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# St. Elizabeth Seton Parish

First Sunday of Advent

November 29, 2015



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#### **Regular Office Hours**

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## **Mass Intentions**

Monday November 30th 9:00 Edgardo Silva (D)

Req by: Letty Silva

**Tuesday December 1st**9am **Emmeline Burns (D)**Reg by: Kathleen York & Family

Wednesday December 2nd 9am Ed Devlin (D)

Req by: Colum & Rita Whelan

Thursday December 3rd 9am Maria Samu (D) Req by: Antonela Milenic

## Sunday Masses are for ALL GOD'S PEOPLE



Coffee Sunday Schedule

Nov. 29th 8:00 Sherrer Family 9:30 Brennan Family 11:00 Culligan Family

Dec. 6th 8:00 CWG 9:30 CWG 11:00 CWG

A simple cup of coffee becomes happiness when you share it with friends!



## **Looking For...**

the owner of envelope number 617. Please contact the parish office. Thank you

## 2016 MISSALS

Are available in the parish library \$5.00 Children Missals \$7.00



Weekend of Nov. 21st/22nd: Sunday Offertory \$6,402.10 Countdown \$ 160.00

> Alcoholic Anonymous meet every Saturday at 8pm Knights of Columbus room.

#### Ruminations...

It has been an exciting couple of weeks. First there was the conversation with the artist that the CWG is commissioning to do our anniversary statue. Then this week there was a conversation with the landscape architect who is sketching the infrastructure for that same statue. It is not enough to plunk it in the middle of the lawn and be done with it. I'm not sure if you have ever had the opportunity to sit with artists and explore ideas and ideals, creatively discussing possibilities and pondering spiritual statements of what you are trying make, but I find those encounters incredibly life giving and life invigorating. As many conversations we have about winning the lottery and what we would do with that influx of cash, there is an intangible difference with these artistic exercises. In a sense the lottery is about what we would do, but the art is about who we are and what we want to communicate to the rest of the world. It is an exploration of hopes and dreams, a much higher reality than the lottery, though certainly sometimes you need a lottery to make it a reality. Well as I reflected with great fondness on the meeting with the landscape architect, talking trees and plants and paths, it struck me just how appropriate it was at this time of year with the onset of Advent. Advent too is a similar exercise of dreaming of possibilities. It is a time of waiting for the fulfillment of all things. It is a time for dreaming of better times, when there is no violence or hostilities, when as Isaiah says, "nation will not raise a sword against nation' and 'we will learn war no more." That is the authentic preparation for Christmas, when we can work to welcome the stranger (so the anniversary statue 'When I was a stranger you welcomed me seems entirely apropos), or when I was hungry you fed me or when I was naked you clothed me, or when I was thirsty you gave me to drink'. So as we enter into this economics driven time unofficially inaugurated by the new starter's pistol called 'Black Friday', take some time for dream- dream of a better life for yourself, and your family. Dream of how our parish and our community can welcome the kingdom of God in all it entails. That is exactly what the 'One Bread, One Body' loaf is all about-recognizing and celebrating our unity. We are waiting for the landscape architect to provide a sketch of our conversation, to see our hopes and dreams begin to take shape, to work to make our anniversary statue a reality so that it can stand as



a constant reminder of who we are- the people who dreamed of a better world, and who live to 'welcome the stranger' as Christ himself.

Happy Advent.

Fr. Roy

### **Announcements and Events...**

## ST. YINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

# Don Montague Christmas Program URGENT REQUEST

Thank you to those who have donated to this loving challenge. However if you have not yet donated we URGENTLY require your financial help. TODAY, please take a Saint Vincent De Paul blue envelope, and make a contribution. You can find the envelopes in the vestibule of the church. Tax receipts will be issued after Christmas

#### **Food Drive**



The food is given to those families that you sponsor and is an important adjunct to the gift cards. Non-perishable food items like, canned vegetables, fruits and tomato sauces, pasta and cereals, etc. will be gratefully accepted. These items should be

brought to the church on or before Sunday, December 6th.

#### Mary McCluskey Giving Tree

Please take a star or two. Each star describes a gift you may purchase to make a wish come true for those folks living in assisted care and group homes. The gifts should be returned to the church, with the stars, on or before Sunday, December 6th.





#### **CWG WINE & CHEESE EVENING**

All Ladies of the Parish are invited to join us on Tuesday, December 8th for our annual Wine & Cheese get-together, starting with Mass at 6.30

p.m., and social to follow in Seton Hall at approximately 7.15 p.m. There is no cost, but we would ask that you bring a new, unwrapped toy, clothing or toiletries for the young mothers and babies at Rose of Sharon. We will be handing over a cheque for \$500 to a representative from Rose of Sharon, which represents a portion of the proceeds from the Bake Table at our Christmas Bazaar ....'tis the Season to be Merry .....



Our next **Soup and Movie,**"**The Bishops Wife**" will be on Tuesday
December 1st. Please register with the
parish office.

#### **Gourmet Christmas Cakes**

Will be on sale after every mass the weekend of December 5th/6th in the parish hall. \$15 for small and \$25 for large. All proceeds will go to support the work of Campaign Life Coalition.





#### St. Elizabeth Seton Parish Advent Family of Schools Mass

St Elizabeth Seton, Our Lady of Good Council & Good Shepherd

Join us on Thursday December 3rd at 6:30pm

## **Announcements and Events.....**

## Breaking Open the Word Reflection Forms

There were so many awesome reflections for the Feast of Christ the King..... "Jesus came to be witness to God's love".... "we need to allow God's love to revealed to us" Hat's off to Michael M., Nicholas M., Kate K., Lily D., Rachel I., Maggie D., Austin C., and Amanda F.

#### **Day of Reconciliation**

Wednesday December 15th, 11am to Noon & 1pm to 2pm at St. Elizabeth Seton



#### **Community Reconciliation**

Wednesday December 15th 7pm at St. John Chrysostom



## CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

## **Christmas Eve Masses**

Thursday, December 24th 4:30pm Family Mass 7:30pm Mass 12:00am Midnight

## **Christmas Day Masses**

Friday December 25<sup>th</sup> 9:30am & 11:00am

Saturday December 26th and Sunday December 27th ~ Regular Mass Times

## **Holiday Weekday Mass**

Monday December 28th, Tuesday December 29th and Wednesday December 30th ~ 10:00am

Thursday December 31st ~NO morning mass.

## New Year's Eve Mass

Thursday December 31st 4:30pm Mass

## Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Friday January 1st 9:30am & 11:00am



## Let us pray for the sick...

Mavis Solomon
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Montserrat Lins
Bob Little
Maria Perek
Molly Nabuurs
Olive Hutton
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