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& St. Elizabeth Ann Seton (1976-2014)

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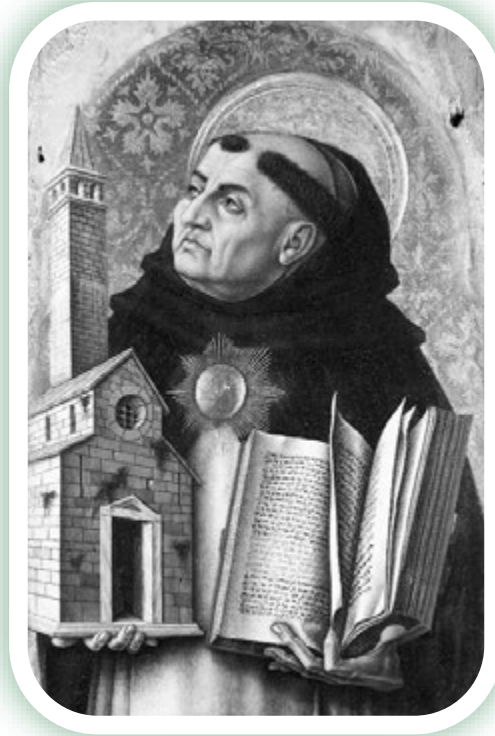
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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 PM
Sundays: 9:00 AM (SETON)
and 11:00 AM (St. Thomas)

Monday-Thursday: 8:30 AM
Saturday: 9:00 AM
(Chapel at 126 Walnut Ave.)

Holydays: 8:30 AM, 12 noon
AND 7:00 PM
(St. Thomas)



SETON

1200 Park Ave.
Bensalem, PA 19020

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**CONFESSION
SCHEDULE**

Saturday: 3:30-4:00 PM
(St. Thomas)

Served By:

Rev. David A. Fernandes, Pastor

Rev. Michael J. Lonergan, Pastor Emeritus, (Former St. Elizabeth Ann Seton)

Deacon John J. Gallagher

MARRIAGES

By Diocesan policy, a six month advance notice is required to allow sufficient time for the necessary marriage paper work and preparation. Deacons are permitted to witness marriages which are not celebrated during Mass.

BAPTISMS

First and Third Sundays of the month after 11:00 AM Mass. Attendance at Pre-Jordan class, on the 3rd Tuesday each month at 7:30PM, in the Parish Meeting Room at 121 Belmont Avenue, is a requirement. You must pre-register by calling the Parish Office at (215)788-2989.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

In order to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation and Matrimony, and/or to receive a Letter of Eligibility to be a Godparent or Sponsor it is necessary for you to be registered in our parish and practice the Catholic Faith. Contact the Parish Office as soon as you move into our parish to schedule a registration meeting. Please call the Parish Office if you move, or change your address or phone number.

PARISH DEVOTIONS

Miraculous Medal Novena: Saturdays after 9:00 AM Mass (Chapel)
Rosary: Weekdays before 8:30 AM Mass (Chapel) and Saturday before 9:00 AM Mass
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Mondays 9:00 AM -3:30PM with Benediction at 3:30 PM (Chapel)
(September to May)

June 3, 2018

*Mass Intentions
for the Week*

Monday June 4, 2018
8:30 AM Steven Kusen req by M/M Elliott Rodriguez & Sons

Tuesday June 5, 2018
8:30 AM Francisca Tirado req by Marta

Wednesday June 6, 2018
8:30 AM Ramona Carrillo req by Marta

Thursday June 7, 2018
8:30 AM Enrique Carrillo req by Marta

Saturday June 9, 2018
9:00 AM Frances Currie req by The Family
4:30 PM Annette DiTommaso req by DiTommaso Family

Sunday June 10, 2018
9:00 AM Ricardo & Socorro Andres req by Jet Jabla
11:00 AM Jim & Phyllis Ryan req by The Children

