

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish

This Week's Message



Like our parents who embraced us as children when we were tired and exhausted, like the embrace between family and friends at the time of the death of a loved one – so God embraces us as we eat his body and drink his blood in holy communion. Bread and wine, flesh and blood, the embrace of God. What is your experience of receiving the Eucharist? –Fr. Mark

From the Pastor: Fr. Mark Ressler

*"Lord, I want to see." (Luke 10:46-52)
I will be away from the parish August 22-23 and August 29-30 for cataract surgery in Dubuque. The right eye will be done on August 22 and the left eye will be done on August 29.
Please keep me in your prayers. Thank you!*



LEARN



Fall Alpha Registration Is Now Open

Got questions about life? Everyone should have the chance to explore the Christian faith, ask questions and share their point of view. Alpha is a series of sessions exploring the Christian faith. Each talk looks at different questions around faith and is designed to create conversation.

Alpha is run all around the globe, and everyone is welcome! Click the Register Now link below.

Alpha Dates:

Sunday Mornings, September 9-November 18
from 9:30 AM-11:00 AM

Thursday evenings, September 13-November 29
from 6:00 PM-7:30 PM

Friday Mornings, September 14-November 30
from 9:30 AM-11:00 AM

[Register Now](#)

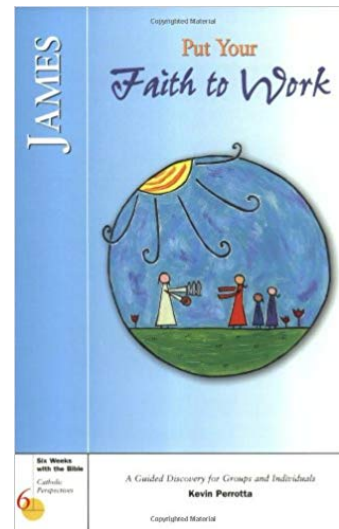
Youth Alpha Registration

Save the date for Youth Alpha! Got questions about life? Ask anything! Sun., Sept. 9 - Sun., Nov. 18 from 9:30 AM to 10:45 PM. To register contact Sarah Casey at scasey@seasp.org.



2018 Fall Message Series Companion Book: Get Your Copy Today!

The Letter of James shows up as the second reading during the Sundays in September. In this great companion to our fall message series, *James: Put Your Faith to Work*, you will learn how to apply Jesus' teachings to your lives as members of God's kingdom. Ultimately, we come to understand the book of James as our road map for the Christian journey. Use this book individually or in a group setting. The cost is just \$7 and the books will be available in the parish and after Masses the weekend of August 25 and 26. Would you like to form a group to read with others or join a group that already meets? Contact Trish Lokmer: tlokmer@seasp.org or 393-3778.



Second Grade Sacramental Preparation

If your child is going into 2nd grade this coming school year 2018-19, please make sure they are registered for First Reconciliation and First Communion preparation. If you have specific questions about registration or sacramental preparation, please contact Trish Lokmer:



Register Now



Confirmation Parent Meeting

A Confirmation Parent Meeting will be held on Wed., Sept. 12 at 6:00 PM. All parents with children being confirmed this year are required to attend.

WITNESS

Hiawatha Fun Fest Parade

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton is going to be in the Hiawatha Fun Fest parade! We will be promoting our Fall Alpha Courses as well as making sure our neighbors know about our church! If you are interested in being part of the parade on Sat. Aug. 25 from 11:00 AM-12:00 PM please contact Kathi Clauson: k.clauson13@gmail.com for details!



Especially For You Race Registration

Did you know that St. Elizabeth Ann Seton participates in the Especially for You Race against Breast Cancer as a team? Join us in supporting this worthy cause! You can register at www.especiallyforyourace.org. Register by Fri., Aug. 31 for the early bird discount. The race is on Sun., Oct. 7. If you've already registered, there's still time to join SEASP team! Please contact Christina Wood at christina@woodet.com or (951) 836-9551 if you have any questions.



Thank You!

Thank you to all of you who participated in our blood drive this past week.

THANK YOU!

When you give blood, you directly impact little patients, like Grayson (pictured right, in orange). He regularly receives blood products as part of his on-going treatment for Opsoclonus-Myoclonus-Ataxia (OMA), an inflammatory neurological disorder and Neuroblastoma.



[Click here to listen to more of Grayson's story.](#)

The Erbes family at the "Gibbons for Grayson" blood drive that they annually host as a way to give back to the community.

100 DAYS OF SUMMER

EVERY DAY EVERY DONOR EVERY PATIENT COUNTS



Date Nights Are Back!

