass, we next share in the **Penitential Act**. If you think that sounds like penance, don't worry—it's a good thing! During the entrance rite, we recall that we are in the presence of God. If we are truly sincere in realizing that God (who is all-holy) is in our midst, then we recognize the need for purification. We recognize that when we encounter God, we must draw near with a pure heart. So, we take a brief moment of silence to call to mind our sins and failings, and we ask the Lord to forgive and heal us. After our time of silence, the priest (or deacon) leads the community in praying one of three possible prayers (conveniently known as options A, B, and C—more on them next time).

History of the Penitential Act

Like nearly every part of the Holy Sacrifice, we find descriptions of the Penitential Act in early descriptions of the Mass. One of these, the *Didachē* (pronounced: did-uh-kay), meaning *Teaching of the Apostles*, gives instructions for Christians celebrating the Eucharist: "Assemble on the Lord's Day, and break bread and offer the Eucharist; but first make confession of your faults, so that your sacrifice may be a pure one" (*A Biblical Walk Through the Mass*, p. 32).

As Father Guy Oury notes, "For a long time in the past this rite concerned only the celebrant and his ministers. Before going up to the altar they remained in silent prayer, lying face to the floor, as is still done in the liturgy of Good Friday" (*The Mass*, p. 49). So that everyone present could be more actively involved in this important part of the Mass, our current options came into use. Besides, except for some of our little ones, it would be really hard for everyone to lie down on the floor inside the pews!

How to Participate

This honest look inside ourselves during the Penitential Act helps us to be aware of our sin and, most importantly, our need for God to help us overcome sin. In a very practical way, this brief reflection recalls the places in our lives where we know we need Christ more. If you haven't yet thought of an intention to join together with the priest's offering of the Mass, this might be a great time to ask specifically for help in overcoming a particular sin or perhaps further healing from the effects of previous sins.

We believe that the Mass is our most powerful prayer together because Jesus himself is truly present and we are joining together with Him in the perfect worship of God the Father. In the Mass we take part in the one perfect sacrifice of the Cross where Christ offered Himself so that our sins could be forgiven. Realizing Jesus will be present on the altar or thinking about

how the Mass is a sharing in the Cross, this moment can actually be one of great hope. What a great gift!

During this part of the Mass, as you recall your sins, you might feel unworthy of what we are about to celebrate. Although it may be uncomfortable to think about where we need healing and growth, it is actually a good sign of grace at work in our hearts. We are made out of love for love. We are made for life and communion with God and each other. Of course, sin disrupts and breaks that communion: sin moves us away from where we belong. The reason we feel frustrated or embarrassed or sad when we think of our sins is that we know deep inside that sin is contrary to the life to which God calls us. Hopefully, that discomfort will spur us to seek out the forgiveness of Christ through the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Sometimes We Use Water Instead

For a little bonus info: Have you ever noticed during this time that the priest might walk around with Holy Water instead? As the *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* says, “From time to time on Sundays, especially in Easter Time, instead of the customary Penitential Act, the blessing and sprinkling of water may take place as a reminder of Baptism” (*GIRM*, no. 51).

As people from my parishes could tell you, this is often one of my favorite parts of the Mass! Using an aspergillum (typically a small reservoir with a sponge inside on the end of a handle, sometimes referred to as a sprinkler) or perhaps even an evergreen branch, the priest will dip it into the water and then sprinkle the water over the people. As when we talked about using the Holy Water upon entering the church, this water recalls our baptism and the joy of being freed by Christ from sin. No wonder the priest is often so generous with the Holy Water at this part of the Mass!

For Reflection:

1. Slowly pray Psalm 51 as a way of preparing for the Penitential Act. (Notice that verse 9 refers to being cleansed by “hyssop,” a branch serving the function of the aspergillum.) Which words or phrases speak to you as you seek forgiveness and healing? Keep these words in mind next time you participate in Mass.
2. Read the first portion of Luke’s account of the Risen Lord’s appearance to two disciples on the road to Emmaus (Luke 24:13-24). Observe how Jesus invites the disciples to share what they are discussing and how freely they express what is on their minds and hearts. Place yourself in this scene. What do you want to express to the Lord as he invites you to “[p]our out your hearts to God” (Ps. 62:9)? Approach the Penitential Act with this same freedom to place your total self before the Lord.



Please join us in celebrating the Annual Memorial Mass for Servant of God “Nonco” Pelafigue on the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, **Friday, June 7, at 6:00PM** at St. Francis Regis Catholic Church in Arnaudville, LA.

