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Dear People of St. Elizabeth Seton:

Your presence with us is a gift from God, who blesses everything we do in His name. We know that Jesus is with us in every ministry we share and in every work that we do.

We have been blessed with generous and engaged parishioners who make up the community of believers that we are meant to be. Our facilities expanded last year to provide many more opportunities for ministry. We hope that you will join us in helping to serve the poor, the disadvantaged, and the needy. This 2018 Parish Guide should help us come to know each other better, not just as a list of names and telephone numbers, but as individuals and families dedicated to the mission of the Church.

Thank you for being an integral part of our parish and for saying "Yes!" to participating in our mission of welcome and discipleship. When you join us in participating in Mass, and when you are involved in the many other activities of our parish, you make our parish the instrument of God's love in our midst.

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the Communion of the Holy Spirit be with you and your family, always!

Fr. Theodore D. Rothrock  
Pastor

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**St. Elizabeth Seton**  
**Parish Information**

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Web Site ..... [www.seas-carmel.org](http://www.seas-carmel.org)

## Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil.....5:30 pm  
Sunday..... 7:30 am, 9:30 am, 12:00 pm and 5:30 pm  
Monday, Wednesday & Friday .....8:30 am & 12:15 pm  
Tuesday & Thursday.....6:30 am & 12:15 pm  
Saturday..... 9:00 am

## St. Elizabeth Seton Staff

### Pastoral Staff

Rev. Theodore D. Rothrock .....Pastor  
Rev. John Nguyen..... Parochial Vicar  
Rev. Thomas J. Haan ..... In residence  
Deacon Bill Reid.....Deacon

### Formation & Parish Life

Roger Helmkamp..... Director of Formation & Parish Life  
Kristen Swift.....  
Emily Sipes ..... Coordinator of Youth Ministry for High School  
Greg Fleckenstein..... Coordinator of Youth Ministry for Middle School  
Elisabeth Groot..... Director of Adult Faith Formation  
Dan McFeely.....  
(CRHP)  
Peter Doane.....  
Adults  
Sister Carole Kimes, SP.....Director of Pastoral Care  
Katie Martin..... Fertility Care  
Hanna Fleckenstein ..... Fertility Care  
Karen Watson .....Administrative Assistant  
Julie Walton..... Pastoral Assistant

Coordinator of Religious Education for Preschool & Elementary

Coordinator of Adult Faith Formation for Christ Renews His Parish

Director of Evangelization and the Rite of Christian Initiation of

Preschool

Tracy Schnase..... Preschool Director  
 Jody Brennan ..... Teacher  
 Monica Inman..... Teacher  
 Laura Jacko..... Teacher  
 Alice Morton..... Teacher  
 Renee Phares ..... Teacher  
 Peggy Wantuck..... Teacher  
 Jennifer Goedde..... Teacher  
 Joy Sweeney ..... Teacher  
 Louella Brual..... Assistant Teacher  
 Laura Rhoad..... Assistant Teacher  
 Erin Pickering..... Assistant Teacher  
 Azalea Cahya..... Assistant Teacher  
 Colleen Mabry..... Assistant Teacher  
 Janet Sondles..... Assistant Teacher  
 Keely Underhill..... Assistant Teacher

Liturgy

Clara & Mark Duray .....Directors of Music Ministry  
 Charlie Dispenzieri ..... Director of Worship

Athletics

Susan McRoberts.....Director of Athletics

Office Staff

Kevin Sweeney ..... Director of Parish Operations  
 and Business  
 Susan Land..... Parish Publications  
 Lisa VanDeLaarschot.....  
 Jenny Johns.....Receptionist  
 Cathy Colbert.....Receptionist  
 Sheila Schildbach..... Business Office Assistant

Parishioner Contributions and Stewardship Coordinator

Facility Operations

Susan McRoberts.....Director of Parish Facilities  
Steve Kahl..... Maintenance Supervisor  
Nathan Jackson..... Maintenance  
Tremaine Tucker..... Maintenance  
Tom Light..... Maintenance  
Carl Bruhn..... Maintenance

## **Welcome to St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic Church**

### **Mission Statement**

“Go, therefore, and make disciples of all the nations; baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you until the end of the age.”

Matthew 28:19-20

### **History**

Since the creation of the Diocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana by Pope Pius XII in 1944, Catholics in Hamilton County were served by parishes in Cicero, Lebanon and Noblesville. In 1955, Bishop Bennett foresaw the potential for growth in the Carmel area and established Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish to serve Washington and Clay Townships in Hamilton County.

Further growth in the community of Carmel led Bishop Raymond Gallagher to issue a decree on July 1, 1981 establishing the parish of St. Elizabeth Seton.

Father Leo Piguet was named the first pastor and served the parish for seventeen years. Upon his retirement in 1998, Father Ted Rothrock was named pastor and is now serving the spiritual needs of the parish with Father John Nguyen, Parochial Vicar, Deacon Bill Reid and Fr. Thomas J. Haan in residence.

Beginning with only 254 households in July of 1981, we now have **over 2,300 households**. Growth is expected to continue.

Located on the corner of Haverstick Road and 106th Street in southeastern Carmel, the church building was dedicated on October 20, 1985, by Bishop William Higi. Upon Bishop Higi’s retirement, Monsignor Timothy L. Doherty from the Diocese of Rockford, Illinois was installed on July 15, 2010 as our new bishop. Bishop Doherty will shepherd our diocese into the future.

## **The Parish Facility**

The parish facility is set on 33 acres surrounded by trees and Blue Woods Creek. The layout of the parish facility is a cluster similar to many farm buildings in Indiana. The simplicity of the design blends with the setting of an agricultural community. The driveway opens with a boulevard from Haverstick Road and gently guides you into the campus and to the church. Looking across the pond, a lighted grotto with a statue of Our Lady and a waterfall adds to the beauty of the campus. The waterfall was donated by the Women's Club in 1999 and constructed by Lynn's Pond, Pets and Water Gardens. The beautiful statue of Our Lady was donated by a parish family in honor of their parents, Mr. & Mrs. Larry Ricci and Mr. & Mrs. Donald Burkhart. Low walls extend from the front of the church to form friendly arms of welcome to all people. A life-size bronze statue of our patroness stands in the plaza near the main entrance. The statue was a generous donation from the parish Women's Club by local artist Bill Wolfe and dedicated on May 16, 2015. The brick used throughout the building both inside and out is Alwine White brick from Pennsylvania, a handmade brick of red clay hand rolled in white lime. The altar, ambo, baptismal font and pillars for the tabernacle are constructed of Carnelian Granite from Milbank, South Dakota. The presider's chair is constructed from the two major materials in the worship space, Carnelian Granite and the white oak of the benches.

In the summer of 1999, a sign proudly pronouncing "St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic Church" was erected at the corner of 106th Street and Haverstick Road. The next summer, a yellow pine cross was built and installed on the front lawn of the church. Standing thirty feet tall with a spread of twenty feet, it is buried in concrete at ground level to the depth of seven feet by eighteen inches. Meeting all codes, it stands tall today.

