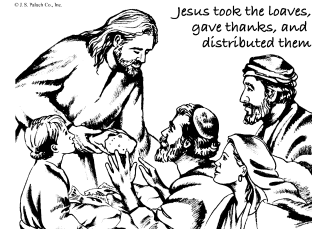




EUCCHARISTIA Plus

April 21, 2019



Easter Sunday

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish

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Mass Schedule

Daily Mass Times: 7:30 AM, Mon.–Fri., Chapel
Weekends Mass Times: Sat. 4PM,
Sun. 8:15 AM, 11 AM, & 5 PM

A message for Easter

Easter is the greatest and the most important feast in the Church for three reasons:

1) The resurrection of Christ is the basis of our Christian faith. It is the greatest of the miracles, for it proves that Jesus is God. That is why St. Paul writes: *“If Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain; and your faith is in vain”* (1 Cor 15: 14). *“Jesus is Lord, he is risen”* (Rom 10: 9), was the central theme of the *kerygma* (or 'preaching'), of the apostles, because Jesus prophesied His Resurrection as a sign of His divinity: *“Tear down this temple and in three days I will build it again”* (Jn 2: 19). The founder of no other religion has an empty tomb as Jesus has. 2) Easter is the guarantee of our own resurrection. Jesus assured Martha at the tomb of Lazarus: *“I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me will live even though he dies”* (Jn 11: 25-26). 3) Easter is a feast which gives us hope and encouragement in this world of pain, sorrows and tears. It reminds us that life is worth living. It is our belief in the Real Presence of the risen Jesus in our souls, in His Church, in the Blessed Sacrament and in Heaven that gives meaning to our personal as well as our communal prayer, strength to fight against temptations and freedom from unnecessary worries and fears.

How do we apply the spirit of Easter in our lives?

1) Let us live the lives of resurrection people: Easter gives us the joyful message that we are a “resurrection people.” This means that we are not supposed to lie buried in the tomb of our sins, evil habits, dangerous addictions, despair, discouragement or doubts. Instead, we are expected to live a joyful and peaceful life, constantly experiencing the living presence of the resurrected Lord in all the events of our lives and amid the boredom, suffering, pain and tensions of our day-to-day life. 2) We need to live new, disciplined lives in the Risen Jesus. Our awareness of the all-pervading presence of the Risen Lord in and around us, and the strong conviction of our own resurrection, help us to *control our thoughts, desires, words and behavior.* This salutary thought inspires us to *honor our bodies, keeping them holy,* pure and free from evil habits and addictions. Our conviction about the presence of the Risen Lord in our neighbors and in all those with whom we come into contact should encourage us to respect them, and to render them loving, humble and selfless service. 3) We need to become transparent Christians: We are called to be transparent Christians, showing others through our lives the love, mercy, compassion and spirit of self-sacrificing service of the risen Jesus living in our hearts. 4) We need to live lives of love in the power of Jesus’ resurrection: Let us recall that, each time we try to practice Christian charity, mercy and forgiveness and each time we fight against temptations we share in the resurrection of Jesus.

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Readings for the Week

Sunday	Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Col 3:1-4 or Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9; Lk 24:1-12
Monday	Acts 2:14, 22-33 Mt 28:8-15
Tuesday	Acts 2:36-41 Jn 20:11-18
Wednesday	Acts 3:10-35 Lk 24:13-35
Thursday	Acts 3:11-26 Lk 24:35-48
Friday	Acts 4:1-12 Jn 21:1-14
Saturday	Acts 4:13-21 Mk 16:1-15
Sunday	Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Col 3:1-4 or Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9; Lk 24:1-12 Acts 10:34a, 37-43

