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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



**Fifth Sunday of Lent**

**March 18, 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 again be asking for donations. If you would like to make a financial donation, in memory of a loved one living or deceased, special envelopes are available in the Church to do so. These names will appear in the Easter Sunday bulletin. Please print the names on the envelopes clearly and return them with the donation to the office **no later than this Tuesday, March 20.**

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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.

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**MASS INTENTIONS**

**MONDAY, MAR 19**

7:15AM Shine & Mary Domingue, Deneige Breaux, Ashton Breaux, Charlotte Domingue, Paul & Ina Savoie, Shannon Savoie

**TUESDAY, MAR 20**

7:15AM Demus Comeaux, M/M Pete Vandenstein, M/M Horace Bertrand

**WEDNESDAY, MAR 21**

5:30PM Parishioners of St. Elizabeth Seton Church

**THURSDAY, MAR 22**

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

**FRIDAY, MAR 23**

7:15AM Alvin "Papit" Guidry, M/M George Arceneaux, M/M Ivan Fontenot,

Steve Arceneaux, Larry Arceneaux, Lou Ella Arceneaux, M/M Ferdie Arceneaux

**SATURDAY, MAR 24**

4:15PM Bertha Guilbeaux, Yves Guilbeaux, M/M Floyd Lyons, John, Agnes & Rena Lemaire, Alozia Benoit, Doris Jane Hebert, Joseph E. Valentour, Jr., M/M Joseph E. Valentour, Sr., Roy, Cora & Paul Gauthier, Kristan V. Fauntelory, Fred & Roy Souther, Elward A. Souther, Ben Souther, Lloyd Pablovich, James Chiasson & Fly.


**SUNDAY, MAR 25**

8:15AM Mass for the people, Jolynda Comeaux, Vivian Guidry, Keith Pollock (BD), Jim Pollock, E.J. & Inez Camelle, Kelli Sebastian, Lena Pollock, Anthony Fuselier, Ricky Fuselier, Dorothy Fuselier

10:15AM Mitchell Brown, Olin Brown

6:15PM Mayo & Barbara Landry, Gary Landry

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



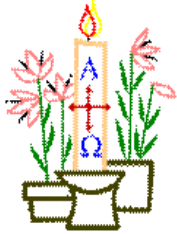
**Holy Thursday**  
**March 29 - 6:00PM**  
 We celebrate the Feast of the Lord's Last Supper and encourage you to spend an hour in silent prayer after the Mass.



**Good Friday**  
**March 30 - 3:00PM**  
 We commemorate the Death of our Lord and Venerate the Cross.




**Easter Vigil**  
**March 31 - 8:00PM**  
 New Paschal Candle and Fire brought in Church, with new Catholics receiving the Sacraments.



**Easter Sunday**  
**April 1**  
 Masses at **8:15AM & 10:15AM**  
*Alleluia!*



SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
<b>MAR 18</b>	<b>19</b> 6:00PM <b>Confirmation Class, FC</b> 6:30PM <b>"Remember Me" Meeting, MB</b>	<b>20</b> 5:30AM <b>TMIY Meeting, FC</b>	<b>21</b> 6:15PM <b>RCIA, MB</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> 3:30PM <b>Confession</b>  <b>Confirmation Retreat, FC</b>
<b>25</b>  Palm Sunday	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> N O A D O r a t i o n 5:30AM <b>TMIY Meeting, FC</b>  <b>LAST Religious Education Classes</b>	<b>28</b> 6:15PM <b>RCIA, MB</b>	<b>29</b> 6:00PM <b>Holy Thursday</b>	<b>30</b> 3:00PM <b>Good Friday</b>	<b>31</b> 8:00PM <b>Easter Vigil</b> (NO 4:15PM Mass)

**PARISH DATE**

- 19** "REMEMBER ME" Monday, March 19 at 6:30PM in the Ministries Building.
- 24** CONFIRMATION RETREAT Saturday, March 24, from 8AM - 6PM in the Family Center.
- 29** EASTER TRIDUUM Holy Thursday, March 29 - 6PM, Good Friday, March 30 - 3PM, Easter Vigil, March 31 - 8PM.

**SUN CHILDREN'S CHURCH (10:15 AM)**

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

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**WED WAY OF THE CROSS (10AM)**

## Liturgical Minister's Schedule

**March 24 - 25, 2018 Saturday, 4:15PM**

<b>Hospitality Coor.</b>	<b>Hospitality Min</b>	<b>Eucharist Coor.</b>	<b>Eucharist Min.</b>	<b>Altar Servers</b>	<b>Readers</b>
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

**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**

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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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**March 31 - April 1, 2018 Saturday, 8:00PM**

### **Volunteer Liturgical Ministers Needed**

**Sunday, 8:15AM**

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**Sunday, 10:15AM**

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**NO Sunday, 6:15PM Mass**

# PASTOR'S CORNER

March 17 - 18, 2018

Brothers and Sisters in Christ Jesus,

As I was reflecting upon alms and almsgiving I came across this article that I thought was very interesting and offered some interesting insights into the necessity of giving in our Christian lives. As we continue on our Lenten Journey let us always remember the poor and our obligations to assist them. Mike Quilina wrote the following about almsgiving.

