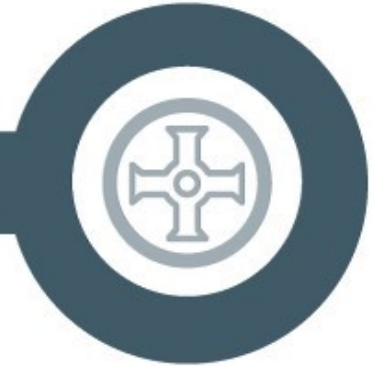




Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 11, 2018

Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish

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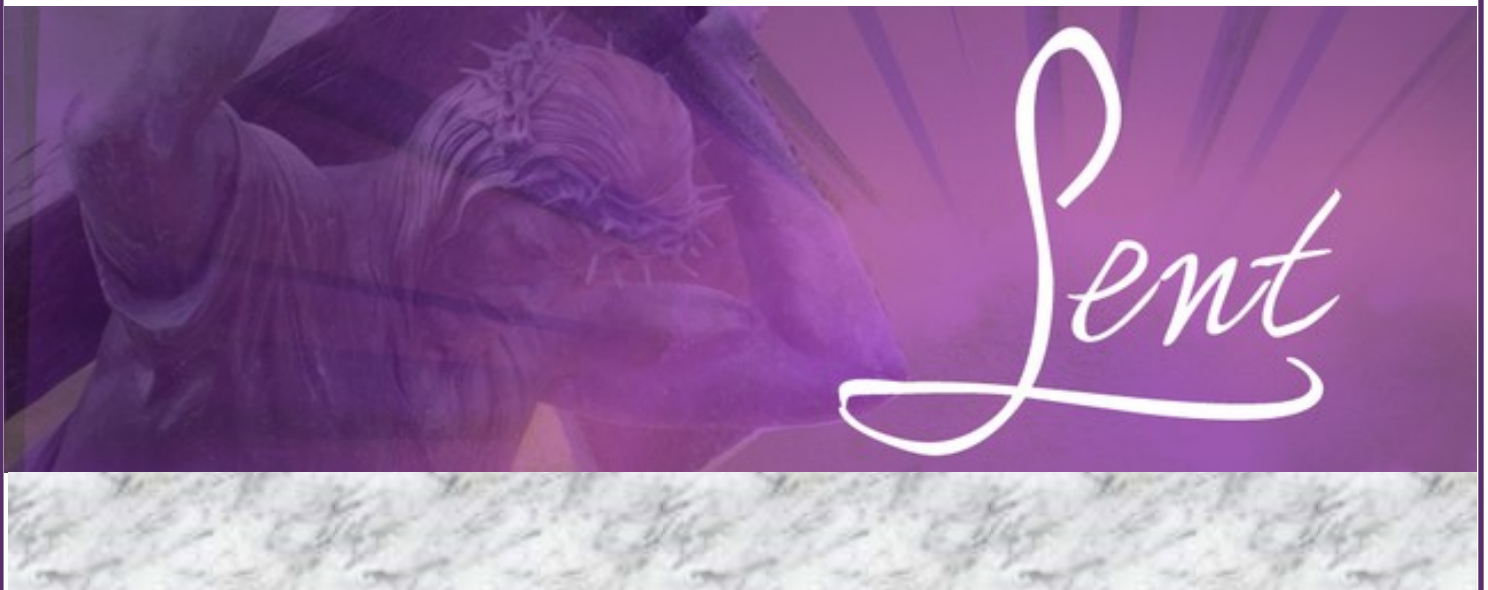
She is not on my list of favorite actors, or favorite people for that matter. But I was surprised to hear the answer Whoopi Goldberg gave when she was asked what person in the world she most admires. Without a moment's hesitation, she answered, "Pope Francis." And when asked why, she said, "Because he's goin with the original program."

Lent begins on Wednesday and we return with all our hearts to the original program. Lent calls us back to basic training. Gospel life is not only hearing the teaching of Jesus, or even following Jesus. Gospel life is about Jesus living in us.

Jesus is living in us when our true desire is not to do our business but that of the Father. Jesus is living in us when we have more of a desire to give love than to receive it. Jesus is living in us when we care about what he cares about and feel what he feels. He is living in us when like him we pray, and fast, and give alms to those in need.

Christ has died. Christ is Risen. Christ will come again. Nothing matters more than that. It is the original plan. May the grace of Lent keep us faithful to it.