Weekend Offerings

05/19	4:30 PM	\$ 2,245.00
05/20	9:00 AM	\$ 1,898.00
05/20	11:00 AM	\$ 1,518.00
Mail Ins/Parish Giving		\$ 727.00
Debt Reduction		\$ 105.00
Summer Maintenance		\$ 35.00
Other Collections (Parish)		\$ 95.00
Other Collections (Archdiocese)		\$ 1,346.00
Candles		\$ 12.00
Poor Box		\$ 12.00

TOTAL for Parish for May 20, 2018 \$6,647.00
TOTAL for Other Collections (Archdiocesan) \$1,346.00

*Thank you for your generosity.
May the Lord bless you.*

Lectors

June 9, 2018
4:30 PM K Schafer & P DeMichele

June 10, 2018
9:00 AM R Gutherman & C DelPuerto
11:00 AM R Powell & J Howarth

Extraordinary Ministers

June 9, 2018
4:30 PM J Berna & J Wallover

June 10, 2018
9:00 AM T Berna & E Callery
11:00 AM R Powers & E Marra

Altar Servers

June 9, 2018
4:30 PM Mason McMahon, Effie McMahon

June 10, 2018
11:00 AM Caleigh Brogan, Meghan Brogan,
MaryRose Okwara

Sunday Scriptures June 10, 2018

Reading I: Genesis 3:9-15 (89B)
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8
Reading II: 2 Corinthians 4:13—5:1
Gospel: Mark 3:20—35

Remember In Your Prayers



Our men and women in the military:

Many of our parishioners have family members serving in dangerous assignments around the world. **Please keep them in your prayers.**

Our Sick: Anna Balla, Robin Beerhalter, Francis Breuer, Stephanie Burris, Bill Campanelli, Tama Cary, Joe Cochran, Kelly Cochran, Dolores DeBeaumont, Tony DiTommaso, Ruth Donnelly, George Doran Jr., Dolores Doran, Maureen Fenton, Richard Fieramosca, John Gilbert Jr, Joseph Hailstone, Jayon & Cheryl Haulchild, Jean Hennessey, Bart Houck, Catrina Hudome, Tom Hynes, Luisa Jabla, Janet Jackson, Tessie Jaen, Regina Lang, Tara Lessard, Duncan Lewis, Angelo & Connie Lombardo, Debbie Lyons, Kathy Maddaloni, Margaret McGrory, Gladys McLean, Carletta Minor, Gen Morrin, Bernadette O'Brien, Richard Powers, Mary Beth Rea, Dawn Marie Rogers, Eileen Ryan, Jimmy Simon, Amanda Tees, John Tobar, Kim Vickers, Jack Williams, Jermaine Williams, Denise Wilson, Elaine Wilson, and all their relatives and friends.

Our Deceased: All the deceased members of our parish and their relatives and friends.

A traveling statue of Our Blessed Mother is available for families to host in their home.

Special prayers to be said each day will be supplied. It is said that Our Lady has bestowed special graces on the host families.

If you would like to host the Blessed Mother in your home, please contact Marie Kelly at (215) 788-3331

**St Thomas Aquinas
Lottery Ticket Fundraiser**

The results for May 23rd to May 29th are as follows:

Date	Winning #	Winners
May 23	695	Unsold Ticket
May 24	876	Unsold Ticket
May 25	509	Pat Chima
May 26	047	Unsold Ticket
May 27	807	Cora Worden
May 28	159	Arline Riotto
May 29	930	Rosemary Eifert

Thank You....

