



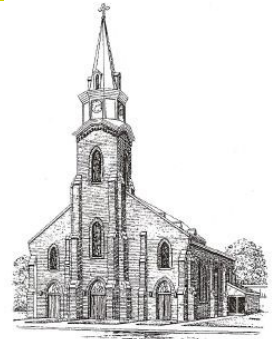
## ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON

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23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time,  
September 10, 2023

"Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid"



### St. Mary's (1854 to 1975) to St. Elizabeth Ann Seton (1975 to 2023) Part 10

Being a Catholic during the nineteenth and twentieth century in St. Mary's was challenging, just as it is today. Seeing the challenges many parishioners were experiencing, the Passionist staffed offered the parish the chance to participate in numerous social and religious organizations. Passionist Father Mark Mesleing (1854-1946) began St. Mary's Lyceum in order "to elevate and develop the young Catholic men of the Parish...and give them the tools...to defend their faith but also to take an intelligent part in the discussion of art, science, literature and politics." Members had their first meeting on December 22, 1891, at the Columbus Hall. So successful was the venture that the three-story St. Mary's Lyceum building was dedicated on June 30, 1892 and formally opened on January 31, 1893.

The *St. Mary Record* published in 1905 to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of St. Mary's offered a commentary on some of the Catholic societies in the parish during that era. Included in the *Record* was The Sons of St. Patrick which began in 1852. St. Mary's Temperance Society which operated from 1861 until 1874. The Emerald Aids Society had its first meeting in 1876 and ceased its mission in 1885.

Military organizations were The Knights of St. Patrick, which begun in 1880 and the Knights of St. Aloysius, whose origins are unknown. In 1878, the Catholic Mutual Benevolent Association began to care for widows and orphans while the L.C.B.A was a benefit society for women. Father Moeslein was an early supporter of the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Finally sodalities included the Infant Jesus Society, the Children of Mary's Sodality, the Immaculate Conception Society and the League of the Sacred Heart. (Chronicles of St. Mary's Retreat, Dunkirk, NY 1872-1904)

Looking back at the number social and religious organizations that once existed in the church, one has to wonder why we have no societies or religious organizations in our church today.



### De St. Mary's (1854 a 1975) a St. Elizabeth Ann Seton (1975 a 2023) Parte 10

Ser católico durante los siglos XIX y XX en Santa María era todo un reto, igual que lo es hoy. Al ver los retos que experimentaban muchos feligreses, el personal pasionista ofreció a la parroquia la posibilidad de participar en numerosas organizaciones sociales y religiosas. El padre pasionista Mark Mesleing (1854-1946) fundó el Liceo de Santa María con el fin de "elevar y desarrollar a los jóvenes católicos de la parroquia... y darles las herramientas... para defender su fe pero también para tomar parte inteligente en la discusión del arte, la ciencia, la literatura y la política". Los miembros celebraron su primera reunión el 22 de diciembre de 1891 en el Columbus Hall. El éxito de la empresa fue tal que el edificio de tres plantas del Liceo de Santa María se inauguró el 30 de junio de 1892 y se abrió formalmente el 31 de enero de 1893.

El *St. Mary Record* publicado en 1905 para celebrar el quincuagésimo aniversario de St. Mary ofrecía un comentario sobre algunas de las sociedades católicas de la parroquia durante esa época. En el *Record* se incluía a los Hijos de San Patricio, que empezaron en 1852. Mary's Temperance Society que funcionó desde 1861 hasta 1874. The Emerald Aids Society tuvo su primera reunión en 1876 y cesó su misión en 1885.

Las organizaciones militares eran Los Caballeros de San Patricio, que comenzaron en 1880 y los Caballeros de San Luis, cuyos orígenes se desconocen. En 1878, la Catholic Mutual Benevolent Association comenzó a ocuparse de viudas y huérfanos, mientras que la L.C.B.A era una sociedad benéfica para mujeres. El padre Moeslein fue uno de los primeros partidarios de la Sociedad de San Vicente de Paúl. Por último, la Sociedad del Niño Jesús, la Sociedad de los Hijos de María, la Sociedad de la Inmaculada Concepción y la Liga del Sagrado Corazón. (Crónicas del Retiro de Santa María, Dunkerque, NY 1872-1904)

Al recordar la cantidad de organizaciones sociales y religiosas que existieron antaño en la iglesia, uno tiene que preguntarse por qué no tenemos sociedades u organizaciones religiosas en nuestra iglesia hoy en día.



## The Lord's Vineyard Family Events

### Attention! Save The Date!!

Women of the Family of Parishes (The Lord's Vineyard)-  
Retreat Day on Saturday October 28 at St Elizabeth Ann Seton. More information to come!

### ¡Atención! ¡Reserve la fecha!

Mujeres de la Familia de Parroquias (The Lord's Vineyard)-Día de Retiro el sábado 28 de octubre en St Elizabeth Ann Seton. ¡Más información por venir!

