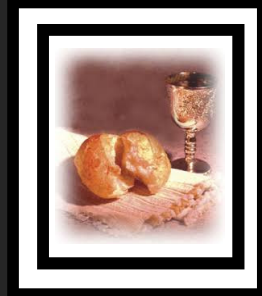


St. Henry Catholic Church


Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 7, 2016



St. Elizabeth Ann Seton - St. Henry Mass Schedule and Intentions

Monday, Feb. 8,	6:30 AM:	Johnny, Susan and Sidney Bajjalieh LIV
Tuesday, Feb. 9,	6:30 AM:	Teresa Leon LIV by Josephine Vizzinia, Rose Marie and Noah Garst
Wednesday, Feb. 10,	6:30 AM:	Ash Wednesday Phillip Do and Family by the Do Family
Wednesday, Feb. 10,	6:00 PM:	(Ash Wednesday)
Thursday, Feb. 11,	6:30 AM:	Marie Marino Pitts RIP by Ronnie and Ann Wright
Friday, Feb. 12,	6:30 AM:	
Friday, Feb. 12,	6:00 PM:	(Stations of the Cross at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church)
Saturday, Feb. 13,	5:00 PM:	Alcia Mejia Sierra by Maria Baena
St. Henry Sunday, Feb. 14,	8:30 AM:	For the people of the parish
Sunday, Feb. 14,	11:00 AM:	For the people of the parish

 Eucharistic Adoration takes place each Tuesday evening at 5:30pm at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church.

Roman Catholic Inquiry and Answers! (RCIA)
Join us and invite your family and friends to come to St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish Hall and learn about our faith as we begin the new year.
This week's topic: Ash Wednesday and Lent

Join us for **St. Henry Friday Night Nights**
6:30pm on the second Friday of every month!

XYZ Mass, Luncheon and Games will take place at **11am on Monday, February 15** in St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish Hall. Everyone is invited especially those 50 plus!!



"Peace I leave with you; My peace I give to you."
This famous passage by our Lord in John 14 can apply in our lives in a variety of ways. One of the largest barriers to peace

in our lives today is the overwhelming debt and financial problems within our family households. The average household has over \$200,000 of debt from mortgages, car notes and credit cards. If you want to take control of your finances and bring financial peace into your home, we invite you to join us for a 9 week course of **Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University**. The weekly classes will begin on **Thursday, March 31 at 6:00 pm** in the **Parish Hall** and will include a meal. The cost is \$95 for the course, but registered parishioners of St. Elizabeth and St. Henry who complete the entire course will receive a 50% rebate at the end of classes. Please let me know if you have any questions. If you are interested in attending please contact the church office or call Kelly or Carla Doss at 631-2392 for more information.

FATHER DEERING'S SUNDAY HOMILIES are now available on our website:
www.sthenrywarrior.org

- Please join us in the parish hall for free coffee and doughnuts after Mass every Sunday!
- Come do your shopping at our **Gift Shop** located in the vestibule.

"From the Pastor's Desk"

1, 2, 3 ... Go! Yes, 3 days from now we will all go... into the **Holy Season of Lent!**

It's a holy season because it's during this 40-day period that we try in a special way to grow in holiness by detaching ourselves from worldly things and concentrating on renewing our relationship with God and with those around us.

A very meaningful way to begin the **Forty Days of Lent** is to receive ashes on your forehead on **Ash Wednesday**. This is a **profound act of mortification** whereby we acknowledge that **our bodies** will one day die and eventually decompose into nothing but ashes.

This helps us to see that taking care of our **body** in this life is far less important than taking care of our **immortal soul**, which will never die and will live forever in eternity either with God or apart from God ... based on our own free choice.

Ashes will be distributed at **St. Elizabeth Ann Seton** on **Wednesday, February 10th** during the **6:30 AM Mass** and the **6:00 PM Mass**.

Remember to abstain from all meat and have just one meal on **Ash Wednesday** ... and on each of the 7 Friday's of Lent!

A **powerful prayer** to be offered during **Lent** is known as the **Stations of the Cross**, which we will offer as follows:
 Friday, **February 12th** @ St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
 Friday, **February 19th** @ St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
 Friday, **February 26th** @ St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
 Friday, **March 4th** @ St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
 Friday, **March 11th** *The Passion* movie @ SEAS
 Friday, **March 18th** @ St. Henry
 The Stations will also be offered **Wednesdays** at 6 at St. Henry.

After praying the **Friday Stations**, you're invited to come to the **Parish Hall** to partake of a **meatless meal** and have conversation with other Parishioners.

