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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:

Sunday 7:30-7:45am, 9:30-9:45am, 5:30-5:45pm
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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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 10:00 Mass (11:00 – 12:15PM).
- Fifth through seventh grades attend EDGE on Sundays 2:30 – 3:45 PM.
- Confirmation classes meet on Sunday 4:15 – 5:45 PM.
- 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.

Third Sunday of Easter



May 4, 2025

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Good Friday Outdoor Stations of the Cross

(Led by the Children)



Mass Intentions

Monday, May 5

7:00AM No Mass Intentions

Tuesday, May 6

7:00AM No Mass Intentions

Wednesday, May 7

5:30PM Becky Meyers; Bennett Meyers;
Beatrice Meyers; Bob Minnerly; Lillian
Guitreau

Thursday, May 8

7:00AM No Mass Intentions

Friday, May 9

7:00AM No Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 10

4:00PM Lee & Jane Hebert; Georgette
Caubarreux; Laura Armand; Lois Souther;
Shine & Mary & Charlotte Domingue;
Ashton & Deneige Breaux; Pete & Lucille

Hebert; Paul & Ina Savoie; Agnes, John & Rena Lemaire;
Keith Lemaire; Alozia Benoit; Wayne Lemaire; Camilla
Chaisson; Valex Guilbeaux; M/M Michael E. Meche;
Souls in Purgatory; Braud & Speyrer flys.; Marjorie
Sampay; Anna Mae George; Larry Miller; Leon & Claudia
Miller; Alcee & Milda Bernard; Francis & Brenda Knight;
Adolise Mire; M/M Etienne Alleman; Gladys, Avic,
William, Junior, Haywood, Earl, Laurice, Louis, Nick &
Donald Delahoussaye; Richard Ducote

Sunday, May 11 — Mother's Day

8:00AM Mass for the People

10:00AM Will Benoit; Paul & Cecile Dupuis; Dudley &
Regina Theriot; Ronald & Maxine Nicko; Simon, Barbara
& Byron Latour; Becky Meyers; Cecile Bellard; Gary
Olivier; Frankena Olivier; Norman & Nicholas Olivier;
Lorraine Higginbotham; Mary Lou Bellard; Rita Meche;
Laura Francis; Mary Celestine; Helen Green; Pearl Francis

6:00PM Francis LeBlanc; Harold Francis, Sr.; Scott
Thomas Dore; Linda Terro

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

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
MAY 4 10:00AM May Crowning Mass, C EDGE 2:30-3:45PM, FC	5	6 10:00AM Seton Rosary Makers, MB	7	8	9	10 3:15PM Confession
11  EDGE 2:30-3:45PM, FC	12	13 12:00NOON "Remember Me", MB	14 11:00AM Anniversary Committee Meeting, MB	15	16	17 3:15PM Confession

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

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

WED - ROSARY GROUP (10:00AM)



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St. Elizabeth Seton Church VBC

June 2 - 6, 2025

8:30 am - 12:05 pm (noon)

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Step-by-Step Walk Through the Mass: Do This in Remembrance of Me, Part 57: The Great Amen

FR. LUKE SPANNAGEL

Amen! Today we look at our response at the end of the doxology: the Great Amen. After the priest sings or says, “Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, for ever and ever,” the people respond with, “Amen!” What exactly does *Amen* mean? *Amen* is a special word that most often is understood to mean, “So be it.”

What Does the Word “Amen” Mean?

As the glossary of our *Catechism* says, *Amen* is “A Hebrew word meaning ‘truly; it is so; let it be done,’ signifying agreement with what has been said. The prayers of the New Testament and of the Church’s liturgy, and the Creeds, conclude with ‘amen.’ Jesus used the word to introduce solemn assertions, to emphasize their trustworthiness and authority” (CCC, p. 865). As Edward Sri writes, “‘Amen’ transliterates a Hebrew word that affirms the validity of what has been said and was often used in liturgical settings. For example, when the Levites sang, ‘Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting,’ the people joined in this blessing of God by exclaiming, ‘Amen!’ (1 Chr 16:36).”

Sri goes on to say, “Most notable is how the angels and saints in heaven cry out ‘Amen’ as they sing their part in the chorus praising God in the heavenly liturgy. In the book of Revelation, every living creature in heaven and earth and under the earth says, ‘To him who sits upon the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might for ever and ever!’ And in response, the angelic creatures say ‘Amen!’ as if to shout out, ‘Yes! May the Lord be blessed and honored forever!’” (*A Biblical Walk Through the Mass*, p. 120).

What is the “Great Amen” in the Mass?

Ok, so why is the “Amen” of this part of the Mass called the “Great Amen”? Fr. Oury teaches, “The Amen of the people has special importance at this moment of the celebration. It is more than ever a response and assent. Concerning it Bossuet wrote: ‘In the Book of Revelation the elect are represented to us as ever singing Amen to God.’

Amen in sacred parlance is Yes, a firm and definite Yes that conquers assent, or rather, the whole heart. That is how they love in heaven. Ought we not do so on earth?”” (*The Mass*, p. 103). Similarly, Charles Belmonte instructs, “This is the most important Amen in the Mass. It is for us both a resolution and a prayer. A resolution upon which our love for God blooms; a prayer based on the future hope of resurrection” (*Understanding the Mass*, p. 163).

