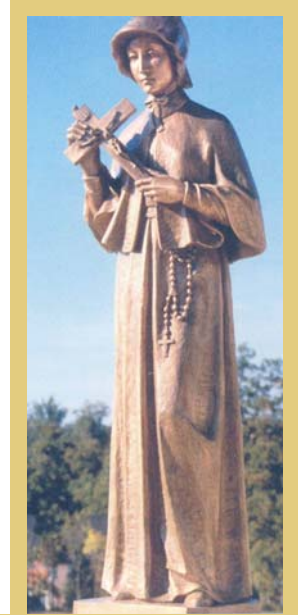


St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
Catholic Church

12805 Valleywood Drive, Lake Ridge, Virginia
Founded 1976



Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Daily Thoughts of Mother Seton:
“Pray that He will not reject the broken heart--
broken of its perverse and obstinate resistance to His will.”



Mass Schedule

Monday - Saturday: 9:00AM
 Saturday Vigil: 6:00PM
 Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 10:45AM, 12:30PM
 Holy Days: Vigil - 7:30PM
 9:00AM, 6:00PM, 7:30PM

Pastoral Staff

Rev. David P. Meng Pastor
 Rev. James R. Searby Parochial Vicar
 Mr. Emil Myskowski Deacon
 Mrs. Marie Pelletier Business Manager
 Mrs. Jackie Ezersky Director of Religious Education
 Mrs. Kathy Lord Director of Religious Education
 for Middle School & Confirmation
 Director of Youth Ministry
 Mr. Kevin Heider Director of Youth Ministry

General Information

Office Hours: 9:00AM to 4:00PM

RCIA: Adults who wish to become Catholic are invited to inquire about the process. Please call the Rectory.

Pastoral Advisory Council: 7:00PM - second Tuesday of every month.

Nursery Service: 9:00 & 10:45AM Masses.

Telephone Numbers

Parish Offices 703-494-4008
 Parish School, Aquinas School 703-491-4447
 Religious Education Offices 703-494-3966
 Fax 703-494-1995
 Web site www.seas1.org
 Weekend & evening receptionist (703) 494-3966

Sacraments

Penance: Friday after 9AM Mass, Monday at 7PM,

Saturday, 3:30 or by appointment.

Baptism: Registration in parish and preparation is required.

Please call Rectory for an appointment.

Marriage: Registration in parish and 6 month preparation is required.

Please call the Rectory for an appointment.

First Communion: Administered in 2nd grade upon completion of 1st grade in a Religious Education Program or Catholic School.

Confirmation: Administered in 8th grade after completing grades 1-7 in a Religious Education Program or Catholic School.

PARISH ACTIVITIES FROM OCTOBER 18TH - 24TH

Sunday, Oct 18th		
9am	3rd Grade RE	L
9am	5th Grade RE	RB
10am	Choir Warm Up	C
10:30am	Catechist Prayer & Planning	DH
11:30am	2nd Grade RE	L&RB
2pm	K of C	UH
4:30pm	Middle School RE	L,RB, D&UH
6:30pm	Middle School RE	L,RB,& DH
7pm	Contemplative Prayer	C
Monday, Oct 19th		
9am	Mass	C
10am	Seton Crafters	UH
10:30am	Mom's Group	OFF-SITE
4:30pm	Middle School RE	L,RB,& U & DH
6:30pm	Middle School RE	L,RB,& DH
7pm	Boy Scouts	UH
7pm	Confessions	C
7pm	Scripture Class	N
Tuesday, Oct 20th		
9am	Mass	C
9am	Blue Army Devotion	C
ALL DAY ADORATION UNTIL 5:45		C
2pm	Parkinson Support Group	UH
6:30pm	RCIC	DH,L,& RB
7:30pm	Knights of Columbus 1st degree	UH
Wednesday, Oct 21st		
9am	Mass	C
10am	Legion of Mary	RB
6pm	SEAS Sertificates Annual Dinner	UH
6pm	Kindergarten RE	L
7:30pm	Charismatic Prayer Group	UH
7:30pm	RCIA	DH
Thursday, Oct 22nd		
9am	Mass	C
9:30am	Music Planning	C/S,R
7pm	Sanctuary Choir	N
7pm	Parent Enrichment for Penance	UH
Friday, Oct 23rd		
9am	Mass	C
9:30am	Confessions	C
9:30am	Faith Sharing	UH
10:15am	Legion of Mary	RB
6pm	Middle School ?	UH
Saturday, Oct 24th		
9am	Mass	C
9:30am	K of C Officers & Directors	UH
3:30pm	Confessions	C
6pm	K of C Potluck	UH

