

An abstract, expressive painting featuring a large, bright white dove in the center, surrounded by vibrant, swirling flames in shades of red, orange, and yellow. The background is a complex, layered composition of blue, green, and purple hues with fine, scratch-like lines and textures, suggesting a dynamic and spiritual atmosphere.

ST. ELIZABETH SETON CHURCH | ORLAND HILLS, IL  
MAY 28, 2023

# PENTECOST SUNDAY

Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you.  
As the Father has sent me, so I send you."

- Jn 20:21

## CORCORAN'S CORNER

### Ordination Tidbits . . .

Last Saturday, May 20, I had the privilege of attending the Ordination of **Fr. Dan Korenchan**, at Holy Name Cathedral. That evening, **Fr. Kevin** and I caught the end of Fr. Dan's family reception. Then, on Sunday, May 21, we attended Fr. Dan's First Mass at St. James Parish, Arlington Heights. This is the parish where he has served a five-year learning experience. They clearly have taught Fr. Dan well.

#### *A few impressions:*

■ The weather for Ordination Day and the First Mass was gorgeous. Good weather adds tremendously to any celebration. **Cardinal Cupich** was very relaxed. There are times when he can exude a nervous energy — but not on this Ordination day. He was most comfortable. He gave a great homily. The ceremony went off with out a hitch. The music was incredibly well done. I perhaps, may have chosen a more spritely Holy Communion hymn — but although more somber — it was very well done.

■ We ended up at the end of the family party, but in time for his family "boy band" [Fr. Dan has four brothers]. He also plays a mean trumpet — who knew? It was wonderful to see the brothers united in making music. I have tentatively booked his brothers "band" to play at our parish picnic on Sunday, August 6, along with my three nephews and my brother-in-law's "Dad Garage Band." It should be a great afternoon. Please plan on being there!

■ Apparently, Fr. Dan loves to dance. Another mark in his favor.

■ The First Mass at St. James Church was beautiful. It had a military precision to it. It was very correct, precise and lovely. Of course he had seminarians from St. Mary of the Lake Seminary act as servers, which was a little "above grade" than those in any parish.

■ While I do not intimidate easily, being surrounded by people who know Fr. Dan well, and them commenting how great he is, I felt like we had won the lottery. And I was unsure of what to do with all the money? But realizing my own shortcomings, I will heavily rely upon our wonderful parish community to offer Fr. Dan what he needs: support, encouragement, and challenge. We have great days ahead.

### Memorial Day . . .

Monday, May 29, is Memorial Day. We will celebrate with our Annual Memorial Day Mass in our church, at 9:00 AM. On this day we remember all who have died in service to our Nation: the deceased veterans, civil officials, and public servants. Please join us for Mass.

For over 30 years, I have been the celebrant for the Memorial Day Mass at Mount Olivet Cemetery, on 111th St., in Mount Greenwood [Chicago]. It is a smaller cemetery where my parents, and mom's family are buried. All Archdiocese of Chicago Memorial Day Field Mass times/locations can be found later in this bulletin.

### Looking Ahead . . .

Celebrating the Merry Month of May!

■ **May 27/28 — The Feast of Pentecost (Wear red!)**

■ **Monday, May 29 — Memorial Day** Mass will be at 9:00 AM, in the church.

We have great days ahead.

### Save The Date . . .

Our parish will be bidding **Fr. John Zurek**, a most fond farewell after eight years of service to our parish community. The celebration is scheduled for Father's Day Weekend, June 17/18. Father John will preach at all Masses, with our 11:30 AM Sunday Mass as the highlight, followed by a luncheon reception in the McBrady Center. Please plan to attend and giving Fr. John your fond wishes. He will remain with us until Friday, June 30. On July 1, he will continue his priestly ministry at St. George Parish, in Tinley Park.

### Principal Search . . .

Recently, we received sad news that our excellent Cardinal Joseph Bernardin School Principal, **Mrs. Kelly Bourrell**, will not return for the next academic year. I am very sorry that she has decided not to return. We had an excellent working relationship, and I am sorry to see her leave us. Change is part of life, and we continually live through transitions. We have begun the process of searching for a new principal for the school. I put the word out to all of you, because our parishioners can offer leads to people whom they know. Spread the word. I am happy to report that parishioners have done so, and I invite more of you to do so. As a community we know very good people.

### Our Eucharistic Year . . .

Throughout the world our Church is encouraging all of us to deepen our appreciation of the Eucharist. Our staff is brainstorming on ways that we can make this happen in the coming months. All thoughts are welcome.

### The Gardens of Versailles . . .

While our flower beds are not as extensive as the *Gardens of Versailles*, they are lovingly tended. There is a plan in place for flower displays. We are trying for a wildly colorful, "grandmother's garden" effect that blooms all through the growing season. Thanks to all those involved in these efforts. They are eye-catching.

### Passing The Baton . . .

We are rapidly approaching graduation season. From our tiny Preschoolers and Kindergarteners; to our young ladies and gentleman Eighth graders; to our young men and women High School and College graduates; to our Graduate students of all ages; this is the time that the baton is passed — and graduation marches are held.

These graduations are markers of growth, and achievement. Degrees are both earned and bestowed. They are earned through diligence and sweat. Late nights and persistence are often called for. Nothing achieved is done easily. Experience teaches us that. We earn these degrees, bit by small bit, accomplishment building on our efforts.

Degrees however are also bestowed. Not all our efforts will earn shining stars. Our struggles also become sources of new knowledge. We did meet the mark.

Congratulations to all our graduates, and to their rabid fans and supporters. Enjoy all you have received.

