

*St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church*

# ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

*"My soul proclaims  
the greatness of  
the Lord; my  
spirit rejoices in  
God my savior."*

LUKE 1:46-47

*Readings for the 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday  
in Ordinary Time*

August 16, 2026

*First Reading: Isaiah 56: 1, 6-7*  
God's salvation is available to  
foreigners as well.

*Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 67*  
'O God, let all the nations praise you!'

*Second Reading: Romans 11: 13-15, 29-32*  
Our disobedience can be transformed into  
obedience when we accept God's mercy.

*Gospel: Matthew 15: 21-28*  
The faith of a pagan woman opens up the  
mission of Jesus to the world.



The Assumption  
of the Virgin by  
Giovanni Battista Salvi  
da Sassoferrato  
17th Century

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## *Of All Things...*

### *The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

(From Vatican News @ [vatican.va](http://vatican.va) on the August 15)



The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary was already being celebrated on 15 August in the 5th century. It bore the sense of Our Lady's "Birth into heaven", or in the Byzantine tradition, her "Dormition".

The feast began to be celebrated in Rome in the middle of the 7th century. It was not until 1 November 1950, that Pope Pius XII proclaimed the Dogma of Mary's assumption body and soul into heaven. In the Apostles' Creed, we profess our faith in the "Resurrection of the body" and in "life everlasting". This is the ultimate goal and meaning of our life's journey. This promise of faith is already accomplished in Mary, who is the "sign of sure hope and comfort" (Preface). It is

a privilege granted to Mary, and closely connected to her being the Mother of Jesus. Since death and the corruption of the human body are consequences of sin, it was not right that the Virgin Mary – who is free from sin – should be affected by this natural law. Hence the mystery of her "Dormition" or "Assumption into heaven".

The fact that Mary has already been assumed into heaven is a reason to celebrate, to rejoice, to hope in the "already and the not yet". One of God's creatures – Mary – is already in heaven. With her, and like her, we too, who are God's creatures, will one day be there too. Mary's destiny, united to the transfigured and glorious body of Jesus, is, therefore, the destiny of all those who are united to the Lord Jesus in faith and love. It is interesting to note that the liturgy – through the biblical texts taken from the Book of Revelation and the Gospel according to Luke (the Canticle of the Magnificat) – helps us, not so much to reflect, as to pray. In fact, the Gospel suggests that Mary's mystery be read in the light of her prayer, the Magnificat, that is, through the lens of gratuitous love that extends from generation to generation, and the predilection of the least and the poor. Its choicest fruit, you could say its masterpiece, is Mary, a mirror in which the entire people of God can see its own features reflected.

The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, body and soul, is an eloquent sign of how not only the "soul" but also the "body" is included in the biblical observation that "God found it very good" (Gn 1:31), so much so that in the Virgin Mary, "our flesh" would be assumed into heaven. This does not exempt us from committing ourselves to life here on earth, but rather that with our gaze fixed on the goal, on Heaven, our Homeland, we are driven to commit ourselves during our present life to reflect the Magnificat: to rejoice in God's mercy, to be attentive to all our brothers and sisters we meet along the way, beginning with the weakest and most vulnerable.

### *Mass Schedule*

#### **Daily Mass:**

8:30 A.M. (Mon. – Fri.)

#### **Saturday Vigil:**

4:30 P.M.

#### **Sunday Mass:**

8:00 A.M., 10:00 A.M.,  
& 12:00 P.M.

#### **Reconciliation:**

Sat. from 3:00 – 4:00 P.M.  
or Tue. - Fri. during office  
hours by appointment only

#### **Brazilian Community**

#### **Portuguese Mass:**

Saturday at 6:30 P.M.

## Weekly Collections for the Week of August 9, 2026

|                                                |          |
|------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Offertory . . . . .                            | \$ 8,678 |
| Churches in Latin America/Africa . . . .       | \$ 1,533 |
| Building Fund . . . . .                        | \$ 4,259 |
| St. Vincent dePaul . . . . .                   | \$ 172   |
| Brazilian Offertory . . . . .                  | \$ 330   |
| Brazilian 2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection . . . . . | \$ 264   |

## Thank you for Your Donations!

Consider St. Elizabeth Ann Seton in your will & Estate planning. Please contact the parish office if you have questions.

# Catholicism 101

Guiding adults as they deepen their relationship with the Lord and prepare to enter fully into the life of the Catholic Church through the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation.

Register in person after mass on Sun., Aug. 23.