On behalf of the Legacy of Life Foundation, Inc., thank you for your financial gift which is helping all the women who have chosen life this year! Your gift of \$653.00, given from the sale of Mother's Day Roses, is helping save babies and transform the lives of their mothers! We would especially like to thank John Brogan and his daughters Caleigh and Meghan for their participation and leadership in the sale and delivery to Legacy of Life. Your gift is helping to fund all the expenses for the Ultrasound services in Bucks and Philadelphia. The Ultrasound service saves lives by showing the mothers the first pictures of their children. You are investing in the STAR Motherhood program which helps these new families with basic needs for their babies and learn new parenting skills. Your giving is making a difference in so many ways but most especially saving lives through ultrasound, counseling and educational services to mothers and babies! We will update you on how the babies and their mothers are doing! You are in our prayers - you can send us any prayer petitions you have by going to www.legacyoflifefoundation.org.

The women and children are praying for you and your parish!

Sincerely,

Marie Joseph
Executive Director

Parish Calendar of Events

St Thomas Aquinas **Prayer Shawl Ministry** is a combination of prayers and knitting for the ministry of others. We strive to bring God's love to folks in need, through the comfort and warmth of our handmade shawls. Our next meeting will be on **Monday, June 4, 2018 at 7:00 PM** in the Parish Meeting Room. If you cannot attend but would like to make shawls for our ministry, please call Eileen Brown at (215) 785-6132.

The **Knights of Columbus #4765** will hold their next General Membership Meeting on **Tuesday, June 5, 2018 at 7:30 PM** in Father Crehan Hall. For information, contact Wayne Freer at (215) 266-6423.

The **Croydon Civic Association** will be hosting a *Free Concert* on **Saturday, June 9, 2018 at 7:00 PM**, in the park, featuring *Andalusia Jug Band*. Please bring a non-perishable item for our local food bank. For information, contact Donna Cuttle at (215) 788-7728.

The **STA Conference of St Vincent de Paul Society** will hold their next meeting on **Wednesday, June 13, 2018 at 7:00 PM** in Father Crehan Hall. For more information, please call (267) 554-7109.

The **Women's Bible Group** meets every other Thursday at **7:00 PM** in the Parish Meeting Room. Their next meeting will be on **Thursday, June 14, 2018**. For more information, please contact Marie Kelly at (215) 788-3331.

The next **Pre-Jordan Class** will be held on **Tuesday, June 19, 2018 at 7:30 PM** in the Parish Meeting Room. Parents and Godparents must attend. For questions or to confirm your attendance please contact the Parish Office at (215) 788-2989.

Separated/Divorced Support Group will meet on **Thursday, June 21, 2018 at 7:00 PM** in Father Crehan Hall. For more information, please contact Peg Duffy at (215) 788-1947.

The **Ladies of the Knights of Columbus** will hold their next meeting on **Monday, June 25, 2018 at 6:30 PM** at *Cesare's Ristorante*, 1407 Radcliffe St, Bristol, PA. For information, contact Marie Kelly at (215) 788-3331.

Save the Date:

*Plans and preparations are being made for our **Annual Parish Picnic on Sunday, August 12, 2018** from 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM.*



On the **weekend of May 19th – 20th**, the Finance and Parish Councils began selling lottery tickets, after all Masses, for our **Second Annual St Thomas Aquinas Lottery Ticket Fundraiser**. We will continue to sell tickets after all Masses until June 30th. Tickets with a three-digit number will be sold for \$25.00 each and will be good for one year (07/01/18-06/30/19).

The rules will remain the same. Each night the PA Daily Lottery Drawing will be used to determine the winner for that day. There is no limit to the number of times you can win. The payout will be as follows: If your number is drawn (Monday-Saturday), you will receive \$35.00. If your number is drawn on a Sunday, you will receive \$50.00.

Remember, your current ticket is still good until June 30th.

“From Defiance to Reliance: Navigating Your Spiritual Life Amidst the Chaos of Addictions.” Join us for a 24-hour spiritual healing retreat sponsored by Malvern Retreat House and Gethsemani Way, **June 22-23, 2018**. This retreat is for men and women seeking help for themselves, loved ones, spouse and family. It is an ecumenical retreat. Register online at malvernretreat.com or call (610) 644-0400. For more information, contact Mark Christmyer at mchristmyer@parish.stnorbert.org.