**Keep Smiling,**

*Fr. William Korenchan MS*

# MEMORIAL DAY MASS

**Monday, May 29, 9am**

*Our parish offices will be closed  
for the Memorial Day holiday.*



## ALL for ONE and ONE for ALL

In the quiet sanctuaries of our own hearts,  
let each of us name and call on the One  
whose power over us  
is great and gentle, firm and forgiving,  
holy and healing ...

You who created us,  
who sustain us,  
who call us to live in peace,  
hear our prayer this day.

Hear our prayer for all who have died,  
whose hearts and hopes  
are known to you alone ...

Hear our prayer for those who put  
the welfare of others ahead of their own  
and give us hearts as generous as theirs ...

Hear our prayer for those who  
gave their lives in the service of others,  
and accept the gift of their sacrifice ...

Help us to shape and make a world  
where we will lay down the arms of war  
and turn our swords into ploughshares  
for a harvest of justice and peace ...

Comfort those who grieve the loss of their  
loved ones and let your healing  
be the hope in our hearts ...

Hear our prayer this day  
and in your mercy answer us  
in the name of all that is holy.

The peace of God be with you. Amen.

— Author, Austin Fleming, is a priest of the Boston Archdiocese

## BAPTISMS

Congratulations to these parents on the baptism of their child on 5-21-23:  
**Isla Rose**, child of Michael and Allison Jebens  
**Georgia Dee Margaret**, child of Thomas and Christina Haynes  
**Kaden Joseph**, child of Michael and Amber Christy  
**Nora Christina**, child of Kevin Haag and Bridget Ryan

## WEDDINGS

Please pray for these couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage:  
**Kathleen Golden** and **Justin Oldenstedt**; 6-23-23  
**Mary Kate Bragg** and **Tyler Roehl**; 6-24-23

## PLEASE PRAY FOR

*Due to privacy issues we honor prayer requests (by you/family member only)  
for two weeks. Please call to add name or continue for two weeks.*

We remember the sick, infirm, and those recommended to our prayers,  
that they may experience the healing power of Christ:

**Ted O'Connell**  
**Mary Clayton**  
**Alyssa Kubala**  
**Leonard Linkus**  
**Baby Hamilton Gabriel Soto**  
**Maureen McCormick**

**Taris Merino**  
**Cinox Neils**  
**Richard Tropp**  
**Greg Rekar**  
**Kim Demma**  
**Tony Alderson**

And for our deceased:

**Edmund Zilinskas**

*"Heavenly Father, accept the prayers which we offer for them."*

## MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., May 27 (5pm) **For All Parishioners; Sharon Grill**

Sun., May 28 (7:30am) **Fran Piescinski; Laverne M. Losos**

(9:30am) **Patrick Buddell; Patricia Blaisdell**

(11:30am) **Charles Lofrano; Velma Marberry**

Monday, May 29 (9am) **Michael Mazur & Minerva Velasquez;**

**Peter J. McKenna**

Tuesday, May 30 (9am) **Leo Koszulinski**

Wed., May 31 (9am) **NO INTENTIONS**

Thurs., June 1 (9am) **John Mirecki, Sr.; Patricia & George Simkowski**

Friday, June 2 (9am) **Gilberto Perez; Mark Dalka**

Sat., June 3 (5pm) **Mary Pryal; Jonathan Paska & Zofia Slawinski**

Sun., June 4 (7:30am) **Gilberto Perez; For All Parishioners**

(9:30am) **The Julien Family; Andrew Przybysz**

(11:30am) **Dominic Russo; Rosemary McGinty**

## STEWARDSHIP

**COLLECTION FOR 5-21-2023: \$16,521.00**

Envelopes: \$13,098.00/E-giving: \$3,423.00

**Thank you for your generosity.**



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on Facebook: **Saint Elizabeth Seton Church-Orland Hills**  
VISIT OUR PARISH WEBSITE: [WWW.STESETON.COM](http://WWW.STESETON.COM)

# DREAMS AND VISIONS

By Gerald Darring  
The Perspective of Justice, St. Louis University

*The coming of the Spirit should fill us with  
dreams and visions of a better world . . .*

**I**n today's Gospel Jesus promises us that "I will not leave you orphaned; I will come back to you and you will have life." Our faith, nurtured in this great paschal season, tells us that God-made-flesh is God-with-us, never abandoning us and always filling us with life.

It should be a great comfort to all of us, who share in the pain and suffering of ordinary life, to know that the Spirit of Jesus is with us always. It should be especially comforting to know that Jesus will not leave orphaned all those whom the world casts aside: the poor and homeless, the racial and ethnic minorities, the sick and dying, the prisoner and the refugee.

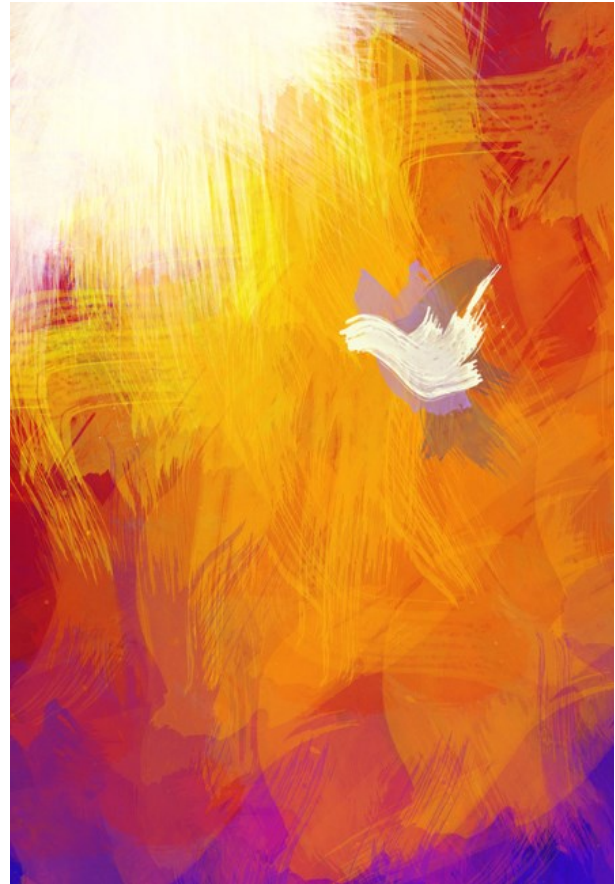
*"Thus says the Lord: I will pour out my spirit upon all mankind. Your sons and daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall see visions."*

