

Church of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

December 13, 2009



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Lord's Day Masses:

Saturday 6:00 pm

Sunday 8:30 am & 10:30 am

Weekday & Holy Day Masses

Please consult the bulletin

Bulletin deadline: Tuesday 9:00am

REJOICE!

Today, the Third Sunday of Advent, is traditionally referred to as Gaudete Sunday. This is the Advent Sunday of joy. Today's first reading, responsorial psalm, and second reading call us to express joy in three ways. We are summoned to "shout for joy" (Zephaniah 3:14), to "cry out with joy" (Isaiah 12:6), and to "rejoice in the Lord always" (Philippians 4:4). Expressing Christian joy is quite distinct from the kind of joy we express, for instance, when our favorite sports team wins an important game. That kind of joy is fleeting. Christian joy is an inner peace and spiritual happiness that is developed throughout our lives and sustains us even when we struggle. It is the kind of joy that is infectious. Others can tell that there is simply something different about us. Let us rejoice this day, for to us shall come Emmanuel.

Parish Registration: We welcome new members into St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, a community of faith, hope, and love. We will strive to foster your spiritual growth and hope you will share with the gifts God has given you. Please pick up a registration form in the back of church, or by stopping by the Parish Office and completing the registration form. If you move away, please notify the parish office.

Eucharistic Adoration: Monday, 8:00am—11pm.
 Questions call Dave Watercott 763-444-4651 or Deb
 Lorsung 763-444-9889.

Reconciliation: Saturday, 5:00 pm—5:30 pm

Rosary: Tuesday—Friday, 8:05 am

Communion for the home bound: If you or some-
 one you love is unable to come to Mass (surgery,
 homebound, etc) the Extraordinary Ministers of Holy
 Communion will be happy to bring Communion to
 your home. To arrange please call Carol Kahle 763-
 444-4742.

Marriage: Arrangements must be made 6 months in
 advance. Must be a registered parishioner for at least
 6 months prior to beginning marriage preparation.

Baptism: Parish membership, and baptism classes
 are a prerequisite for having your child baptized at St.
 Elizabeth. Next classes are Feb. 3, 10, 17, 2010. For
 more information or to register call (763-444-4035)

Prayer Request Line: This prayer line is made up of
 volunteers who, when called, will pray for your re-
 quests daily. Please call Alma Vik 763-434-3060.
 (All requests are confidential.)

School of Religion: St Elizabeth Faith Formation
 provides Christian formation to children first grade
 through 10th grade, and adults interested in learning
 more about our Christian faith. Call the office.

Music Ministry: Call Gail Genin 763-444-6376

Youth Group Leaders: Grades 6-12, Deb Lorsung
 763-444-9889.

Liturgy of the Word for Children: During 10:30am
 Mass on Sundays as listed in the bulletin (ages 3-7)
 September through May, as published in the bulletin.



Envelope \$ 3,437.00
 Loose \$ 394.55
 Hospitality \$ 46.66

Amount Pledged \$ 70,299.00
 Pledges Realized \$ 58,964.
 Current Loan Balance \$ 221,277.17
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Please remember St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church
 when writing or changing your will

Liturgical Ministers for December 12 – 13, 2009		
<u>6:00pm</u>	<u>8:30am</u>	<u>10:30am</u>
Mass Servers		
Hermanson	Utschinski	Kerkes
Lector		
C. Bulera	M. Stine V. Bennett	M. Reinert P. Sayotovich
E.M.C.		
C. Kahle	E. Noga	I. Marin
Greeters		
Jameson	Perron	Wilkes
Hospitality		
	Mack	

Mass Intentions for the week

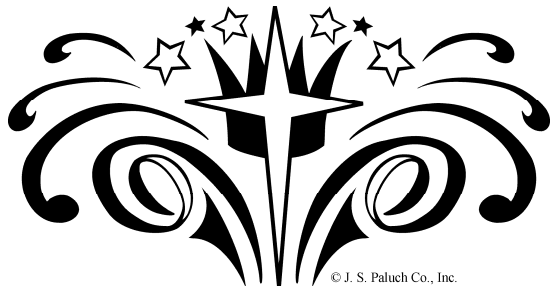
MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