How Should We Say the “Great Amen”?

If we think about our journey through the Mass, it makes sense to say this *Amen* is the most important. Take a moment to think about what has recently happened in the Mass: bread and wine were brought forward, along with all our prayers and sacrifices offered in union with Jesus. Through the words and actions of Jesus, the priest prayed the Eucharistic Prayer, and the bread and wine have been changed into the very Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity on the altar: Jesus himself is truly present with us! This is Almighty God with us! This is Jesus who loved us so perfectly that he gave everything for us! This is the moment of Jesus being offered to the Father in perfect praise, and we have been invited to join with Jesus!

Hopefully, we are so excited about what has just taken place that we want to belt out our *Amen* with great joy and fervor! With this mentality of joy and celebration, Belmonte quotes St. Jerome: “Let us sing or say the Great Amen with all our hearts united to all our brothers. Let it resound the whole world over, as the Amen of our early brothers in the faith ‘resounded in heaven, as a celestial thunderclap in the Roman basilicas’” (*Understanding the Mass*, p. 163). Wouldn’t that kind of “Amen” get the attention of our neighbors? “What was that loud sound that shook the ground? Oh, it was the Catholics at Mass singing Amen!”

For Reflection:

1. The Book of Revelation uses “Amen” as another name for Jesus: “The Amen, the faithful and true witness, the source of God’s creation...” (Rev. 3:14). The angels, elders, and four living creatures use this word at both the beginning and end of prayer (see Rev. 7:12; cf. Rev. 19:4). In your own prayer, spend time with this word and allow its meaning to penetrate your life.
2. When you face joys and challenges throughout the day, take a moment to pray (silently or audibly), “Amen,” as a way of accepting God’s will.



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First Saturday 7:30

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Children's Church

years old up to 1st

in their own celebration

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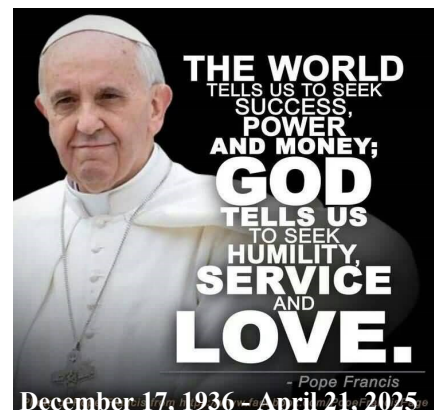
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As we mourn the death of Pope Francis, let us join with Catholics worldwide in praying for the repose of his soul:

O God, faithful rewarder of souls, grant that your departed servant Pope Francis, whom you made successor of Peter and shepherd of your Church, may happily enjoy for ever in your presence in heaven the mysteries of your grace and compassion, which he faithfully ministered on earth. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.



Adorers Needed

There are a few hours that need adorers. Please contact Tom Meyers at 962-6085, if you are available to take up one of these slots. The available slots are:

Wednesdays 2:00 & 3:00AM

Question of the Week

When have I found the courage to speak out on behalf of what I believe?



St. Elizabeth Seton Thoughts



BUT at all events, how safe we are under the shadow of the Cross!

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 5th - Rev. Angelo Cremaldi
- * Tuesday, May 6th - Rev. Barry Crochet
- * Wednesday, May 7th - Rev. Francis Damoah, SVD
- * Thursday, May 8th - Rev. F. Hampton Davis
- * Friday, May 9th - Rev. Msgr. Jefferson Deblanc
- * Saturday, May 10th - Rev. Michael Deblanc
- * Sunday, May 11th - Rev. Edward Degeyter

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 5th - Coby Hebert
- * Tuesday, May 6th - Evan Hebert
- * Wednesday, May 7th - William Hebert
- * Thursday, May 8th - Zack Hebert
- * Friday, May 9th - Eric Henandez
- * Saturday, May 10th - Michael Johnson
- * Sunday, May 11th - Drew Landry

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 4 - May Crowning at the 10:00AM Mass.

Sunday, May 4 - EDGE— held from 2:30PM—3:45PM in the Family Center.

Tuesday, May 6- Wednesday, May 7 Eucharistic Adoration: Tuesday, May 6 at 8AM thru Wednesday, May 7 at 4:00PM in Church.

Tuesday, May 6— Seton Rosary Makers meet at 10:00AM in the Ministries Building.

Sunday, May 11 -



Sunday, May 11 - EDGE— held from 2:30PM—3:45PM in the Family Center.

Tuesday, May 13 — “Remember Me” at 12:00NOON in the Ministries Building.

Tuesday, May 13 – Wednesday, May 14 Eucharistic Adoration: Tuesday, May 13 at 8AM thru Wednesday, May 14 at 4:00PM in Church.

Wednesday, May 14 - Seton Anniversary Committee Meeting at 11:00AM in the Ministries Building.

Tuesday, May 20— Knights of Columbus meet at 6:30PM in the KC Hall.

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