**T**he coming of the Spirit should fill us with dreams and visions of a better world. Let us dream, in the Spirit, of a classless society in which all people are regarded and treated as equals.

Let us dream, in the Spirit, of a nonviolent world in which there is no war, no terrorist attacks on innocent people, no murder, and no death penalty.

Let us dream, in the Spirit, of a world of economic justice in which all people have their basic needs met, and no one lives in poverty, hunger, or homelessness. Let us dream, in the Spirit, of a world of love, forgiveness, and service.

*"Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth." May the Spirit of God guide us to end the suffering we have brought on ourselves and unite the faces and nations on earth to proclaim your glory."*



The People of God believe that they are led by the Spirit of the Lord, who fills the earth. Motivated by this faith, it labors to decipher authentic signs of God's presence and purpose in the happenings, needs, and desires in which this People has a part along with other men of our age. For faith throws a new light on everything, manifests God's design for man's total vocation, and thus directs the mind to solutions which are fully human.

**Vatican II**  
**Constitution on the Church in the**  
**Modern World, 1965:11**

St. Elizabeth Seton Women's Club presents

# WANTED crafts & vendors

## SECOND ANNUAL FALL CRAFT/ VENDOR FAIR AND BAKE SALE Sept 9/Sept 10 (9am-3pm both days) in the McBrady Center

Registration fee is \$50 for the weekend,  
plus a raffle prize donation.

Registration deadline is July 31, 2023.

- 6-ft. table and plastic tablecloth provided.
- 8-ft. tables will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis if they are available.

### OPEN TO ALL! REGISTER NOW!

Contact Lori Stanfa for details/to register at  
708-257-5466 or [stanfaSESWC@gmail.com](mailto:stanfaSESWC@gmail.com).

## Celebrating 50 Years of Marriage? GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY AT HOLY NAME CATHEDRAL

Congratulations! The Archdiocese of Chicago invites you to participate in the Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, Sept. 17, 2023, at 2:30pm, in Holy Name Cathedral, 735 N. State, Chicago. Register by Sept. 15, 2023, at: <https://pvm.archchicago.org/events/golden-wedding>

## OUR MASS INTENTIONS BOOK FOR 2024 IS OPEN!

For those wanting to offer the intention of a Mass for the 2024 calendar year, stop into the parish office, M-F, 9am-1pm, or Sunday, 8am-1pm. (\$10 suggested donation).



ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES



Join us for our annual

# MEMORIAL DAY FIELD MASS

May 29, 2023 at 10:30 am

All Saints, Des Plaines  
847.298.0450

Ascension, Libertyville  
847.362.1247

Assumption, Glenwood  
708.758.4772

Calvary, Evanston  
847.864.3050

Good Shepherd, Orland Park  
708.226.9951

Holy Cross, Calumet City  
708.862.5398

Holy Sepulchre, Alsip  
708.422.3020

Maryhill, Niles  
847.823.0982

Mt. Carmel, Hillside  
708.449.8300

Mt. Olivet, Chicago  
773.239.4422

Our Lady of Sorrows, Hillside  
708.449.8300

Queen of Heaven, Hillside  
708.449.8300

Resurrection, Justice  
708.458.4770

St. Adalbert, Niles  
847.647.9845

St. Benedict, Chicago  
773.239.4422

St. Boniface, Chicago  
847.864.3050

St. Casimir, Chicago  
773.239.4422

St. Joseph, River Grove  
708.453.0184

St. Mary, Evergreen Park  
708.422.8720

St. Michael the Archangel, Palatine  
847.397.3284

## Additional Parish Masses Please contact Parish.

St. Bede, Ingleside  
847.587.2251  
Ss. Cyril & Methodius, Lemont  
630.257.2776  
St. James, Sag Bridge  
630.257.7000  
St. James, Sauk Village  
708.757.2170  
St. Joseph, Wilmette  
847.251.0771  
St. Mary, Buffalo Grove  
847.541.1450  
St. Mary, Fremont Center  
847.223.0010  
St. Michael, Orland Park  
708.349.0903  
St. Patrick, Lake Forest  
847.234.1401  
St. Patrick, Lemont  
630.257.2414  
St. Patrick, Wadsworth  
847.244.4161  
St. Peter, Skokie  
847.673.1492  
St. Peter, Volo  
815.385.5496  
Sacred Heart, Palos Hills  
708.974.3336  
Sacred Heart, Winnetka  
847.446.0856  
Transfiguration, Wauconda  
847.526.2400

708.236.5400 • [CatholicCemeteriesChicago.org](http://CatholicCemeteriesChicago.org)

## SENIORS OF SETON



### **NEXT MEETING: TUESDAY, JUNE 6, 10AM INSTALLATION OF NEW OFFICERS MEMBER'S APPRECIATION LUNCHEON**

Doors to McBrady Center open at 9:30am (following the 9am Mass) and not beforehand. Split-the-Pot tickets may be purchased PRIOR to the start of our meeting.