Sessions Begin:

Thurs., September 17, 2026 | 7:15-9:15 pm

**REGISTER NOW UNTIL SEPT. 6**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:**

Visit our website at

[seascatholicparish.org/religious-education/catholicism-101](http://seascatholicparish.org/religious-education/catholicism-101)

## Get in Touch With Us!

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[Instagram.com/saintelizabethannseton](https://www.instagram.com/saintelizabethannseton)

## Mass Intentions

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|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Sat., August 15</b><br>† Margaret Harkins                                                                                | <b>4:30 p.m.</b><br>from Bill Harkins                           |
| <b>Sun., August 16</b><br>† Christine Tallandier                                                                            | <b>8:00 a.m.</b><br>from Louis Tallandier                       |
|                                                                                                                             | <b>10:00 a.m.</b><br>All St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish Members |
| † Willie Peith                                                                                                              | <b>12:00 p.m.</b><br>from Lois Peith                            |
| <b>Mon., August 17</b><br>† Gerald Bernard Hastings                                                                         | <b>8:30 a.m.</b><br>from Barbara Irwin-Thierman                 |
| <b>Tues., August 18</b><br>Fr. Rob Adams                                                                                    | <b>8:30 a.m.</b><br>from Barbara Irwin-Thierman                 |
| <b>Wed., August 19</b><br>In Thanksgiving for Matthew Robert Dugan                                                          | <b>8:30 a.m.</b><br>from Robert Brett                           |
| <b>Thurs., August 20</b><br>John F. Reichard                                                                                | <b>8:30 a.m.</b><br>from Nancy Erb                              |
|  <b>Fri., August 21</b><br>Robert Tucker | <b>8:30 a.m.</b><br>Happy Birthday from Margo                   |
| <b>Sat., August 22</b><br>All St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish Members                                                        | <b>4:30 p.m.</b>                                                |
| <b>Sun., August 23</b><br>† Thomasz Anton                                                                                   | <b>8:00 a.m.</b><br>from his parents                            |
| † Walter Wolff                                                                                                              | <b>10:00 a.m.</b><br>from The Wolff Family                      |
| † Denise Cole                                                                                                               | <b>12:00 p.m.</b><br>from the Brash & Chin-Quee families        |

*This Week in our Parish***Sunday, August 16**

|                                   |         |
|-----------------------------------|---------|
| 8 am, 10 am & 12 Noon Sunday Mass | Church  |
| CCD Sign Ups after all masses     | Outside |

**Monday, August 17**

|           |                    |        |
|-----------|--------------------|--------|
| 8:30 a.m. | Communion Service  | Church |
| 7:00 p.m. | Light of the World | Church |
| 8:00 p.m. | Al-Anon            | CCD    |

**Tuesday, August 18**

|           |                      |        |
|-----------|----------------------|--------|
| 8:30 a.m. | Mass                 | Church |
| 1:00 p.m. | Scripture Sharing    | Chapel |
| 7:30 p.m. | Brazilian Prayer Grp | Church |

**Wednesday, August 19**

|           |                     |        |
|-----------|---------------------|--------|
| 8:30 a.m. | Mass                | Church |
| 9:15 a.m. | Respect Life Rosary | Church |
| 1:00 p.m. | Coffee & Convo      | Chapel |
| 7:15 p.m. | Bible Study         | Chapel |
| 7:15 p.m. | St. Vincent dePaul  | Church |
| 8:00 p.m. | Al-Anon             | CCD    |

**Thursday, Aug. 20**

|           |                  |        |
|-----------|------------------|--------|
| 8:30 a.m. | Mass             | Church |
| 7:30 p.m. | Mothers Who Pray | Church |

**Friday, August 21**

|           |                     |        |
|-----------|---------------------|--------|
| 8:30 a.m. | Mass                | Church |
| 9:15 a.m. | Adoration           | Church |
| 9:15 a.m. | Rosary for Children | Chapel |

**Saturday, August 22**

|           |                 |        |
|-----------|-----------------|--------|
| 3:00 p.m. | Confessions     | Chapel |
| 4:30 p.m. | Vigil Mass      | Church |
| 6:30 p.m. | Portuguese Mass | Church |

*Upcoming 2nd Collections*

|         |                                                |
|---------|------------------------------------------------|
| Aug. 16 | Building Fund                                  |
| Aug. 23 | School Subsidy                                 |
| Aug. 30 | Building Fund                                  |
| Sep. 6  | Building Fund                                  |
| Sep. 13 | Respect Life/Immigrants                        |
| Sep. 20 | School Subsidy                                 |
| Sep. 27 | Building Fund                                  |
| Oct. 4  | Building Fund                                  |
| Oct. 11 | Propagation of Faith /<br>World Mission Sunday |



Please join us after all masses on  
**Saturday, September 5 & Sunday, September 6**  
 for tours and light snacks at the  
**St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Hirsch Hall**  
 and the  
**Lanigan Learning Center**

*Have You Registered Your Children for CCD Yet?*

Register in person after all masses on Sunday, August 16 and 23. Or register and pay for your child's CCD classes on our website: [seascatholicparish.org/religious-education/ccd](http://seascatholicparish.org/religious-education/ccd).