Flame of Love presents ***When The Saints Go Marching In... Twelve Short Talks Wil Get You Marching*** on **Saturday, June 23, 2018** at Annunciation BVM Parish, 401 Brookline Blvd, Havertown, PA 19083. Begins at 8:30 AM with Mass and ends at 2:00 PM. Bring Your Own Lunch. Free of Charge. To register, call (610) 622-4257.

All are invited to the **3rd Annual Polka Fest** at the TK Club at 521 East Hector Street in Conshohocken on **Sunday, June 24th** from Noon to 5 PM to support St Mary Polish American Society. This event will feature live Polka music, delicious Polish food, a 50/50 drawing and other games of chance, a basket raffle, and baked goods for sale. Families are welcome, as there will be games for children with plenty of prizes! Admission is \$10 in advance and \$15 on the day of the event. Admission for children is \$7 each and free for children under the age of 6. We would appreciate if people could *buy their tickets by Wednesday, June 13th*, so we can purchase the correct amount of food. For tickets, please email stmaryconshy@gmail.com or call Dorothy Swedkowski at (610) 630-0861.

Nazareth Academy High School is proud to offer a **Pre-8th Grade Summer Enrichment Program** for girls who will be entering 8th grade in Fall 2018. This program is Monday through Thursday, from **June 25th until July 19th**, from 8 AM until 12:30 PM. We also offer Academic Summer Camps (Rocketry, Art, and Glee) as well as Athletic Summer Camps. For more information and to register for the Summer Enrichment Program and/or Summer Camps, please visit our website at NazarethHS.org/Summer18 or contact Ms. Derassouyan at (215) 268-1026 or Admissions@NazarethAcademyHS.org.

Quo Vadis Days—June 25-28, 2018. High School Men are invited to gather for this 4-day, 3-night camp with the Philadelphia Seminarians. The camp includes dynamic talks, small group discussions, meaningful prayer experiences, and a fun environment including a ropes course, swimming pool, lake, basketball, soccer, frisbee, and more. A sliding scale registration fee of \$25-\$300 includes lodging, meals, t-shirt, and activities. To register, or for more information, visit: <http://heedthecall.org/event/quovadis/>. Questions? Contact the Vocation Office for the Diocesan Priesthood at (610) 667-5778.

B.B.V.C. 2018—July 13, 2018. Boys in Grades 6, 7, and 8 are invited to a summer day of fun, food, and faith at St Charles Borromeo Seminary with the Philadelphia Seminarians! The registration fee of \$25 includes supplies, lunch and dinner. To register, or for more information, visit: heedthecall.org/event/BBVC. Questions? Contact the Vocation Office for the Diocesan Priesthood at (610) 667-5778.

A Perfect Gift of Love—Refresh your marriage relationship on a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend**. The weekend is designed to help married couples communicate more intimately with one another in order to deepen and enrich their relationship. The weekend is free from everyday routines, distractions, and tensions. An atmosphere is created where the couple is able to concentrate exclusively on each other in a private, confidential environment. A series of presentations that touch on many aspects of marriage are given by three couples and a Catholic priest. After each presentation, the couple has time in the privacy of their own room for personal sharing using communication techniques taught on the weekend. There are no “group discussions”. The weekend starts at 8 PM on Friday and runs until 4 PM on Sunday. All faith expressions are welcome! The next Worldwide Encounter Weekends are **July 13-15, 2018** at Our Lady of Czestochowa, Doylestown PA and **October 19-21, 2018** at Our Lady of Czestochowa. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information, visit: <https://www.wwme-philly.org/> or contact Al & Mary Liz at (610) 449-1859 or Applications@wwme-philly.org.

Testimony Requested!