WEEK OF OCTOBER 19, 2009



FEAST DAYS & READINGS

- 19 Mon** Feast of Sts. John de Brebeuf, Isaac Jogues and Companions
Rom 4:20-25; Lk 12:13-21
- 20 Tues** St. Paul of the Cross
Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21; Lk 12:35-38
- 21 Wed** Rom 6:12-18; Lk 12:39-48
- 22 Thurs** Rom 6:19-23; Lk 12:49-53
- 23 Fri** Feast of St. John of Capistrano
Rom 7:18-25a; Lk 12:54-59
- 24 Sat** Feast of St. Anthony Mary Claret
Rom 8:1-11; Lk 13:1-9
- 25 Sun** Jer 31:7-9; Ps 126; Heb 5:1-6; Mk 10:46-52

MASS INTENTIONS



- Mon 9:00am** +Deceased Members of the Lamb Family
- Tues 9:00am** Intentions of Brandon Wickham
- Wed 9:00am** +Pat O'Brien
- Thurs 9:00am** +Anne Sottolano
- Fri 9:00am** +Richard Dudek, Sr.
- Sat 9:00am** +Paul Peworchik
- 6:00pm** +Romane Cantave
- Sun 7:30am** For the People of SEAS
- 9:00am** +Jack Barbosa
- 10:45am** +Nicholas Wannat
- 12:30pm** +Teresa Wallace

SUNDAY COLLECTION

Week of October 11, 2009

Collection	\$18,371.23
Faith Direct Offertory	\$ 4,938.46
Total Sunday Offertory	\$23,309.69
Capital Improvements	\$ 374.00

THANK YOU to all parishioners who support this parish.

Please Pray For ...

The Sick ~

The Deceased ~ *Joanne Kaestner, Pat O'Brien & Harry Westwood, Sr.*

PARISH NEWS



Please pray for the following priests this week, that they might always be faithful to their sacred calling:

- Sunday, October 18th, Rev. Edwin E. Perez, St. Rita**
- Monday, October 19th, Rev. John P. Peterson, Youth Apostles Institute**
- Tuesday, October 20th, Rev. Mark A. Pilon, St. Raymond of Penafort**
- Wednesday, October 21st, Rev. Donald J. Planty, Holy Family**
- Thursday, October 22nd, Rev. Jerry J. Pokorsky, St. Michael**
- Friday, October 23rd, Rev. Christopher J. Pollard, St. Isidore the Farmer**
- Saturday, October 24th, Rev. Marcus A. Pollard, St. Bernadette**



SEAS SILVER FOXES

The SEAS Silver Foxes are sponsoring a chartered bus trip to the Harrington Casino in Delaware on **Monday, November 16th**. The bus leaves SEAS parking lot at **9:30 A.M. and returns at 8:00 P.M.** The cost of the trip is \$28 and includes \$15 free play and a free buffet. For reservations call Rose Marie and Bob Scheller at 703-878-3064.