All engaged and married couples are invited to attend our date nights on: Sat., Sept. 15, Sat., Oct., 20 and Sat., Nov. 17 at 6:10 PM (after the 5:00 PM Mass). We will discuss a marriage topic followed by couple discussion and a brief group discussion. Come to one or all date nights! There is no homework, just quality time together. Follow us on Facebook for more information www.facebook.com/StEsDateNight.

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Children's Ministry Meeting

For all current and interested children's ministers: Do you love kids? Do you love growing in your own faith? **Mark your calendars and join me for a Children's Ministry Meeting: Sun., Aug. 19 from 9:45 AM-10:45 AM in the lower level.** We encourage everyone to prayerfully consider becoming part of this important ministry in our parish. Bring a friend or two! All are welcome! If you would like to learn more about children's ministries and how to get involved contact Ali Maahs, amaahs@seasp.org.

From your Social Justice Committee-Mary's Meals

Mary's Meals provides one good meal to some of the world's poorest children every school day. They're now feeding over 1,257,000 children every school day. Let's help them feed more! Through the end of September all coins from the collection will go to Mary's Meals. Since the



beginning of July we have collected \$144.10. Please consider emptying some of your coins from your piggy bank or from your pocket! You can bring them to Mass or to the parish office by Sun., Sept. 30. Thank you for feeding the hungry! God bless you and all the children of the world.



Altar Server Training

We will hold a training for NEW Altar Servers on Thur., Aug. 30. Training will be from 6:00 PM-7:15 PM and will begin in the gathering space outside of church. This training is open to anyone entering 5th grade or older. Please RSVP to Kelli at kdevries@seasp.org or 319-393-3778.

Service Opportunities

Calling ALL students! We are always so excited to have your participation as ministers at St. Elizabeth's. Be sure to keep up to date on ways you can serve for Scouts, School, and the various clubs or organizations. One great way to stay up to date is to keep an eye on the bulletin. You can also fill out the ministry form here (<https://www.seasp.org/ministry-commitment-form>) to get involved through ministries you would enjoy. Feel free to contact Sarah, scasey@seasp.org or Kelli, kdevries@seasp.org for more information, ideas, or



PRAY

The Anointing Of The Sick

The sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be administered after all Masses the weekend of August 25 & 26.



Alpha Prayer Team Ministry

Are you a prayerful person? We are looking for

people to intentionally pray for Alpha this fall by being part of the Alpha Prayer Team Ministry. This team would be praying for Alpha as a whole, the team and participants! If you are interested in this ministry please join us for an Alpha Prayer Meeting on Sun., Aug. 26 between the Masses from 9:45 AM-10:45 AM. We intentionally pray for Alpha and talk about the Alpha Prayer Ministry. You do not need to have gone through the Alpha Course to be part of this team. If you have questions please contact Trish Lokmer: tlokmer@seasp.org.

Come Holy Spirit!



Back To School Masses

We will have a back to school blessing at all Masses the weekend of August 18 & 19. We will be celebrating with ice cream sundaes after the 11:00 AM Mass on Sun., Aug. 19.



Discussion Questions

August 19: Sometimes life empties us of a sense of meaning. How does receiving the Eucharist help with this problem?

August 26: The challenges posed by following Jesus are getting too hard. Am I one of those who left, or am I staying?

Mass/Liturgy Readings for August 19, 2018

Sunday, August 19 Twentieth Sunday In Ordinary Time , ([JN 6:51-58](#))

Monday, August 20, St. Bernard, ([MT 19:16-22](#))

NO MASS

Tuesday, August 21, St. Pius X, ([MT 19:23-30](#))

Mass at the Hiawatha Care Center at 9:45 AM, *Grace Gassman*

Wednesday, August 22, The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary ([MT 20:1-16](#))

NO MASS

Thursday, August 23, Weekday ([MT 22:1-14](#))

NO MASS

Friday, August 24, St. Bartholomew ([JN 1:45-51](#))

Mass at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton at 6:30 AM, *Theresa Kindl*

Saturday, August 25, Vigil: Twenty-First Sunday In Ordinary Time ([MT 23:1-12](#))

Mass at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton at 5:00 PM, *Jeff Hamilton*

ANNOINTING OF THE SICK AFTER MASS

Sunday, August 26, Twenty-First Sunday In Ordinary Time ([JN 6:60-69](#))

Mass at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish at 8:30 AM, *For the Parish*

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Mass at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish at 11:00 AM, *Robert Stoeber*

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Weekly Giving For 8/12/2018

Envelopes: \$10,098.00
Bank Checks: \$2,045.00
EFT: \$32,932.34
Loose: \$1,085.00
Almsgiving (Social Justice): \$14.85
Building Fund: \$2,911.00
Marshalltown Aid: \$50.00
Total: \$49,136.19



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