The Historical Commission for the sainthood cause of Fr. Bill Atkinson, OSA (1946-2006), seeks information on him from the general public. We are asking anyone who knew Fr. Atkinson to contact us and relate what you know about him. No story or encounter is too small. Whether you met him at Msgr. Bonner High School or at Archbishop Prendergast High School, or at any of the parishes where he celebrated Mass or the Sacraments, we wish to have your written recollections. In particular, we are interested in obtaining any personal letters or documents, mementos and unpublished source materials that may be used to foster a greater understanding of Father Atkinson's life. Photographs or videos of Father Atkinson would also be useful. Please give your contact information to us, the Historical Commission for the Cause of Fr. Bill Atkinson, OSA, by e-mail at: Atkinson.cause@gmail.com or by telephone message to: 610-519-6937.

Thank you, Fr. Joseph Ryan, OSA (chair)

New Horizons Spirit Journeys. Ireland - Final Days.

Enjoy traveling Ireland from top to bottom with Fr. David Fernandes. Experience the Well of St. Bridget, the Cliffs of Mohr, the Knock Shrine, the Country of St. Patrick (Downpatrick), the Kylemore and Holy Cross Abby, Trinity College and so much more. We'll have a wee bit of beer tasting at the Guinness Center and time for shopping, including the Blarney Mills and the Celtic Crystal Factory. Traveling all around Ireland including Belfast in the North. We get the best of both worlds with this tour... A little bit of the sacred and a little bit of the secular. Tour includes round trip airfare with bus transportation to the airport, airline surcharges, four-star accommodations, daily breakfast and dinners, a Medieval Banquet and an Irish evening with dinner and a show. Cost: \$3849. For information, contact Helen at (610) 213-4141.

New Horizons Spirit Journey. Join New Horizons on a great adventure to Lancaster where we will see the greatest story of all time. The action-packed musical "Jesus" at the Sight and Sound Theatre is by far the best show I have ever seen, even better than Broadway. Before the show, we will have a private sit-down lunch at the Eden Resort with your choice of London Broil, Chicken Parmigiana or Raspberry Salmon with salad, vegetables, beverage and dessert. There is even time for shopping at Kitchen Kettle Village. We will depart from St Elizabeth Ann Seton parking lot on **Wednesday, July 25th** at 8am. Cost is \$130 for show, lunch and motor coach transportation. Call Helen to reserve your spot on the bus at (610) 213-4141. Don't miss out....tickets go fast! **Save the Date.** October 28 to November 2, 2018. 6-day Pilgrimage to EWTN and the Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament. If interested, call Helen with questions at (610) 213-4141.

Property Tax Rebate. To help with the rising cost of living, you are reminded that Pennsylvania Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program applications are now available. There are new guidelines which will permit individuals that qualify to receive a rebate between \$250 and \$650 from property taxes or rent paid last year. Funding for this rebate program is made possible by the Pennsylvania State Lottery Fund and is a rebate that does not have to be repaid. This application must be filed by December 31, 2018. To qualify, you must be 65 years of age or older, a widow or widower 50 years of age or older, or a disabled person 18 years or older. Homeowners that have annual incomes of \$36,600 or less and renters with annual incomes of \$15,700 or less could qualify. Only half of your annual Social Security or SSI income is counted toward the income guideline. For more information or an application call United Social Services. Monday through Friday between 10 AM and 4 PM at (215) 923-1900 and a staff member will assist you.

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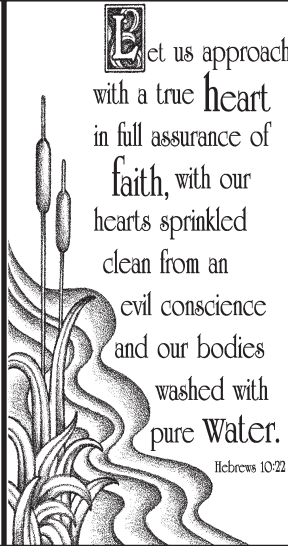
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