"CONSTRUCTION SALES" of SEAS-SS INVENTORY

Effective immediately, the SEAS-SS gift certificates/gift cards are no longer available after weekend Masses due to the construction in the lower hall of the church. As a result, we would like to "close-out" all remaining inventory. A listing of the inventory that is available will be posted in the vestibule. You may e-mail Hector or Theresa, (hdittamo@yahoo.com) or please call 703-491-5585, to work out details of obtaining the gift cards/gift certificates you wish to have from their house. We need your help to purchase the gift certificates/gift cards. We appreciate the support SEAS-SS has received from you over the years since the Program began in July 1995.

SEAS SHOPPING CERTIFICATES

SEAS Shopping Certificates Annual Appreciation Dinner & Training Session – **Wednesday, October 21st** will be the date for the annual appreciation dinner and training session for all SEAS Shopping Certificate volunteers. It will be held in the upstairs hall from **7:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M.** Please let your Mass Team Captain know if you will be able to attend. Dress is casual. A mouth-watering dinner from Fox's Pizza Den will be enjoyed by all. If anyone could help with the **set-up at 4PM**, please contact Hector Dittamo, 703-491-5585.

HUMAN CONCERNS

Thank you to everyone who dropped off food items and/or helped serve the dinner meals at the Hilda Barg Family Shelter this past week. It was great to see families and groups signing up to serve meals. Thank you for all of your efforts!

Opportunities to give of your time, talent, and treasure:

The ACTS food drive continues at SEAS throughout the month of October. Please be generous in your food donations. There are so many who are hungry. Your donations make a difference.

Be sure to think about heading out to CiCi's Pizza tomorrow night (**Monday, October 19th**) for dinner! From 4:30 – 8:00 p.m. CiCi's will donate 15% of all the sales generated to the PWC Drop-In Center. CiCi's is located in Foulger Square (near KOHLs and Home Depot). Enjoy some yummy pizza and help a good cause!

The HC Committee is still collecting your unwanted 2010 calendars! Please drop them off in any of the bins in the bottom rack of the magazine rack in the church foyer and we'll get them to one of our parishioners who will deliver them to the VA hospital in Richmond.

Construction on the basement has disrupted some things at church, but the service projects conducted by the HC Committee will continue as usual. Please drop off unused toiletries, canceled postage stamps, unwanted eyeglasses, used ink cartridges, old cell phones, Campbells UPCs and General Mills Boxtops for Education in the marked bins on the bottom shelf of the magazine rack in the church foyer. These small items make a big difference to many different organizations. Thank you for your participation!

K - 5 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

MIDDLE SCHOOL



1st Penance Parent Meeting

**Thursday, October 22 OR
Wednesday, October 28: Parent
Enrichment Evening for 1st**

Penance; 7:00pm in the Upstairs Parish Hall.

****PLEASE NOTE: THURSDAY OCTOBER 22ND
EVENING WAS ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED FOR
WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 21ST.**

These evenings are for parents who have registered their children in our 2nd grade program for 2009-10 (including Family Catechesis and Aquinas 2nd grade parents). Parents may choose whichever evening best suits their family's schedule. This is mandatory for at least one parent to attend. Any questions or concerns, please call Jackie Ezersky in the RE office at 494-3966; ext. 134.

**Sunday (this weekend), October 18th: K-8 Grade
Catechist Planning Session; 10:30-11:30am in the
downstairs hall.** This is for all K-8 grade catechists (Religious Education teachers), including Lead Teachers.

Parish Library

If you are looking for something spiritually enriching, come and see what we have in the parish library. Our library is located in the downstairs of the parish hall, and is opened Monday-Friday, 9am-4pm and Saturday, 9am-5pm.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

OPEN HOUSE

Sunday, November 8th from 2-4 P.M.

Discover John Paul the Great!