The Lord be with you.
Father John Parr



SEAS STEWARDSHIP

The Gift of Stewardship

Often, our focus in forming people as stewards is to help them recognize that everything is a gift from God. Our lives, talents, resources, faith — all are gifts that are entrusted to us, which we are called to steward well. We may not always be aware of it, but stewardship itself is a gift. Growing as stewards is a gift in the lives of individual people and the life of the parish. That is the essence of what so many people share as they offer stewardship witness talks, or as they speak of how their lives have been changed as a result of being introduced to the concept of stewardship as a way of life.

Think about this from your own experience. What would your life be if you had never been introduced to stewardship? Certainly your faith would have shaped your life. You would likely have still given time in ministry and money to the parish and other charities. You might have sacrificed to a certain extent, acknowledging that Jesus sacrificed everything for our salvation. But without the understanding of your giving and sacrificing as stewardship, it would likely not have had the same meaning or impact in your life.

To read more of this article by Leisa Anslinger, author and co-founder of Catholic Strengths and Engagement Community (CSEC) visit: catholicstewardship.com

Attention All Parishioners-If you did not receive a parish mailing that contained the stewardship booklet, pledge card and Lent schedule, please contact the parish office. Return the pledge card as soon as possible for us to update our records. Thank you and God bless.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



The Knights of Columbus would like to thank our wonderful Parish, the Community of Holmen, and all those that helped us with our Super Bowl Breakfast last Sunday. Due to the amazing support of everyone we were able to raise over \$1,000.00 to give to those affected by the fire at the recent Holmen Apartment Building. It shows what the Knights of Columbus, our Parish, and our Community can do when we come together to support and help those in need.

The next KC general meeting is this weekend, Sunday, February 11th at 7:00pm in the gathering place.

PRAYER REQUESTS



Al Antony
Sara (Wozney) Balaker
Trudy Brieske
Sr. Bridget Donaldson, OSB
Elizabeth Donaldson
Patrick Donaldson
Sharon Grabar
Robert Heim
June Kukovec

Kent Limberg (military)
Sue Lund
Jerome Malin
Kevin McIntyre
Robert C. Ristow
Bailey Rohrer
Daniel Schultz
Lynn Schultz
Lynne Taylor
Phyllis Thaldorf

Please remember, the sick, hospitalized, military members, homebound and anyone needing of our prayers.

May they experience the healing power of God.

WHEN REQUESTING THAT AN INDIVIDUAL BE ADDED TO OUR PRAYER LIST, YOU MUST HAVE THE CONSENT OF THE INDIVIDUAL OR THEIR FAMILY FOR THEIR NAME TO BE PUBLICIZED.

ALSO, PLEASE REMEMBER TO INFORM US WHEN SOMEONE SHOULD BE TAKEN OFF THE LIST

PENANCE DURING LENT AT SEAS



The **Sacrament of Penance** is celebrated every Saturday at 4 PM. The Sacrament also will be celebrated at 6:30 PM on Tuesdays during Lent. Tuesday of Holy Week (March 27) will be the last regularly scheduled celebration of Penance until the Easter season.

Communal celebrations of Penance with several priests available will be celebrated at 6:30 pm on the following Wednesdays: **February 28, March 7, and March 14.**

Please contact Father Parr if you wish to arrange a more convenient time to celebrate the Sacrament.

SEAS PRAYER BOARD

The three pillars of Lent are prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. Beginning on Ash Wednesday there will be a "prayer board" in the gathering place to encourage one another to hold each other and our intentions in prayer during this Lenten season. Please feel free to give a prayer and take a prayer from the board. These intentions can be personal (illness, employment, etc.) or universal (world peace, poverty, etc.).

Get the whole family involved in this Lenten parish activity!

Be sure to pick up a free copy of the Lenten Little Black book in the gathering place after Mass.

FAITH FORMATION

What are you going to do this Lent to grow closer to Christ? Log on for a 4-week, video-based study on **formed.org** featuring content from the programs *Symbolon* and *Forgiven*. *A Lent to Remember* is a beautiful presentation of the transforming power of mercy in the Sacrament of Confession. No matter what you've done, no matter how long you have been away, Jesus is waiting for you with open arms this Lent! This week, begin Lent right by logging in to **formed.org** to watch Session 1, then use the accompanying study guide to have a discussion with family or friends. **Parish Access Code TG8FVD**

Important Youth Faith Formation Dates

Wed., Feb. 14 - NO FAITH FORMATION - ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES at 5 and 6:30 pm
 Wed., Feb. 28 - Penance Service grades 2 and 3 at 6:30 in church. Parents encouraged to attend.

AQUINAS CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Aquinas Catholic Schools is now enrolling for the 2018-19 school year. For more information, please visit www.aquinasschools.org or call (608) 784-8585.

