

# Church of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

December 27, 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

## **FAMILY IN CRISIS**

Today's Gospel gives us the only real glimpse we have into the life of the Holy Family during the childhood of Jesus. Here we see a family in crisis. A son is lost and frantic parents search and search until they finally find him. We hear these words from the mother of Jesus: "Son, why have you done this to us? Your father and I have been looking for you with great anxiety" (Luke 2:48). We can only imagine the distress felt by Mary and Joseph. Their love for their son brought them to their wits' end. Let us take the opportunity this day to ask the Blessed Virgin Mary and Saint Joseph to intercede for us in times when our families experience anxiety and fear.

**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 someone 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 requests 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.



Weekly offering figures were not available at the time of publication.

Amount Pledged \$ 70,299.00

Pledges Realized \$ 60,249.

Current Loan Balance \$ 219,172.98

Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

Please remember St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church when writing or changing your will

| <b>Liturgical Ministers for January 2-3, 2009</b> |                      |                       |
|---|----------------------|-----------------------|
| <b><u>6:00pm</u></b>                              | <b><u>8:30am</u></b> | <b><u>10:30am</u></b> |
| <b><u>Mass Servers</u></b>                        |                      |                       |
| Boysen  | Skalickey            | Zabinski              |
| <b><u>Lectors</u></b>                             |                      |                       |
| D. Watercott                                      | J. Hall              | T. Peterson           |
|   | C. Lindahl           | A. Zabinski           |
| <b><u>E.M.C.</u></b>                              |                      |                       |
| T&C Winkler                                       | P. Sayotovich        | S. Zabinski           |
| M. Sima   | K. Peterson          | M. Morton             |
|   | I. Watercott         | T&J Dahlin            |
|   | M. Westhoff          | S. Herbst             |
| <b><u>Greeters</u></b>                            |                      |                       |
| Boysen  | Lambert              | Cunningham            |
| <b><u>Hospitality</u></b>                         |                      |                       |
|   | Swanson              |                       |



**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

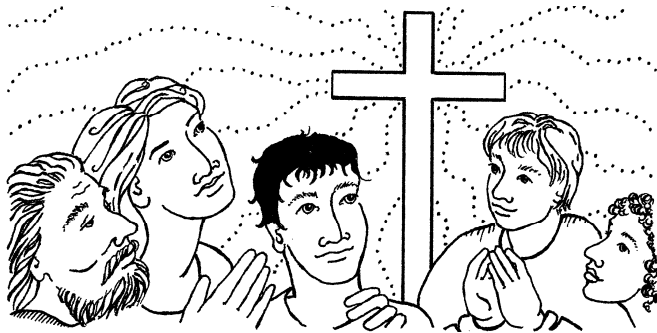
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| 28 Mon | 8:00am  | Adoration               |
| 29 Tue | 8:30am  | +Marlene Scartozzi      |
| 30 Wed | 8:30am  | +Joanne Mau             |
| 31 Thu | 8:30am  | +Terry Walker & family  |
| 01 Fri | 9:00am  | Holy Day of Obligation  |
|        | 7:00pm  | +Leon Westhoff          |
| 02 Sat | 6:00pm  | Paul & Vivie Castrodale |
| 03 Sun | 8:30am  | +Jerry Jacobson         |
| 03 Sun | 10:30am | For the Parish          |

**Pray for ...** the sick of our parish, those listed in the book of prayer request. Barb McCarty, Deb Hermanson, Carrie Curtis & family, Bob Morley, Sue Revering, Harold Tompkins, Carrie & Dave Dion & family, Tyler & Stephen Kowalik, Irene Jaros, Tom & Susie Johnson, Lazarz families, Wicht families, Mary Mack, Ryan Mossengen, Sharon Kowalik, Joe Skolte, Michele Schoenecker, Shirley Jonas, Gail Cannon, Chris Bianco, Leo Robillard, the Kostas. 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.



**The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph  
December 27, 2009**

Beloved, we are God's children now; what we shall be has not yet been revealed. — *1 John 3:2a*



-Wed. Dec. 30, NO Faith Formation  
-Fri Jan 1 Holy Day of Obligation,  
Mass at 9am and 7pm

**TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** — Hannah gives her son Samuel back to the LORD, leaving him in the temple at Shiloh: "As long as he lives, he shall be dedicated to the LORD" (1 Samuel 1:20-22, 24-28) or *Sirach 3:2-7, 12-14*.

**Psalm** — Blessed are they who dwell in your house, O Lord (Psalm 84) or *Psalm 128*.

**Second Reading** — We are children of God when we believe in the name of God's Son, Jesus Christ, and love one another just as he commanded us (1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24) or *Colossians 3:12-21 [12-17]*.

**Gospel** — Joseph and Mary find the lost Jesus in the temple in the midst of the teachers, listening to them and asking questions (Luke 2:41-52).

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: 1 Jn 1:5 — 2:2; Mt 2:13-18  
Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:3-11; Lk 2:22-35  
Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:12-17; Lk 2:36-40  
Thursday: 1 Jn 2:18-21; Jn 1:1-18  
Friday: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67; Gal 4:4-7;  
Lk 2:16-21  
Saturday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Jn 1:19-28  
Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6;  
Mt 2:1-12

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

Sunday: The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph  
Monday: The Holy Innocents  
Tuesday: St. Thomas Becket  
Thursday: St. Sylvester I; New Year's Eve  
Friday: Octave of Christmas; New Year's Day;  
The Blessed Virgin Mary,  
Mother of God;  
World Day of Prayer for Peace;  
First Friday  
Saturday: Ss. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen; First Saturday

Women's Retreat January **29-31** are the dates for the retreat many of us go to. This years theme is "Jesus Conquer Fear." The retreat experience is an enjoyable time of renewal and relaxing. The retreat is held at Christ the King Retreat Center in Buffalo MN and we are carpooling if interested and have more questions call faith at 689-0217. Buy your wife/mother a relaxing spiritual weekend.

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

Annual Guild sponsored **food drive** will be held January 4th to February 7th. Boxes will be placed in the gathering area.

The **Knights of Columbus** would like to thank everyone who contributed to this years **toy drive**. The toys were given to the Isanti Lions and distributed through their "Isanti County Christmas Project" to needy families within the county. Thank you for your generosity and may you have a Blessed Christmas and New Year.

**Youth News**

-Next **NET Mass** is Jan 9th. Break in 2010 and join us for the 1st Lifeline Mass at the NET Center with music and worship with SONAR, a vibrant Mass, and dynamic break-out sessions for teens and parents. Sessions include: "Living as a Daughter of the King", for teen girls; The Battle for a Man's Heart" for the guys; and "Raising Spiritual Champions for the Long Haul", a session for parents. Meet in the parking lot at 4:15 to carpool and bring money for pie. Return time is 12:00am. You must call Anne to arrange a ride, 444-8425  
-All parents of youth grades 6-12 are invited to attend the youth **planning meeting** on Wednesday, January 6th from 6:30-8pm at Rendezvous Coffee shop.