Come meet our exceptional faculty, tour our beautiful campus, and learn more about our academics, athletics, extra-curricular activities, faith life, and more! Presentation begins at 2:15 P.M. in the theater. You'll learn all about JP the Great program, meet the faculty, and tour the state-of-the-art campus. ~Applications are now being accepted at JP the Great Catholic High school for students who will be in 9th, 10th, or 11th grade next school (2010-2011). to apply online, please visit www.jpthegreat.org. For more information or directions to the school, please visit our website, www.jpthegreat.org or you can call 703-445-0300.

PAUL VI CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Please join the Paul VI Catholic High School Community at our annual Fall Open House on **Sunday, November 1st from 1 to 4 P.M.** Explore the excitement and benefits of a Catholic Education. All 7th and 8th Graders are encouraged to attend with their families.

*****IMPORTANT CHANGE *****

MANDATORY CONFIRMATION PARENT AND STUDENT ENROLLMENT CEREMONY MEETING:

Choose *either* **Sunday, October 25th at 6PM** in the Nave or **Thursday, October 29th at 7PM** in the Upstairs Hall. There will be a meeting and Enrollment Ceremony. Details have been mailed. Please contact the Middle School office at 703-494-3966 if you have not received a letter. In addition, please consult the bulletin and the SEAS website for further information or changes.

***This meeting is for ALL 8th grade parishioners who wish to be Confirmed in 2010 regardless of the religious education program in which they are enrolled.**

ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS: If you are in grades 9-12 and have not yet been confirmed, there will be a high school confirmation class offered beginning this month. This class is available for those students who have been enrolled in religious education classes but missed being confirmed in their eighth grade year. Please contact Kathy Lord for further information at (703) 494-3966.

YOUTH MINISTRY

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP ~

The Youth Group will **not** be meeting in the Parish Hall **tonight**. We will instead be attending the Youth Rally in Arlington.

Youth Group will also not be meeting in the Parish Hall on Sunday **October 25**. We will be returning from our weekend retreat at Sandbridge Beach. There are still slots available if you'd like to attend.

BEACH RETREAT ~

On the weekend of **October 23-25** the SEAS High School Youth Group will be joining the Youth Group from Holy Spirit Catholic Church in Annandale for a retreat at Sandbridge Beach. We have reserved two beach-front houses. The cost to attend is \$100, but we will only be able to take **25 teens**. (If you attend both the Beach Retreat and Youth Rally on Oct 18th, you will pay \$100 total). Interested or have questions, or to fill out a release form, stop by the Youth Ministry Office in the parish hall to pick one up, or contact Kevin Heider at kevinheider411@verizon.net.

MIDDLE SCHOOL ~

Our next meeting will be take place on **Friday, October 30**. We will be taking a trip to the Belvedere Plantation for a hayride and bonfire. The cost to attend is \$25. Permission slips can be picked up and dropped off outside the Youth Minister's office. They must be turned in **no later than Tuesday, October 27**. **We will be meeting at the church and leaving by 5:45 Friday evening. We will return by 10:30 p.m.** Chaperones are needed.

**PARISH NEWS CONTINUED~
EUCCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR**

You are invited to a Eucharistic Holy Hour sponsored by the Arlington Division of the World Apostolate of Fatima on **Sunday, October 25th from 3:00-4:00 P.M.** at St. Thomas á Becket Catholic Church, 1421 Wiehle Ave., Reston. At Fatima, Our Lady asked for prayer and sacrifice for the conversion of sinners, peace in the world, and an increase in vocations; we hope you will join us in prayer.

SEAS RESPECT LIFE MONTH

In honor of Respect Life Month, the SEAS Respect Life Committee is sponsoring a collection of baby items for BIRTHRIGHT, our local crisis pregnancy center. BIRTHRIGHT provides support for pregnant mothers through education, medical help, and financial assistance. The following baby items are needed:

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| Receiving Blankets | Crib Blankets |
| Onesies | Bibs |
| Sleepers | Sweaters |
| Booties | Socks |
| Baby Set/ Outfit | Snowsuits |
| Baby Bath Towels | Mittens |
| Washcloths | Crib Pad |
| Soft Toys | Baby Wipes |
| Baby Toiletries | Diapers |
| Hats | Shoes |

Diapers and baby items should be sized from newborn to nine months. Donations can be dropped off after all Masses downstairs in the Fellowship area. Just look for the bassinet marked BIRTHRIGHT. If you have questions please contact Brenda Accornero (703) 965-5789 or Dave Pace (703) 490-6894.