To complete an Eagle Scout project in 2003, Ben Blotsky took on the building of the grotto around the statue, which is set off beautifully by lighting at night. Another Eagle Scout project completed in 2006 by Jim Merchun was a Rosary Walk along the west parking lot ending at the grotto. It depicts the twenty mysteries of the Rosary. Thanks to many donors, this makes a wonderful area for a quiet spiritual walkway on our grounds. The addition of new benches at the grotto and a walkway from the front parking lot was an Eagle Scout project spearheaded by Tim Miller in 2010. Gary Considine designed and oversaw the building of a fire pit and walkway at the foot of our outdoor cross. It is used for the Easter Vigil fire.

For people with disabilities, there is a ramp and automatic door opener at the front entrance of the church and north entrance to the Nave, and a specially designed covered entrance at the rear of the church. Reserved parking spaces are available at both entrances.

In 2002 the new parking lot on the grounds behind the church was completed providing an additional 440 spaces to our existing lot, as well as a lighted drive through the parish campus exiting onto 106th Street. Along the drive is a labyrinth, an ancient path of wisdom and peace, made of stone with a dirt path completed as an Eagle Scout project in 2006 by Christopher Hill. Many people are seen walking and meditating on it.

Construction of the Parish Rectory, positioned in the wooded northeast corner of the campus, was completed in 2003, giving the priests a much needed on-site home.

The Parish Life Center was completed in 2005 on the east side of the church. This building houses a full-size gymnasium with a stage, and classrooms around the perimeter. The building provides space for our parish pre-school, kindergarten and youth religious education classes, for meetings and liturgies, and for an activity center. Opportunities for basketball and volleyball make this space a hub for our athletic and social activities.

In 2005, Philip Morton completed his Eagle Scout project by installing a much needed playground for our school children. In 2007, Matt Oliver designed a pergola for the PLC patio providing an outdoor shaded area for small group meetings. In 2009, Sam Morris completed a fire pit and benches along the east drive.

Our outdoor ball fields have been upgraded and provide space for scheduling many different sports activities including softball, football and soccer. Thanks to the generosity of Compression Etc. and Seton parishioners, renovations to the football field began in 2010 with the installation of a new scoreboard, sod and fence. In 2011, with the designing and building of our 3K Cross Country Course, Ben Swift completed his Eagle Scout Project. The course is clearly marked with a Start/Finish Post near the left field of the softball diamond. The course is available for both recreational runs and CYO Cross Country meets. Once again our Eagle Scouts went to work enhancing our facilities.

The Family Room project was completed and opened in September of 2016. The new space provided a new and larger Social Hall, additional office and meeting spaces. This additional 22,000 square feet also served to connect the Parish Life Center to the main building.

The church building itself is divided into several areas: the Commons, the Nave, the Mary Chapel, the Blessed Sacrament Chapel with Confessionals, the Day Chapel, the West Wing, the Administrative Wing, the Family Room and the Wake Chapel.

#### The Commons

The Commons is a gathering space that encourages friendly interaction of the parish community before and after liturgy. This area allows access to all other areas of the building without having to go outside. The Commons is large enough to hold 850 people standing; room enough for gatherings for weddings, funerals, baptisms and special liturgies such as the Easter Vigil.

The many varied ministries of the parish community publicize their activities in the Commons before and after weekend Masses, making this area the “information center” of the building.

#### The Baptismal Font

Water is a major Christian symbol, and the continually flowing water of this font reminds us of life and of our Baptism. The central location in the Commons is both symbolic and practical. It is the crux of the church and relates to all we do in the parish.

#### The Nave

The design of the main worship space was purposely kept simple so that it needs people to complete it. The seating arrangement for 850 people allows the assembly to participate more fully in the liturgy. In 2007, after a long period of design research, kneelers were installed with the help of many parish volunteers. Four new pews were added in 2012 to accommodate 50 more seats.

The wood on the ceilings of the Nave and chapels is fir. The doors of the three prayer spaces are white oak, which identifies these as special places for worship.

Our crucifix is a unique design of artist/sculptor Wiktor Szostalo. Made possible by the gift of a single donor family, this piece of sacred art was installed and dedicated on November 23, 2003, the Feast of the Triumph of the Holy Cross. Both crucified and resurrected, both ancient and modern, the Christ figure in this piece of sacred art is both evocative and compelling in its form and design. It is centered in the sanctuary between the ambo, altar, and presider's chair. Made chiefly of stainless steel and colored glass, this corpus stands over ten feet high and weighs over 800 pounds.

The completion of this piece was the result of almost five years of research, design and production. We are grateful to the donor family for making this sacred art possible.

The lighting features for the corpus were made possible through the generosity of the Thomas Linnen family as a memorial to Mary J. Linnen.

Kiln-cast crystal glass in a postmodern depiction of the Way of the Cross, along the north wall of the Nave, was also designed by Wiktor Szostalo. Many donors made it possible to install these beautiful bas-relief sculptures in time for Holy Week in 2007.

#### The Mary Chapel

This small chapel is located at the northeast corner of the Nave. It provides an intimate prayer space with vigil candles available. A new sculpture depicting the Blessed Mother as a seated "Our Lady of Perpetual Help" was commissioned through the generosity of a family in the parish. This addition to the religious art in the church was fashioned by Wiktor Szostalo and dedicated on September 24, 2005.

#### The Blessed Sacrament Chapel

The Church participates in the tradition of reserving the Blessed Sacrament. The purpose of this reservation is to provide communion to the sick and for the devotion of the faithful.

This chapel has a seating capacity for approximately twelve people and is open to meet the spiritual needs of the faithful 24 hours a day with Eucharistic Adoration from 9 am to 9 pm on weekdays. Located in the Blessed Sacrament chapel is the tabernacle. It is also made of white oak and the interior is lined with teak. Our tabernacle is surrounded by pillars of granite like that of the altar, ambo and chair of the major worship space, and the Baptismal Font in the Commons. Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration is now offered during the week from 9:00 am to 9:00 pm. The sanctuary light was donated by a parish family.

#### The Confessionals

Two individual reconciliation chapels (rooms) are located on the right side of the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. These two confessionals provide the opportunity for the traditional celebration of the sacrament or the more familiar "face-to-face" confession.



#### The Day Chapel

Daily Mass is celebrated in this chapel, as well as small weddings and funerals, Communion Services, music rehearsals, Children's Liturgy of the Word, Morning and Evening Prayer and related gatherings. Kneelers were installed on the chairs in 2004.

150-year-old Stations of the Cross, obtained from a monastery in France, were donated by a parishioner in 2007 to grace the walls of our Day Chapel.

#### The Wake Chapel

Originally designed as an area to accommodate the casket for wakes prior to funerals, this area has become multi-functional, being used for wedding preparation and much-needed additional meeting space. New glass and wood doors were installed in 2013 providing additional privacy. The space also houses a beautiful icon of "Christ the Teacher."

#### The West Wing

The lower level of the West Wing houses the Working Sacristy, Vesting Sacristy, the Parlor, the West Conference Room, office space and the Wake Chapel. The upper level currently houses additional offices for parish staff.