Cathedral Elementary School is holding their three-year-old preschool and four-year-old Kindergarten Open House on February 13th at 1:00 PM and again at 6:00 PM. You are invited to visit the school and see how Aquinas Catholic Schools can Educate, Challenge and Inspire your child.

ROOF UPDATE

As of 2/6/2018 we have received \$35,753.57 in donations towards the roof replacement. Thank you to all those who have donated. The project is expected to begin this spring. Progress updates to follow.



Diocesan Annual Appeal

Target \$82,615

As of 2/6/18 we have pledged \$64,217 with 230 out of 900 families having participated. If you have not yet pledged, PLEASE consider doing so. No amount is too small. Thank you and God bless.

PARISH INCOME (FISCAL YEAR 7/1/17-6/30/18)

	Last Week's Collections	Weekly Budget	Difference	Annual Budget
Envelopes/Plate.....	\$16,832	\$10,594	\$6,235	\$550,888
Fiscal Year-to-Date.....	\$333,147	\$328,414	\$4,733	

BEST LENT EVER

Are you looking for a Lenten resource? This year, try something different. Join our parish for **BEST LENT EVER**, a free email program from Dynamic Catholic that will help you have a life-changing Lent. Each day, you will receive an email with inspirational videos, practical tips, and encouraging stories. Sign up at **DynamicCatholic.com/40 days**. You won't regret it!

STATIONS OF THE CROSS



Parishioners are invited to pray **Stations of the Cross at 6 PM on Tuesdays during Lent.**

And please mark your calendars for the moving **Shadow Stations** presented by SEAS very own youth. You don't want to miss this - Wednesday, **March 28th at 7pm**

ENCOUNTER LENT

Join our faith community-and nearly 14,000 Catholic communities across the United States-in a life-changing Lenten journey of encounter with Catholic Relief Services (CRS) Rice Bowl. Pick up your family's CRS Rice Bowl in the gathering place beginning Ash Wednesday. During the 40 days of Lent, as companions on the journey, we will encounter our neighbor.



PCCW

Attention all ladies age 18 and older- The next Parish Council of Catholic Women (**PCCW**) **meeting** will be **Tuesday, February 13th at 6:30pm** in the gathering place. The main topic will be the upcoming annual Rummage Sale. It takes many volunteers to organize this parish fundraiser and we could really use your help. Please consider joining us this Tuesday for more information.

Mark you calendars - Rummage Sale is Thursday, May 3 and Friday, May 4. More info to follow.

FOOD PANTRY DONATION CERTIFICATES

We now have donation certificates for our Food Pantry available for purchase in any amount for both funerals and birthdays. This is a wonderful way to honor someone special. Please see Sister Bridget or Carol Reider to purchase a donation certificate. Thank you and God bless.

SIMPLE LIVING



Lent is a time for prayer, fasting, and more intentional sharing. Enclosed in this bulletin is a Lenten calendar based on Pope Francis' Encyclical *Laudato Si'* "Care for Our Common Home". Please retain this calendar and refer to it each day for reflections, actions and challenges. Let us be mindful that

we are stewards of God's Creation!

MEN'S LENTEN SCRIPTURE STUDY

Parishioner Emil Meindl will be hosting a five week Lenten Sunday Scripture Study for Gentlemen only **February 19th – March 19th**. This Sunday Scripture Study will be held on **Monday evenings** during Lent from **7:00 – 8:00 pm** in the gathering place. Come and join other men for fellowship and support and to learn how the Sunday readings relate to your daily life. Come to one session or come to all five. The Sunday readings will be provided for you, but bring a bible if you have one. Hope to see you there!

PARISH LENTEN STUDY

This Lent, SEAS will offer "A JOURNEY OF LOVE," four reflective presentations on the Sorrowful Mysteries led by Pat Brueggen.

Tuesdays from Feb. 20 - March 20/6:30-7:30pm following the Stations of the Cross. Please join us as we journey with our Lord and walk in His footsteps of love on the way to His Cross. By focusing on the 5 mysteries of the rosary, you will be drawn deeper into scripture and, as you meditate in prayer on the rosary, into a deeper relationship with our Lord. Each session will include a short presentation followed by small group discussion. These sessions are suitable for all ages and will make for a great way to challenge yourself in scripture knowledge and meditative prayer within the Rosary.

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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend: Sat. 5:00 pm and Sun. 8:00 & 10:15 am
Weekday: Mon.-Fri. 8:30 am except Tues. 7:00 am
Gluten Free Hosts: St. Elizabeth's has gluten free hosts available. Please contact Fr. Parr, and he will make the necessary arrangements.

