

# St. Elizabeth Seton Church



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**SECOND SUNDAY IN**  
**LENT**  
**FEBRUARY 28, 2010**

## **MASSES**

**Tuesday to Friday**

**8:30 am**

**Saturday**

**5:00 pm**

**Sunday**

**8:30 am & 10:30 am**

## **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)**

Second and Fourth Saturdays of the month  
at 4:00pm in the Church or by appointment.

## **PARISH STAFF**

Father John Griffin.....Pastor  
Karen Panfiglio & Mary Thayer ..... Parish Secretaries  
Mary Grubb..... Bookkeeper  
Father John Griffin..... RCIA Catechumenate  
Char Mayclin ..... Pastoral Ministry Leader  
Tony Sacramento.....Diocesan Pastoral Council Rep.  
Alicia Slaugh..... Religious Education  
Michael Cresta ..... Senior Youth Director  
Liz Ritchie.....Junior Youth Group Director  
Char Mayclin .....Parish Council President  
John & Diane Lisciandro..... Charismatic Prayer

## **Office Hours**

**Monday to Friday**

9:00 am to 12:00 pm

Website: [www.st-elizabeth-seton.com](http://www.st-elizabeth-seton.com)

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## **Religious Education Offices**

Call and leave message: 585-8821

Youth Group Office: 585-2905

## **BAPTISM & MARRIAGE**

Parish policies for Baptism and Marriage  
are available on the table in the  
Gathering Area and at the parish office.  
Please call the office for appointments.

## ***St. Elizabeth Seton Parish Mission Statement***

*We, the people of St. Elizabeth Seton Parish, as a community united in the spirit of Christ, are called to grow in our relationship with Him, to proclaim His Gospel and to serve others. We are striving to become a worshiping, loving, welcoming and serving faith community.*

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Pastor's note:

Next weekend, March 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup>, St. Elizabeth Seton Parish will conduct the in-pew portion of our diocesan Annual Ministry Appeal (AMA). The overall goal among all the parishes of the diocese for this appeal is \$975,000 for 2010. Brochures from the Bishop's Office are mailed to approximately 41,000 families. Our goal here at St. Elizabeth Seton is \$18,983.



The Annual Ministry Appeal (AMA) each year helps the funding of programs which are a vital part for our diocesan mission such as:

- . . . Youth and Young Adult Ministry
- Catholic Schools
- Adult Faith Formation
- Evangelization & Catechesis
- Vocations to Priesthood
- Continuing Education for Priests.

You are invited to prayerfully consider a pledge to this year's AMA campaign and help us reach our parish goal.

In two weeks time (**Saturday night, March 13<sup>th</sup>**), the Knights of Columbus are putting on a **St. Patrick's Day Dinner** in the parish hall. This promises to be a fine evening celebration and tickets will be available after the Masses and in the parish office. We were pleased that such a large number showed up last Friday evening for our First Lenten Fish Fry of 2010. By now you are aware that the Knights and St. Elizabeth Seton Women's Guild combine to present the fish fry meal beginning at 6:00 p.m.

*Fr. John*

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### February 28, 2010 Scriptural Reflection

In today's Gospel we hear the story of Jesus becoming radiant and aglow as he is recognized by God as "my Son, the Chosen One." Jesus has had less success in being recognized by others. Because of what Jesus *does* and *says*, people begin asking questions about who he really is. The neighbors think they know: "This is Joseph's son, surely." Others are not so sure. The disciples ask: "Who is this who commands the waves?" Most people reckon that Jesus is more than meets the eye.

In the experience of prayer it is clear that Jesus is not Elijah. Neither is he Moses, the greatest of the ancient prophets. They appear on the scene to direct our attention to a journey Jesus must make to Jerusalem. Peter makes a suggestion that echoes down history: if in doubt, build! But the focus is not on architectural posterity, but on who Jesus is: "This is my Son, the Chosen One. Listen to him." Is it any wonder Jesus is radiant and aglow? He has an answer to his prayer. There is someone who gets his name right, and that someone is his Father. The deepest part of Jesus is called forth. The Father doesn't just recognize Jesus but *recognizes him in love* as his chosen one, and that transfigures Jesus. That recognition is allied to what Jesus must do: being who he is means he must take the road to Jerusalem. And when Jesus comes down the mountain, that is what he does: he sets his face towards Jerusalem where he will come face to face with death.