PRO-LIFE

A particularly crucial battleground in today's cultural struggle between the supremacy of technology and human moral responsibility is the field of *bioethics*. In this most delicate and critical area, the fundamental questions asserts itself forcefully: is man the product of his own labours or does he depend on God? We are presented with a clear *either/or*. Yet the rationality of a self-centered use of technology proves to be irrational because it implies a decisive rejection of meaning and value.

~ Pope Benedict XVI

COMMUNITY NEWS

OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS

"The Locator" ~ Looking for Confessions on a Tuesday night? Interested in finding a Mass on Sunday evening? Parishioners and visitors from the Diocese can now search for Parishes, Schools, Masses, Confessions and Adoration times with our new advanced search feature: "The Locator." Visit www.arlingtondiocese.org and look for the yellow box! For more information or to offer feedback please e-mail us at communication@arlingtondiocese.org.

OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR

St. Jeanne Jugan - Mass in Honor of Canonization (Nov. 15) and Play (Nov. 20) ~

In union with Bishop Loverde and the Diocese of Arlington, the Little Sisters of the Poor will thank God for the gift of St. Jeanne Jugan to the church at a Mass of Thanksgiving for her Canonization which will be held at **9:30 A.M. on November 15th** at the Cathedral of St. Thomas More in Arlington. The Mass will be followed by a reception. On **November 20th at 7:30 P.M.** The Theater of the Word will present "The Little Saint of the Poor." Written and produced to commemorate the canonization of Jeanne Jugan, Foundress of the little Sisters of the Poor, this show presents the story of her life and her struggles. The play also delves into life issues that are currently in contention - euthanasia, dying, and dignity - and shows how these issues are fully transformed by the love of God and the love of the poorest among us. The production will be staged at Pope John Paul the Great Catholic High School in Dumfries. For additional information and/or tickets, please call us at 804-288-6245.

VICTIM ASSISTANCE MINISTRY

The Victim Assistance Ministry is a program of outreach to victims/survivors of childhood sexual abuse by clergy, religious or lay employees of the Catholic Church, as well as those abused through incest, by acquaintances, or through violent attack. We encourage both victims/survivors and the entire Catholic community to join us at a Mass to pray for healing for those who have been sexually abused. The Mass will be held on **October 26th at 7:30 P.M.** at Sacred Heart Church, 12975 Purcell Road in Manassas. Bishop Paul S. Loverde will preside. For more information about the Mass and other services offered through the Victim Assistance Ministry, please visit our website www.arlingtondiocese.org. You may also contact the Victim Assistance Coordinators, Pat Mudd at 703-841-2530 or Kathryn Kramer at 703-841-2759. All calls are confidential.

JOHN PAUL THE GREAT LEGACY PROJECT

All are invited to the inaugural John Paul the Great Legacy Project on **Saturday, October 17th**, for a unique day of prayer, catechesis and fellowship at the Pope John Paul II Cultural Center in Washington, DC. The day-long event is an opportunity to celebrate the life and papacy of John Paul II. Speakers, Bishop Salvatore Cordileone, Fr. David Toups, Sr. Mary Gabriel, S.V. and Mr. Jerry Coniker, will address a variety of topics, including vocations, the family, building a culture of life, theology of the body and ecumenism. Cecilia Royals will serve as emcee. For more information or to register, please call 703-494-697-7501 or visit www.jptglegacyproject.com. The cost for the event, which includes three meals, is \$65.