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation: Saturday 4:00 pm or by appointment.
Baptism: Baptism involves membership in the church. Parents are to attend three sessions early in the pregnancy.
Marriage: Our church is trying to create successful marriages. This takes some time. Arrangements for a wedding date are to be made at least six months before the anticipated date.
Anointing of the Sick: Communal celebrations in fall and spring. Individual celebrations upon request. Please call the office when family members are hospitalized.

Confirmation: Two year preparation program in grades 9 and 10.

PASTORAL VISITATION

Anyone who desires a personal home visit is invited to call the parish office.

CATECHUMENATE

Anyone wishing to become a full member of the Church is invited to visit the parish office.

NEW PARISHIONERS Please call the parish office.

Parish Council Members	Brian Clements.....526-2198
Karen Anderson.....526-9687	Les Giesler.....526-9625
Laura Antonie.....526-6047	Angie Hendrikson....385-4213
Len Beranek.....526-3623	Shelly Linskey.....526-2286
Francis Brown.....783-2744	Christine Olson.507-766-3654
	Larry Warzynski.... ..526-6474

Finance Council Members	Shawn Handland.....526-2257
Ryan Malak.....608-385-3326	Pat Stephens.....526-2480
Janice Dvoracek.....526-3957	Larry Warzynski.....526-6474

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, February 11		6th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 am	Mass †	Sandy Beranek
9:15 am	Simple Living Discussion Group	
10:15 am	Mass	People of SEAS
7:00 pm	KC General Meeting	
Monday, February 12		Lenten Weekday
8:30 am	Mass	Special Intention for Sister Bridget Donaldson
6:30 pm	Pastoral Council Meeting	
Tuesday, February 13		Lenten Weekday
7:00 am	Mass †	Katharine Nelson
4:30 pm	Finance Council Meeting	
6:30 pm	RCIA	
6:30 pm	PCCW Meeting	
Wednesday, February 14		Ash Wednesday
8:30 am	Mass †	Fr. Norbert Novak, O.S.B.
5:00 pm	Mass	The Monastery of the Ascension Monks
6:30 pm	Mass	Priest Intention
No Youth Faith Formation classes		
Thursday, February 15		Lenten Weekday
8:30 am	Mass †	Allan Seipel
6:30 pm	Choir practice	
6:30 pm	Food Pantry Committee Meeting	
Friday, February 16		Lenten Weekday
8:30 am	Mass †	Richard Hellerude
Saturday, February 17		Lenten Weekday
8:00 am	Pray the Rosary	
4:00 pm	Sacrament of Penance	
Vigil: 1st Sunday of Lent		
5:00 pm	Mass †	Madelyn Grabowski
4:00 pm-10:00 pm Sportsmen Night & Wild Game Feed		
Sunday, February 18		1st Sunday of Lent
8:00 am	Mass †	Grace Wolf
10:15 am	Mass	People of SEAS

WE'RE HERE FOR YOU



Are you dealing with a serious illness? Or could you use support as you journey with someone else who has a substantial health issue? Come and join us for support, prayer, and fellowship on

Monday, Feb. 19th at 6:30 pm in the guest room across from the kitchen. For further information, please call or email Carol Reider: carol@seasholmen.org

ETERNAL REST



Richard Hellerude, age 79, died Saturday, January 27, 2018. His funeral was celebrated at SEAS on Thursday, February 1. He

is survived by his wife, Mary, 5 children, and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Please keep Richard and his family in your prayers.

May he rest in peace.



Today, we welcome,

Lydia Ann,

daughter of Justin and Erin Best and

Max William,

son of Edward and Paige Smudde, and

Danny Christopher,

son of Derrick and Nicole Sailer to our faith community in the celebration of Baptism.

It is now our privilege to help this child grow in faith. We have a great gift of faith to share.



Ash Wednesday

February 14, 2018

Mass Times

8:30 am, 5:00 pm & 6:30 pm

During the Lenten Season the Church asks Catholics to abide by the following regulations:

1. Catholics who have celebrated their 14th birthday are to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, all Fridays in Lent and Good Friday.
2. In addition to abstaining from meat, Catholics who have celebrated their 18th birthday, until they celebrate their 59th birthday, are to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Those who are bound to this regulation may eat only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

MEETINGS THIS WEEK

- **Pastoral Council - Mon., Feb. 12 at 6:30**
- **Finance Council - Tues., Feb. 13 at 4:30**
- **Food Pantry Committee - Thurs., Feb. 15 at 6:30**