That transfiguration enables Jesus to make the most difficult journey in his life - to take the road that leads to Calvary.

Transfiguration is not a solitary event in the Gospel but one that happens over and over again. Throughout his public ministry Jesus transfigured many people - the broken, the wounded, and the wayward. He called to the deepest part of people and transfigured them by the power of God's love, the same power that transfigured Jesus himself. For Jesus, that experience was getting closer to who he really was. And we all get closer to who we really are when we hear our name called in love. When that happens we become radiant, and we are enabled to face the future.

We can understand transfiguration better when we ask: what would it take to transfigure *us*? What would it take to transfigure the people we know? Who calls our name in love? Whose name do we call in love? In our Lenten journey we are asked to transfigure each other by the power of God's love in us. We are called to the ministry of transfiguration.

**March 2010 Calendar (Selected Items)**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Day</u></b>	<b><u>Time</u></b>	<b><u>Event</u></b>
1	Mon.	6:00-8:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	CYO Basketball Spanish Prayer Group Men's Basketball
2	Tues.	3:00-5:00 p.m. 6:00-9:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00-8:30 p.m. 7:30-9:00 p.m.	Religious Education CYO Basketball Parish Council Confirmation Class Exposition
3	Wed.	3:00-5:00 p.m. 3:30-5:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:00-9:00 p.m. 7:00-8:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Religious Education First Reconciliation Mother of Perpetual Help CYO Basketball Junior Youth Group Etudes Choir Practice
4	Thurs.	3:00-5:00 p.m. 6:00-9:00 p.m.	Religious Education CYO Basketball
5	Fri.	9:00-12:00 p.m. 10:00-12:00 p.m. 6:00-7:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00-9:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	First Friday Devotions Sewing Group Fish Fry Korean Prayer Group Charismatic Prayer Group Stations of the Cross
6	Sat.	1:30 p.m. 6:00-4:00 p.m.	Baptism Rummage Sale
7	Sun.	10:30 a.m. 3:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m. 4:00-7:00 p.m.	Rite of Enrollment Polish Mass/Reception Korean Mass Korean Dinner
8	Mon.	7:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	Spanish Prayer Group Men's Basketball
9	Tues.	3:00-5:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00-8:30 p.m. 7:30-9:00 p.m.	Religious Education Knight of Columbus Women's Guild Cub Scout Leaders Confirmation Class Exposition
10	Wed.	3:00-5:00 p.m. 7:00-8:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Religious Education Junior Youth Group Etudes Choir Practice
11	Thurs.	3:00-5:00 p.m.	Religious Education
12	Fri.	6:00-7:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00-9:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Fish Fry Korean Prayer Group Charismatic Prayer Group Stations of the Cross
13	Sat.	1:30 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	Baptism K of C St. Patty's Dinner

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14	Sun.	11:30-1:30 p.m. 12:00 p.m.	Korean Prayer Group Baptism
15	Mon.	3:00-9:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Junk Food Bingo Spanish Prayer Group
16	Tues.	3:00-5:00 p.m. 7:00-8:30 p.m. 7:30-9:00 p.m.	Religious Education Confirmation Class Exposition
17	Wed.	3:00-5:00 p.m. 7:00-8:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Religious Education Junior Youth Group Etudes Choir Practice
18	Thurs.	3:00-5:00 p.m. 7:00-9:00 p.m.	Religious Education Cub Scouts
19	Fri.	6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00-9:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Fish Fry Korean Prayer Group Charismatic Prayer Group Stations of the Cross
21	Sun.	11:30-1:30 p.m.	Korean Prayer Group
22	Mon.	7:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	Spanish Prayer Group Men's Basketball
23	Tues.	3:00-5:00 p.m. 7:00-8:30 p.m. 7:30-9:00 p.m.	Religious Education Confirmation Class Exposition
24	Wed.	12:30 p.m. 3:00-5:00 p.m. 7:00-8:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Senior Potluck Luncheon Religious Education Junior Youth Group Etudes Choir Practice
25	Thurs.	3:00-5:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Religious Education Taizé
26	Fri.	10:00-12:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Sewing Group Fish Fry Korean Prayer Group Stations of the Cross
27	Sat.	5:00 p.m.	Anniversary Mass
28	Sun.	11:30-1:30 p.m. 11:30 a.m.	Korean Prayer Group Easter Egg Hunt
29	Mon.	7:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	Spanish Prayer Group Men's Basketball
30	Tues.	3:00-5:00 p.m. 7:00-8:30 p.m. 7:30-9:00 p.m.	Religious Education Confirmation Class Exposition
31	Wed.	3:00-5:00 p.m. 7:00-8:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Religious Education Junior Youth Group SES Joint Penance Svc.