#### Administration Wing

The Administration Wing houses the offices of the pastoral and office staff, a reception area and the office workroom. The second floor, called The Upper Room, was designed as a multi-purpose room for meetings and educational activities. An elevator makes the space accessible to all.

#### The Social Hall

The Social Hall, completed in June 2016 and dedicated on September 18, 2016, seats 200-250 and will serve as a dynamic gathering space for events such as The Knights of Columbus Family Breakfast, Fish Frys, Welcoming Brunch, as well as sacramental receptions. This 25,000-square-foot space was made possible by the generous donations of parishioners.

#### The Parlor

The Parlor is a small room in which grieving families may relax, brides may prepare for weddings, or small meetings can take place.

#### The Family Room Expansion

The 25,000 square-foot Family Room expansion, made possible through generous donations of parishioners, was completed in June 2016. The space allows our family of faith to continue to grow and to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ. This expansion includes a new Social Hall, ministry rooms, nursery space, and new work area and offices for Religious Education, Sports and Youth Ministry. With this expansion, the Parish Life Center and all spaces are now connected with the Nave.

#### The Family Room

This project included renovation of the original Social Hall to the current Family Room. The Family Room is now available as an unscheduled, relaxed, and welcoming gathering space for parishioners, families and friends to meet for coffee, conversation, and fellowship.

## Parish Timeline

- 1981 - Bishop Raymond Gallagher issued decree establishing St. Elizabeth Seton Parish on July 1.
- 1981 - First Parish Picnic held on July 26, now known as Seton Fest.
- 1981 - Land at the corner of 106th Street and Haverstick is purchased for parish.
- 1983 - Ground Breaking Ceremony held on October 9.
- 1984 - Church building construction begins in April.
- 1985 - Church building construction is completed.
- 1985 - Fr. Leo Piquet celebrates first Mass in the Nave on August 24.
- 1985 - Bishop William Higi dedicated the building on October 20.
- 1997 - Sunburst stained glass window in Nave donated by Mary King in memory of David King.
- 1998 - Administration Wing completed.
- 1999 - St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic Church sign installed at corner of 106th Street and Haverstick Road.
- 1999 - Waterfall and statue of Our Lady installed.
- 2000 - Wooden Cross installed outside the front of the church.
- 2001 - Allen organ installed in Nave.
- 2002 - Completion of new parking lot.
- 2003 - Grotto and surrounding lighting at waterfall completed.
- 2003 - Parish Rectory construction completed.
- 2003 - Installation and dedication of crucifix in the Nave.
- 2004 - Kneelers installed in the Day Chapel.
- 2005 - Parish Life Center construction completed.
- 2005 - "Our Lady of Perpetual Help" statue dedicated September 24.
- 2006 - Rosary Walk completed.
- 2006 - Labyrinth completed.
- 2007 - Kneelers installed in the Nave.
- 2007 - Glass Stations of the Cross installed in the Nave.
- 2007 - Stations of the Cross installed in the Day Chapel.
- 2007 - Arbor at the Parish Life Center built.
- 2007 - Stained glass window installed in the Day Chapel.
- 2007 - Ball Fields upgraded.
- 2008 - Wood deck completed off Social Hall.

- 2009 - Fire pit and benches constructed along the east drive by the Parish Life Center.
- 2010 - Fire pit with walk by the cross in front of church built.
- 2010 - New benches at the grotto and walkway from parking lot constructed.
- 2013 - The Nursery is converted into the West Conference Room and relocated in the PLC.
- 2013 - Wake Chapel remodeled to increase use as a meeting space.
- 2015 - Groundbreaking for the Family Room expansion.
- 2015 - Dedication of St. Elizabeth Seton Statue May 16.
- 2015 - Eucharistic procession kicked off extended adoration hours to weekdays from 9 am – 9 pm.
- 2016 - Family Room expansion completed.
- 2017 - GaGa pit constructed by the Knights of the Holy Temple along the east drive by the Parish Life Center.

## Pastoral Staff Timeline

Rev. Leo Piguet.....	Pastor.....	1981-98
Rev. Edward F. Dhondt.....	Weekend Assistance.....	1982-84
Rev. Fred Schroeder.....	Senior Associate.....	1984-04
Rev. Michael A. Ondo.....	Senior Associate.....	1992-94
Rev. Robert W. Klemme.....	Associate Pastor.....	1994-98
Rev. Theodore D. Rothrock.....	Pastor... 1998-current	
Deacon Bill Cloud.....	Deacon.....	1999-00
Rev. Anthony Levi.....	Associate Pastor.....	1999-02
Rev. Brian A. Dudzinski.....	Associate Pastor.....	2002-05
Rev. Brendan O. Mbagwu.....	Parochial Vicar.....	2004-12
Rev. Melvin J. Bennett.....	Senior Associate.....	2005-2011
Rev. Brian M. Doerr.....	Vocation Director (in residence).....	2008-2011
Deacon Bill Reid.....	Deacon... 2008-current	
Rev. Sean V. Pogue.....	Parochial Vicar.....	2011-2012
Rev. Sam F. Futral.....	Parochial Vicar.....	2012-2014
Rev. Thomas J. Haan.....	Parochial Vicar.....	2013-2015
Rev. Phil Haslinger.....	Retired (in residence).....	2014-2015
Rev. Stan Tabor.....	Parochial Vicar.....	2015-2017
Rev. Thomas J. Haan.....	In residence... 2015-current	
Rev. John L. Nguyen.....	... 2017-present	

### Dates of Death

Rev. Leo A. Piguet..... June 9, 2001

Deacon Bill Cloud.....April 10, 2003  
Rev. Fred A. Schroeder.....March 1, 2004  
Rev. Melvin J. Bennett.....April 19, 2011

## Sister Parishes

### St. Martha, Prestonsburg, Kentucky

St. Martha's is located in Appalachia, a few miles west of the West Virginia state line, and is the only Catholic Church in this predominantly Baptist county. They perform outreach providing spiritual and material needs of the parish and the surrounding community. St. Martha's receives assistance from St. Elizabeth Seton through regular tithes and mission visits from Youth Ministry.

### St. Genevieve, Duval, Haiti

Haiti, located in the Caribbean, is one of the poorest and most highly populated countries in the Americas, and suffered great devastation as result of a magnitude-7.0 earthquake in 2010. Through St. Genevieve Parish in Duval, we are able to assist with the spiritual, medical and educational needs of this impoverished area. St. Genevieve receives assistance through medical and dental missions, school support, health clinic support, a sewing program, a clean water program and regular tithes.

## Who Was St. Elizabeth Seton?

Elizabeth Ann Bayley Seton was raised Episcopalian, married and had five children. At the age of 30 she was widowed and converted to Catholicism. In 1812 she founded Sisters of Charity, the first congregation for religious women in the United States, whose devotion was education of the poor and teaching in parochial schools. She was credited with opening the first American parish school and the first American Catholic orphanage. She was the first native-born citizen of the United States to be honored with canonization. In the homily at the canonization of Elizabeth Ann Seton, Pope Paul VI said "as the Church renders the greatest honor possible to Elizabeth Ann Bayley Seton and extols her personal and extraordinary contribution as a woman — a wife, a mother, a widow, and a religious."