Installation of new officers will take place, followed by a light member's luncheon. Tickets may be purchased in the parish office. Cost: \$5 p/p. Deadline to purchase tickets is Tuesday, May 30. No tickets will be sold on the day of the luncheon.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to our newly elected SOS Club Officers for 2023-2024. They are as follows:

President: **Doug Benker**  
1<sup>st</sup> Vice President: **Sharon Oskielunas**  
2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President: **Judy Gula**  
Secretary: **Marjorie Broderick**  
Treasurer: **Diane May**

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Trip flyers w/details available in the parish office and at monthly meetings. Reservation w/completed form and full payment can be dropped off for SOS in the parish office. Make checks payable to Seniors of Seton unless noted otherwise. Email Judy Gula, [rhip01@AOL.COM](mailto:rhip01@AOL.COM) or Carol Pjosek, [caramiary@sbcglobal.net](mailto:caramiary@sbcglobal.net).

#### ■ **SCENIC ROUTE 66 DAY TRIP—SEPT. 13**

**Cost: \$120 pp. Checks payable to SOS.** Bus departs at 8am, returns at approx. 6pm. Author/historian, John Weiss, will join us for an eight-hour informative day on "America's Mother Road." Visit towns such as Wilmington, Gardner, Dwight, Odell and Pontiac. Trip includes transportation, snacks, family-style lunch and ice cream at the Polk-A-Dot Diner. Questions? Email Judy Gula at [rhip01@aol.com](mailto:rhip01@aol.com).

#### ■ **SAVANNAH, JEKYLL ISLAND, AND BEAUFORT, SC TRIP—OCTOBER 22-28**

Bus leaves at 8AM. \$769/pp double occupancy (Add \$254 for single occupancy). Trip consists of seven days, six nights and includes transportation, lodging, 10 meals, sightseeing, evening show at Famous Savannah Theater, and guided tours of Savannah, Beaufort, SC, St. Simons Island, and Jekyll Island. \$75 due upon sign up. Final payment due by August 15. Make check payable to Diamond Tours at time of booking. Optional travel insurance available for purchase. Contact Judy Gula, 708-261-6767, or email [rhip01@aol.com](mailto:rhip01@aol.com).

## SAINT OF THE WEEK



### **Mary, Truly Our Sister**

During the month of May, the message from Pope Paul VI, was to honor Mary not only as "our mother" but also as "our sister" for, as we ponder the various components of Mary's life, we are able to see in her "someone like us." Mary, the poor woman of Nazareth, chosen by God to bear Jesus, lived her "yes" to God throughout the joys and sorrows, worries and uncertainties of her life. Through our prayer, we become aware that many aspects of our own pilgrimage of faith, and that of many women throughout the world, mirrors that of Mary. She was homeless at the time of her child's birth, a refugee fleeing to the safety of Egypt; she was a widow, a single mother. She knew the agony of losing her child in a crowd, of worry about her son leaving home to embark on a new mission to spread the good news of God's love for all, of seeing him face death for all he believed in. With courage and faith she continued to love and serve God with all her heart, all her soul and all her strength.

Mary was not a "timidly submissive woman." Rather "she was a woman who did not hesitate to proclaim that God vindicates the humble and the oppressed, and removed the powerful people of the world from their privileged positions. Following her example, let us hear the word of God and act on it in our day-to-day lives.

## Statement of Cardinal Blase J. Cupich, Archbishop of Chicago, in Response to the Illinois Attorney General Report

May 23, 2023

Today, Illinois Attorney General Kwame Raoul published a report (the Report) on his office's investigation of allegations of child sexual abuse against clergy in the six Illinois Catholic dioceses over a period of nearly 90 years. The Report addresses both how dioceses responded to such allegations in decades past and current policies that help ensure the safety of children and support the healing of survivors. We have not studied the report in detail but have concerns about data that might be misunderstood or are presented in ways that could be misleading. It is therefore important that we state what we know to be true. For example:

The 451 names "disclosed":

- 451 is all 6 dioceses and includes religious order priests.
- 451 includes the priests already on the 6 websites.
- ALL were reported to civil authorities, none were undisclosed, none were "hiding in plain sight since at least 2002."
- We DO list religious found by their orders to be substantiated.
- 149 still "undisclosed" men are mostly religious order members who are not on our site; they are not undisclosed, and they are under the supervision and report to their respective order. AG himself distinguished between dioceses and religious orders, saying "this was an investigation of the dioceses, not the orders," recognizing they are different. However their totals include both.
- AG said: church is more worthy of investigation because it is a trusted religious organization. We think all children deserve to be protected regardless of whether they are cared for by a religious or secular institution; it isn't fair or wise to focus only on the Catholic Church, which has made the greatest strides in this area.
- Statute of limitations: we offer care, compassion (pastoral outreach) and even compensation to all who come forward, regardless of the statute of limitations.
- AG recommends outsiders being involved in overseeing our internal church investigations. We have had an independent review board with lay people overseeing these investigations since 1992, which is why the number of abuse incidents has dropped so dramatically.

We must think first of the survivors of sexual abuse who carry the burden of these crimes through their lives. On behalf of the archdiocese, I apologize to all who have been harmed by the failure to prevent and properly respond to child sexual abuse by clerics. Survivors will forever be in our prayers, and we have devoted ourselves to rooting out this problem and providing healing to victims.

