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First Reading-Isaiah 8:23~9:3

Psalm-27:1, 4, 13~14

Second Reading—1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17

Gospel- Matthew 4:12-23 or 4:12-17

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### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Friday — 11-11:45am | 12:30-1 pm

Saturday — 3:45-4:45pm

Cairo Sundays 11:00~11:30am | 1:15~1:45pm

Or By Appointment- (229)226-3624

#### PREVIOUS WEEK'S OFFERINGS

2022 2021

St. Augustine: \$4,857 \$5,311

St. Eliz Ann Seton: \$1,226 \$735



# January 22, 2023

### Weekly Mass Schedule

January 24 ~ Tuesday @ 6pm St. Francis de Sales, Bishop & Doctor of the

January 25~ Wednesday @ 9am

The Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle

**January 26**-Thursday @ 9am

Saint Timothy & St Titus

January 27 ~ Friday @ Noon

#### SATURDAY, January 28

English @ 5 pm

SUNDAY, January 29

English Mass @ 9:00 am

Spanish Mass @ 5:00 pm

### St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Thursday, January 26

Spanish Mass @ 7:00 pm

Sunday, January 29

English Mass @ 11:30 am

Spanish Mass @ 2:00 pm

### Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 21

†Michael Kress

Sunday, January 22

† Nathan Furtado

5pm † Maximina Fuentes

St. Elizabeth, Sunday, January 8

**Parishioners** 

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# Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

Today's Gospel describes the beginning of Jesus' public ministry. In the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, and Luke (called the Synoptic Gospels), Jesus' public ministry begins after his baptism by John the Baptist and after his retreat to the desert where he was tempted by the devil. When Jesus returns from the desert, he hears that John has been arrested.

The first part of today's Gospel places Jesus' ministry in the context of the writings of the prophet, Isaiah. Matthew wants to show that Jesus is the fulfillment of the prophecies given to the people of Israel, and he refers to Isaiah to do so. Isaiah says that the Messiah will begin his ministry in Galilee, the land of the Gentiles. When Jesus begins to preach in Galilee, Matthew points to his ministry as a fulfillment of Isaiah's prophecy, proof that Jesus is the Messiah.

When Jesus called his first disciples, the Gospel tells us that the fishermen (Peter and Andrew, James and John) dropped everything to follow Jesus immediately. Yet this Gospel tells us little about the prior experience that the fishermen had of Jesus. Did they know him? Had they heard him preach? What kind of person must Jesus have been to invoke such a response? We can imagine that Jesus was a powerful presence to elicit a response as immediate and complete as these first disciples gave.

The Gospel concludes with a description of the ministry that Jesus begins in Galilee. Jesus inaugurates the Kingdom of God with his work. He teaches in the synagogue and preaches the kingdom. His ability to cure people's diseases and illness is a sign of the kingdom. In Jesus' ministry, we already begin to see the Kingdom of God among us.

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# Dining Around the World

Sign up sheets will be in the Narthex. There will be a sheet for those who are interested in bringing food and a separate sheet for those interested in decorating/cleanup. The event is scheduled for February 18, after mass in the social hall.

Contact the office @ 229-226-3624 with any questions.



# More details coming soon!





Knights of Columbus have car magnets for sale at the gift shop.

Price for one: \$3.00

Two: \$5.00

The **RCIA** program for St. Augustine & St. Elizabeth Ann Seton meets on Wednesdays, <u>from 6:30 pm—7:30 pm</u> in Parish Social Hall.

Prayer Request
Please remember
in your prayers
our parish
family & friends.
If you have
anyone in need of
prayers, please call the
office.
Thank you for all your
prayers.

Mack Barrentine, Tom Ceccacci Alicia Gorosin †Bill Klug Linda Nuijten †Chloe Basso Phyllis Creager Karon Hales, †Paul Puskar, Mia Taylor †Jerry Funk
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Jamie Hurst
Jim Watts,
†Rita Ragan
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Becky Catlin

Chamberlin †Lisa Fuks †Tom Alexander Carina Juarez Todd Taylor Louis Catlin †Jim Fayette Amanda Caldwell Chris Caldwell Bob Dupuy, Marianne Ellis †JoAnn Humphries Mary Wise Den Mirabzadeh Beverly Boyle Brian West Marilyn Funk †Bradley Gaupp †Katherine †Michael Kress

