

***Ash Wednesday
February 14, 2018***

***Mass Schedule
6:45am, 8:00am, 9:00am, 7:00pm***

Lenten Regulations for Fast and Abstinence

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the penitential season of Lent. In addition to the general penitential character of the Lenten Season, Ash Wednesday, February 10, and Good Friday, April 3, are days of abstinence from meat and also days of fast, that is, limited to a single full meal. With regard to Good Friday, the teaching of the Second Vatican Council should be recalled.

“Let the paschal fast be kept sacred. Let it be celebrated everywhere on Good Friday and, where possible, prolonged throughout Holy Saturday, so that the joys of Sunday of the Resurrection may be attained with uplifted and clear mind.” (Constitution on the Liturgy, No. 110)

The other Fridays of the season of Lent are days of abstinence from meat. The law of abstinence binds all Catholics 14 years and older. The law of fasting binds all Catholics from their 18th birthday until their 59th birthday. (Canons 97 and 1252)

With regard to the obligatory days listed above, however, there is frequent question about the degree of seriousness of the matter. The teaching of Pope John Paul II may be simply paraphrased: the obligation to do penance is a serious one: the obligation to observe, as a whole or “substantially,” the penitential days specified by the Church is also serious. No one should be scrupulous in this regard; failure to observe an individual day of penance is not considered serious.

People should seek to do more rather than less. Fast and abstinence on the days prescribed should be considered a minimal response to the Lord’s call to penance and conversion.

Pray ~ Fast ~ Share

On Ash Wednesday there will be a collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe.

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton's Lenten Schedule

Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday, Thursday and Saturday: *Mass at Seton at 8:00am*

Tuesday and Friday: *Mass at St. Andrew at 7:30am*

School Mass at Seton each Tuesday at **9:00am** when school is in session

Wednesday: 1st, 3rd, 5th Wednesdays *Mass at Seton at 8:00am*

2nd and 4th Wednesdays *Mass at St. Andrew at 7:30am*

Eucharistic Adoration

- Each Friday beginning at 9:00am, concluding w/Benediction on Saturday morning just before the 8:00am Mass

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday evening during Lent at 7:30pm in the church

Reconciliation

- Every Friday night at 8:00pm, immediately following Stations of the Cross
- Every Saturday from 3:30 – 4:30pm, or by appointment
- *Keep the Lights On*, confessions Tuesday evening, **February 27th**, from 7:00 to 9:00pm
- Confessions on Tuesday, **March 6th**, at St. Andrew; and on Wednesday, **March 7th**, at Seton
- Joint Lenten Reconciliation Service Tuesday, **March 20th**, 7:00pm ~ several priests available to hear confessions, held at **Seton**

Seton Fish Fry Dinners ~ February 16th – March 23rd

Fish Fry each Friday night during Lent from 5:00-7:30pm in the cafeteria, takeout available, find our complete menu and prices on our parish website, www.setonmilford.org

Lenten Mission ~ March 10th – 14th

Join us here at Seton at 9:00am or 7:00pm Monday through Wednesday with *Fr. John Alexander Klockeman from the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis*. The theme of this Mission is **Living Heroically**. This promises to be a spiritually rewarding mission for all who come. More information to come.

Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday, March 25th ~ *Mass schedule: 5:00pm (Saturday)/7:30am / 9:00am / 10:30am / 12:00noon*

- 2:00pm *Easter Egg Hunt / Basket Contest and Ladies of Seton Easter Raffle Drawing*

Tuesday of Holy Week, March 27th

- 7:00pm *Chrism Mass* at the Cathedral

Holy Thursday, March 29th ~ no morning Mass

- 7:00pm *Mass of the Lord's Supper at St. Andrew*
- *Adoration* following Mass until 10:45pm, closing with *Night Prayer*

Good Friday, March 30th ~ no morning Mass, *a day of fast and abstinence*

- 12:00pm *Stations of the Cross at Seton*
- 1:30pm *The Passion with Holy Communion and Veneration of the Cross at Seton*
- 7:00pm *Veneration and Stations of the Cross at Seton*

Easter Vigil, March 31st ~ no morning or 5:00pm Masses, and no confessions

- 8:00am *Preparation Rites and Easter Vigil Rehearsal*
- 8:30pm *Easter Vigil Mass with reception* following in the cafeteria

Easter Sunday, April 1st ~ *Mass schedule: 7:30am / 9:00am / 10:30am / 12:00noon*