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Feast of the Holy Family

Mass Intentions

Tuesday December 30

****No 10am Mass****

Wednesday December 31

****No 10am Mass****

Vigil Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

4:30pm: **Parishioners of St. Elizabeth Seton**

Thursday January 1

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

9:00am: **Parishioners of St. Elizabeth Seton**

11:00am: **Parishioners of St. Elizabeth Seton**

Friday January 2

St. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen

10am: **Marietta Tacugue**
Req. by: Stephen Birao and family

Saturday January 3

Vigil Epiphany

4:30pm: **Margaret MacKay**
Req. by: Valerie Price

Sunday January 4

Epiphany

9am: **Anne Stokl**
Req. by: Stephen Stokl

11:00am: **Mass for the People**



December 14 2025

Offertory	\$ 5,752.10
SES Building	\$ 1,290.00
ShareLife YTD	\$ 19,914.00

Month of November PAG (Pre-authorized Giving)

Sunday Offertory	\$3701.16
SES Building Fund	\$ 612.00
ShareLife	\$ 80.00

Alcoholic Anonymous meet every
Saturday at 8pm in the Knights of
Columbus room

Fiat Voluntas Tua

In the first day of the New Year, we always celebrate the Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God - Mary, as the Theotokos, the God bearer through whom Jesus came into the world. In Lumen Gentium, the Dogmatic Constitution on the Church from the Second Vatican Council, it was declared that God did not employ Mary in a purely passive way, but that she freely cooperated in the work of human salvation through her faith and her obedience.

The great Early Church Father St. Irenaeus is quoted in Lumen Gentium, noting: "Being obedient, Mary became the cause of salvation for herself and for the whole human race." Mary is seen as the new Eve, as St Irenaeus states: "The knot of Eve's disobedience was untied by Mary's obedience; what the virgin Eve bound through her unbelief, the Virgin Mary loosened through her faith."

The late Pope Francis loved the image of Mary as helping us untie those knots that hinder us on our journey of faith. In our relationship with God, when we do not listen to him, when we lack trust, when we turn to sin, a kind of knot is created in us. These knots take away our peace and serenity, hope and trust. These knots can become tangled, making it difficult to untie them. Yet, we know nothing is impossible with God and his grace. By saying yes to God, Mary opened the door for God to undo the knot of original sin, that ancient disobedience. Mary, the Mother of God and our Mother, patiently and lovingly brings us to God so that he can untangle the knots in our souls.

Lumen Gentium goes on to say that through Mary's faith and obedience, she gave birth to the very Son of the Father, not conceived by man, but by the overshadowing of the Holy Spirit. Mary first conceived Jesus in faith and then conceived him in the flesh by freely following God's calling in her life.

What took place most singularly in the Blessed Mother also can take place within us in a spiritual sense. When we receive the Word of God into our hearts with sincerity and humility, when we put his word into practice in our lives, then God take flesh within us and comes to dwell within us. In this way, Mary as the Mother of God and as the first disciple is not only our greatest example of faith, but she is our Mother who leads us and guides us to Christ. We can bring Jesus to life in a spiritual sense in the same way Mary brought him to life.

A blessed 2026 to all!

Holy Mother Mary, pray for us.

Grace and Peace,
Fr. RCRA

First Communion Parent Information Meeting



Wednesday, January 7th, 2026

7:00—8:15pm

Sign up sheets will be available for First Communion retreat and First Communion Mass Dates

Parents continue to prepare your child for the Sacrament of Reconciliation by reading and discussing their workbooks.

Be sure to have your date for the First Reconciliation service on your calendar. Dates will be posted in the new year in the display case in the Church

Confirmation Updates

We were thrilled to have **NET Ministries** at our parish for the Confirmation Retreat on December 8th. The young missionaries were a wonderful witness of the Holy Spirit working in their lives. While on Retreat, our Confirmation candidates enjoyed fun food, lively games and quiet reflection. Let us remember to pray for them, may the Holy Spirit inspire their minds and hearts in the coming months.

We want to thank our three **Host Families** who gave our young traveling missionaries a comfortable place to stay. Your generous hospitality was a wonderful gift and a expression of Christian charity. Thank you again.

After Christmas, in the Church foyer display case... Dates will be posted for the **Cross Making workshops** in March 2026 (Confirmation candidates only) The time for the workshops is **7:00-8:30pm**. Please arrive early. We will need additional parent involvement for these six workshops. Thank you. Small groups will be posted in early January.

A Simple cup of coffee becomes happiness when you share it with friends.

December 28
9:00 Magdalena Schiegel
Ella Schiegel
Maureen Delaney
11:00 Nina Gianotti
Audrey Wilcox
Eve Erentzen

January 4
9:00 CWG
11:00 KNIGHTS

St. Elizabeth Seton, Newmarket

Christmas

Mass Schedule

DEC. 24	CHRISTMAS EVE	4:30PM & 8:00PM (LIVE-STREAMED)
DEC. 25	CHRISTMAS DAY	9:00AM & 11:00AM (LIVE-STREAMED)
DEC. 27 & 28	FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY	VIGIL - 4:30PM 9:00AM & 11:00AM (LIVE-STREAMED)
DEC. 31 & JAN. 1	SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD	VIGIL - 4:30PM 9:00AM & 11:00AM (LIVE-STREAMED)
JAN. 3 & JAN. 4	EPIPHANY OF THE LORD	VIGIL - 4:30PM 9:00AM & 11:00AM (LIVE-STREAMED)
JAN. 10 & JAN. 11	BAPTISM OF OUR LORD	VIGIL - 4:30PM 9:00AM & 11:00AM (LIVE-STREAMED)

Our Nativity Scenes

Once again our Nativities are on display in Seton Hall. Drop in and enjoy the beauty and uniqueness of each nativity from around the world.

The display will be up until January 18, 2026
Thank you to everyone who gave of their time and talent to help set up this beautiful display.



Please Note:

Parish office will be closed from December 24th—January 5th, 2026

Let us pray for the sick...

Alana Brown-Wallace
Betty Loft
Kathleen Todesco
Joshua Perek
Donna Stea-Cutting
Andy Dube
Matteo Savella
Jackson Rowan
Carmen Baldacchino
Mervin Correa
Leo Cadia Vaz
Orsola Accardi
Aria Crang
Andy Waldherr
Michelle Canale
Pearl Clarke
Laura Rostron
Albina Barber
Gladys Carvajac

Paul Jennas
Rose Marie Scott
Wanda Tolazzi
Sean Coen
Ana Aparicio
Jake Tallon
Trice Hawkins
Carole Carter
Lawrence Cooper
Candice Cusinan
Cheryl Tuck
Stephen Murphy
Sarah Kraft
Marian Kulmatytskyi
Dianne Rousseau Weaver
Gladys Anderson
Shaun O'Reilly
Diane McTamney
Patricia Routhier
Alessandra Bustamante

Theresa Wharton
Tammy Elkie
Lisa Stokl
Jeanette Barbosa
Daniel Juresic
Bernal Gutierrez
Theresa Graham
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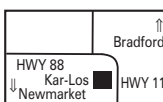
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