Born: August 28, 1774 in New York City

Died: January 4, 1821 in Emmitsburg, Maryland

Canonized: September 14, 1975

Feast Day: January 4

## Sacraments

Sacraments at St. Elizabeth Seton are joyful community events for which we carefully prepare. Parish staff is available to discuss sacramental preparation and parish procedures.

Baptism

We welcome and congratulate families wishing to pass on the faith to their children through the sacrament of Baptism. Parents of children under the age of seven are prepared for baptism at a workshop offered monthly. Baptisms are celebrated at Mass on the first full weekend of each month. Baptisms outside of Mass may be scheduled at 1:30 pm on other Sundays of the month.

Contact: Julie Walton | email: [julie.walton@seas-carmel.org](mailto:julie.walton@seas-carmel.org) | phone: (317) 846-3850

Adults and children age seven and older are prepared for baptism through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA).

Contact: Peter Doane | email: [peter.doane@seas-carmel.org](mailto:peter.doane@seas-carmel.org) | phone: (317) 846-3850

### Eucharist

The Eucharist is the source and summit of our faith. Through it we receive the Body and Blood of Christ, who suffered and died for our sins, and rose again in glory on Easter. The Eucharist is available at every Mass. In addition, those who are unable to attend Mass due to an illness or physical affliction can request through the Parish Office that an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion bring them the Eucharist.

Preparation for First Eucharist is separate from and in addition to Religious Formation classes and is for parents and children. Those who will be seven years and older by September 1st are eligible to participate in preparation.

### Reconciliation

Individual confessions are heard every Saturday at 9:30 am and on Wednesday at 7:30 pm in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. Other times for reconciliation are available by appointment. The communal Rite of Reconciliation is celebrated during the seasons of Advent and Lent.

Preparation for First Reconciliation is separate from and in addition to Religious Formation classes and is for parents and children. Those who will be seven years and older by September 1st are eligible to participate in preparation. Preparation for First Reconciliation precedes preparation for First Eucharist.

### Confirmation

Confirmation is prepared for and celebrated with teens thirteen years and older, their parents, and sponsors. Adult confirmation preparation can be arranged through the Adult Formation Office. Adults and children baptized in another Christian tradition who wish to be confirmed in the Catholic Church are prepared through RCIA. Information may be obtained by calling the Religious Formation Office (317) 846-3850

### Matrimony

Marriage is a covenant of love and a sacramental bond between a woman and a man. The Church rejoices in the loving vocation of matrimony and welcomes those who enter into this holy union. Marriage preparation and arrangements for the wedding should be made at least 6 months prior to the wedding date.

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### Anointing of the Sick

This sacrament provides sacramental grace and spiritual comfort to those who are seriously ill, facing surgery, or elderly. Through this sacrament the Church prays that the recipient may receive strength to deal with their illness or condition. It is no longer reserved for those whose death is imminent, but

instead provides grace for spiritual comfort and healing; it can be received multiple times. It can be preceded by the sacrament of Penance and followed by the sacrament of the Eucharist. It is available at any time upon request. It can also be requested in the hospital where a priest chaplain may administer the sacrament.

### Holy Orders

Through this sacrament men are ordained to become Deacons or Priests. It is administered to those who have been admitted to formation for the sacrament and who have completed a multiple-year course of formation and study. The Bishop usually ordains men to the priesthood in early June and to the diaconate in mid-September. Ordinations are held at the Cathedral in Lafayette. Contact Fr. David Hasser ([frhasser@priestforever.org](mailto:frhasser@priestforever.org)) for information on vocations to the priesthood and religious life, and contact Deacon Bill Reid ([Deacons2b@gmail.com](mailto:Deacons2b@gmail.com)) for information on vocations to the diaconate.

## Parish Ministries

### COUNCILS

#### Finance Council

This council is charged with creating the budgets under which we operate. Working with the Pastoral Council, they develop future projections and provide the oversight of parish expenditures and accounting services.

Contact: Keith Morton | email: [kamorton317@gmail.com](mailto:kamorton317@gmail.com) | phone: (317) 502-6175

#### Pastoral Council

The Pastoral Council acts as a consultative body to the pastor and is a primary voice of the community. Through prayer to the Holy Spirit, the Council seeks guidance to discern the needs of the parish, plan solutions, animate the ministries and evaluate parish programs.

Contact: Karen Maguiness | email: [kmaguine@yahoo.com](mailto:kmaguine@yahoo.com) | phone: (317) 844-8595

#### Stewardship Council

The Stewardship Council's goal is to foster a lifestyle of Biblical stewardship among our parishioners by the means of their Time, Talent and Treasure. The Council meets monthly. Their goal is to engage the parish in prayer, volunteering and tithing.

Contact: Larry Schulz | email: [llschulz@outlook.com](mailto:llschulz@outlook.com) | phone: (317) 582-0326

### LITURGY

#### Altar Servers

Children must be in the 4th grade (10 years old) or above to be trained as Altar Servers. Responsibilities include annual training, arriving 15 minutes before Mass, and finding substitutes when unable to serve as scheduled. Altar Servers rotate and usually serve about 4 times per quarter depending on preferred Mass time.

Contact: Gordon Perry | email: [gperry340@gmail.com](mailto:gperry340@gmail.com) | phone: (317) 800-4297

#### Children's Liturgy of the Word

Children (4-7 years old) may participate in the Children's Liturgy of the Word at which they hear God's word in a translation suitable to their age level, and participate in songs, discussions, games and crafts which bring the scriptures alive for them. Teams rotate to provide leadership for the Children's Liturgy of the Word during the 9:30 am Sunday Mass.

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#### Funerals

The sadness of death should give way to the promise of eternal life. The celebration of a person's life should reflect our conviction in the resurrection of Jesus Christ. The most common form of a Catholic funeral includes a Vigil service, a Funeral Mass, and a Graveside service all with either the body or the cremated remains. Another option is a memorial Mass or service with no remains.

Contact: The Parish Office | phone: (317) 846-3850

#### Lectors/Commentators

Lectors and Commentators proclaim the holy word of God at Mass. In addition to proclaiming the word at Holy Mass, the lector may also read the psalm in the absence of a psalmist, announce the intentions for the general intercessions and carry the book of gospels during the procession in absence of a deacon.

Contact: Andrew Doerfler | email: [seaslectorcoord@gmail.com](mailto:seaslectorcoord@gmail.com) | phone: (317) 910-4313

#### Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

An Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion (EMHC) is in the privileged role to be a part of that encounter between Christ and the individual. In assisting with the distribution of Holy Communion during Mass, Communion Ministers may also visit and provide Holy Communion to the homebound and hospitalized. Requires training and commissioning, and periodic enrichment sessions. Training sessions for new Communion Ministers are held several times a year.

