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ST. ELIZABETH SETON CATHOLIC CHURCH WEEKLY BULLETIN

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday–Thursday

8:30AM –12:30PM 1–3:30PM

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday (anticipated) 4:15PM

Sunday 8:15AM, 10:15AM, 6:15PM

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 7:15AM

Wednesday 5:30PM

Confessions heard daily 30 minutes before Mass.

Confessions heard Saturdays from 3:30 - 4:00PM.

Children’s Church is held at 10:15AM masses. Children 4 years old up to first communion are invited to participate in their own celebration of the Liturgy of the Word. Simply bring children to the baptistry 10 minutes before mass begins.



PARISH STAFF

Rev. David Hebert, Pastor

Deacon Nelson Schexnayder, Deacon

Deacon Michael Morrison, Deacon

Deacon Ronald Chauvin, Deacon

Linda Souther

Secretary

Gerrie Baumbouree

Director of Religious Education / Safe Environment

Marc Conque

4:15 & 8:15 Music Minister

Michael Grado

10:15 Choir Director

Francis LeBlanc

6:15 Music Minister

Elmary Francis

Bulletin Editor & Bookkeeper

Tonia Harrington

First Communion/ First

Penance Coordinator, &

Preschool Religious Education

Diane Triche

Welcome & Visitation Minister

BAPTISM

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

CONFIRMATION

All students, including those in Catholic schools, are to register in August of their junior year of high school. Call the office for registration requirements.

FIRST PENANCE AND FIRST COMMUNION

All children, including those in Catholic schools, should be registered at the beginning of their second grade year in order to participate in the sacramental preparation.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

- First through tenth -graders meet on Tuesday evenings, October-April.
- Vacation Bible School, for children ages 4-10, is held for one week each summer.
- Confirmation students must complete 24 hours of high school religious education prior to their junior year.
- Adults wishing to learn more about their Catholic faith, including those wishing to become members of the Catholic Church, should call the office to speak with Gerrie Baumbouree.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

The church can be reserved only after meeting with the priest to begin marriage preparation for the couple. It is recommended that an appointment be made at least 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.

Online Giving



Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 11, 2018



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Easter Flowers To offset the expense of Easter Flowers and decorations to make our Church beautiful this Easter holiday, we will be taking donations. If you would like to give a financial donation, we have envelopes available in the Gathering Area. The donations can be done in memory of a loved one living or deceased. These names will appear in the Easter Sunday bulletin. Please print the names on the envelopes clearly and return them with the donation no later than March 20.

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“Food for the Journey” will be held this **Tuesday, March 13**, at River Oaks Event Center, 520 East Kaliste Saloom Road beginning at 12NOON. The guest speaker will be **Rev. Matthew Hebert**, Parochial Vicar of St. Anthony Church in Eunice. All are invited.

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2017 Financial Tax Report Those in need of a copy of their 2017 financial report may request them by calling the office at 235-1483. Please allow 2 to 3 days for it to be prepared.

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, MAR 12

7:15AM In honor of our Blessed Mother, Shine & Mary Domingue, Deneige Breaux, Ashton Breaux, Charlotte Domingue, Paul & Ina Savoie, Shannon Savoie

TUESDAY, MAR 13

7:15AM M/M Lee Guidry, M/M Samson Guidry, Ralph Guidry, Pearl Guidry

WEDNESDAY, MAR 14

5:30PM Carencro Members of “Come Lord Jesus”

THURSDAY, MAR 15

7:15AM Bella Hernandez, Yvonne Hernandez, Gussie Hernandez

FRIDAY, MAR 16

7:15AM Doris Ritter

SATURDAY, MAR 17

4:15PM Jules & Irma Broussard & family, Jules & Mathilde Broussard & family, John, Agnes & Rena Lemaire, Alozia Benoit, Doris Jane Hebert, Ryan Guidry, Joseph E. Valentour, Jr., M/M Joseph E. Valentour, Sr., Roy, Cora & Paul Gauthier, Kristan V. Fauntelory, Fred & Roy Souther, Roy & Georgette Caubarreaux, Audrey Ann Phillips, Mr. Steve Levy, Rayford Bertrand (BD)

SUNDAY, MAR 18

8:15AM Mass for the people, Anthony Fuselier, Ricky Fuselier, Dorothy Fuselier

10:15AM Jolynda Comeaux, Vivian Guidry, Ray Angelle, Mitchell Brown, Olin Brown

6:15PM Diana Viator, Sharon Borel

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

Lenten Mission



Deacon Art Bakeler
6:00 - 7:00PM Nightly

“Escaping the Twilight Zone: A call to Repentance & Renewal”

March 12

“To live in the Light - A Call to Repentance - Getting your Priorities Straight”

March 13

“Leaving the Twilight Zone - Willingness to Abandon the Old. Seeing the Truth & Light Growing in Wisdom, Becoming Holy”

