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# St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

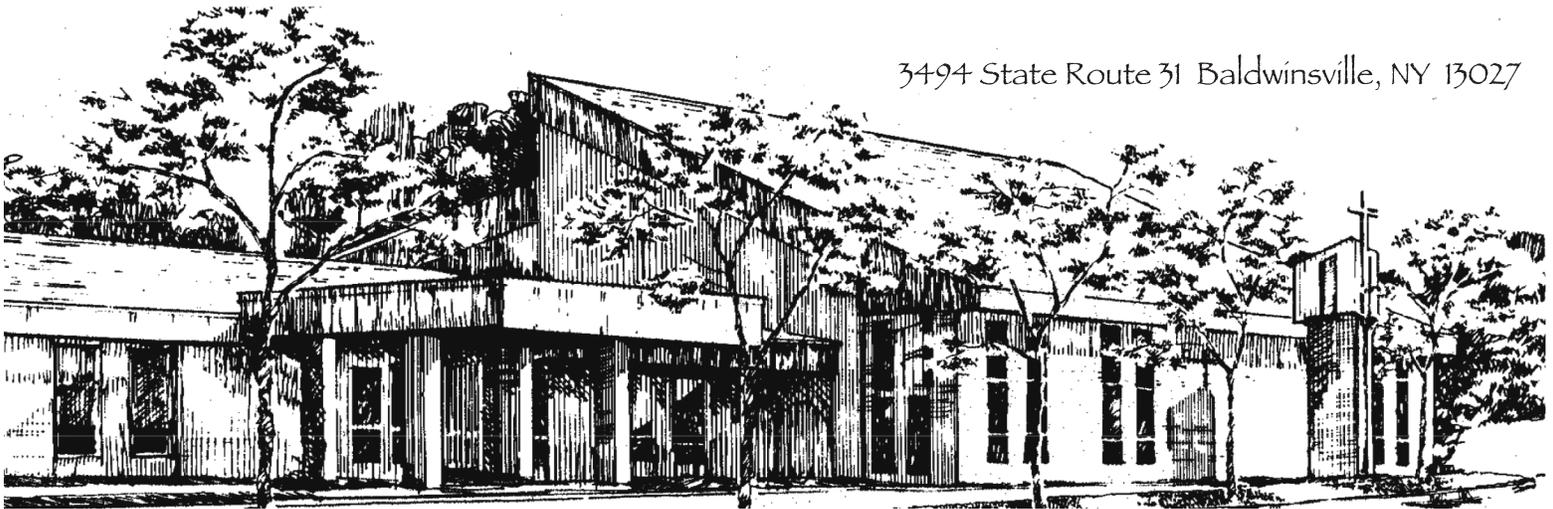
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*Live simply  
that others may  
simply live*



**Parish Mission Statement** The Catholic community of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, united in the love of God, comes together to worship the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, to provide for the spiritual growth of each member, to minister to one another's needs, to be servants and neighbors to all, to strengthen and share faith, to experience the richness of Jesus Christ. The Catholic community of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, aware of its call to be the good news, accomplishes its mission through worship, education, service, and personal example.

**May God Bless** and keep safe in his care our Service Men and Women whose lives are in danger every day. They heroically serve to defend and maintain freedom around the world as well as at home. Our prayer for them reflects our great admiration and love for them. May God bless them, watch over them, and protect them always.

**Diocesan Prayer for Vocations** "God, my Father, you created me with a specific purpose for my life; this is my vocation. By following your plan, I will be happy on earth, earn the reward of heaven, and help others to do the same. Please help me to hear, understand, and follow your call with my whole heart, especially when it seems most difficult. Saint Joseph, patron of the Universal Church, pray for me to know and accept God's will for my life. Amen."

**Invitation to Adoration-** "We desire to be able to welcome Jesus at Christmas time, not in a cold manger of our heart, but in a heart full of love and humility, in a heart so pure, so immaculate, so warm with love for one another." Bl Teresa of Calcutta. Come welcome Jesus with your heart full of love. SEAS offers Eucharistic Adoration on Tuesdays from 6-8 pm and Fridays from 7-9 am.

**Altar Server Training** – Calling all boys and girls who are 1) **previously trained as an Altar Server** and 2) **those interested in becoming an Altar Server at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church**. The only qualification needed for a new Altar Server is that you must have at least entered 3<sup>rd</sup> grade but we would also like to encourage all youth in our parish including middle and high schoolers to consider becoming an Altar Server. This is a wonderful opportunity for the youth of our parish to serve the Lord and the parishioners of SEAS in a very special way. It is also a great way for your child or children to feel a great sense of pride and accomplishment each time they serve. Training will take place in the church this **Wednesday December 29, at 9:30AM and will last about an hour and a half**. We encourage all parents to please discuss this with your child or children and to discover if this opportunity is something they would enjoy. To assist their child in serving at Mass or to ask any questions parents/guardians are also encouraged to stay and attend this meeting. For your convenience, there are parent/guardian permission slips located on the table in the Gathering Area that you can fill out and drop into the offertory box after you leave Mass today or return next Sunday.