Bishop J. Douglas Deshotel, Bishop of the Diocese of Lafayette, will be the main celebrant and Fr. Travis Abadie, will be the Concelebrant. Please join Bishop Deshotel and all of us in praying for the continuation of “Nonco’s” canonization. His Cause for Canonization has now moved into the Roman Phase and he is one step closer to being named a saint.

A reception will follow in the Little Flower Auditorium.
Everyone is invited to attend.



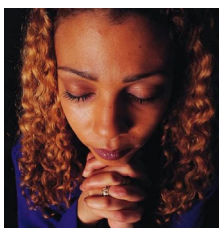
A Stewardship Moment

Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

May 25/26, 2024

In today’s Gospel and in the reading from the letter of St. Paul we hear of the gift of the Triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. In our devotional life we make the sign of the cross and recite the “Glory Be” as an expression of our faith as a Trinitarian people. But what does it mean for Christian stewards to accept in a practical way the experience of God in this three-fold gift? Is it not a call to share our own life in community, with compassion and love, and to work for healing, justice, peace and unity? Is it not an invitation to invite others into fellowship with us in the unity of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit?

Adorers Needed



There are a few hours that need adorers. Please contact Tom Meyers if you are available to take up one of these slots. The available slots are:

Tuesday **5:00 pm**
 7:00 pm

Wednesday **1:00 pm**

His phone number is:

337-962-6085

Email tgmeyers@bellsouth.net



Question of the Week

Who is someone I am strongly bonded with? How is our bond suggestive of those of the Trinity? Who is someone I’m barely bonded with? How can I strengthen and nurture that bond?



Volunteers Needed

In **2025**, St. Elizabeth Seton will celebrate our **50th** Anniversary as a parish. We are looking for volunteers to serve on a committee to plan our **50th** Year celebration. If interested, please contact the office and leave your phone number and email address. Fr. David will contact all volunteers to schedule a meeting.

Thank you and Blessings,
Fr. David



St. Elizabeth Seton Thoughts



Let all be in the order of His providence neither asking nor refusing. Blessed.....a thousand million times ... His own beloved and blessed Name forever.

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

All are encouraged to pray for the priests who work in the Diocese of Lafayette each day. Every day there is a specific intention for one of our priests for special consideration; the specific intentions this week are:

- * Monday, May 27th - Rev. Randall Moreau
- * Tuesday, May 28th - Rev. Joseph Nasser, SJ
- * Wednesday, May 29th - Rev. James Bam Nguyen
- * Thursday, May 30th - Rev. Theodore Nnabugo
- * Friday, May 31st - Rev. Albert Gayle Nunez
- * Saturday, June 1st - Pope Francis
- * Sunday, June 2nd - Most Rev. J. Douglas Deshotel, DD

Prayer: Eternal Father, we lift up to you these and all the priests of the world. Sanctify them. Heal and guide them. Mold them into the likeness of your Son Jesus, the Eternal High Priest. May their lives be pleasing to you. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

SEMINARIANS PRAYER CALENDAR

All are encouraged to pray for our Seminarians as they study to become faith-filled followers and leaders of Christ. Below is a list of those to pray for this week:

- * Monday, May 27th - Matthew Authement
- * Tuesday, May 28th - Bennett Bodin
- * Wednesday, May 29th - Reid Bourgeois
- * Thursday, May 30th - Nicholas Broussard
- * Friday, May 31st - Haden Coleman
- * Saturday, June 1st - Rev. Blake Dubroc, Dir. Sem.
- * Sunday, June 2nd - Seminary Faculty & Parents

Prayer: O God, who wills not the death of a sinner but rather that he be converted and live, grant we beseech you, through the intercession of the Blessed Mary, ever Virgin, Saint Joseph, her spouse, Blessed Junipero Serra and all the saints, an increase of laborers for Your Church, fellow laborers with Christ to spend and consume themselves for souls, through the same Jesus Christ Your Son who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit God forever and ever. Amen.



Sunday, May 26 - The Most Holy Trinity

Monday, May 27 - Memorial Day. Parish Offices will be Closed.

Tuesday, May 28—Wednesday, May 29 - Eucharistic Adoration: Tuesday, May 28 at 8AM thru Wednesday, May 29 at 4PM in Church.

Saturday, June 1 - First Saturday Mass at 8:00AM in the Church.

Monday, June 3—Friday, June 7 - Vacation Bible School from 8:30AM—12NOON daily.

Tuesday, June 4—Wednesday, June 5 - Eucharistic Adoration: Tuesday, June 4 at 8AM thru Wednesday, June 5 at 4PM in Church.

Friday, June 7 - First Friday Mass at 7:00AM in the Church.

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May 18/19, 2024

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