

ST. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church

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Crawfordville FL

CATHOLIC SHARING APPEAL

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Actual Donations as of: 03/29/2024

Goal: \$ 12, 625 Given: \$ 13,505.15

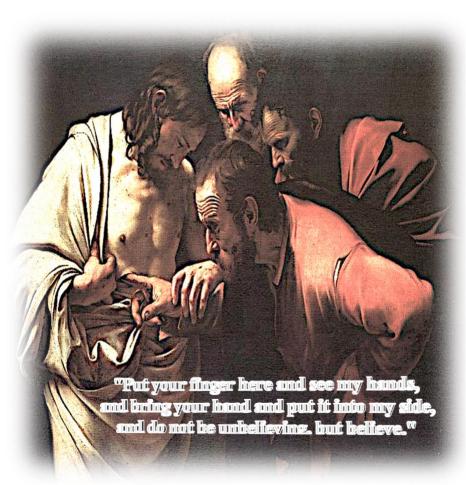
Mass Schedules

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Tuesday &Thursday 8:30 am
Wednesday 7:00 pm
Saturday 5:00 pm (Vigil at SEAS)
Sunday 11:00 am
Confession: Saturday 4:30 pm to 5:00 pm
Every 1st Saturday of the Month 8:00 am Adoration,
confession and Mass at 9:00 am at SEAS

Lanark Village

Friday 9:00 am
Every 1st Friday of the Month 8:00 am Adoration followed by confession and Mass at 9:00 am
Sunday 9:00 am



Purpose of life in Christ

By: Victoria Foreman

As a Christian and a servant of Jesus Christ, I know I'm instilled with great purpose, yet I am incredibly flawed and sinful, failing and suffering because of my own inadequacies every single day. When you become a Christian and decide to surrender your life to God, some people have the common misconception that their life will become easier. That God will take away all the hard parts of our life, like dealing with anxiety, stress, depression, and having to make hard decisions. I think that many of us can agree that this is completely untrue. In fact, for me, becoming Christian has made me have to directly confront the darkest and most vulnerable parts about myself that I've hidden from others so long.

It has made me to have to fight a war against my pride so I could share the Gospel with other people and in everything I do. It has made me realize how flawed I am, and that as much as I want to be self-sufficient and independent, I can't do anything without Him. I had to make peace with the fact that only God truly knows me and my limitations. I had to leave everything in His hands, and it's still an ongoing process, a painful journey of self-discovery. I believe that God allows us to experience those pivotal moments of suffering to draw us closer to Him, but even realizing this doesn't make it any easier. But I often forget what God has done in the past, how he has carried his people through the most painful difficulties, and how he instills them with peace and joy. God has revealed his mercies to me in some of the most unexpected ways, finding me in moments when I didn't even know how much I needed Him. And He has reminded me that through Him, all things are possible. The Lord the God of the universe who dwells within you can accomplish more in your life than you could ever imagine.

I come from a very humble beginnings but very strong faith. Growing up with a single mother, and six brothers, I was very poor and was raised with a very strict grandmother who took care of us while my mom worked. She might not have been the sweetest grandmother, but had instilled an immense faith and discipline. I owed part of my faith to her and the rest of my Catholic beliefs/practices to the grace of God.

Everything was kind of an automatic blur as a young child, as back then you were confirmed the same day you were baptized, if the baptism occurred at a cathedral. I had no resources to compare the practice with anyone else, books or computers. You were told how the practice was supposed to be and you followed through. My communion was special, but also shameful because I was embarrassed to confess everything to the priest. I didn't know any better. I didn't come clean until later. There was no regular Bible school after that and forgot many basic practices that I didn't understand. God showed me his grace and understanding later on as an adult. I remembered something major happened in my life and instead of being sad, depressed and devastated, I saw in my peripheral vision sparkling bubbles after I prayed. It was an unspoken feeling I had never experienced before after a major life event. God was giving me that warm, fatherly hug without words, immense happiness and sense of security. No one had to tell me that everything was going to be okay because I just knew it and I couldn't stop smiling! God is my secure place in the midst of a turmoil and I hope he never leaves my sight. Love is not a feeling, but a decision because we choose to react to situations in life. Some situations are unbearable and we cannot handle them alone. Some people seek help from mental professionals and all that help is great, but no one can beat the grace of God and immeasurable benefits. Open your heart to him, no appointment is required, just you!



