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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.

## PARISH STAFF

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**Marc Conque**  
4:00, 8:00, 6:00 Music Minister

**Michael Grado**  
10:00 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 8th grades, including Confirmation)

- Registration for all sections of Religious Education is in the Summer of 2026
- First through fourth grades Religious Education classes meet on Sundays after the 10:00 Mass (11:00 – 12:30PM).
- Fifth through seventh grades attend EDGE on Sundays 2:30 – 3:45PM.
- 8th grade Confirmation classes meet on Sunday 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.

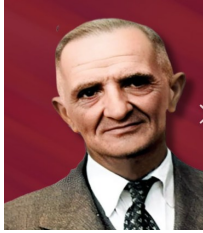
**Pentecost Sunday**



**May 24, 2026**

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# AUGUSTE "NONCO" PELAFIGUE ANNUAL ANNIVERSARY MASS



Join us in Celebrating Servant of God Auguste Nonco" Pelafigue and his devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus on the 49<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of his death **Sunday, June 7, 2026**. The main celebrant of the Mass will be **Bishop Douglas Deshotel**.

**10:00 am** Litany to the Sacred of Jesus  
**10:30 am** Mass

St. John Francis Regis Catholic Church in Arnaudville, LA

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## Reception and Spaghetti Dinner following Mass

Little Flower Auditorium

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### Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

#### Monday, May 25

7:00AM Mitch & Matt Chapman (BD)

#### Tuesday, May 26

7:00AM Roy J. Mouton (BD)

#### Wednesday, May 27

5:30PM Deanna Boudreaux (BD); Hayes J. Boudreaux; Lula Mae Trahan; Alison Harson

#### Thursday, May 28

7:00AM No Mass Intentions

#### Friday, May 29

7:00AM Becky Meyers (BD)

#### Saturday, May 30

4:00PM Lee & Jane Hebert; Fred (BD) & Roy Souther; Agnes, John & Rena Lemaire; Keith Lemaire; Alozia Benoit; Camellia Chaisson, Valex Guilbeau; Wayne Lemaire; Jessie Champagne; Lance, Cody & Seth Champagne; M/M Michael E. Meche; Souls in Purgatory; Easton Bourgeois; JL "Joseph" Richard; Becky Meyers; Beatrice Meyers; Bennett Meyers; Poor Souls in Purgatory; Kathleen Chauvin & fly.

#### Sunday, May 31

8:00AM Mass for the People

10:00AM Amy Veillon; Melvin J. Clause; Ima Williams; Harris Martin; Ricky Martin, Sr.; JL "Joseph" Richard; Karson Estilette; The Duhons: Sharron, Darron & Stephen

6:00PM No Mass Intentions

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



### Liturgical Ministers — Did You Know?

The Liturgical Ministers schedule is available in three ways:

- **Email:** Sent a few weeks before each quarter (if an email is on file)
- **Printed Copy:** Located in the sign-in book outside the Ministers' Sacristy
- **Online:** Visit [www.setonchurch.org](http://www.setonchurch.org), go to *Calendar*, and select *Liturgical Ministers*. You can view it online or download the PDF at the top of the page.

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
MAY 24  EDGE 2:30—3:45PM, FC	25 Parish Offices CLOSED  MEMORIAL DAY REMEMBER AND HONOR	26	27	28	29	30 3:15PM Confession
31  EDGE 2:30—3:45PM, FC	JUNE 1 	2 10:00AM Seton Rosary Makers, MB	3	4	5  7:00AM First Friday Mass, C	6 8:00AM First Saturday Mass, C 3:15PM Confession

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

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

WED - ROSARY GROUP MEETING (10:00AM)