Please try to come to **6:30 AM Mass** at **St. Elizabeth Ann Seton** during the weekdays days of Lent to tap into the grace of the **once for all Sacrifice of Jesus on Calvary**.

Also try participating in the **Forty Days for Life** campaign, praying the **daily Rosary**, reading *the Black Book* and *Rediscovering Jesus* daily meditations and **quiet prayer**.
May you have a Holy Lent. Love, Father Deering

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Please Pray for our Sick and Homebound

Patsy Clark Mary Jo Sparks Mike O'Laire

YOU MAY ADD TO OUR LONG TERM CAREBOOK located on the table at the side entry-way of the Church.
PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY: A list of our loved ones serving in the Military is posted on the Knights' bulletin board.


PARISH MEETINGS

PARISH COUNCIL: Monday, February 15, 6pm

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:
General Council: Wednesday, March 2, 6:30pm

LADIES ALTAR SODALITY:
Every second Sunday each month after Mass
sthenryladies@hotmail.com

Right to Life



Abortion is not as safe as the pro-abortion forces would like for you to believe. There are well documented studies which indicate that abortion causes infection, hemorrhage, cervical tears, perforation of the uterus and other organs, sterility, breast cancer and death; this is just the mother's risk. Death always occurs to the baby!

Natural Family Planning Class takes place on **Tuesday, February 23 at 7 pm** at **St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish Hall (upstairs)** in Gardendale. Discover a natural way to postpone or achieve a pregnancy...the Art of Natural Family Planning® is based on an awareness of a woman's fertility. It's medically safe, 99% effective in postponing pregnancy, very low cost, often has a positive effect on the couple's marriage, and is morally acceptable according to the Catechism of the Catholic Church. For additional information contact Harold or Kathy Gray at 205-999-6439, or e-mail kagr222@hotmail.com. Registration is online at www.ccli.org.

St. Barnabas Catholic Church will host a **Senior Adult Luncheon on Thursday, February 18**. Mass is at noon in the church, followed by lunch, bingo, and prizes in the Activity Building. The cost is 5.00. The church is located at 1921 First Avenue North.


Father Deering will be available to hear confessions at St. Henry's the first Sunday of each month from **7:45 until 8:15am**.

GET YOUR CANS TO CHURCH!

Please bring empty aluminum drink cans to Church. We crush and recycle!




YOUTH HAPPENINGS



PSR Teachers/Parents please note: If your child/children will receive any sacrament, you must be a registered member of our Parish and your child must be attending our Parish School of Religion (PSR) or Catholic School. Baptismal certificates are required for any child receiving **First Holy Communion** or **Confirmation** if the child was baptized anywhere other than St. Henry or St. Elizabeth Ann Seton. Please call the Church office for questions.

Mark your calendars for the **5th, 6th, and 7th Grade Retreat** at WorldSong Retreat Center on **April 15-17, 2016!** We are also looking for responsible older teens 8th grade and up to serve as youth leaders and brave adult chaperones to serve as cooks/cleaners/picture takers/errand runners, etc.!!! Please let Andy and Laura know if you have any questions or would like to RSVP to attend or assist with the retreat in any manner!
Questions? Laurahollisot@gmail.com or 205-482-7414.

YOUTH ESSAY CONTEST All Catholic students grades **9, 10, 11, and 12** are invited to participate in the **2016 Knights of Columbus Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest**. Students are encouraged to write a 500 to 750 word essay on the theme of "The Importance of Religious Freedom": 1st place winners for each grade will receive a check for \$100 and have their essay forwarded to compete on the national level. The deadline is Feb 29. Each student may compete in only one council. For entry forms and rules go to olsyouth.com/koc-essay-contest or contact Ferris Stephens, (205) 822-1080.



Susan's Fund -- Don't forget to bring in food items, gently used clothing, diapers, paper products and small appliances for our Parish support of the Catholic Centers of Concern. We have placed plastic bins in each PSR classroom and in the parish hall and front vestibule. Let's all be active in sharing our blessings with the poor of our diocese.

LAY MINISTER SCHEDULE				
DATE	LECTOR	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	USHERS (Captain = C)	ALTAR SERVERS
Sun February 14	Erin Grant	Bo Grant Erin Grant Terri Rouse	Tony Smith C Paul Foti Duane Holy	Daniel Bamberry Joseph Holy Caleb Gray
Sun. February 21	Dennis Dearing	Dennis Dearing Dominick Viruleg Kathy Gray	Tony Smith C Garvis Thrasher Wendell Cox	Chase Jordan Ben Baldwin Joseph Holy