**World Day of Prayer for Peace** The 55th World Day of Peace, to be held on 1 January 2022, will be entitled "Education, work and dialogue between generations: tools for building lasting peace." Pope Francis proposes an innovative reading that responds to the needs of current and future times, inviting everyone 'to read the signs of the times with the eyes of faith', so that the direction of this change awakens new and old questions with which it is right and necessary to be confronted." From the three identified contexts, the communiqué adds, the following questions arise: *Does work in the world respond, more or less, to the vital need of humans for justice and freedom? Are the generations truly in solidarity with each other? Do they believe in the future? Do governments succeed in setting a horizon of peace in this context?* In anticipation of the new year, allow yourself to consider these questions as we struggle for peace in our world.

**Celebrating Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton** As we wrap up the bicentennial celebration, prayer books were given out on Christmas for families to keep the spirit of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton alive in our hearts and in our lives. If you missed these books, please inquire to see if any more are available.

**Thank you for your support in 2021** The Seton Food Pantry would like to extend a sincere thank you for the support the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish has demonstrated over the past year. Whether it was volunteering your time, monetary donations, food supplies, or store gift-cards, you have been more than generous, and we appreciate it. It is through your support that we are so successful in our endeavors. We wish you all a wonderful New Year!

**End of the Year Giving Opportunity** As we wrap up the calendar year, we are also wrapping up our parish Sponsor-a Seat campaign. Many parishioners and friends made generous contributions earlier in the year. Perhaps you are still looking to make a contribution for the current fiscal year. We set aside the campaign the past few months to focus on the needs of the Diocesan Hope Appeal. With that campaign successfully completed, we are looking for a final push in the parish campaign. You can visit the website to give online (simply click the sponsor-a-seat tab) or use the envelopes available in the Gathering Space. The improvements to the physical plant have been beautiful and all of your support is greatly appreciated.

**Thank you for Supporting our Youth Programs** Over \$4,000 was raised from the Spaghetti Dinner and Basket Raffle. Another \$1000 was raised from the poinsettia sales. These contributions will allow our young people to attend current and future youth trips, such as the March for Life in a couple of weeks and the Steubenville Youth Conference this summer. Many, many thanks for your support. Please keep the youth in your prayers as they take part in these great trips.

**The Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph** is being celebrated this weekend. This is a great opportunity to talk about some family resolutions. Perhaps this new year you can begin to say grace before meals, or maybe you need to start by agreeing to have a meal together – no matter how busy things get! Try to say the Rosary together as a way of supporting one another. Perhaps there could be a service project you agree to do together – some of our families make sandwiches for Assumption Church. Be creative in ways that you and your family can support and hold one another in love.

**New Year's Resolutions** are upon us. How often have you struggled with plans for a new you in the New Year? The reason we struggle is that our resolutions are too numerous or not specific enough. How can you measure "being healthier" this year? You can't. But you can measure eating five fruits or vegetables each day. Drinking five glasses of water. Working out three days each week for one hour. The other way we run into trouble is to set too many goals. As we fail to reach them, we throw them all away and find ourselves right back in the place we wanted to move on from. It is better to set a single, realistic resolution. A concrete goal is measurable and at the end of the day or week, you can evaluate if you have done what you set out to do. Invite the Holy Spirit to help you with your New Year's resolutions this year. Ask God both what he is asking of you and for the strength to keep the commitment.

**Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!** Our choirs, under the direction of Terry and Cathy, were glorious throughout Advent and especially on Christmas. The kids were generous in attending all the rehearsals for both choir and the pageant. Many instruments were added in these holy days. All together, they gave great glory to God in celebration of the newborn King. The Church and Gathering space remain beautifully decorated as our Christmas season and celebration continues. Please continue to joyfully sing to the King of Kings and praise him around the altar.

**Calendar Update** – The 2022 Calendar's should be delivered the first week of January. When they are received they will be available in the Gathering Area. Fingers crossed!

**Holy Days of Obligation in 2022** Join us on January 1<sup>st</sup> for 10:00am Mass as we celebrate the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God. It is not a Holy Day of Obligation this year. However, it is a great way to start your new year. Join us at 10am on Saturday, January 1<sup>st</sup> and celebrate the Motherhood of Mary. The other days this year are as follows: May 21 (Solemnity of Ascension), November 1 (Solemnity of All Saints), December 8 (Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception), and December 25 (Solemnity of the Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ). Whenever January 1, or August 15, or November 1, falls on a Saturday or on a Monday, the precept to attend Mass is abrogated.

**Our Daily bREAD-** The Christmas season and New Year have arrived. As always, this comes with the season of Resolutions. Is yours to get in shape physically, diet or maybe get organized? Why not decide to read more this year! Find yourself something new that can get you and loved ones in shape spiritually, to deepen your faith and prayer life. Come view our many books and materials to help you get started..