Mass Intentions

+ indicates Deceased; (SI) indicates Living

Saturday, April 20

8:00 PM, Vocations

Sunday, April 21

8:15 AM Our New Bishop

11:00 AM Daughters of the Cross

5:00 PM Parishioners of St. Elizabeth

Monday, April 22

7:30 AM (SI) Joseph Roy Maxey

9:30 AM (SI) Ray Vallillo, The Oaks

Tuesday, April 23

7:30 AM +Roy Millen

Wednesday, April 24

7:30 AM +Mathew Augustine

+Mattie Lou Muller Scheech

Thursday, April 25

6:30 PM +Jennifer Osherwitz & Sestilla Poli

Friday, April 26

7:30 AM +Mary Maney

The Week at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton,

April 21-28

Masses: 4 pm 8:15 AM ; 11 AM; 5 PM

✠ **Sunday, April 21**

Easter

No GIFT

9:30 AM, Easter Egg Hunt

9:30 AM, Adult Faith Sharing in the Library

9:30 AM, Christian Initiation in the Burleigh Center

9:30 AM, Jesus: Passion, Death, Resurrection, Ascension

✠ **Monday, April 22**

Church Office Closed

7:30 AM. Mass in the Chapel

9:30 AM, Mass at the Oaks

4:00 PM, Children's Choir Practice

6:30 PM, SVdP in the Burleigh Center

✠ **Tuesday, April 23**

7:30 AM, Mass in the Chapel

5:30 Rosary Group in the Chapel

8 PM, Alcoholics Anonymous in the Youth House

Wednesday, April 24

7:30 AM, Mass in the Chapel

9:30 AM, Bible Study in the Library

1:00 PM, Yarn Angels in the Burleigh Center

6:00 PM, Embrace Grace in the Burleigh Center

6:30 PM, Choir practice

✠ **Thursday, April 25**

7:30 AM, Mass in the Chapel

✠ **Friday, April 26**

7:30 AM, Mass in the Chapel

6 PM, HS Youth Group

✠ **Saturday, April 27**

Our Lady's Ladies Bake Sale

4:00 PM, Mass

✠ **Sunday, April 28**

Divine Mercy Sunday

Our Lady's Ladies Bake Sale

9:30 AM, Adult Faith Sharing in the Library

9:30 AM, Christian Initiation in the Burleigh Center

9:30 AM, Jesus: Passion, Death, Resurrection, Ascension

11:00 AM, Graduation Mass

5:00 PM, 1st Communion

Please pray for our sick, including Shirley Anderson, David Bankd, Peggy Bissell, Bernadette Bitting, Marklyn Boucher, Shelby Ann Brakefield, Zena Cobbs, Bill & Carmen Cocke, Emily Dean, Charles Deshotels, Dale Dupuy, Emilie Epard, Heath Goff, Gerald Govin, Butch Graham, Charlotte Emma Graham, Kim Green, Lily Green, Lynn Gautier, Martha Hanigan, Robert Hermes, Doug Hill, Larry and Theresa Holland, Terri Howard, Imelda King, Pat Koebler, Maria Krebsbach, Bill Krizsan, Lynn Lawrence, Dwayne Malone, Bill Maroma, Carol Ann Marsala, Joseph Roy Maxey, Dustin Maxey, Helen & Nancy Meshell, Joe Miciotto, Mallori Miciotto, Dottie Murray, Father Joseph Nasser, Catherine Nelson & Family, Pattie Neurauter, Cole Pasquier, Dale Phillips, Barbara Pledger, Nicholas Politz, Dr. Michael Reinardy, Ron Rice, Randy Richter, Philip Roppolo, Matt Savage, Tressie Sepeda, Ray Vallillo, Shelly Zippi Werner

Upcoming Youth Events

April

21 No GIFT – Happy Easter! - *Easter Egg Hunt*,
9:30 AM

28 GIFT

28 Practice for First Holy Communion, 9:30 AM,
Church Sanctuary

**28 Graduation Sunday, 11 AM Mass; Reception
to Follow**

28 First Holy Communion, 5 PM Mass

May

5 Last Day of GIFT!!!

*Note: GIFT religious education classes begin promptly at 9:30 AM!



Graduation Sunday

High School Seniors: A Special Blessing will be given for all graduating High School Seniors **during the 11:00 AM Mass on Sunday, April 28.** Following Mass, a reception honoring the Seniors will be held in the Burleigh Center. All members of our church community are encouraged to join us to offer your support and congratulations to these young people as they prepare to embark on the next chapter of their lives. If your graduating Senior will attend this mass, please send their name to cbissell@seasshreveport.com or call the church office.

Embrace Grace Baby Shower

Saturday, May 4, 2-4 PM, Burleigh Center

Our Gift Wall for our Embrace Grace Baby Shower is currently up in the church foyer. We invite you to choose a tag and return this wrapped gift by Sunday, April 28th. You are also invited and encouraged to attend the shower and meet these brave young women. This spring these five unwed young women have chosen life for their babies and completed the twelve week Embrace Grace program where they have learned about God's abundant love and abiding mercy. The highlight of this program is a Baby Shower where we provide for the physical needs of their precious children. If you would like more information about this Pro-love ministry please contact Claire Bissell at cbissell@seasshreveport.com

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Upcoming Parish Group Meetings/Events

☒ **Jesus: Passion, Death, Resurrection, Ascension.** A 7 week study of scripture. Begins April 7th in the Burleigh Center on Sunday Mornings at 9:30 AM. Email mbrownjd@bellsouth.net if you have questions.