14 Mon	8:00am	Adoration
15 Tue	8:30am	Jackie Pulse & Family
16 Wed	8:30am	Josephine Kolson & faily
17 Thu	8:30am	+Joanne Mau
18 Fri	8:30am	+Jerry Jacobson
19 Sat	6:00pm	+Malrene Scartozzi
20 Sun	8:30am	For the Parish
20 Sun	10:30am	+Leon Westhoff

Pray for ... the sick of our parish, those listed in
 the book of prayer request. Barb
 McCarty, Deb Hermanson, Carrie Curtis & family,
 Leo Robillard, Bob Morley, Brian Carpenter, Austin
 & Irene McGear, Andrea Munich, Jerry Carlson,
 Cindy Hurkman, Norris Shugren, Carrie & Dave
 Dion & family, Joe Skolte, Michele Schoenecker,
 Shirley Jonas, Jake, Sophie, Chris, Will . Keep in
 your prayers all those who need our prayers. For our
 troops, farmers, troubled youth, troubled marriages,
 end to abortion. For vocations to the priesthood and
 religious life. For those who don't come to the
 Eucharist Table. For those who went Home.

**Third Sunday of Advent
December 13, 2009**

With joy you will draw water at the fountain of salvation.
— *Isaiah 12:3*



- Sun. Dec 13, Breakfast with Santa, after Masses.
Bible Study 4pm
- Tue. Dec 15, Bible Study 10am
- Wed. Dec 16, Faith Formation, 7pm
Youth Group Parents Meeting 7pm
- Thu. Dec 17, Knights of Columbus Meeting, 7pm
- Sat Dec 19, Bible Study 3pm
- Sun Dec 20, Reconciliation 7pm

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Shout for joy! Sing joyfully! Be glad and exult! The LORD, your God, is in your midst, a mighty savior (Zephaniah 3:14-18a).

Psalms — Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel (Isaiah 12).

Second Reading — Rejoice! The Lord is near. Make your requests known to God (Philippians 4:4-7).

Gospel — John tells his hearers to share their possessions with the needy; be honest; do not threaten or accuse others falsely (Luke 3:10-18).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a; Mt 21:23-27
- Tuesday: Zep 3:1-2, 9-13; Mt 21:28-32
- Wednesday: Is 45:6b-8, 18, 21b-25; Lk 7:18b-23
- Thursday: Gn 49:2, 8-10; Mt 1:1-17
- Friday: Jer 23:5-8; Mt 1:18-25
- Saturday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Lk 1:5-25
- Sunday: Mi 5:1-4a; Ps 80; Heb 10:5-10; Lk 1:39-45

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Third Sunday of Advent
- Monday: St. John of the Cross

Those who are **singing** for the 4:30pm Christmas Eve Mass are invited to attend the rehearsal on December 23rd at 7pm. If you have questions call Phil Carlson 763-444-5633.

Knights will be selling **Christmas cards** after all masses this weekend.

Enhance your Advent season with a Biblical Journey from Abraham through the New Testament! Fr. George leads a small group session, "The Spirituality of Our Journey" beginning with a call from God and looking toward a heavenly promise. You're welcome to attend either Sundays, Dec 6, 13, and (19th (Saturday from 3-5pm)) from 4pm to 6pm or Tuesdays, Dec 8, 15, and 22 from 10am to noon. No need to sign-up, just come and share in this wonderful discussion and Biblical Journey!

Memorial flowers for Christmas are available at a cost of \$ 9 each. Please make donation prior to Sunday December 20th. Names of all memorials will be published in the Bulletin.

AN ADVENT PRAYER

May the God of peace make us completely holy.
May God keep us blameless in spirit, soul and body
for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.
Forever faithful is the One who calls us—God our Father!
Expectant, let us live in joyful hope
for the revelation of the glory
of our God and Savior, Christ Jesus!

To him be glory forever!

Come, Lord Jesus! Your grace be with us all.

—From *Come, Lord Jesus* by Lucien Deiss, CSSp, copyright 1976, 1981, Lucien Deiss. Published by World Library Publications. p. 127

On January 9, 2010 after the 6pm Mass here at St. Elizabeth's, a dinner will follow for all widows and widowers of our parish. During **Mass, a special remembrance** of prayers will be offered for deceased spouses and their families. After Mass a home cooked meal, a time to socialize and prayers will be offered by a group from "Why Catholic." Please register at the office if you plan to attend. 763-444-4035