March 14

“Illuminating the Twilight Zone - Lighting the Candle - The Desire to be Created Again by the Power of God’s Holy Spirit - Trusting the Lord”

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
MAR 11	12 L E N	13 T E N M I	14 S S I O N	15	16	17
SES Food Drive	6:00PM Confirmation Class, FC	5:30AM TMIY Meeting, FC	6:15PM RCIA, MB	6-7:30PM Opportunities for Confession, C		3:30PM Confession
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	6:00PM Confirmation Class, FC 6:30PM “Remember Me” Meeting, MB	5:30AM TMIY Meeting, FC	6:15PM RCIA, MB			3:30PM Confession Confirmation Retreat, FC

PARISH DATE

- 11 SES FOOD DRIVE** Food bags returned this weekend.
- 12 LENTEN MISSION** This week, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, March 12, 13, 14, from 6-7PM nightly.
- 15 OPPORTUNITIES FOR CONFESSION** Thursday, March 15, from 6-7:30PM, in Church.

SUN CHILDREN’S CHURCH (10:15 AM)

TUES ADORATION (7:45AM til Wed 4:00PM)

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Liturgical Minister's Schedule

March 17 - 18, 2018 Saturday, 4:15PM

Hospitality Coor.	Hospitality Min	Eucharist Coor.	Eucharist Min.	Altar Servers	Readers
Karen Sonnier	Celeste Guy Lane Prejean Leslie Prejean Justina Ina	Delores Gresko	Deacon Nelson Cindy Conque	Zachary Guy Taylor Miller	Elmary Francis Paul Lemaire

Sunday, 8:15AM

Tim Duhon	Arline Ledet Jim Womack Frank Gary Sally Gary	Dale Firmin	Brigette Firmin Joddy Womack	Myles Stephen Anna Firmin Joshua Firmin	Gretta Pollock
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Sunday, 10:15AM

Joanna Cormier	Carl Trahan Cindy Trahan Nelda Martin Charles Sonnier	Greg Landry	Deacon Mike Mary Crochet	Kylie Blanchard Lauren Buford	Deke DeKerlegand Kevin Carrier
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Sunday, 6:15PM

John Gossen	Luke Gossen Burt Hargrave Cindy LeBlanc Danny LeBlanc	Carol Perrio	Denise Delahoussaye Amanda Barry	Sam Gossen William Ballanco	Carol Malbrough Glenn Delahoussaye
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March 24 - 25, 2018 Saturday, 4:15PM

Eric Thompson	Julie Himel Hattie Andrews Elsie Chaisson Rebecca Theriot	Craig Himel	Deacon Mike Glynda Fontenot	Natalie Himel Mary L. Thompson	Kacee Thompson Paulette Lemelle
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Sunday, 8:15AM

Brent Jagneaux	John Citron Al Landry Liz Landry Barbara Goodie	Sharon Hay	Margaret Lynch John Tolliver	Morgan Citron Olivia Tolliver John C. Tolliver	Rachael Tolliver
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Sunday, 10:15AM

LJ Olivier	Mary Baudoin Mike Baudoin Carolyn Chretien Catherine Richard	Amanda Credeur	Loretta Carriere Rhonda Foreman	Blaise Bundrick Cole Bundrick	Al Anderson Barbara Batiste
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Sunday, 6:15PM

Tonia Harrington	Holden Harrington Jonas Harrington Tammy Richard Alexis Hebert	Jason Noel	Ave McBride Lloyd Higginbotham	Morgan Duplechin Leon Noel	Kim Prejean Christie Noel
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PASTOR'S CORNER

March 10 - 11, 2018

My Brothers and Sisters in Christ Jesus,

The Lenten Season is a time of preparation and our minds always migrate to what are the Church's requirements during Lent that we must observe. Below are a few things to keep in mind during Lent.

What Fasting Is:

- Fasting, broadly speaking, is the voluntary avoidance of something that is good. When Catholics talk about fasting, we normally mean restricting the food that we eat. We can fast between meals, by not eating snacks, or we can engage in a complete fast by abstaining from all food. The English word *breakfast*, in fact, means the meal that breaks the fast.
- While fasting takes the form of refraining from eating, it is primarily a spiritual discipline designed to tame the body so that we can concentrate on higher things.

Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving:

- That is why fasting is usually mentioned along with prayer and almsgiving (or charity). By controlling the passions of the body, we free our souls for prayer. And by refraining from eating, we free up food or money that we can give to those less fortunate than ourselves. The three spiritual disciplines go hand in hand, and the Church calls us to practice all three together, especially during the season of Lent.