For more than 30 years, the Archdiocese of Chicago has been at the forefront of developing and improving policies and programs to address the scourge of child sexual abuse and to support survivors. Our policies and procedures, first adopted in 1992, have served as a model for organizations and professionals dealing with this difficult issue. I hope the attention drawn to the issue by the Report will encourage those who work with minors to learn from our experience and take steps to protect all children from sexual abuse.

Here are some key facts about our efforts in the Archdiocese of Chicago:

- Since 1992, we have maintained one of the first and largest victim-survivor assistance programs in the nation. We provide assistance to anyone making an allegation, regardless of whether the accused is living or whether the allegation is substantiated.
- No cleric with even one substantiated allegation against him is in ministry in the Archdiocese of Chicago. When we learn of an allegation of abuse, we act promptly, report it to civil authorities, remove the accused from ministry and investigate the allegation. Allegations are submitted to our lay-majority Independent Review Board for investigation. In accordance with the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) Charter for the Protection of Children and Youth, clerics found to have committed even one act of child sexual abuse are permanently removed from ministry.

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## Statement of Cardinal Blase J. Cupich, Archbishop of Chicago

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- The archdiocese has, to our knowledge, reported all allegations of child sexual abuse by clergy to civil authorities, including the oldest allegations. We report these allegations regardless of whether the accused is alive or dead, a diocesan priest, an extern priest from another diocese or a religious order priest. We consider an allegation to have been made even if the report is made anonymously, has incomplete facts (such as the name of the priest or parish) or is made by a third party, and we report all such allegations to civil authorities. It is important to emphasize that, to our knowledge, there are no “hidden,” “undisclosed” or “unreported” allegations of child sexual abuse by the clergy of this archdiocese.
- Under our recently amended policies, allegations against deceased priests who have not yet been placed on our website list are processed by our Independent Review Board. If an allegation against a deceased priest is substantiated, the priest’s name is added to the list.
- When an allegation of child sexual abuse involves a religious order priest working in a ministry of the archdiocese, such as a parish assignment, we remove the accused’s faculties to minister in the archdiocese, contact the religious order and help facilitate the survivor’s report. Every religious order with members living in the archdiocese is mandated to have a process for investigating such allegations.
- Since 2006, we have published the names of diocesan priests with substantiated allegations of abuse on our website. In 2014, we published more than 20,000 documents from these priests’ files. These documents remain on our website.
- We update our website list as needed and have expanded it to include the names of religious order priests whose order has substantiated an accusation against them and who have been assigned to a ministry of the Archdiocese of Chicago such as a parish.
- We conduct background screenings for archdiocesan clergy, employees and volunteers and implement a comprehensive safe-environment training program for adults and children. Over the last two years, we trained more than 112,000 children in an age-appropriate manner on how to recognize, resist and report abusive behavior. To date, we have trained more than 263,000 adults in 3,700 training sessions.

As is required by the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Youth, (the Charter) we audit our parish and school safe environment programs every year and, in turn, the archdiocese’s compliance with the Charter is audited by the USCCB.

- Additionally, we have worked in collaboration with survivors to respond to their need for healing. This partnership has led to the development of the Healing Garden, an annual Mass for Hope and Healing and Pinwheel Service for Child Abuse Prevention, survivor-led peace circles, and the Healing Voices magazine.
- We always seek to improve our child protection and victim support efforts. We have repeatedly had our processes, policies and files reviewed by independent experts to help ensure we remain current with best practices.

In addition to these steps, the Archdiocese of Chicago fully cooperates with law enforcement, including with the Attorney General’s investigation. We have made our employees available for interviews and provided access to hundreds of thousands of documents. We are committed to continuously reviewing our policies and will carefully consider any changes recommended by the Attorney General. Indeed, the archdiocese has already implemented a number of recommendations the Attorney General made during the course of the investigation such as expansion of the parameters of our website list.

From my earliest days as a bishop, I have dealt with allegations of child sexual abuse by putting the child at the center of my actions. In my experience, whether the abuse happened in the recent or distant past, the survivor speaks from the pain they suffered as that wounded and betrayed child. The Archdiocese of Chicago has long sought to heal them and prevent this crime from occurring again. I am personally committed to applying the highest level of vigilance to these efforts and to further strengthening our safeguards against abuse. I invite other institutions that care for children and civil authorities to join us in this work and consider adopting the procedures we have developed over the past three decades, so that all children are kept safe.

## Fourth Annual Multi-Parish MISSION PROJECT



Building Partnerships • Building Relationships • Building Community

Building Homes

*"Let Us Build A House  
Where Love Can Dwell"*

**June 23-24, 2023**

*on the campus of  
St. Stephen Church*

HOSTED BY THE PARISHES OF

St. Elizabeth Seton

St. George

St. Julie Billiart

St. Michael

St. Stephen, Deacon and Martyr

St. Francis of Assisi

Incarnation St. Terrence

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!  
DONATIONS NEEDED!**

Information/Registration Forms

**AVAILABLE THIS WEEKEND!**

**in the Narthex (on the table located  
by the parish office doors)**

**Contact:**

**Maryola Ward, 708-906-0297**

**Mike York, 708-910-4040**



## St. Elizabeth Seton Church Social Action Ministry SOUP KITCHEN UPDATE

*When the door to the Shepherd's Table  
Daybreak Shelter in Joliet (pictured above),  
opened up for their Soup Kitchen last  
Sunday, May 21, over 100 people were  
lined up, and hungry ...*

**W**aiting right inside for them was the delicious dinner that members of our Social Action Ministry Team had just finished preparing: baked chicken, hamburger casserole, ham slices in pineapple, homemade mashed potatoes and gravy, a fresh vegetable salad, and warm buttered garlic bread were served to each client at a table service meal. No meal served by our team would be complete without a scrumptious dessert! Each guest was offered warm brownies, topped with ice cream and chocolate sauce. To make the afternoon fun, those in the dining room enjoyed playing Bingo and loved the prizes. In addition, we always try to provide each person with a small gift. After we cleaning up the kitchen and leaving for the day, one man was waiting outside to thank us, "I haven't had such good food since I was eating at my grandma's home. You are true angels."