LAY FRATERNITIES OF ST. DOMINIC

The Lay Fraternities of St. Dominic will meet on **October 31, 2009** at Sacred Heart Catholic Parish, 12975 Purcell Rd., Manassas, VA. 20112 in classroom # 5 from **2pm - 4pm**. We will meet earlier for Bible Study/Sharing from **12:30pm to 1:45pm**. Snack will be served at **1:45pm - 2:00pm**. All (ages 18 & above) are welcome to attend either session or both. If you have any questions or concerns please call Mary Catabui at 703-670-7591.



We are proud to present a new educational opportunity: **Lighthouse Catholic Media**. A practical and effective program to help Catholics know their faith...to keep their faith!

We all live busy, busy lives. Finding the time to learn about our faith is difficult. But now, we are able to meet you where you are! Wherever you have a CD player available to you, in the car or at home, you can deepen your understanding and love for the Catholic faith.

On the way into church you will soon see a stand offering nine different CDs and three different brochures. These feature some of the most inspiring Catholic speakers -- bishops, priests, deacons and eminent Catholic lay men and women. The CDs and brochure will be available after every Mass. We ask for a donation of \$3.00 per CD and \$.50 per brochure so that we may continue this program. When these are gone -- they're gone. And a new set with different titles and speakers will be ordered. We encourage you to take advantage of this wonderful opportunity.

ST. ANSELM'S ABBEY SCHOOL

St. Anselm's Abbey School will be hosting an Open House for boys entering grades 6-12 in Fall 2010 at 4501 South Dakota Ave., NE, Washington DC on **Sunday, November 1, 2009, from 11:00 A.M. until 3:00 P.M.** St. Anselm's is a private, independent Roman Catholic day school for academically gifted young men, grades six through twelve. Our admissions process is conducted on a rolling basis throughout the year. Please contact E.V. Downey, Director of Admissions at 202-269-2379 or admissions@saintanselms.org.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

NEXT SUNDAY IS WORLD PRIEST DAY.

Please tell your parish priest how much you love him! The next local worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is **November 13-15th**. Early registration is highly recommended, as dates fill up quickly. For more information please call John and Lorie Scali at 703-631-5289 or visit <http://www.me-nova.org>, (en español <http://www.seccion16emm.com/>).





KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Friday, October 30th from 7-9 P.M. in the church hall. Games, refreshments and prizes for the best costumes - age groups 9 and under and 10-15. Bring your friends. We'll have a ghoulish good time!

ANNUAL HALLOWEEN PARTY



The logo for "40 Days for Life" features a stylized blue figure with arms raised, resembling a person or a dove, positioned above the number "40". To the right of the "40" is the text "DAYS FOR LIFE" in a large, serif font. A small "TM" trademark symbol is located at the end of the word "LIFE".

40 DAYS FOR LIFE™

This fall, from **September 23 to November 1 2009**, our community will be uniting with other cities across North America and around the world for a massive coordinated pro-life mobilization – the *40 Days for Life* campaign. People of faith are praying that, with God's help, this effort will help bring an end to the tragedy of abortion.

40 Days for Life is a focused pro-life campaign that has generated measurable lifesaving results in more than 200 cities where it has been implemented. Some locations have reported as much as a 28% drop in local abortion numbers. The *40 Days for Life* campaign is made up of three key components:

- *Prayer and Fasting*: inviting people of faith throughout our city to join together for 40 days of fervent prayer and fasting for an end to abortion
- *Peaceful Vigil*: standing for life through a 40-day peaceful public witness outside our local abortion clinic: Amethyst Health Center For Women 9380 Forestwood Ln # B Manassas,
- *Community Outreach*: taking a positive, upbeat pro-life message to every corner of our city through media efforts, church presentations, petition drives, and public visibility

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church will be the prayer presence at the abortion clinic in Manassas on October 25 from 7:00AM to 7:00PM. Sign ups will be after all Masses October 17th and 18th. Please speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves.