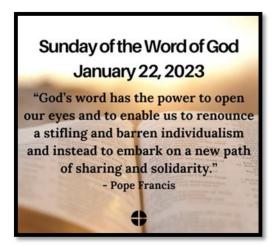


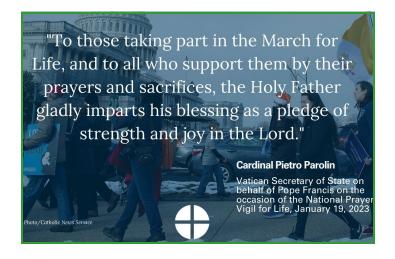
### Welcome New Parishioner

You enter this church not as a stranger, but as a guest from God. We hope you will find a loving Christian community. We look forward to benefiting from your uniqueness. To register you can go to our website online, or call the parish office.

### Church Interior Upgrade

Total Cost of Projects: \$105,543.00
Your Building Fund Contribution: \$61,553
Please, prayerfully consider supporting this project.
Thank you for your generosity.





### A Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

Let us all remember to pray on Monday especially for unborn children and their future.

The U. S. Conference of Catholic Bishops observes: "Beginning on January 22, 1973 with *Roe v. Wade*, and during the nearly 50-year period following the Supreme Court decision, nearly 64 million children have been killed—and untold numbers of women and men suffer in the aftermath. Even with the overturning of *Roe v. Wade* in June 2022, many states continue not to recognize children in their mothers' wombs as persons warranting protection and federal laws fail to protect the lives of unborn children." <a href="https://www.usccb.org/resources/word-life-january-2023">https://www.usccb.org/resources/word-life-january-2023</a>.

Faith Catholic, in her suggested homily for Monday, draws our attention to the existence of abortion going back to ages, and the enormity of the issues involved. The issue on our hands demands that we address a number of needs, including the health and welfare of young girls and women, the responsibility of fathers, and the help families afford to care for their children with adequate food, shelter, and mental and physical health. The Church acknowledges all these needs, but the answer has to be better than discarding a human life that God has created, at any age – but particularly before they are born.

Unfortunately, we are made to accept the unthinkable situation of discarding others as the only solution but it cannot possibly be! We do not yet know all of what comprises a "right solution," but I pray, and ask you to pray too, for the right solution to be found. In the meantime, let us open our hearts to understand the anguish many girls and women feel as they struggle with difficult pregnancies, with difficult situations that their unborn child will face, and with choices that no one should have to make. Our compassionate support of offering a helping hand and a warm welcome to those facing "crisis" pregnancies is very paramount in averting the elimination of innocent babies as a solution.

With prayer and fasting let us support these women and implore our Blessed Mother to help us find ways to truly value all human life, at every stage and age, every circumstance, every difficulty, and everywhere.

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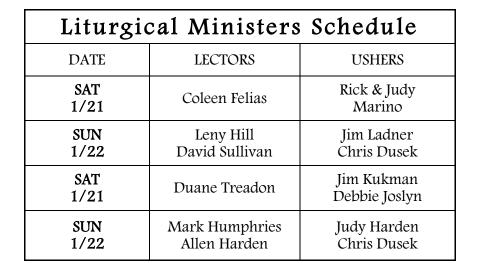
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Requests due by Monday

Hospital Notifications - Please call the parish office and let us know if you or a direct family member is a patient in the hospital and would like to see a priest or receive the Eucharist. Due to HIPAA laws, stating you are a Catholic on the admittance form will not be given out to the parish. The office number is 229-226-3624. Thank you.

Abuse Hotline Number To report sexual abuse of a minor by a Diocese of Savannah employee or volunteer, call the abuse hotline number at 888.357.5330 or the Office for the Protection of Children & Young People

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Shrine Shop is open! If you have any questions, please

call Kay Kramer @229~224

#### Mass Intentions

If you would like to have Mass celebrated for a special occasion, on behalf of a family member/friend, or a deceased loved one, call/visit the parish office.

Encourage your family and friends to request Mass intentions.

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If you would like to have flowers on the altar in memory of a loved one or in celebration of a special occasion, please call the parish office.

### Social Hall

Remember if you would like to use the social hall to call the parish office.

Contribution statements have been mailed out. Please call the parish office with any questions. Thank you for your patience.



Please join us for coffee & donuts after Sunday's 9am Mass!

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