Now that we are in a post-COVID environment with guests being welcomed into the shelter (instead of a hand out bag lunch), and with food price expense soaring, the crowds are getting larger in numbers. We can use more volunteers. We are ever-mindful that in our service to the hungry, we are feeding Him. We serve every third Sunday of the month. Our next Soup Kitchen is on Father's Day, June 18. To volunteer, please call Liz Wisnasky, at 708-614-6475. Time commitment is from 9am-1pm. The location is 611 E. Cass St., Joliet, IL.



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**888-456-HOPE**  
or visit [hopeafterabortion.com](http://hopeafterabortion.com)



**Saint Elizabeth Seton Church  
Vacation Bible School 2023**

# WIN WITH JESUS

**Monday, June 12 / Tuesday, June 13**

**9:00 am–12 Noon, in O'Mara Hall**

**Cost: \$25 per child**

**for  
ages  
K-3**

**All are welcome!  
Sign up by June 4th while there is still room!  
Bring a friend to share in the fun!**

9:05 - 9:15 am	Gathering Song	Song: Be the Hands, the Heart of God	Song: Don't Rock the Boat
9:20- 9:40 am	Bible Story Time	Jesus and Peter walking on water. Children will learn how to have total faith and trust in Jesus through stories, games, and crafts.	Jesus Calls his Disciples. <u>Children learn that when we follow Jesus and trust in Him, we always win!</u>
9:45- 10:05 am	Craft Time	Sand Art Fish Magnet Decorate a Kite to fly	Speak Boldly Megaphone Construct a Boat to float
10:10- 10:20 am	Game Time	"God Guides Us" Board Game Game of Trust And more...!	Bean Bag Toss Ring Toss Water Ring Relay And more...!
10:25- 10:45 am	Prayer and Snack Time	Walking Tacos Watermelon Ocean Blue Jell-O cups	Chicken Tenders Watermelon Ocean Blue Jell-O
10:45- 11:00 am	Finale Lesson	Faith Drawing to wrap up the lesson. Fly Your Kite! "Be the Hands, the Heart of God"	Faith Drawing to wrap up the lesson. Sail your Boat! "Don't Rock the Boat"

**A non-refundable \$25 payment (cash/check) is due in full at registration.  
Please complete one registration form per player.**

**PLAYER'S NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **AGE** \_\_\_\_\_ **GRADE** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address (Street/City/Zip):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Cell Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

## EMERGENCY INFORMATION

**Food Allergies:** \_\_\_\_\_

**In Case of Emergency Contact:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Relationship to Child:** \_\_\_\_\_



**LAUDATO SI'  
WEEK 2023**

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**"Humanity is called to recognize the need for changes of lifestyle, production and consumption, in order to combat this warming or at least the human causes which produce or aggravate it."**

**POPE FRANCIS,  
LAUDATO SI', NO. 23**



**"All-powerful God, you are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures. You embrace with your tenderness all that exists.**

**Pour out upon us the power of your love, that we may protect life and beauty.**

**Fill us with peace, that we may live as brothers and sisters, harming no one. Amen."**

## Creation Care Corner

*Celebrating the Anniversary of Pope Francis' transformational encyclical, Laudato Si'*

### **"Care for Creation" and Laudato Si' (Part 2)**

- The Pope's encyclical, *Laudato Si'*, challenges us to rethink our relationship with nature.
- He reframes the environmental dialogue from a political discussion into language of faith. Creation, the natural world around us and all living things in it, is recognized as a precious gift from God to be revered by all.
- Our pervasive "throwaway" culture, combined with deforestation, and massive industrial and agricultural pollution is seriously degrading the earth, our common home.
- Francis also points out the solid scientific consensus that human activity is the main contributor to a warming climate and warns of a worsening crisis. Without change, additional harmful sea level rise, droughts, water shortages and negatively impacted crop yields are expected.
- Since the livelihoods of the poor will be most impacted, it becomes a moral imperative to take action.
- Pope Francis urges us to take action to mitigate these outcomes by working to protect our common home and by eliminating wastefulness in our lives.

## **Are you, or someone you know, widowed? JOYFUL AGAIN! RETREAT WORKSHOP**

**Saturday, June 24/Sunday, June 25**

**St. Julie Billiart Church, 6767-159th St., Tinley Park**

If you have been recently widowed and are still struggling with the loss even after some time, this program is designed to help you move while still treasuring your past and its precious memories. This two-day program specifically for spousal loss is for both men and women (all ages) who have been widowed and are still trying to find hope and new joy in life. All are welcome. For details call: 708-354-7211, e-mail [joyfulagain7211@gmail.com](mailto:joyfulagain7211@gmail.com). Visit: [www.joyfulagain.org](http://www.joyfulagain.org)

## **WOMEN'S MORNING OF REFLECTION**

**Wednesday, June 21, 10am-1:30pm**

School Sisters of St. Francis of Christ the King invite all women to a morning reflection that includes prayer, meditation, and time for sharing. Continental Breakfast/lunch served. Suggested \$30 donation. Mount Assisi Center, 13860 Main St., Lemont. RSVP by June 16, to Carrie Peters, 630-257-7844, x223, [carriepeters2@sbcglobal.net](mailto:carriepeters2@sbcglobal.net).