*“Of the three marks of Lent — prayer, fasting and almsgiving — almsgiving is surely the most neglected.*

And yet, in the only place where the Bible brings all three together, the inspired author puts the emphasis firmly on the last: “Prayer and fasting are good, but better than either is almsgiving accompanied by righteousness ... It is better to give alms than to store up gold; for almsgiving saves one from death and expiates every sin. Those who regularly give alms shall enjoy a full life” (Tob 12:8-9).

Why is almsgiving better than prayer and fasting? Because it is prayer, and it involves fasting. Almsgiving is a form of prayer because it is “giving to God” — and not mere philanthropy. It is a form of fasting because it demands sacrificial giving — not just giving something, but giving up something, giving till it hurts.

Jesus presented almsgiving as a necessary part of Christian life: “when you give alms, sound no trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may be praised by men. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing” (Mt 6:2-3). He does not say IF you give alms, but WHEN. Like fasting and prayer, almsgiving is non-negotiable.

The first Christians knew this. “There was no needy person among them, for those who owned property or houses would sell them, bring the proceeds of the sale, and put them at the feet of the apostles, and they were distributed to each according to need” (Acts 4:34-35).

That was the living embodiment of a basic principle of Catholic social teaching, what tradition calls “the universal destination of goods.” The Catechism of the Catholic Church puts it succinctly: “The goods of creation are destined for the entire human race” (n. 2452).

But they can't get there unless we put them there — and that requires effort.

As with prayer and fasting, so with almsgiving. If we have a plan, we'll find it easier to do. Throughout history, many Christians have used the Old Testament practice of “tithing” as a guide — that is, they give a tenth of their income “to God.” In practice, that means giving it to the poor, to the parish, or to charitable institutions.”

So, it seems when we give let us give generously and not seek recognition in our world but relish in the reward that awaits us in heaven.

God Bless,

Fr. David



## Centennial News Sunday, March 18, 2018

- **First Catholic Hospital** - On March 17, 1908, the Catholic hospital in Southwest Louisiana was dedicated and opened in Lake Charles. Fr. Cramers, pastor of Immaculate Conception Church in Lake Charles, approached the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word for help to begin a hospital in the area. The sisters had recently established a hospital in Galveston, Texas. In 1908, "St. Patrick Sanitarium" was opened with 50 beds to serve the needs of the region. Later the name would change to St. Patrick's Hospital, and is today known as CHRISTUS St. Patrick. 110 years later, the hospital continues to make known the healing work of Christ.
- **Second Centennial Deanery Mass** will be this week at St. Landry Catholic Church, our 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.
- **Jubilee Bible Marathon** - in honor of the Centennial of the Diocese of Lafayette 1918-2018, the Holy Bible will be read from cover to cover in the Square of St. Martinville beginning Wednesday, April 4<sup>th</sup> at 12:30PM to Sunday, April 8<sup>th</sup> at 4:30PM - 100 hours for 100 years!!! All are invited to come and participate in this Proclamation of the Foundation of our Faith. Come and marinate in the word. For more information or to sign up as a Reader, call Fr. Michael Champagne at 394-6550. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend as much as possible of this extraordinary event.

## St. Elizabeth Seton Annual Food Drive

**THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!  
RESPONSE IS OVER-THE-TOP!!!!**



We extend our deepest gratitude and appreciation to everyone for an immensely successful food drive ... in fact, the best response in years!! Your generous outpouring of dry foods and goods supports outreach to the hungry in our area during this critical downturn in our economy! Your gracious response helped us stock the pantry at St. Joseph Diner! We are so thankful for your

participation in this magnificent effort! We would also like to thank Breaux's Mart for their donation of the paper bags and the TMIY volunteers who delivered the food. May the Lord, our God, bless us in all that we undertake for His praise, honor and glory.

### A Special Mass for Survivors of Violence

Will be held on **Sunday, April 29, 2018** at **2:00PM** at the Cathedral of St. John.

Bishop Douglas Deshotel will be the celebrant.

All are invited to the Mass and the reception that follows.

### 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](mailto:catrahan@diolaf.org). There is *no charge* for this workshop.





Online Giving

March 17-18, 2018 —

## > The Presentation of the Gifts in the Mass

The initial text emphasizes the generosity of God, the produce of the earth, human labor and the Eucharist. The priest prays using words that have their roots in the Jewish tradition at the time of Jesus which blesses the bread and wine used in the meals. The next prayer of the priest states: “with humble spirit and contrite heart may we be accepted by you, O Lord...” We offer ourselves.