Lenten Fasting and Penance:

- Lent, the 40 days before Easter Sunday, is a season of the Church calendar set aside for Christians to do penance in preparation for the celebration of the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Refraining from food can help us to bring our bodies under the control of our souls, but it is also a way of doing penance for past excesses. That is why the Church strongly recommends that Catholics fast during Lent.

Current Church Law Regarding Fasting:

- The Church used to prescribe very rigorous rules for the Lenten fast (including abstinence from all meat and eating only one meal per day). The current rules, however, are much more lax. Catholics are only required to fast on Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent, and on Good Friday, the day that Jesus Christ was crucified. Anyone over the age of 18, but under the age of 60, should eat only one full meal on those days, although they can also have small amounts of food in the morning and the evening.

May this Lent be a time that we reflect upon all that God has given us and share His love with others.

Fr. David



Centennial News
Sunday, March 11, 2018

- **Our Second Bishop Appointed** - On March 13, 1956, Pope Pius XII accepted the retirement of Bishop Jules Jeanmard after 37 years of episcopal ministry to the new diocese. The Holy Father appointed Bishop Maurice Schexnayder as the second Bishop of Lafayette. Bishop Schexnayder, born and raised along the banks of the Mississippi River, had served as the Auxiliary Bishop under Bishop Jeanmard for five years prior to his appointment as Bishop. Schexnayder would oversee the diocese for 16 years until his retirement in 1972. He attended the Second Vatican Council and led the local Church through its early implementation. His episcopal motto, taken from the Salve Regina, was "Ad Te Clamamus" or "To Thee do we cry."
- **Second Centennial Deanery Mass** will be at St. Landry Catholic Church, our 2nd oldest canonically established Church in the Diocese, on March 23 at 6:30PM in Opelousas. All Clergy and Laity are invited to attend this Mass and reception with our Bishop Deshotel as we continue to honor and celebrate this Centennial Jubilee Year of our Diocese. This is an exciting year and it is good for all of us from all parts of the Diocese of Lafayette to come together for the Centennial Events to reflect upon our past and recommit to the future that God is leading us into. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend.

NOT ENOUGH

It is not enough for me to love God, if my neighbor does not love God.

- St. Vincent de Paul

St. Elizabeth Seton Annual Food Drive

March 10 & 11

Food Drive



This weekend is the collection for the Annual Food Drive. **Please return your filled grocery bags to Church this weekend so they can be delivered to the St. Joseph Diner on Tuesday, March 13.** Your generosity in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Opportunities for Confessions

The Central Deanery for the Diocese of Lafayette will host five regional "Opportunities for Confession" during Lent. **Several priests** will be present to hear Confessions at the locations, dates and times listed below. All are invited to attend any of these "Opportunities for Confession". Please make every effort to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation in preparation for Easter Sunday.

Tuesday, March 13, 2018 - 6:00 - 7:30PM
Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church
818 12th Street

Thursday, March 15, 2018 - 6:00 - 7:30PM
St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic Church
610 Raintree Trail

ANNULMENT PROCESS WORKSHOP

April 17, 2018, the Judicial Vicar for the Diocese of Lafayette, Msgr. Robie Robichaux, will be presenting workshops on Declaration of Nullity and what is needed to begin the process. Additionally, the Office of Marriage and Family Life will provide information and resources available to individuals dealing with divorce and grief recovery. The two hour workshop will be held at 10:00AM or 6:00PM at the Diocesan offices, 1408 Carmel Drive, Lafayette, LA. Prior to attending one of the sessions, please register by calling 261-5623, or via email to catrahan@diolaf.org. There is *no charge* for this workshop.



March 10-11, 2018 —

> The Presentation of the Gifts in the Mass

This was also known as the Offertory and follows the collection. One of the most ancient customs involves the people themselves providing the bread and wine for Eucharist. The people used to bring food for the poor. Now, we offer our monetary resources to assist others. We bring our gifts as well as our intentions to the altar. The procession represents that these gifts come from the people. They are also symbols of the gift we made of ourselves at baptism. It is a renewal of our pledge to live and work as Christ's body on earth. Since the bread and wine are also symbols of us, they are brought up through the congregation. It is a reminder that we are to live visibly in a way that is obvious to others that Christ is living in and through us. There is often a hymn at this point which should prepare us for the sacrifice to come.

The *Informed Catholics* monthly column can be found on our church website.

Angola Bus Trip



Next Sunday, March 18, at 7:30AM, a bus will leave from St. Paul's Catholic Church heading to Angola State Prison to assist individuals with a chance to visit a loved one who may be incarcerated there.

Please note the following

rules: bring a current pictured Louisiana issued driver's license or current I.D., your name must be on the inmate's visiting list, children over 14 years of age must also have a current Louisiana issued identification card, no shorts, sleeveless or T-Shirt, Ladies no purses - wallets only, no blue jeans, children 13 and under must be accompanied by an adult. This is made possible by the Catholic Diocese of Lafayette, no fee charged. Reserve your seat early. Call 261-5545 for more information.