**Vocation Perspective** "We are God's children now." As our Heavenly Father, God loves us more than we could ever imagine. If He is calling you to the priesthood, diaconate, or religious life, God will provide. Call Father Jason Hage at 315-470-1468, or write: vocations @syrдио.org.

**A Prayer Chain** is in place at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton. Serving on the Prayer Chain is a way for good people to serve God and to bring blessings to others who will be grateful for the prayers of Prayer Chain Members. If prayers for self or for others are needed and desired, please call the Parish Office at 315-652-4300 and your prayer requests will be forwarded to Angie Peterson.

### **Weekly Scripture**



#### **Readings for December 26, 2021**

Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14  
Colossians 3:12-21  
Luke 2:41-52

#### **Readings for January 2, 2022**

Isaiah 60:1-6  
Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6  
Matthew 2:1-12

**MASS INTENTIONS December 26, 2021 through January 2, 2022**

Sunday	7:30 AM	Ronald Mahfoud by Don & Marilyn Wherley
	9:00 AM	John Hofmann by John & Diane Wargo
	11:00 AM	Erin Maxwell by Friends
Monday	9:00 AM	Bonnie Buck by Andriatch Family
Tuesday	6:45 AM	John "Jack" Taber by Lee Mosseau & James Coldiron
Wednesday	9:00 AM	Madeline Cahill by Lee & Ann Butts
Thursday	6:45AM	For the People of the Parish
Friday	6:45AM	For Vocations to Religious Life
	9:00AM	Hong Minh Ly by Diep Ly
Next Saturday	10:00AM	For Peace in the World
	5:00PM	Ed Watershoot by Dick & Angie Peterson
Next Sunday	7:30 AM	Sarah "Salli" Elkin by Carol
	9:00 AM	Maryella & Elizabeth Annal by Peter Samora
	11:00 AM	Mary Curran by Klinke Family

**Activities in the Gym**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>
Monday, Dec 27	7:00-9:00PM	Adult Co-ed Volleyball
Tuesday, Dec 28	8:00-10:00PM	Adult Men's Basketball

**Meetings**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>
January 4, 2022	7:00PM	Activities Meeting

**Our Gifts to the Lord**

Reg Collection	\$11,590
Hope Appeal Assessment	\$62,530
Pledged to Date:	\$80,994
% Pledged to Date:	130%
Sponsor a Seat	
Given to Date:	\$200,386
% Given to Date:	80%

*Thank you for your generosity*

**Electronic Offerings** – If you have online billing with your bank, you can request the bank to mail a paper check to St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church at no cost to you or the parish. This can be set up on a recurring or one-time basis. We ask that you note your envelope number on the check either as the account number or in the memo line. Often this can be set up online through the "Bill Pay" section of your bank account website.

**Seton Food Pantry Hours**

Tuesday & Wednesday 9am – 11am  
*no evening hours at this time*

**Items needed:**

**Peanut Butter, Canned Chili/Stew**

**Sandwich Making Dec 28** – Coyne Family, Craig Family

**Sandwich Delivery Assumption Church Dec 29** – K Wentzel

**Pantry Volunteers – Dec 27** – W & G Carey **Dec 28** - CLOSED **Dec 29** – CLOSED

<u>Liturgical Ministers</u> –	<u>Jan 1/2</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>
	<b>5:00PM</b>	L Ernenwein	M Kelly, Y Loudis, N Maguire
	<b>7:30AM</b>	M Demjanenko	M Tomas, N Bellucci, M Demjanenko
	<b>9:00AM</b>	J Ostuni	M Voyten, J Wargo
	<b>11:00AM</b>	B/D Landschoot	L Driscoll, P Gilchrist

**Want to be a Eucharistic Minister or Lector?** Call Deacon Bill Dotterer at 315-882-8702 for individual training.

**Want to be an Altar Server?** Call Deacon Bill Dotterer, at 315-882-8702 for individual training.

**Want to be a Hospitality Volunteer?** Call the parish office at 315-652-4300 for training.

**Parish Membership:** It is important to belong to a parish and we invite all who enjoy worshipping with us to register formally as members of the parish family. This is especially important for First Communion, Confirmation and Marriage. Registration forms may be found on the table outside the parish office or register online at [www.stelizabethbville.org](http://www.stelizabethbville.org).

**Baptisms:** Currently Baptisms are being done on an individual basis by Fr O'Connor and Deacon Bill. Please call the office to make arrangements.

**Adults interested in being Confirmed or becoming Catholic through RCIA,** contact Deacon Bill at 315-882-8702.

**Reconciliation:** Saturdays at 4:00 PM or contact the parish office to make an appointment

**Anima Christi**

(prayed by St. Elizabeth after Communion)

Soul of Christ, sanctify me.  
Body of Christ, save me.  
Blood of Christ, inebriate me.  
Water from the side of Christ, wash me.  
Passion of Christ, strengthen me.  
O Good Jesus, hear me.  
Within your wounds hide me.  
Permit me not to be separated from you.  
From the wicked foe, defend me.  
At the hour of my death, call me  
and bid me come to you  
That with your saints I may praise you  
for ever and ever. Amen.