You can also pick up a paper registration form located on the table in the vestibule. Registration deadline is Sep. 1, 2026.

*Classes Begin the week of September 14*

Questions? Email [donna@steasparish.org](mailto:donna@steasparish.org).

"Oh my god, forgive what I have been,  
 correct what I am and direct what I shall be.

- Elizabeth Ann Seton

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Golf Tournament

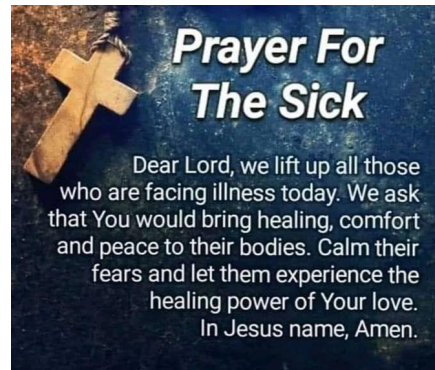


St Elizabeth Ann Seton's Knights of Columbus Council is hosting a golf tournament.

**October 24, 2026**  
**Gator Trace Golf & Country Club, Ft Pierce.**

8 am shotgun start  
18 Holes w/cart  
Continental Breakfast  
Buffet Lunch  
\$10,000 Hole In One opportunity  
\$95.00 per player  
Register by 10/10/26

**More Information:**  
[georgew.knights.golf@gmail.com](mailto:georgew.knights.golf@gmail.com)



Dear Lord, we lift up all those who are facing illness today. We ask that You would bring healing, comfort and peace to their bodies. Calm their fears and let them experience the healing power of Your love. In Jesus name, Amen.

Alex Messiah  
Theresa Rivera  
Linda Fernandez  
Debi Schulte  
Josephine Lugo  
John "Jack" Watchke  
Chris Allen Marshall  
Jose M. Fernandez Rosa  
Ray & Lynn Garcia  
Mary Constransitch  
William Harkins  
Vicky Olivera  
Becky Brabec  
Albert Muhtar  
Nicole Alonso  
Sharon Lake

## Scripture Readings for the week of August 16, 2026

### Sunday

#### 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 56:1, 6-7; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8;  
Rom 11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15:21-28

### Monday

Ez 24:15-23; Dt 32:18-19, 20, 21;  
Mt 19:16-22

### Tuesday

Ez 28:1-10; Dt 32:26-27ab, 27cd-28, 30, 35cd-36ab; Mt 19:23-30

### Wednesday

Ez 34:1-11; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6;  
Mt 20:1-16

### Thursday

#### Memorial of St. Bernard, Abbot & Doctor of the Church

Ez 36:23-28; Ps 51:12-13, 14-15,  
18-19; Mt 22:1-14

### Friday

#### Memorial of St. Pius X, Pope

Ez 37:1-14; Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7,  
8-9; Mt 22:34-40

### Saturday

#### Memorial of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Ez 43:1-7ab; Ps 85:9ab, 10, 11-12,  
13-14; Mt 23:1-12



## Sanctuary Light

The Sanctuary Light  
is lit this week  
*In Loving Memory of*  
*Marie Alcure*  
*Rest in Peace*  
From the Guthy Cousins

The Diocese of Palm Beach treats all allegations of sexual misconduct seriously and deals with all allegations in a prompt, confidential and thorough manner. To report abuse, call the Diocese Victim Assistance Coordinator at 1-833-710-0909.



## Empanada Fundraiser

Empanadas available for purchase  
after all masses on Aug. 29/30

The young adults attending World Youth Day 2027 are hosting an "Empanada Fundraiser" after all masses on August 29 and August 30.

Bring cash to pick up a meal or two for the weekend!

*All proceeds benefit the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton young adults attending World Youth Day 2027.*



## The Knights of Columbus

invite you to pray

## THE PARISH ROSARY

Tues., August 25 at 7:00 p.m.

*All are Welcome!*

## Sacraments

### Confessions:

The sacrament of forgiveness and reconciliation is celebrated every Saturday from 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM in the chapel. Please call the parish office if you need to schedule individual confessions during the week.



### Parent Baptismal Class

First Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. (subject to change). Please contact the parish office to register for baptism class.

### Sacrament of Baptism:

Congratulations on the birth of your child and your decision to baptize. Parents must be registered members of our parish. Baptism is generally celebrated on the second Sunday of the month after the 12:00 noon mass (subject to change.) Completion of baptism class (if required) and ALL required documents must be received in the parish office **prior** to scheduling the baptism date. Godparents need to present a letter of "Good Standing" from the parish they attend.