Contact: Karen Maguiness | email: [kmaguine@yahoo.com](mailto:kmaguine@yahoo.com) | phone: (317) 844-8595

#### Daily Eucharistic Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration takes place daily, Monday through Friday, from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. Adoration is not offered on selected holidays. The Chapel will remain open – 24 hours, 7 days a week – for prayer before the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle. New adorers always welcome.

Contact: Dan McFeely | email: [crhpdan@gmail.com](mailto:crhpdan@gmail.com) | phone: (317) 847-9266

#### Liturgy of the Hours

The Liturgy of the Hours is the official set of prayers which mark the hours of each day and which sanctify the day with prayer. It is prayed daily by ordained clergy and those in consecrated religious life, as well as by many lay people.

Contact: Karen Maguiness | email: [kmaguine@yahoo.com](mailto:kmaguine@yahoo.com) | phone: (317) 844-8595

### Sacristans

The Sacristans are a group of volunteers who take care of sacristy needs such as cleaning and maintaining altar vestments, linens, and vessels. They also help shape the liturgical environment throughout all our various worship spaces.

Contact: Charlie Dispenzieri | email: [charlie.dispenzieri@seas-carmel.org](mailto:charlie.dispenzieri@seas-carmel.org) | phone: (317) 846-3850

### Ushers

Through hospitality and assistance, Ushers enable the assembly to participate more fully in the liturgy and feel unified in the faith in a safe environment. Specific tasks include distributing worship aids and bulletins, taking up the collection, facilitating communion, and helping with seating. Teams of ushers rotate through a schedule of one month on, two months off, for each specific Mass. Each team has an experienced captain that coordinates tasks and on-the-job training for new ushers.

Contact: Paul Freeman | email: [pfreeman@indianabankers.org](mailto:pfreeman@indianabankers.org) | phone: (317) 625-3481

## MUSIC

### Accompanists

Provide musical support and leadership for congregational singing through piano, organ, and guitar accompaniment. There is a cantor and accompanist rehearsal on Wednesday evenings from 7:30 pm-8:30 pm in the Nave. Audition is required.

Contact: Clara and Mark Duray | email: [clara.duray@seas-carmel.org](mailto:clara.duray@seas-carmel.org) | phone: (317) 846-3850

### Cantors

Lead the congregation in worship through song. New cantors are always welcome. Training and rehearsal are provided. There is a cantor and accompanist rehearsal on Wednesday evenings from 7:30 pm-8:30 pm in the Nave. Audition is required.

Contact: Clara and Mark Duray | email: [clara.duray@seas-carmel.org](mailto:clara.duray@seas-carmel.org) | phone: (317) 846-3850

### Guitar Ensemble

An instrumental ensemble that provides the liturgical music for the Sunday 12:00 pm Mass. This group rehearses on Sunday mornings from 11:15-11:45 am in the Nave. Audition is required.

Contact: Clara and Mark Duray | email: [clara.duray@seas-carmel.org](mailto:clara.duray@seas-carmel.org) | phone: (317) 846-3850

### Seton Chorus

This is a chorus of mixed voices that regularly leads and sustains the liturgical music at the 9:30 am Sunday Mass. This chorus also serves at various Liturgical Feasts, Solemnities, Holy Days of Obligation, and Sacrament Masses throughout the year. This choir rehearses on Thursday evenings from 7:15 pm-9:15 pm in the Day Chapel. No audition is necessary.

Contact: Clara and Mark Duray | email: [clara.duray@seas-carmel.org](mailto:clara.duray@seas-carmel.org) | phone: (317) 846-3850



#### Seton Men's Chorus

An ensemble of male singers. They rehearse one to two Tuesdays every other month from 7:30 pm-9:00 pm in the Day Chapel, and they typically sing at one Mass every other month. No audition is necessary.

Contact: Clara and Mark Duray | email: [clara.duray@seas-carmel.org](mailto:clara.duray@seas-carmel.org) | phone: (317) 846-3850

#### Seton Victory Chorale

A chorus of mixed voices that leads the music for our parish Funerals, Memorial Masses and Memorial Services. This group rehearses before every liturgy at which they are singing. No audition is necessary.

Contact: Clara and Mark Duray | email: [clara.duray@seas-carmel.org](mailto:clara.duray@seas-carmel.org) | phone: (317) 846-3850

#### Seton Women's Chorus

An ensemble of female singers. They rehearse one to two Tuesdays every month from 7:30 pm-9:00 pm in the Day Chapel, and they typically sing at one Mass every month. No audition is necessary.

Contact: Clara and Mark Duray | email: [clara.duray@seas-carmel.org](mailto:clara.duray@seas-carmel.org) | phone: (317) 846-3850

#### Symphonic Ensemble

An instrumental ensemble that plays regularly at the Sunday 9:30 a.m. Mass and accompanies the Seton Chorus. It is composed of strings, woodwinds, brass and percussion. This ensemble rehearses on Sunday mornings from 8:30 - 9:00 am in the Day Chapel. Audition is required.

Contact: Clara and Mark Duray | email: [clara.duray@seas-carmel.org](mailto:clara.duray@seas-carmel.org) | phone: (317) 846-3850

#### Teen Band/Choir

This group provides contemporary liturgical music for the Sunday 5:30 pm Teen Mass and rehearses on Sunday afternoons at 4:30 pm in the Nave. This ensemble is open to junior high and high school students, and adults. No audition is necessary.

Contact: Clara and Mark Duray | email: [clara.duray@seas-carmel.org](mailto:clara.duray@seas-carmel.org) | phone: (317) 846-3850

#### Youth Choir

Directed by Theresa Goble, this is a choir for children in grades 2-8. They rehearse every Wednesday from 5:15 pm-6:15 pm in the Nave, and they typically sing at one or two Masses each month during the school year. No audition is necessary.

Contact: Theresa Goble | email: [theresa@goblejt.com](mailto:theresa@goblejt.com) | phone: (317) 979-7144

## **OUTREACH**

#### Caring Hands

A ministry within the Women's Club, we sew, crochet, and knit sleepers, hats, blankets, and burp cloths for preemies at all the local NICUs and for babies at Eskenazi.

Contact: Diane DeSante | email: [dcdesante@att.net](mailto:dcdesante@att.net) | phone: (317) 844-2760

#### Consolation

This ministry offers pastoral and spiritual support to the bereaved and their families.

Contact: Sr. Carole Kimes | email: [carole.kimes@seas-carmel.org](mailto:carole.kimes@seas-carmel.org) | phone: (317) 846-3850

#### Evangelization

The Evangelization Team exists to bring the vision of Pope Paul VI to a reality at Seton: the Church “exists in order to evangelize, that is to say in order to preach and teach, to be the channel of the gift of grace, to reconcile sinners with God.”

Contact: Peter Doane | email: [peter.doane@seas-carmel.org](mailto:peter.doane@seas-carmel.org) | phone: (317) 679-7631

#### Fertility Care

Teaches women of any faith the Creighton Model of Fertility Care. Application of the Creighton Model includes treatment of abnormal menstrual cycles, recurrent miscarriage, premenstrual syndrome, hormone imbalance, ovarian cysts, infertility, postpartum depression, natural family planning, and more.