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inquiry classes and RCIA





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MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, April 7th
11:00 AM
Intentions of Seminarian Christopher
Holcomb
Requested by SEAS Ladies Circle

Tuesday, April 9th
8:30 AM
+ Trenton Lee +
Requested by Lew & Amy Wiedeman

Wednesday, April 10th
7:00 PM
+ Trenton Lee +
Requested by Lew & Amy Wiedeman

Thursday, April 11th 8:30 AM + Trenton Lee + Requested by Lew & Amy Wiedeman

Saturday, April 13 5:00 PM + Glenn Glowczewski + Requested by Dan & Sue Sullivan

Offertory: \$ 4,348.00 Online: \$ 233.18 Total: \$ 4,581.18

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Year of prayer

"A FAMILY THAT PRAYS TOGETHER, STAYS TOGETHER"



Transformation Prayer

O Most Holy Trinity! As many times as I breathe, as many times as my heart beats, as many times as my blood pulsates through my body, so many thousand times do I want to glorify Your mercy.

I want to be completely transformed into Your mercy and to be Your living reflection, O Lord. May the greatest of all divine attributes, that of Your unfathomable mercy, pass through my heart and soul to my neighbor.

Help me, O Lord, that my eyes may be merciful, so that I may never suspect or judge from appearances, but look for what is beautiful in my neighbors' souls and come to their rescue. Help me, that my ears may be merciful, so that I may give heed to my neighbors' needs and not be indifferent to their pains and moanings.

You Yourself command me to exercise the three degrees of mercy. The first: the act of mercy, of whatever kind. The second: the word of mercy – if I cannot carry out a work of mercy, I will assist by my words. The third: prayer – if I cannot show mercy by deeds or words, I can always do so by prayer. My prayer reaches out even there where I cannot reach out physically. O my Jesus, transform me into Yourself, for you can do all things. **Amen**

SONGS FOR TODAY

411-Alleluia, Alleluia! Let The Holy Anthem Rise 626-Come To The Water 805-Bread Of Life / 526-Healing Waters 574-Glory And Praise To Our God



FAITH FORMATION/CCD

9:30 to 10:30am before Sunday morning Mass. Faith Formation Teachers needed. Please see Amy W Phone: 850-926-6797

ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON CATHOLIC CEMETERY

Burial spaces & cremation sites are available upon request:

Contact: Jo Ann Daniels

850-509-7630 Or Parish Office: 850-745-8359



Divine Mercy Sunday

My child, do you fear the God of mercy? My holiness (80) does not prevent Me from being merciful. Behold, for you I have established a throne of mercy on earth – the tabernacle – and from this throne I desire to enter into your heart. I am not surrounded by a retinue or guards. You can come to me at any moment, at any time; I want to speak to you and desire to grant you grace."

"My mercy is greater than your sins and those of the entire world. Who can measure the extent of my goodness? For you I descended from heaven to earth; for you I allowed myself to be nailed to the cross; for you I let my Sacred Heart be pierced with a lance, thus opening wide the source of mercy for you. Come, then, with trust

to draw graces from this fountain. I never reject a contrite heart. Your misery has disappeared in the depths of My mercy. Do not argue with Me about your wretchedness. You will give me pleasure if you hand over to me all your troubles and griefs. I shall heap upon you the treasures of My grace (Ibid., n. 326)."

January 28, 1938. Today the Lord said to me, "My daughter, write down these words: All those souls who will glorify My mercy and spread its worship, encouraging others to trust in My mercy, will not experience terror at the hour of death. My mercy will shield them in that final battle......

My daughter, encourage souls to say the chaplet which I have given to you. It pleases Me to grant everything they ask of Me by saying the chaplet. When hardened sinners say it, I will fill their souls with peace, and the hour of their death will be a happy one. Write this for the benefit of distressed souls; when a soul sees and realized the gravity of its sins, when the whole abyss of the misery into which it immersed itself is displayed before its eyes, let it not despair, but with trust let it throw itself into the arms of My mercy, as a child into the arms of its beloved mother. These souls (have a right of priority to My compassionate Heart, they have first access to My mercy. Tell them that no soul that has called upon My mercy has been disappointed or brought to shame. I delight particularly in a soul which has placed its trust in My goodness. Write that when they say this chaplet in the presence of the dying, I will stand between My Father and the dying person, not as the just Judge but as the merciful Savior (Ibid., nn- 1540-1541)."

"Write: I am Thrice Holy, and detest the smallest sin. I cannot love a soul which is stained with sin; but when it repents, there is no limit to My generosity toward it. My mercy embraces and justifies it. With My mercy, I pursue sinners along all their paths, and My Heart rejoices when they return to Me. I forget the bitterness with which they fed My Heart and rejoice at their return. Tell sinners that no one shall escape My Hand; if they run away from My merciful Heart, they will fall into My Just Hands. Tell sinners that I am always waiting for them, that I listen intently to the beating of their heart.... When will it beat for Me? Write, that I am speaking to them through their remorse of conscience, through their failures and sufferings, through thunderstorms, through the voice of the Church. And if they bring all My graces to naught, I begin to be angry (91) with them, leaving them alone and giving them what they want. (Ibid., n. 1728)