# St. Elizabeth Seton Church 2026 VBC



**CATHLETICS!**  
TRAINING TO BE CHAMPIONS FOR CHRIST

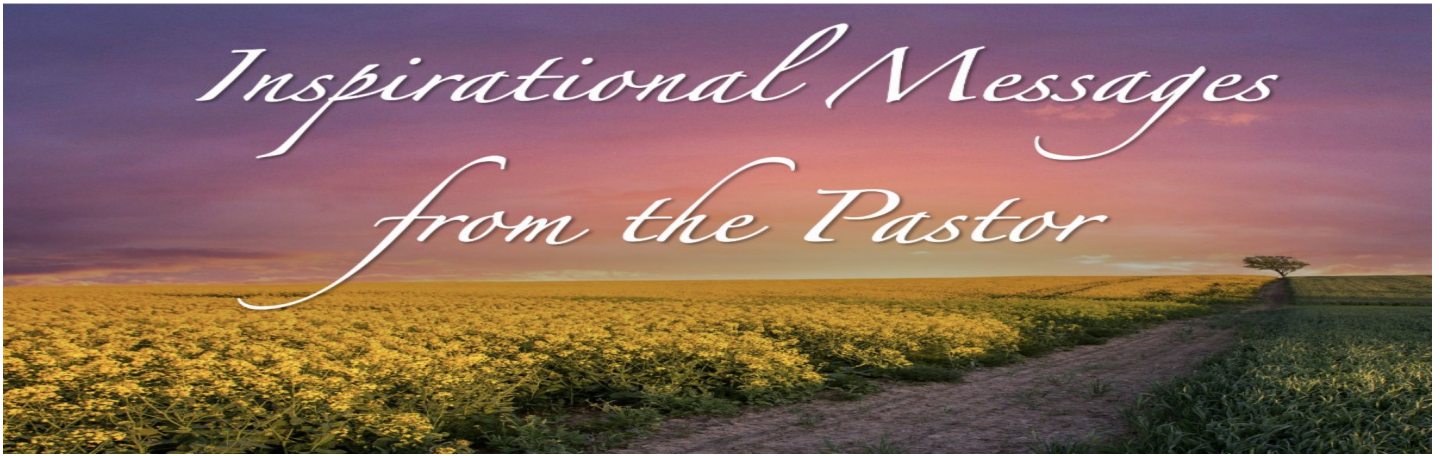


**June 1 - 5, 2026**

**8:30 AM - 12:05 PM**

Those entering K- 5th grade (2026-2027)

[www.setonchurch.org/vacation-bible-camp/](http://www.setonchurch.org/vacation-bible-camp/)



## **From a homily of Saint Gregory of Nyssa, bishop**

### ***The hope of seeing God***

The happiness God promises certainly knows no limits. When one has gained such a blessing, what is left to desire? In seeing God one possesses all things. In the language of Scripture, to see is to have. ***May you see the good things of Jerusalem is the same as May you possess the good things of Jerusalem.*** When the prophet says: ***May the wicked man be carried off and not see the glory of the Lord,*** he means: ***May he not share in the glory of the Lord.***

One who has seen God has, in the act of seeing, gained all that is counted good: life without end, everlasting freedom from decay, undying happiness, a kingdom that has no end, lasting joy, true light, a voice to sing pleasingly in the spirit, unapproachable glory, perpetual rejoicing, in a word, the totality of blessing.

Such is the wonderful hope held out by the beatitudes. As we have seen, the condition for seeing God is purity of heart, and now once more my mind is in confusion, as from an attack of giddiness, wondering if purity of heart is something impossible, something beyond the capacity of human nature. If the vision of God is dependent on purity of heart, and if Moses and Paul did not attain this vision—they state that neither they nor anyone else can see God—then the promise of the beatitude spoken by the Word seems to be something impossible of realization.

What do we gain from knowing the means by which God may be seen if we have not the power to see him? It is like saying that one is blessed if one is in heaven because in heaven things are seen that are not seen on earth. If we were told beforehand how to get to heaven, it would be helpful to know that one is blessed if one is in heaven. But as long as the way to heaven is impossible what do we gain by knowing about the happiness of heaven? This only saddens and annoys us when we realize the good things we are deprived of, because it is impossible to get there.

Surely the Lord does not encourage us to do something impossible to human nature because the magnitude of what he commands is beyond the reach of our human strength? The truth is different. He does not command those creatures to whom he has not given wings to become birds, nor those to whom he has assigned a life on land to live in water. If then in the case of all other creatures the command is according to the capacity of those who receive it, and does not oblige them to anything beyond their nature, we shall come to the conclusion that we are not to give up hope of gaining what is promised by the beatitude. John and Paul and Moses, then, and any others like them, did not fail to achieve that sublime happiness that comes from the vision of God: not Paul, who said: *There is stored up for me a crown of righteousness, which the judge who judges justly will give me*, nor John, who leaned on the breast of Jesus, nor Moses, who heard God saying to him, *I know you above all others*.

If it is clear that those who taught that the contemplation of God was beyond their powers are themselves blessed, and if blessedness consists in the vision of God and is granted to the pure in heart, then purity of heart, leading to blessedness, is certainly not among the things that are impossible.

Hence it can be said that those who with Paul teach that the vision of God is beyond our powers are right in what they say, and that the voice of the Lord does not contradict them when he promises that the pure in heart will see God.



*You are invited to the South Louisiana*

## SEVEN SISTERS APOSTOLATE

*Annual Retreat*

May 22-23, 2026

Grand Coteau Retreat Center

*What is the Seven Sisters Apostolate?*

The apostolate focuses on strengthening the Church by ensuring a Holy Hour is prayed every day of the week for the sole intention of a specific priest or bishop. This commitment is described as a "holy wasting" or a "lavishing" of prayer intended to lead the priest toward a deeper conformity to Christ and a deepening relationship with the Blessed Mother.



Retreat given by  
Sister Mary Magdalene  
and Sister Mary Peter

*Do I have to be a member of the  
Apostolate to attend?*

No, any woman who feels called to pray for priests is encouraged to attend.

*Retreat Details:*

There are 24 rooms available for those who would like to stay overnight. The evening will include dinner, optional adoration, and rosary at the Grotto.

To register:



Retreat will officially begin on Saturday morning at 9am and end at 4pm.