## TAIZE' PRAYER

Taize' has moved back to **THURSDAY EVENING at 7:00 PM**. The next Taize' Service will be **MARCH 25**. This will be a time for prayer, readings from Scripture, meditative songs, and quiet reflection. We all have very hurried lives and don't always put God first. Taize' can become a part of who we are by teaching us to become peacemakers. Let us take this time to become closer to God and enrich our spirituality. Need more information or have any questions, please contact Char 793-1165



### Men's Basketball

Monday Adult Basketball takes place every Monday evening at 8:00 pm in the hall. Come work off some calories and have some fun. All skill levels welcome. For more information, call Dave John @ 584-1944.

*Are you a man who is retired, or getting ready to retire? Join us for the **Men's Retirement Retreat** on Saturday, **April 17th from 10AM-3PM**. Bob Dalzell, MFCC, from the Loyola Counseling Institute will lead this retreat, based on The Christian Retirement Challenge Program. \$40 registration fee includes lunch- please call early to register! 546-1781*

### **St. Vincent de Paul Society of St. Elizabeth Seton**

During your travels please collect the complimentary items from hotels. We include vanity packs with our food bags. These bags consist of soap, shampoos, lotions and toothpaste, as well as coffee. A box will be placed in the gathering area of the church.

***Once again thank you for all that you do to help us.***



**ANNUAL MINISTRY APPEAL (AMA)  
ONE FAMILY IN MISSION**

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- . . .priestly ministries
  - Vocations to Priesthood
  - Continuing Education for Priests



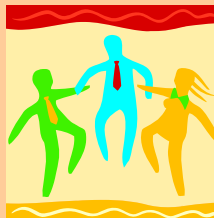
**Our goal here at St. Elizabeth Seton is \$18,983.**

**CATHOLIC ADULT SINGLES ASSOCIATION OF MARIN COUNTY  
March 2010**

For membership and event information, please call Bob at 415-897-0639. Next March event:

Thursday, March 4 @ 6:30 p.m. Our **Planning Meeting & Birthday Celebration** to be held in the Food Court of Northridge Mall.

Newcomers are welcome. Please come to a planning meeting.



**Liturgical Musicians**  
**Schedule for the Weekends of**  
**March 2010**

**Saturday, March 6**

5:00PM

Living Spirit

**Sunday, March 7**

8:30am

Living Spirit

10:30am

Living Spirit



**Saturday, March 13**

5:00pm

M. Family

**Sunday, March 14**

8:30AM

Crystal/Maricclair

10:30 AM

SES Choir

**Saturday, March 20**

5pm

Living Spirit

**Sunday, March 21**

8:30am

Crystal/Maricclair

10:30am

Living Spirit

**Charismatic Healing Mass**

Tuesday, March 9

St. Eugene's Cathedral

2323 Montgomery Drive, Santa Rosa

Praise and Worship, 7 p.m.

Charismatic Healing Mass, 7:30 p.m.