Contact: Hanna Fleckenstein | email: [hannafcp@gmail.com](mailto:hannafcp@gmail.com) | phone: (260) 849-1450

#### Funeral Meals

A ministry within the Women’s Club, we prepare homemade meals for families of the deceased following the funeral at Seton.

Contact: JoAnn Turnwald | email: [joann1turn@aol.com](mailto:joann1turn@aol.com) | phone: (317) 402-5370

#### Gabriel Project

The Gabriel Project is a ministry within Respect Life that provides spiritual and material support to pregnant women and their families who are in need of assistance.

Contact: Mary Powroznik | email: [mtpow1@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mtpow1@sbcglobal.net) | phone: (317) 566-1550

#### Giving Tree (Christmas)

Assists needy families to provide Christmas gifts for children attending Holy Cross School. This ministry also helps families of our Gabriel Ministry.

Contact: Mary Ann Burke | email: [mab3941@gmail.com](mailto:mab3941@gmail.com) | phone: (317) 506-6933

#### Habitat for Humanity

We welcome people from all walks of life to join us as we build simple, decent, affordable houses in partnership with hard-working, low-income families. We invite volunteers to help us build, assist in the office, assist with our virtual ReStore, serve on committees, and help with special projects that benefit the organization.

Contact: Bill Bernard | email: [bernard.william.n@gmail.com](mailto:bernard.william.n@gmail.com) | phone: (317) 900-3410

#### Haiti

The Haiti Ministry supports our sister-parish, St. Genevieve in Duval, Haiti. There is one Medical Mission Trip every year and a few humanitarian trips each year. Medical experience and training are not required and we are always looking for volunteers, either here or in Haiti.

Contact: Nolan Evans | email: [noldonov@aol.com](mailto:noldonov@aol.com) | phone: (317) 843-2132

#### Health Ministry

Health Ministry(HM) includes health professionals and others who recognize the value to motivate persons toward health. The ministry will coordinate, mentor and advocate for the health of the parish community with surveys, screenings, interviews, education and discussions.

Contact: Anita Siccardi Ed.D APRN | email: [anitasiccardi@att.net](mailto:anitasiccardi@att.net) | phone: (317)-502-7028.

#### Holy Family Shelter

Holy Family Shelter is the largest family shelter in Indianapolis with 22 rooms and serves more than 1,000 people each year, including an average of 300 homeless families and over 600 homeless children. HFS provides free of charge services that will enable families to become self-sufficient.

Contact: Sharon Schulz |email: [slschulz@outlook.com](mailto:slschulz@outlook.com) | Phone (317) 582-0326

#### Interfaith Hospitality Network (IHN)

IHN is a partnership of various congregations within our community that help homeless families in the area regain their housing, their independence, and their dignity. A multitude of diverse volunteer opportunities is available.

Contacts: Steve Bailey | email: [baileyiu@outlook.com](mailto:baileyiu@outlook.com) | phone: (317) 853-6908

Bob Dyer | email: [robertdyer@aol.com](mailto:robertdyer@aol.com) | phone: (317) 848-9527

#### Loaves and Fishes

Partners with Merciful H.E.L.P. at the Matthew 25 Center at OLMC, Loaves and Fishes serves Hamilton County and answers Christ's call to feed the hungry. Volunteers must complete Diocesan Safe and Sacred Training.

Contact: Susan McIntosh | email: [mcintosh.susan@gmail.com](mailto:mcintosh.susan@gmail.com) | phone: (317) 846-8459

#### Lord's Pantry at Anna's House

What started out as a sidewalk ministry over 20 years ago is now a community center on Indianapolis' near west side and provides groceries, community meals, opportunities for Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts, English classes, school supplies, and Christmas assistance. Volunteers always welcome.

Contact: Tim Eldon | email: [teldon@indy.rr.com](mailto:teldon@indy.rr.com) | phone: (317) 569-8099

#### Meal Delivies for Sick/Shut Ins

A ministry within the Women's Club, we deliver meals to anyone requiring the curative powers of home-cooked food.

Contact: Chris Sommer | email: [ctinasommer@sbcglobal.net](mailto:ctinasommer@sbcglobal.net) | phone: (317) 578-7686

#### Prayer Shawl

A ministry within the Women's Club, we meet monthly on the first Saturday for crocheting, knitting, and fellowship. Handmade, blessed shawls are free for anyone needing an extra layer of prayer and warmth. Available in the Parish Office during regular business hours.

Contact: Marcia Bothwell | email: [marciabothwell@gmail.com](mailto:marciabothwell@gmail.com) |  
Claire Hosteng | email: [claire0417@outlook.com](mailto:claire0417@outlook.com) | phone: (317) 679-4874

#### Respect Life

The Respect Life Ministry promotes the Gospel of Life in and outside of our parish through outreach, education and prayer. We meet on the third Monday of each month at 7:30 pm in the West Conference Room to discuss and plan pro-life activities like the 40 Days for Life campaign that runs during the spring and fall.

Contact: Dick and Kathy Stadler | email: [dickstadler43@gmail.com](mailto:dickstadler43@gmail.com) | phone: (317) 844-0262

#### Rosaries for Soldiers

Rosaries for Soldiers meets Wednesdays at 7:30 pm in the West Conference Room, with the exception of the third Wednesday of the month when they meet at 9:30 am in the West Conference Room. The group prays the rosary and also makes and packages all cord rosaries to ship to military chaplains for distribution to soldiers.

Contact: Clo Lillig | email: [clolillig@gmail.com](mailto:clolillig@gmail.com) | phone: (317) 894-0184

#### St. Vincent de Paul (Noblesville)

The Noblesville St. Vincent de Paul center provides food, clothing, furniture, and emergency financial assistance for rent and utilities to needy families of Hamilton County. The Center sustains itself by operating a thrift store which is open to the public.

Contact: Patricia Lang | email: [pat.reese@hotmail.com](mailto:pat.reese@hotmail.com) | phone: (765) 480-0077

#### Substance & Addiction Ministry (SAM)

The Substance Addiction Ministry (SAM) supports individuals, families and friends in their spiritual growth and emotional wholeness, offering addiction education and sharing resources for recovery. Outreach efforts include the SAM Helpline, a confidential number for parishioners to call for help and referral, and a recovery-based lending library.

Contact: Elisabeth Young | email: [elisabethyoung@earthlink.net](mailto:elisabethyoung@earthlink.net) | phone: (317) 445-4231

#### Thanksgiving Baskets for Hamilton County

This ministry provides food to over 100 needy families in Hamilton County at Thanksgiving time. This is a short-term commitment for core team members consisting of only a couple months. Other volunteer opportunities only consist of a couple weeks' commitment.

Contact: Keely Underhill | email: [mkunder@indy.rr.com](mailto:mkunder@indy.rr.com) | phone: (317) 506-2207

### Welcoming Catholics Home

This is a ministry that reaches out to non-practicing Catholics, welcoming them and helping them to re-encounter Jesus Christ and His Church. There are several initiatives throughout the year as well as significant outreach at Christmas and Easter time.