**Please contact Sharon Ouellet at (978) 430-6235 or gjosjo@hotmail.com for additional information.**



### Marriage:

Congratulations on your engagement and your plan of marriage! Please notify the parish of your plan for the celebration of the sacrament at least six months in advance. Both you and your future spouse need to meet with your parish priest before setting a definite date. **To schedule an appointment with Father Dumarsais, please contact the parish office at (772) 336-0282.** The Diocesan office for the Family Life requires that all couples participate in a Marriage Preparation Class prior the wedding date. For registration to this class visit [diocesepb.org/marriage-preparation-program-registration-form#](http://diocesepb.org/marriage-preparation-program-registration-form#).

### Funerals:

Our parish celebrates the Paschal Mystery of Jesus Christ at all events of life. It's only in Jesus' life, death, and resurrection that we find our source of life. In the event of death, we encourage our parishioners to use a Funeral Home for the planning of the celebration. Funeral Homes have an understanding of the funeral rites and the practice of the parish. For your convenience, there are some Funeral Homes advertised in the back of our bulletin. **For any questions or concerns, please contact the parish office.**



## Ministers of the Parish

**Pastor:** Father Dumarsais Pierre-Louis

**Deacons:** Deacon Hank Farinas, Deacon Thom Boccellari

**Weekend Assistance:** Fr. Michael J. McNally, Ph.D.,  
Pastor Emeritus, St. Mark The Evangelist Church, Fort Pierce, FL

## Office Staff & Contact Information

**Office Hours:** M-F, 8 am - 3pm & Sun., 9 am- 12 noon

**Office Manager/Bookkeeper** . . . . . Patty Williams  
**Secretary** . . . . . Laurie VanName  
**CCD/Religious Ed.** . . . . . Heather Conte & Donna Caiazzo  
**Maintenance** . . . . . Anibal Guzman  
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## Ministries

Altar Linens . . . . . Lucy Raposo & Heidi Pruett  
Altar Servers. . . . . Deacon Hank Farinas  
Baptism Hosting . . . . . Margie Mostler  
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion . . . . . Kathy Hayden  
Lazarus Ministry . . . . . Barbara Broadwater  
Lectors . . . . . Debbie Viscardi  
Music Director/Cantor . . . . . Amanda Olivieri  
Guitarist . . . . . Joe Sofia  
Pianist . . . . . Anibal Guzman  
OCIA - Jen Shannon . . . . . (610) 389-2452  
Respect Life Ministry - John Giorgis . . . . . (772) 333-1247  
Social Ministry - Karrie & Jean Illner . . . . . (586) 337-4225  
Ushers . . . . . Wilner Daye

## Parish Organizations:

AA - Frances Beretta . . . . . (401) 486-3522  
Al-Anon - Deborah Viscardi. . . . . (772) 475-3369  
Bereavement Ministry - Glenn Galtere, Th.D. . . . . (561) 797-1586  
Columbiettes - Nancy Erb . . . . . (516) 749-0156  
Knights of Columbus - John Johnson . . . . . (561) 352-7954  
St. Vincent de Paul - Carl Michalski . . . . . (772) 342-7308

### Finance Council:

Cathy Tift, Ronnie Olivieri, Greg Aquino,  
Cathy Bova, Steve Kulikowski, Dick Percic

### Religious Ed:

Bible Study . . . . . Margie Mostler  
Baptismal Class . . . . . D. Hank & D. Thom  
O.C.I.A. . . . . Jen Shannon  
Scripture Study . . . . . Paula Billyard  
"The Light of the World" . . . . . Edith Tate



## **BAZAAR**

### ***Donations and Volunteers needed!***

Monetary donations are needed to purchase supplies for the 2027 Christmas Bazaar. The profits will provide seed money for religious articles for First Communion and Confirmation candidates; age-appropriate Mass books, Bibles, rosaries and many other articles for the parish's mini gift shop. Volunteers with talents in crocheting, knitting, sewing, bead stringing, or using a glue gun are needed to create one-of-a-kind specialty items for the bazaar. Instructions, fun and friendship provided.

**Next meeting? Thur., Sept. 13 at 9:30 am.**

***Please contact Betsy Toole for more information. Call or text 650.906.9872 or email [betsy5677@gmail.com](mailto:betsy5677@gmail.com)***



God our Father, Creator of the Universe and Lord over all creation, we humbly stand before you as your children in thanksgiving for your loving care and protection. We ask that you keep us safe from all hurricanes and illness which may threaten us in the coming seasons. Protect us from all fear and anxiety and give us an ardent trust and hope in Your Love and Mercy. You alone have the power to command the sea, the wind, and the rain.

You alone bring peace, calm, and safety. Father we thank you in advance, for you are our only Refuge. We ask this through Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.

Amen.

*Mary, Queen of the Apostles, and Patroness of our Diocese, pray for us.*