CELEBRANT: FR. MICHAEL SEARS



CHARISMATIC PRAYER MEETING

**1st and 3rd Fridays of every month**

St Elizabeth Seton Catholic Church

4595 Snyder Lane, Rohnert Park

7p.m., Rosary

Prayer Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

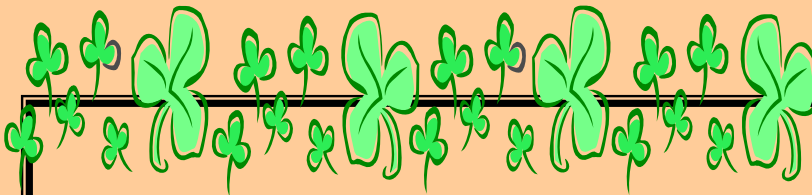


**St. Elizabeth Seton  
Parish  
Lenten Fish Fry**

**Hosted by Knights of Columbus Council 9090 and  
St. Elizabeth Seton Women's Guild**

**Beginning February 19<sup>th</sup> and every Friday during Lent  
From 6:00 to 7:30PM  
Preceding Stations of the Cross**

**Fried Fish and Chips or Baked Fish, Cole Slaw, Rolls and Dessert  
only \$8.00/\$5.00 for kids!  
Pay at the door.**



*ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER  
ST. ELIZABETH PARISH HALL*

*Saturday, March 13, 2009*

*Dinner @ 5:00 p.m.*

St. Elizabeth Seton Parish Hall  
4595 Snyder Lane, RP

\$15.00 per person—tickets available at parish office,  
or call 586-1628

Brought to you by Council 9090  
Knights of Columbus

*Corn Beef and Cabbage and all the trimmings*

**Mass Intentions  
March 2 – March 7, 2010**

Tuesday	March 2, 2010	8:30 am	Alicia Valadez, dec.
Wednesday	March 3, 2010	8:30 am	Myrtle Lynch, dec.
Thursday	March 4, 2010	8:30 am	Nolan and Connor Lamia, int.
Friday	March 5, 2010	8:30 am	Christine Schenk, dec.
Saturday	March 6, 2010	5:00 pm	Ellen Stevens, dec.
Sunday	March 7, 2010	8:30 am	Dominique Marinas, dec.
Sunday	March 7, 2010	10:30 am	Jose & Maria Oliveira, dec

**Reception of the Eucharist**



Per Bishop Walsh: With the flu (H1N1) now contained, the parishes can go back to their normal practice concerning the reception of the Eucharist under both the Sacred Body and Precious Blood. Also, the greeting of peace during the Mass and the use of Holy Water at the entrances of the Church can be reinstated.

This practice will be reinstated at St. Elizabeth Seton on the weekend of March 6 and 7, 2010.

**Rohnert Park Senior Center**

**Sunday March 14** – San Francisco’s Chinatown is celebrating the Year of the Tiger. And, Buddha’s Universal Church is presenting a musical spectacular **“What is the Price of Greed?”** This production showcases all new lyrics, music, costumes, sets and staging, and includes a dazzling sword dance and dynamic kung fu. Before the show, we will enjoy a delicious Chinese lunch at the Cathy House. \$64.00  
Departure 10:00 am and Return at 5:00 pm

**We are pleased to welcome the following candidates to this year’s Confirmation class at St. Elizabeth Seton**

- Kristina Chan
- Nancy Cintora
- Dominic Cornejo
- Brian Estrella
- Rachel Morales
- Zachary Moss
- Ashley Policarpo
- Emily Slaugh
- Stephanie Susano
- Katelyn Tamborini
- Kelsey Tuttle
- Christina Villarreal
- Veronica Villarreal



**CALLED TO BE FAITHFUL STEWARDS  
OF THE LORD'S BLESSINGS**

**Plate Offering:**

February 20 & 21	\$2,792.00
Central and Eastern Europe	\$1,677.00

THANK YOU!

Please Remember St. Elizabeth Seton in your Will and Living Trust.

**THIRD SUNDAY in LENT**

EX.3:1-8a,13-15  
1 COR 1-6, 10-12  
Luke 13:1-9

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**R & S Lawn Care**

**Stan Ottolini and Roman Enriquez**

(Two College Students for Hire)

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**San Damiano**

**March 12-14, 2010**

**My Truth Will Set You Free**

March 12 - 14, 2010, Lenten Weekend: My  
Truth Will Set You Free. Paula Jenkins & Fr.  
Rusty Shaughnessy, OFM \$210/180. (925)  
837-9141. Website: [www.sandamiano.org](http://www.sandamiano.org)