The all new COMBINED Faith Formation program of The Lord's Vineyard Family of Parishes is preparing for an exciting year of learning, fun, and fellowship!

### DON'T MISS OUT-REGISTER TODAY!

To secure your child's spot, simply pick up a registration form after Mass, there are tables set up in the center vestibule and the sacristy side vestibule.

#### Class Room Details:

Location: Former St Hyacinth School (dedicated classrooms)

K-6 classes: Sunday mornings 8:00am-9:00am

Grades 7-10 classes: Sunday evenings, 6:30pm-8:00pm

### Volunteer Opportunities: Catechists and Aides Needed!

We believe that the engagement of caring adults enriches the Faith Formation experience. If you have a passion for sharing your faith and connecting with young individuals, we warmly invite you to join our team of dedicated catechists. Your impact on their spiritual growth can be immeasurable. Together, let's shape the next generation of faithful, compassionate individuals.

Please contact the office if you can help!

### Virtus Training Session

Monday, October 23rd at 6:00pm at St Joseph Church (Cafeteria) in Fredonia. Virtus Training is a program to educate adults on how to recognize the warning signs of child sexual abuse and what to do when they suspect a child is being victimized. All employees, clergy and volunteers in the church working with minors are required to attend Virtus training.

### Protecting God's Children for Adults

Where: Church-St Joseph Church (Fredonia) 145 E Main St

When: Monday, October 23, 2023 at 6:00pm

Estimated length of session: 3hrs 30 min

Spaces remaining: 34 of 35

Language: This session will be conducted in English

Notes: This class is scheduled at 3 1/2 hours and will be held in the Parish Center Cafeteria

Wheelchair accessible; Yes

### Grape Festival Bake Sale

#### Sunday, September 17th

9am-Noon on the front lawn at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Silver Creek. Come get grape pie or grape cookies! So many delicious items, such as, pastries, brownies, pies, cookies, breads, and more pies.

## SEAS Events

### Theme Basket Donations

Basket Raffle at our 48th anniversary event on Sat. Sept 16. We will hold a basket raffle (theme baskets). Please consider making up and donating a theme basket for the raffle. Be as "creative" as you wish. Bring your basket to the parish office any time up to Sat Sept 14th. They will be raffled off at the dinner. Your gift basket donation is much appreciated by the committee. Hope to see you at the dinner! Adult Faith Formation Committee SEAS.

### Heritage Potluck Dinner- Celebrating Our 48th Anniversary

Join us Saturday, September 16th at 6PM, St Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish Hall for an unforgettable Anniversary celebration with delicious food, great company, and a shared appreciation of our cultural heritage. We're hosting a basket raffle. Join in for a chance to win awesome prizes and spread the joy of giving in our community. All our Welcome!

Are you coming? What will you bring? We'll have drinks.

In order to help the Committee make final preparations for food and seating, your response is requested by Wednesday September 13th. There are reservation forms in English and Spanish at each entrance. Please fill out and drop in the collection basket or drop off at the office or call the office to reply.



### Into The Wild: September 14th-17th

Allegany State Park

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For more information, visit

### The Catholic Book Club

The Catholic Book Club of St. Joseph and St. Anthony will be reading Twelve and one-Half Keys by Edward Hays during the month of September. Our first meeting will be Wednesday, October 4 at 7pm in the Gathering Room of St. Joseph. All are welcome!

# 23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time—September 10, 2023

## Weekly Masses

Sunday, September 10-  
10:00 a.m. William & Timothy Smith by The Conti Family  
And Marcia Kubera by Husband, Children & Grandchildren  
11:30 a.m. Maria Toro by Lydia Rosas  
Tuesday, September 12-  
1:40 p.m. NCCS School Mass  
Thursday, September 14-  
7:00 a.m. Fr Tom Wopperer by Joanna & John Banach  
Friday, September 15-  
7:00 a.m. Fr Tom Wopperer by Thursday Rosary Group  
Sunday, September 17-  
10:00 a.m. Jack Larivey by Joe Larivey  
And Marian Scott by Family  
11:30 a.m. All Souls by Parishioners of SEAS

**Adoration: As a reminder, adoration is held every Friday after 7am Mass until Noon. Please consider coming and spending some time in quiet adoration.**

## Please remember to pray for the infirmed:

Matthew A. Banach, Susan Balzer Lis, Scott Collins, Sue Dietzen, Len Fijal, Jose Gambarelli, Jim Gibbons, Katie, Keith & Kevin, Desiree Jones, Sue Larivey, John Materowski, Frederick Mackowiak Jr., Mike McCarty, Peter Notaro, Joel Rivera, Javier Robles, Jessica Sinclair, Jim Steeg, Jack Van Dervort, Mollie Watkins.