Contact: Peter Doane | email: [peter.doane@seas-carmel.org](mailto:peter.doane@seas-carmel.org) | phone: (317) 846-3850

### **PARISH LIFE**

#### Awaken to the B.E.S.T.

Spiritual and scripture-based opportunities for women who desire to deepen and share their Catholic faith in God. Wednesday afternoon weekly meetings are typically held September through March with breaks for the holidays.

Contact: Chris Moss | email: [awakentothebest@gmail.com](mailto:awakentothebest@gmail.com) |  
phone: (317) 752-7342 | website: [www.awakentothebest.com](http://www.awakentothebest.com)

#### Boy Scouts

Troop 202 welcomes any and all boys age 11, or who have completed the 5th Grade, until age 17. Boy Scouting is a year-round program with one activity/outing per month and meetings every Wednesday evening at 7:15 pm at the church.

Contact: Sara Gormley | email: [sjgormley@indy.rr.com](mailto:sjgormley@indy.rr.com) | phone: (317) 581-1777

#### Café Seton

This meal after Sunday 5:30 pm Mass and before Religious Education at 7:00 pm provides a quick, nutritious and inexpensive dinner option for all parishioners. A multitude of diverse volunteer options are available each week.

Contact: John Clark | email: [clarkjrc@yahoo.com](mailto:clarkjrc@yahoo.com) | phone: (317) 650-7523

#### Creation Care

In response to Pope Francis's encyclical *Laudato Si*, Creation Care Ministry is committed to our sacred calling to be faithful servants of God's Creation and to care for those most hurt by environmental damage, our poorest sisters and brothers and future generations.

Contact: Leslie Webb | phone: 317.440.4017

#### Cub Scouts

Cub Scout Pack 198 welcomes boys in 1st through 5th Grades to join. Pack meetings are held once a month in the Social Hall throughout the school year.

Contact: Sara Gormley | email: [sjgormley@indy.rr.com](mailto:sjgormley@indy.rr.com) | phone: (317) 581-1777

#### Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus is an organization of Catholic men that was founded in 1882. We are men of faith and men of action. Our charitable activities encompass a variety of local, national and international projects.

Contact: Chet Brandon | email: [chetwinbrandon@gmail.com](mailto:chetwinbrandon@gmail.com) | phone: (317) 650-9583

#### The Legion of Mary

Meetings are held on Saturdays at 9:45 am. Our weekly apostolic work includes visiting residents and praying the rosary at facilities around Carmel. The rosary is prayed for World Peace every Saturday at 8:40 am and Monday through Friday at 11:45 am. We have Devotions to Mary every 1st Saturday of the month at 8:15 am with Fr. Stan.

Contact: Nancy Johnson | email: [nancyj53@hotmail.com](mailto:nancyj53@hotmail.com) | phone: (317) 571-8138

#### Mardi Gras Auction

The St. Elizabeth Seton Mardi Gras Auction is an annual event benefiting Catholic education. Attendees enjoy an evening of dinner, dancing and a live auction. Proceeds go toward religious education at St. Elizabeth Seton, Guerin Catholic High School and Marian University.

Contact: Jeff Collins | email: [jc7097@me.com](mailto:jc7097@me.com) | phone: (317) 941-0250

#### Marriage Enrichment Ministry

This ministry offers opportunities for married couples to join together to celebrate and strengthen our commitments to the vocation of marriage. Please consider joining us!

Contact: Brian and Amy Freyberger | email: [brifrey1970@gmail.com](mailto:brifrey1970@gmail.com) | phone: (317) 815-0208

#### Money Counters

The money counting ministry is a group of 25 volunteers who count and record the weekly donation to SEAS. The average workload is nine counts each year with each session lasting about three hours. Each new member must be approved for service by Fr. Ted.

Contact: Dick Stadler | email: [dickstadler43@gmail.com](mailto:dickstadler43@gmail.com) | phone: (317) 844-0262

#### Momentum

A ministry for all moms at every stage and every moment of motherhood. Informal meetings include a coffeehouse-style interview with real moms speaking on a specific topic followed by small group discussions. Momentum meets twice a month on Monday mornings. Inquire about possible childcare.

Contact: Kristy LaCombe | email: [jklacombe@gmail.com](mailto:jklacombe@gmail.com) | phone: (317) 847-8487

#### Mom's Time Out Co-op

The Mom's Time Out program operates on Fridays from 9:15 am-noon from September through the middle of May in the nursery. The program is designed for children from ages 12 to 48 months.

Contact: Mindy Fleming | email: [msflem@gmail.com](mailto:msflem@gmail.com) | phone: (317) 437-6911

#### Nursery

Available for young children during the Sunday 9:30 am Mass. Volunteers must complete Diocesan Safe & Sacred Training. Both adults and teens are welcome.

Contact: Kristen Swift | email: [kristen.swift@seas-carmel.org](mailto:kristen.swift@seas-carmel.org) | phone: (317) 816-0045

#### Parish Archives

We collect, organize, and maintain all correspondence, reports, photographs and artifacts of historical value pertaining to the parish. We meet every Tuesday morning from 9:00 am-12 noon in the Treehouse. New volunteers always welcome.

Contact: Bill Dorsch | email: [mbdorsch@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mbdorsch@sbcglobal.net) | phone: (317) 843-1247

#### Prayer Chain

The Prayer Chain is a group of prayer warriors who pray for anyone's intentions. You do not have to belong to the parish to request prayers.

Contact: Kathy Stadler | email: [kathy.stadler@gmail.com](mailto:kathy.stadler@gmail.com) | phone: (317) 844-0262

#### Setonfest

One of the largest festivals in Hamilton County, this family-oriented 3-day event involves the entire parish and has something for everyone. The festival is traditionally held during the last week of July and/or the first week of August.

Contact: Parish Office | phone: (317) 846-3850

#### Silver Linings

We promote ongoing formation and a holistic approach to this ministry for our "wisdom" members. A variety of opportunities are offered including intergenerational connections, monthly prayer and spiritual formation, days of reflection, addressing end of life issues, home visitation, and dealing with transitions in one's life.

Contact: Sr. Carole Kimes | email: [carole.kimes@seas-carmel.org](mailto:carole.kimes@seas-carmel.org) | phone: (317) 846-3850

#### Sponsor Couples

Sponsor Couples are married couples from the parish who share their personal experience of Christian marriage with the engaged couple through a one-couple to one-couple approach as a part of the marriage preparation process.

Contact: Julie Walton | email: [julie.walton@seas-carmel.org](mailto:julie.walton@seas-carmel.org) | phone: (317) 846-3850

#### That Man Is You!

That Man is You! is an interactive, multimedia men's program focused upon the development of authentic male leadership with focus on their relationship to God, to their spouse and to their children. Friday morning weekly meetings are typically held September through March with breaks for the holidays.

Contact: Larry Schulz | email: [llschulz@outlook.com](mailto:llschulz@outlook.com) | phone: (317) 582-0326

### Venturing Crew

Venturing is a youth development program for young men and women who are between 14 and 20 years of age. Venturing's purpose is to provide positive experiences to help young people mature and to prepare them to become responsible and caring adults. Crew 202 meets monthly.