Water is added to wine. Wine becomes the blood of Christ while the water represents us. The water and wine also represent the divinity and humanity of Christ. Both the water and the wine are joined together by a close union, a spiritual and heavenly sacrament.

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

## Remember me!



Monday, March 19  
6:30PM

in the Ministries Building

A support group for caretakers, family, and friends of dementia/Alzheimer's patients. We meet on the third Monday of each month. Everyone is invited and there is no registration necessary. Ideas and resources will be shared. For more information: contact the church office or email [SetonRememberMe@gmail.com](mailto:SetonRememberMe@gmail.com).

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](http://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. 19<sup>th</sup> - Joseph Boustany
- \* Tuesday, Mar. 20<sup>th</sup> - Alex Cormier
- \* Wednesday, Mar. 21<sup>st</sup> - Randy Courville
- \* Thursday, Mar. 22<sup>nd</sup> - Myles Creek
- \* Friday, Mar. 23<sup>rd</sup> - Tanner Darbonne
- \* Saturday, Mar. 24<sup>th</sup> - Brent Didier
- \* Sunday, Mar. 25<sup>th</sup> - Cameron Domingue

**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.

## SAVED BY GOD'S LOVE

Because the people broke the old covenant, God promised a new covenant, not in the blood of oxen and other animals, but in the blood of the Son, Jesus Christ. This new covenant, foreseen from afar by Jeremiah and the prophets, was not to be engraved on stone, or written on paper, but carved on our hearts, so that we might know God intimately. Not by keeping many laws are we to be saved, but by the love of God, living and real in our hearts through the sacrifice of Christ.

Our Eucharist is the pledge of that indwelling of Christ, and of our response of praise and thanksgiving to God for the mercy, love, and kindness shown to us in forgiving our sins and cleansing our hearts of everything evil. God issues this invitation to intimacy by offering us the chance to have our sufferings transformed into the perfect love of the Savior, who first loved us.

## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Over the next two weeks, as we hear of the interior anguish of Jesus, we are led to the Garden of Gethsemane, the scene of a night of suffering, failure, and loss. In Hebrew, the word means "olive press," and it was an olive grove, although only a few trees remain. Olives can't be eaten off the trees, they need to be cured - knocked from the trees at harvest time, scooped into a stone basin, and cracked open by a heavy millstone. The crushing stone weight was itself called a "gethsemane," and once it was lowered onto the olives, oil from the fruit and the inner stone would drip into a groove and flow into jars. The night before his death, Jesus experienced such anguish that scripture says his own blood perspired from him, an image no one who understands olive oil production could miss.

Today, the Mount of Olives is within the city of Jerusalem and the site of the Church of All Nations, also known as the Basilica of the Agony. It was built in 1924, funded by Catholics in twelve different countries. An open-air altar on the grounds is used by Anglicans on Holy Thursday every year. Nearby is the Russian Church of Mary Magdalene, built by the czar in 1888, its magnificent golden domes a distinctive landmark. There is also another tiny Catholic Church, called *Dominus Flevit*, or "The Cry of the Lord," built in a teardrop shape in the mid -1950s. For centuries, the Franciscan order has had the care of the shrines of the Holy Land, and our Good Friday collection helps sustain these precious sites.

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

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- \* **Monday, March 19** - Confirmation Class at 6:00PM in the Family Center.
- \* **Monday, March 19** - "Remember Me" at 6:30PM in the Annex.
- \* **Tuesday, March 20** - "That Man Is You" at 5:30AM in the Family Center.
- \* **Wednesday, March 21** - RCIA held at 6:15PM in the Ministries Building.
- \* **Saturday, March 24** - Confirmation Retreat from 8AM - 6PM, in the Family Center.
- \* **Tuesday/Wednesday, March 27/28** - NO Adoration.
- \* **Thursday, March 29** - Holy Thursday Services at 6:00PM in Church.
- \* **Friday, March 30** - Good Friday Service at 3:00PM in Church.
- \* **Saturday, March 31** - Easter Vigil Services at 8:00PM in Church. No 4:15PM Mass.

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## 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. 19<sup>th</sup> - Rev. William Rogalla
- \* Tuesday, Mar. 20<sup>th</sup> - Rev. Msgr. J. Robert Romero
- \* Wednesday, Mar. 21<sup>st</sup> - Rev. Mario Romero
- \* Thursday, Mar. 22<sup>nd</sup> - Rev. David Rozas
- \* Friday, Mar. 23<sup>rd</sup> - Rev. William Ruskoski
- \* Saturday, Mar. 24<sup>th</sup> - Rev. Michael Russo
- \* Sunday, Mar. 25<sup>th</sup> - 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 11, 2018**

Offertory:	\$12,042.00
Building Fund:	1,666.00
Catholic Relief Services:	1,239.00
Other Donations:	248.00
Total:	\$15,195.00

**Thank you for your generosity.**