## Memorials

Fr Tom Wopperer by Beth & Jim Gibbons  
Leonard Schrantz by Beth & Jim Gibbons  
Gene Berek by Beth & Jim Gibbons  
Leonard Schrantz by Frank & Michele Valone  
Fr Tom Wopperer by Ed & Kathy Kolodziej  
Len Schrantz by Ed & Kathy Kolodziej  
Leonard Schrantz by Judy Bohn  
Fr Tom Wopperer by Dan Hillman & Albert Vandette  
Leonard Schrantz by Dan Hillman & Albert Vandette  
Leonard Schrantz by Pat Schrantz  
Leonard Schrantz by David & Suzanne Nicosia  
Fr Tom Wopperer by Nancy Renckens  
Leonard Schrantz by Carl & Susie Lis

## Novena Prayer to St. Elizabeth Ann Seton: September 10-18

The yearly nine-day novena prayer to Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton will be inserted into the bulletin next Sunday, September 10th. The novena prayer will be recited by parishioners daily and privately at home from September 10 to September 18.

Bring your petitions to St. Elizabeth Ann during private time in your home.

This is another spiritual observance to help strengthen our faith and grow closer to our patroness, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton. Eucharistic ministers who visit the home bound are asked to bring a copy of the prayer to your communion shut ins.

They too can participate in their place of residence.

This year let us remember the Lord's Vineyard Family of Parishes as we seek to grow in holiness, love and mutual support for all our family parishes.

## Sunday, September 3

Mass Attendance/Asistencia a Misa:

10:00 AM – 184

11:30AM – 100

Total 284

Collection/Collecta:  
\$ 4,233.04

Assumption:  
\$ 71.00

NCCS  
\$ 1,068.00

Retired Priests:  
\$ 71.00

Total \$ 5,443.04

Vanco-August:

Collection: \$430.00

Bible Camp: 105.00

Cemetery: 20.00

Total: \$625.00

## THIS WEEK AT OUR PARISH

Wednesday, September 13-

3PM-Food Pantry

Saturday, September 16-

6PM-Parish Anniversary Dinner

Upcoming:

Oct 8-Holy Land Gifts coming after all Masses

Oct 9-Columbus Day-Rectory Closed


Oct 28-Woman's Retreat

## Rectory Office Hours:

Monday, Weds., Thurs. & Friday: 9:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

## Mass Schedule for The Lord's Vineyard Family of Parishes effective 8/5/23

		BMA Blessed Mary Angela	Holy Trinity	OLOMC Our Lady of Mt. Carmel	SEAS St. Elizabeth Ann Seton	St. Anthony	St. Joseph
Saturday		4pm HED	4pm	4:30pm MC			
Sunday		7am HY	8:30am 11:00am	9am MC 10:30am RL	10am 11:30am	9:30am	11:15am
Monday			8:15am			8:15am	
Tuesday		6:30pm HY	Noon	8:30am MC		8:15am	
Wednesday		8am HY	7pm	8:30am MC		8:15am	
Thursday			8:15am	8:30am MC	7am		
Friday					7am	8:15am	

## Help Others Cope With Pain & Grief

None of us will ever forget the terrible carnage and suffering of September 11, 2001. But we also remember the comfort provided by the Church and Her ministers. Our diocese needs Godly people to help others cope with pain & grief. Contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847-5535 or visit [buffalovocations.org](http://buffalovocations.org)

**Let us pray for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious.**



NOVENA PRAYER TO  
ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON  
SEPTEMBER 10-18



SAINT ELIZABETH ANN SETON  
BORN IN 1774 IN NEW YORK CITY  
DIED 1821 IN EMMITSBURG, MARYLAND  
CANONIZED A SAINT ON SEPTEMBER 14, 1975

SEPTEMBER 14, 1975: ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON PARISH  
CANONICALLY ESTABLISHED UNDER THE PATRONAGE  
OF ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON

**HAPPY 48TH ANNIVERSARY**



## WHAT IS A NOVENA PRAYER?

The Tradition of novena prayers dates to early Christianity. A novena is a prayer or ritual repeated for nine consecutive days.

To celebrate the 48<sup>th</sup> anniversary of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, parishioners are encouraged to pray the novena prayer printed on the page which follows. We are all encouraged to place our petitions before St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, be they prayers, hopes, intentions, both personal or parish intentions. The Adult Education Committee offers this option for prayer to renew our trust that St. Elizabeth will offer our prayers to the Father.

The novena will begin on September 10<sup>th</sup> and conclude on September 18<sup>th</sup>. This novena prayer will unite all parishioners in prayer and deepen our faith in prayer. All parishioners will be able to participate in this novena to Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton.

## Novena Prayer to Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton

O God, our Father, glorify here upon earth your servant, Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, by manifesting the power of her intercession through the favors I now implore:

(Mention your intention)

We ask this through our Lord, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen

Please pray this prayer September 10-18.

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