Contact: Sara Gormley | email: [sjgormley@indy.rr.com](mailto:sjgormley@indy.rr.com) | phone: (317) 581-1777

### Women's Club

The Women's Club includes all women of the parish. The Women's Club has a variety of philanthropic, outreach, social and spiritual opportunities.

Contact: Cindy Schassberger | email: [jcschass@indy.rr.com](mailto:jcschass@indy.rr.com) | phone: (317) 965-7601

## **RELIGIOUS FORMATION**

### Religious Formation for Children and Youth

Religious Education for preschool grades uses the "Allelu!" Series by Our Sunday Visitor. Elementary grades use the "Allelu!" Series by Our Sunday Visitor and the "Finding God" series by Loyola Press. The session for Preschool is offered on Sunday mornings from 9:30-10:30 am. Sessions for elementary grades are offered on Sunday mornings from 8:15-9:15 am or 10:45-11:45 am or Wednesday afternoons from 4:15-5:15 pm. Children with special needs are placed on an individual basis in either a small group or classroom setting dependent on the particular need of the child.

Contact: Kristen Swift | email: [kristen.swift@seas-carmel.org](mailto:kristen.swift@seas-carmel.org) | phone: (317) 816-0045

### Middle School Youth Ministry

Seton Connect is our middle school youth ministry program that attempts to build relationships amongst the middle schoolers that leads them closer to Christ. This is achieved through large group education and small group discussion. Seton Connect meets on Sunday mornings, Sunday evenings, and Wednesday afternoons. Resources such as guest speakers, panels, social opportunities, as well as prayer opportunities add value to the program as well. Middle School Youth Ministry also provides social gatherings, activities, and retreats outside of the classroom throughout the year.

Contact: Greg Fleckenstein | email: [greg.fleckenstein@seas-carmel.org](mailto:greg.fleckenstein@seas-carmel.org) | phone: (317) 816-0045

### High School Youth Ministry

This ministry serves students in grades 9-12 and supports their participation as full members of the faith community. Included in the programming are prayer and worship, community building, pastoral guidance, justice and service, and leadership development. Our weekly youth group, Seton Hall, meets on Sunday evenings at 7:00 pm in the Upper Room.

Contact: Emily Sipes | email: [emily.sipes@seas-carmel.org](mailto:emily.sipes@seas-carmel.org) | phone: (317) 816-0045

### Sacramental Preparation

Preparation for sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Eucharist, and Confirmation is separate from and in addition to the weekly Religious Education programs. Registration and participation is expected in both. Sacramental preparation includes sessions for parents.



Contact: Roger Helmkamp | email: [roger.helmkamp@seas-carmel.org](mailto:roger.helmkamp@seas-carmel.org) | phone: (317) 816-0045

#### Adult Faith Formation

Religious faith formation is a life-long process. Adult learning opportunities are offered within the parish community in an effort to facilitate individual and community faith development and spiritual growth.

Contact: Elisabeth Groot | email: [egroot@seas-carmel.org](mailto:egroot@seas-carmel.org) | phone: (317) 846-3850

#### Christ Renews His Parish (CRHP)

This retreat and parish renewal program provides opportunities for adults to deepen their relationship with God in Jesus Christ. Men and women attend a CRHP weekend separately.

Contacts: Cindy McCune | email: [akwaflash@gmail.com](mailto:akwaflash@gmail.com) |

phone: (317) 201-3638

Dan McFeely | email: [crhpdan@gmail.com](mailto:crhpdan@gmail.com) | (317) 847-9266

#### Knights of the Holy Temple

This ministry assists particular young men of high school age to experience Godly masculine adventure, battle and beauty, with a foundation firmly grounded on fraternity, formation and parish service. Roles of a Knight include serving Mass, serving the parish through projects, and aiding other formational ministries in leadership roles.

Contact: Greg Fleckenstein | email: [greg.fleckenstein@seas-carmel.org](mailto:greg.fleckenstein@seas-carmel.org) | phone: (317) 816-0045

#### Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

RCIA is an ancient journey that allows an individual to study the Catholic Faith and experience its communal identity. Those seeking to enter the Church join the RCIA and eventually join the Church through the Sacraments of Initiation.

Contact: Peter Doane | email: [peter.doane@seas-carmel.org](mailto:peter.doane@seas-carmel.org) | phone: (317) 846-3850

#### Seton Small Groups

Seton Small Groups are small groups of 8-10 parishioners who meet every other week in homes to pray, discuss the upcoming Sunday gospel, and become disciples. SCCs are open to individuals and couples who want to get to know others, build relationships, and grow more in their faith.

Contact: Peter Doane | email: [peter.doane@seas-carmel.org](mailto:peter.doane@seas-carmel.org) | phone: (317) 846-3850

#### Vocations

The Vocations Ministry is an advocate for the discernment and strengthening of the married life, priesthood, religious life, consecrated single life, and deaconite. The Elijah cup, passed on at Sunday Mass each weekend, allows for a family to intentionally pray for individuals in each of these vocations. Other events such as the Nun Run and vocation panels bring about awareness within the parish.  
Contact: Greg Fleckenstein | email: [greg.fleckenstein@seas-carmel.org](mailto:greg.fleckenstein@seas-carmel.org) | phone: (317) 816-0045

#### Young Adult

The Young Adult ministry welcomes those aged 18-35 to join for us small faith sharing groups as well as various social activities throughout the year.  
Contact: Emily Sipes | email: [emily.sipes@seas-carmel.org](mailto:emily.sipes@seas-carmel.org) | phone: (317) 816-0045

## **SETON OPERATIONS**

Facility Operations: Steve Kahl | email: [steve.kahl@seas-carmel.org](mailto:steve.kahl@seas-carmel.org) | phone: (317) 832-6009

## **SCHOOL**

#### Preschool and Kindergarten

St. Elizabeth Seton offers a daily preschool experience for children ages two through kindergarten. Depending on the age of the child, the group meets one, two, three or five days each week.

Contact: Tracy Schnase | email: [tracy.schnase@seas-carmel.org](mailto:tracy.schnase@seas-carmel.org) | phone: (317) 816-0045

## **SPORTS**

#### Seton Athletics

Sport opportunities for both youth and adults of our parish are available. Our pre-CYO teams participate in the Carmel Deanery league and CYO teams participate in the Indianapolis Archdiocese Catholic Youth Organization. Adult programs include basketball, softball and young adult basketball and volleyball open gym. Volunteer opportunities are available for those wishing to serve as commissioners for each of the sports offered as well as youth coaching opportunities.

Contact: Susan McRoberts | email: [susan.mcroberts@seas-carmel.org](mailto:susan.mcroberts@seas-carmel.org) | phone: (317) 846-3850

## **WELCOMING**

#### Welcome Ministry

The Welcome Ministry transitions new members into active members. Members serve as door greeters at weekend Masses and host regular Welcome Gatherings. Meetings are quarterly.

Contact: Roger Helmkamp | email: [roger.helmkamp@seas-carmel.org](mailto:roger.helmkamp@seas-carmel.org) | phone: (317) 846-3850