☒ **The Gospel of Luke**

We will meet on Tuesdays in the Fr. Phil Michiels Library beginning **at 6:30 and end no later than 8:00 PM.** Because of the length of the Gospel, we will cover the first half of the Gospel this Spring and finish the second half during the Fall of the year.

☒ **Alcoholics Anonymous**

meets Tuesdays at **8PM in the Youth House.** Please contact Paul at (318) 773-8936 for more information.

☒ **Rosary Tuesdays**

As a product of studies involving Mary and the recognized need for communities at prayer, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton members meet **every Tuesday at 5:30 PM in the Chapel** for a Rosary Prayer Group. All are encouraged to come join us. Our World Needs Prayer. Let's do our part.

☒ **Our Lady's Ladies**

We will dine out in May. Please join us. **For more information please contact Donna Collins, (318) 426-6336.**

What's Up Elsewhere

☒ **High School Youth Volleyball Tournament**
Preliminary Games are Saturday, May 25th at MQOP Church. The Championship game and live concert will be held Saturday, July 27th at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 5400 E. Texas Street in Bossier City. The Grand Championship Trophy will be awarded at the concert to be housed at the winning parish for ONE year! If you are interested in playing or just practicing with the team please contact **Amy Dean at (318) 455-0606. Practice will be every Friday starting at 6 PM at SEAS.**

☒ **Caring Project for the Sisters**

In an effort to help the Sisters of the Destitute with projects around their convent, a caring group of diocesan parishioners have created a home projects plan which will include yard work, heat and air, carpet, appliances, paint and windows. As a way to thank the Sisters of the Destitute for all that they do for our community, you are invited to be a part of this project. Donations may be sent to the Cathedral of St. John Berchmans, attn: Caring Project for the Sisters. If you have any questions, you may contact Jane Snyder, jsnyder@sjbcathedral.org, or call 318-221-5296, ext. 106.

Mark Your Calendar

Parish Picnic

Our Annual Parish Picnic will be held on **Sunday, May 5th immediately following the 11 AM Mass**. All Parishoners are welcome and encouraged to attend. The Knights of Columbus will be cooking up their wonderful Hamburgers and Hotdogs. This is a wonderful opportunity to share food and fellowship with other members of your church community so mark your calendars and plan to attend!

May Crowning

On Sunday, **May 5th at 10:45 am**, our 2nd grade class will lead our GIFT children in the May Crowning where we will crown the Statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the grotto. The children will then lay flowers at the feet of Our Lady and say some prayers. This special tradition begins the month of May which is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Parents, grandparents, and family members are welcome to join us.

Divine Mercy Sunday

April 28, 2:30 PM

Divine Mercy Penance Service
Cathedral of St. John Berchmans

April 28, 2:30 PM

Divine Mercy Penance Service
St. Mary of the Pines

Second Collections for April

Good Friday, April 27 & 28

Catholic Home Missions Appeal

We receive a significant grant from this collection.

ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

This committee is guided by the Liturgical calendar, church traditions and rituals, and a lot of help from the Holy Spirit. We invite men and women interested in serving in this ministry to contact the church office for more information (318) 798-1887.

*"The Holy Mass is the most precious
Gift one may offer"*

*All are encouraged to have Mass offered for
loved ones who have died, or even for the
living who have some need. Please contact
the church office to request a Mass intention.
(318) 798-1887.*

Mother's Day Out Registration 2019-2020

MDO Registration is about to begin! Our program is Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9am to 2pm. We follow Caddo Parish school holiday schedule and teacher in-service days. We are open August through May and accept children from newborns to 4 years old. Please come join the SEAS MDO family!
Contact Kristy Dye at seasmdoinfo@yahoo.com or call (318) 797-7087.

Congratulations to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Each year the Shreveport/Bossier legal community holds a "Red Mass" at Holy Trinity Catholic Church and each year they honor an organization in the community. This year the one honored is the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. The Mass is on Friday, May 3, 2019.

SVdP April Report Card:

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With your help the Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SVdP) at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church assists those in need. This past month we were able to:

1. pay 3 separate electric bills and one water bill for chronically ill adults;
2. pay partial rent for a young family facing unexpected repair bills;
3. pay partial rent for a Veteran with with a critically ill spouse;
4. pay partial rent for a single father with two children;
5. provide food to 5 families;
6. pay a water bill for a senior citizen with limited income; and
7. pay an electric bill and provide food and medicine for a seriously ill person unable to work.

With your contributions, SVdP partners With the Christian Service Program to Provide food and clothing to those in need. We pray for our SEAS parishioners at each of our meetings. God Bless You!! Call Carl Bigner at 865-5808 for more information.