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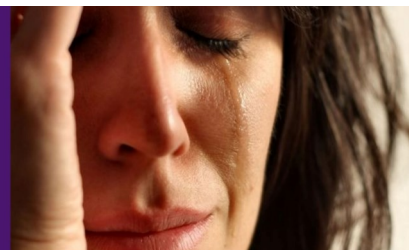


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We look forward  
to our new year!

**CONGRATULATIONS  
ST. ELIZABETH SETON  
WOMEN'S CLUB**

Join us in congratulating our newly-elected  
SESWC Board for the 2023-2024 Year!

President: **Margarita Peltzer**  
Vice President: **Joyce Para**  
2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President: **Kathy Wills**  
Secretary: **Maureen Flamm**  
Treasurer: **Ginny Culp**  
Membership: **Debbie Smok**  
Creative Coordinator: **Janet Schmitz**  
Photographer: **Kathy Gagliardi**

Many thanks to these members for their leadership  
in our Board Member positions!  
Watch for SESWC NEWS during the summer months!

Calling all Fifth Graders and older  
who would like to be an altar server!

**ST. ELIZABETH SETON  
ALTAR SERVER TRAINING**



Training classes are one session for one hour. If your child will enter 5th Grade this Fall, they are eligible to serve. For scheduling a session or have a question please contact Fr. John Zurek at: [jzurek@steseton.com](mailto:jzurek@steseton.com).

**CONSIDER USING SCRIP FOR GIFT CARDS**

There are two easy ways to purchase SCRIP gift cards. Counter sales are held at Cardinal Joseph Bernardin School on Wednesdays, from 6-7pm, in the school lobby, or order forms are available in St. Elizabeth Seton Parish office. Simply submit your order w/payment and your gift cards can be picked up there the following week. Start saving with SCRIP! Apply your rebate by donating it to your parish or get cash back yourself. If you need help getting started, contact SCRIP team member, Corinna Pytel, at [cpytel@cjbsschool.org](mailto:cpytel@cjbsschool.org).

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*Like When we know the Father's grace,  
that grace as members of the Body of Christ,  
we are living in the grace of the Holy Spirit.*

### FIRST READING

*The Lord, the Lord, a merciful and gracious God (Exodus 34:4b-6, 8-9).*

God revealed himself to Moses on Mount Sinai. God is always mystery, but in those moments God let Moses know that he is merciful and gracious. God does not want to be angry with us. He only seeks our good. Thus, the Commandments that God revealed to Moses and the people of Israel are to be seen as a great act of compassion. God so loved us that he taught us how to live in his ways. If we observe the Commandments, we will find life; but if we break the Commandments, we will have chosen our own spiritual death. Moses admitted that the people of Israel (and we) are sinners and we will always be in need of God's mercy, but God promises to grant that mercy when we seek it.

### SECOND READING

*The grace of Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit (2 Corinthians 13:11-13).*

Saint Paul's two Letters to the Corinthians are the first Letters written in the New Testament that have clear references to the Holy Trinity. Remember that these letters were produced long before the gospels were written. In the last verses of this reading, we hear a blessing given in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ (the word "Lord" means

that Jesus is God and the word "Christ" is the Greek equivalent of the word "Messiah"), God (the Father), and the Holy Spirit.

### GOSPEL

*God sent His Son that the world might be saved through Him (John 3:16-18).*

The Gospel of John presents the final judgment as something that will occur before the end of time. It already occurs today, for when we make Jesus a part of our lives, God will be real and alive to us. When, however, we reject Jesus, we choose to live a life without Him. There could be no greater punishment than that. However, this is certainly not what God wants. God did not send Jesus into the world so that we would be condemned. God wants us to be saved; He even called His Son to the cross out of love for us.

### REFLECTION

*"The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the Fellowship of (communion with) the Holy Spirit be with all of you."*

*"And with your spirit."*

In this dialogue we call each other to live the image and likeness of our Triune God.

We wish each other God's grace, participation in the life of God. Grace is a gift given to us by Jesus Christ, God made visible. By being merciful, slow to anger, and rich in kindness and fidelity, God's self-description to Moses, we manifest grace. The Holy Spirit, the life force within God and between God and us, unites us with God and each other. This communion through the Holy Spirit is a great gift and a real challenge. Being conscious of God's merciful, gracious, kind, and faithful nature call me to gratitude. I give thanks by showing mercy to another who wrongs me, or being kind to someone who hurts me, or gracious when someone ignores me or takes me for granted. Living this gratitude can be challenging, can it not? Yet, when I don't mend my ways and live in gratitude, I can inhibit communion with God and with others. The solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity reminds us that our one God is a community of three persons. Being created in that image and likeness calls us to build community, too. Give glory to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit by becoming more aware of God's grace within you. Manifest that grace by becoming more merciful, gracious, kind, and faithful. By doing so the communion of the Holy Spirit will be made known.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK [May 29-June 4, 2023]

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Gn 3:9-15, 20 Jn 19:25-34	Sir 35:1-12 Mk 10:28-31	Zep 3:14-18a Lk 1:39-56	Sir 42:15-25 Mk 10:46-52	Sir 44:1, 9-13 Mk 11:11-26	Sir 51:12cd-20 Mk 11:27-33	Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9 2 Cor 13:11-13 Jn 3:16-18



St. Elizabeth Seton &  
St. Stephen Deacon and Martyr

2023 CO-ED YOUTH  
**16" SOFTBALL**  
REGISTRATION

All eligible St. Elizabeth Seton and St. Stephen Deacon and Martyr parish youth are invited to sign-up for a combined co-ed 16" softball team, which will play against other local parishes. The recreational league allows a great opportunity for our youth to gather as "One Body in Christ" and meet new friends while enjoying a classic Chicago summertime activity.