St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic Church now offers electronic giving as a way to automate your offertory donations. Electronic giving is convenient so that when travelling, illness or other circumstances prevent you from attending services, this program will allow your offerings to continue on an uninterrupted basis.

To set up a recurring giving schedule, visit us online at www.setonchurch.org and locate the **Online Giving** button located on the Home Page.

Or, you can use the QR code on the front of this bulletin on your smart phone!

If you choose this method of electronic giving, and you receive envelopes, please call the office (235-1483) to cancel the mailing of envelopes!

SEMINARIAN 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, Mar. 12th - Kyle White
- * Tuesday, Mar. 13th - Rev. Kevin Bordelon, Dir. of Sem.
- * Wednesday, Mar. 14th - Rev. Patrick Broussard
- * Thursday, Mar. 15th - Parents & Seminary Faculty
- * Friday, Mar. 16th - Reed Bellingham
- * Saturday, Mar. 17th - Donald Bernard
- * Sunday, Mar. 18th - Br. John Joseph, CJC

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.

COMMUNAL RESPONSIBILITY

The people of God forgot the covenant and flouted God's laws. They did not listen to the prophets among them, who spoke for God in warning them. Prophets are sent from God to remind us why we are here, but they are often, even in our own time, mocked, disregarded, and mistreated rather than thanked and listened to.

The book of Chronicles tells the results of these sins: the destruction of the temple and all of Jerusalem, murder, mayhem, and finally exile to a foreign land. Why are these stories in the Bible? Just to inform us of what happened to our ancient forebears? What good would that be unless there were a message and a warning for us as well? Are we people who follow the teachings of God, who obey the words of Christ in the second covenant in his blood? Or do we continue to wreak works of darkness and violence? We are reminded by these readings that we will be judged as a people, not just as individuals.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Year B of the Lectionary has the Letter to the Ephesians today. Ephesus, today in Turkey, was in the first century a great Greek city, the center for the worship of Diana, the goddess of the hunt. It was a vast city even by modern standards, having nearly half a million people in the time of Paul. Yet that was a time of economic recession and moral decay. No wonder Saint Paul stayed here the longest. It gave him an enormous and religiously curious audience. His preaching stirred up the artisans who depended on the pilgrims who came to honor (and buy mementos of) seventeen gods and goddesses enshrined in the city's temples. You can still see the open-air theater where Paul's homily triggered a riot. Paul did have success here, and many conversions among Jews and Gentiles. They seem to have struggled with hope, perhaps because of their suffering from economic woes and isolation.

Some old traditions say that the Apostle John lived out his days here, and that the Blessed Mother was cared for by him. There's no biblical basis for this, but it is certain that a small house just outside the city has been treasured by Christians and Muslims for centuries as the last dwelling of Mary. Long ago, the harbor silted up and the city was nearly abandoned, becoming a small village. As is so often the case, that accident of history preserved the ancient city, so that archeologists have been very successful in revealing ancient Christian sites. One such site is the Church of Mary, probably the first church to be dedicated to the Blessed Virgin, and the site of the Council of Ephesus in 431. Today, a visit to Ephesus is one of the most rewarding journeys for any pilgrim.

- Rev. James Field, Copyright @ J.S. Paluch Co.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- * **Saturday/Sunday, March 10/11** - St. Elizabeth Seton Food Drive. Filled grocery bags brought back to Church.
- * **Monday, March 12** - Confirmation Class at 6:00PM in the Family Center.
- * **Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, March 12,13,14** - St. Elizabeth Seton Lenten Mission, from 6-7PM nightly. The theme is "Escaping the Twilight Zone" by Deacon Art Bakeler.
- * **Tuesday, March 13** - "That Man Is You" at 5:30AM in the Family Center.
- * **Wednesday, March 14** - RCIA held at 6:15PM in the Ministries Building.
- * **Thursday, March 15** - Opportunities for Confession from 6-7:30PM, in Church. Several Priests will be available.
- * **Monday, March 19** - "Remember Me" at 6:30PM in the Annex.

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, Mar. 12th - Rev. William Rogalla
- * Tuesday, Mar. 13th - Rev. Msgr. J. Robert Romero
- * Wednesday, Mar. 14th - Rev. Mario Romero
- * Thursday, Mar. 15th - Rev. David Rozas
- * Friday, Mar. 16th - Rev. William Ruskoski
- * Saturday, Mar. 17th - Rev. Michael Russo
- * Sunday, Mar. 18th - Rev. Francios Sainte-Marie, MIC

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.

WEEKLY DONATION

March 4, 2018

Offertory:	\$11,057.00
Building Fund:	4,101.00
Other Donations:	855.00
Total:	\$16,013.00

Thank you for your generosity.