To register:



Questions: Fr. Sam Fontana  
337-457-8107

To learn more about this apostolate, visit  
<https://sevensistersapostolate.org/>





**PENTECOST SUNDAY  
May 23/24, 2026**

This weekend we celebrate the feast of Pentecost and the coming of the Holy Spirit among the believers of the early Church. Saint Paul reminds us of the special power the Holy Spirit has bestowed upon us and how that power gives us the potential to live extraordinary lives of faith. Good stewards recognize this power and use their gifts, through God’s channel of grace, to transform their lives and the lives of others, and thus hasten God’s Kingdom. Good stewards know that it is through the Holy Spirit that they can proclaim: “Jesus is Lord.” Do we believe that Jesus is Our Lord? If so, how do we show it?



**Annual “Hit the Road with Hospice of Acadiana”  
Raffle**

**Hospice of Acadiana** is your community nonprofit hospice that provides quality end-of-life care to anyone in need, regardless of their ability to pay. **“Hit the Road with Hospice of Acadiana”** is our major annual fundraiser, which gives you the opportunity to win a **2026 Kia Sorento** from Sterling Automotive, a **\$2,500 Getaway Fund**, or a **Louisiana Adventure Package**. Each \$20 raffle ticket ensures an elevated level of comfort and support for the dying and their loved ones. Purchase deadline is this Sunday, May 24<sup>th</sup>, drawing is May 28<sup>th</sup>. For more information or to purchase ticket(s), scan the QT code or visit: [www.hospiceacadiana.com](http://www.hospiceacadiana.com).



Spend a weekend away from the cares and distractions of everyday living. Attend a **Catholic Engaged Encounter Weekend**. The weekend is open to any engaged couple wanting to prepare for a deeper more meaningful life together in a Sacramental Marriage recognized by the Catholic Church according to its Church law. Upcoming weekend dates for **2026 are: Aug. 21-23 and Oct. 16-18**. For cost of the weekend, other dates, and to learn more, visit our website at [www.ceelafayette.org](http://www.ceelafayette.org) or contact: **Mike & Phyllis Totaro** at (337) 962-5798 or [reginfo.ceelaf@gmail.com](mailto:reginfo.ceelaf@gmail.com)



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**APPLICATIONS ARE OPEN!**

**DEADLINE TO APPLY:**  
May 31st

**Email to Apply!**

OfficeManager@CLFAinc.org

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**Question  
of the  
Week?**

Have I felt the Holy Spirit’s movement in my life in both powerful and gentle ways?





**Adoration hours  
are Tuesday  
mornings at 8AM  
until Wednesday  
evenings at 4PM.**

## St. Elizabeth Seton Thoughts



**B**LESSED Lord, what is pain, what is anguish, while the soul lies at your dear feet?

## 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 25th - Rev. Henry Paul Anthony, HGN
- \* Tuesday, May 26th - Very Rev. Chester Arceneaux, VF
- \* Wednesday, May 27th - Rev. Michael Arnaud
- \* Thursday, May 28th - Rev. Singarayar Arockiam
- \* Friday, May 29th - Rev. Justin Arockiasamy, SVD
- \* Saturday, May 30th - Rev. Matthew Barzare
- \* Sunday, May 31st - Rev. Reed Michael Bellingham

**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 25th - Matthew Authement
- \* Tuesday, May 26th - Roy Bertrand IV
- \* Wednesday, May 27th - Bennett Bodin
- \* Thursday, May 28th - Reid Bourgeois
- \* Friday, May 29th - Nicholas Broussard
- \* Saturday, May 30th - Dcn. Rickey Castaneda
- \* Sunday, May 31st - Alex Coffey

**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.



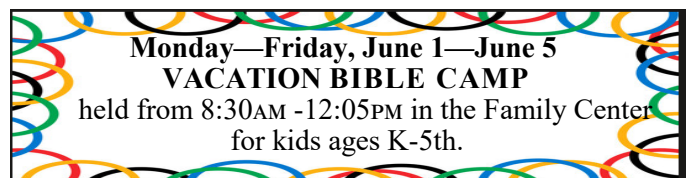
**Sunday, May 24** – **EDGE** held in the Family Center at 2:30PM.

**Monday, May 25** –  
**Parish Offices Closed**



**Tuesday, May 26 - Wednesday, May 27** - Eucharistic Adoration: Tuesday, May 26 at 8AM thru Wednesday, May 27 at 4:00PM in Church.

**Sunday, May 31** – **EDGE** held in the Family Center at 2:30PM.



**Tuesday, June 2** – Seton Rosary Makers meets at 10:00AM in the Ministries Building.

**Tuesday, June 2 - Wednesday, June 3** - Eucharistic Adoration: Tuesday, June 2 at 8AM thru Wednesday, June 3 at 4

**Tuesday, June 9** – “Remember Me” meets at 12noon in the Ministries Building.

**Tuesday, June 9 - Wednesday, June 10** - Eucharistic Adoration: Tuesday, June 9 at 8AM thru Wednesday, June 10 at 4:00PM in Church.

**Tuesday, June 9** – Women at the Well meets from 5-8:00PM in the Family Center.

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## WEEKLY DONATION

May 16/17, 2026

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Eastern Europe Church	1,560.00
Other Donation	400.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$7,737.00</b>

Online donation for April 2026 is \$7,725.50

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