**WHO:** St. Elizabeth and St. Stephen parish youth, males and females, from graduating 8<sup>th</sup> graders through graduating college seniors are eligible

*\*Please note, transportation to and from practices and games is not provided.*

**WHAT:** Recreational/Non-Competitive Co-Ed Youth Softball Team  
*\*No fees charged to participate. A game softball t-shirt is provided.*

**WHERE:** All practices will be on the St. Elizabeth Seton Parish grounds on the grassy knoll located behind the Fr. Bill Gubbins Center.

All games will be played at the Northeast corner of Mount Greenwood Park/  
St. Christina Fields, located at 3271 West 111th Street, Chicago.

**WHEN:** Practices are scheduled for Mondays, May 22 and June 5, at 6:30 p.m. All games will be played on Mondays at 6:30 p.m., starting June 12 and ending Aug. 14.  
We will also play an all-day tournament at the end of July to include an outdoor Mass.

**HOW:** Fill out the registration form on the next page or download the form from our website ([www.steseton.com](http://www.steseton.com)) or FACEBOOK page (St. Elizabeth Seton Church-Orland Hills) and return it to the parish office (office hours: Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.–1 p.m./Sunday, 8 a.m.–1 p.m.) Or sign up by scanning the QR code, fill out the information, click submit, and an email will be generated with information to Bruce Hall.



**REGISTRATION WILL CLOSE JUNE 5.**

**IN-PERSON MEETING on Monday, June 5, in the Seton Fr. Gubbins Center, 7:30 p.m.**

*\*It is highly suggested that the parent(s) /guardian(s) and players attend the meeting because consent forms for the players will be handed out. Please be advised that a player cannot participate in practices/games without a completed consent form.*

**QUESTIONS?** Contact Bruce Hall at [brucew.hall123@gmail.com](mailto:brucew.hall123@gmail.com) (put **SOFTBALL** in the subject line) or 708-803-6553.



St. Elizabeth Seton &  
St. Stephen Deacon and Martyr

2023 CO-ED YOUTH  
**16" SOFTBALL**  
**REGISTRATION  
FORM**

\*All fields for player's information, at least one parent or guardian, and emergency contact information are required to be filled in to be accepted.

**PLAYER**

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Player's 2023/24 School Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Player's T-shirt size: \_\_\_\_\_

*\*example, youth large, adult medium*

**PRIMARY PARENT(S) OR GUARDIAN(S)**

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship (i.e. mother, father): \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**SECONDARY PARENT(S) OR GUARDIAN(S)**

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship (i.e. mother, father): \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION**

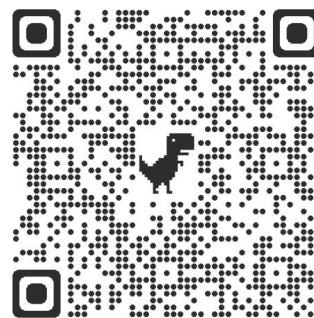
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## ST. ELIZABETH SETON PARISH INFORMATION

■ **New Parishioners** We welcome all to participate in the life and mission of the parish. A complete listing of parish services/organizations is available in the parish office and on our parish website. Please visit the parish office to register or obtain the registration form on the parish website: [www.steseton.com](http://www.steseton.com).

■ **Sacrament of Reconciliation** is on Saturday, between 4:15-4:45pm

■ **Sacrament of Baptism** is celebrated twice monthly at 1pm. Reserve your time by calling the parish office early. Limit of two children per Sunday.

■ **Baptismal Preparation** Couples preparing for the birth of their child should contact

the parish office to register for a one-night seminar, focusing on a parent's role in faith development. Session is mandatory prior to the Baptism.

■ **Anointing of the Sick** available in the Church every Monday after the 9am Mass. For those who are ill or facing hospitalization, it is appropriate to receive the sacrament once every six months. Call 708-403-0101 for information.

### ■ Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Adults 18/older, who wish to become Catholic are enrolled in a formation process (RCIA) that includes prayer, dialogue, instruction, and introduction to the Church's life and values, rituals and traditions. Call 708-403-0101.

■ **Ministry of Care** is available to give Communion to the housebound, to visit and pray for hospitalized and/or to arrange for the Anointing of the Sick. Please call the Parish Office at 708-403-0101 for assistance.

■ **In the Hospital?** Because of HIPAA Privacy regulations hospitals can no longer contact the parish regarding your hospitalization. It is the responsibility of you or a family member to notify our parish. We desire to offer whatever spiritual support we can. Please call the Parish Office at 708-403-0101 for assistance.

■ **Sacrament of Marriage** Couples planning to marry are asked to make arrangements six months in advance.

■ **Wedding Workshops** offered throughout the year, provide engaged couples with guidelines/suggestions for the celebration of the Sacrament of Marriage. The workshop covers topics on readings, music, flowers and video taping.

■ **Adult Choir** sings at Sunday Mass/special liturgies. Please contact Music Director at [music@steseton.com](mailto:music@steseton.com).

■ **Teen Choir** sings at the 11:30am Sunday Masses. Please contact our Music Director at [music@steseton.com](mailto:music@steseton.com).

■ **Moving?** Please call the office at 708-403-0101.

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## REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE

Monday-Friday: 9:00 am

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 7:30, 9:30, 11:30am

**ROSARY: Tuesdays/Thursdays, 9:30am**

**DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET: Wednesdays, 9:30am**