

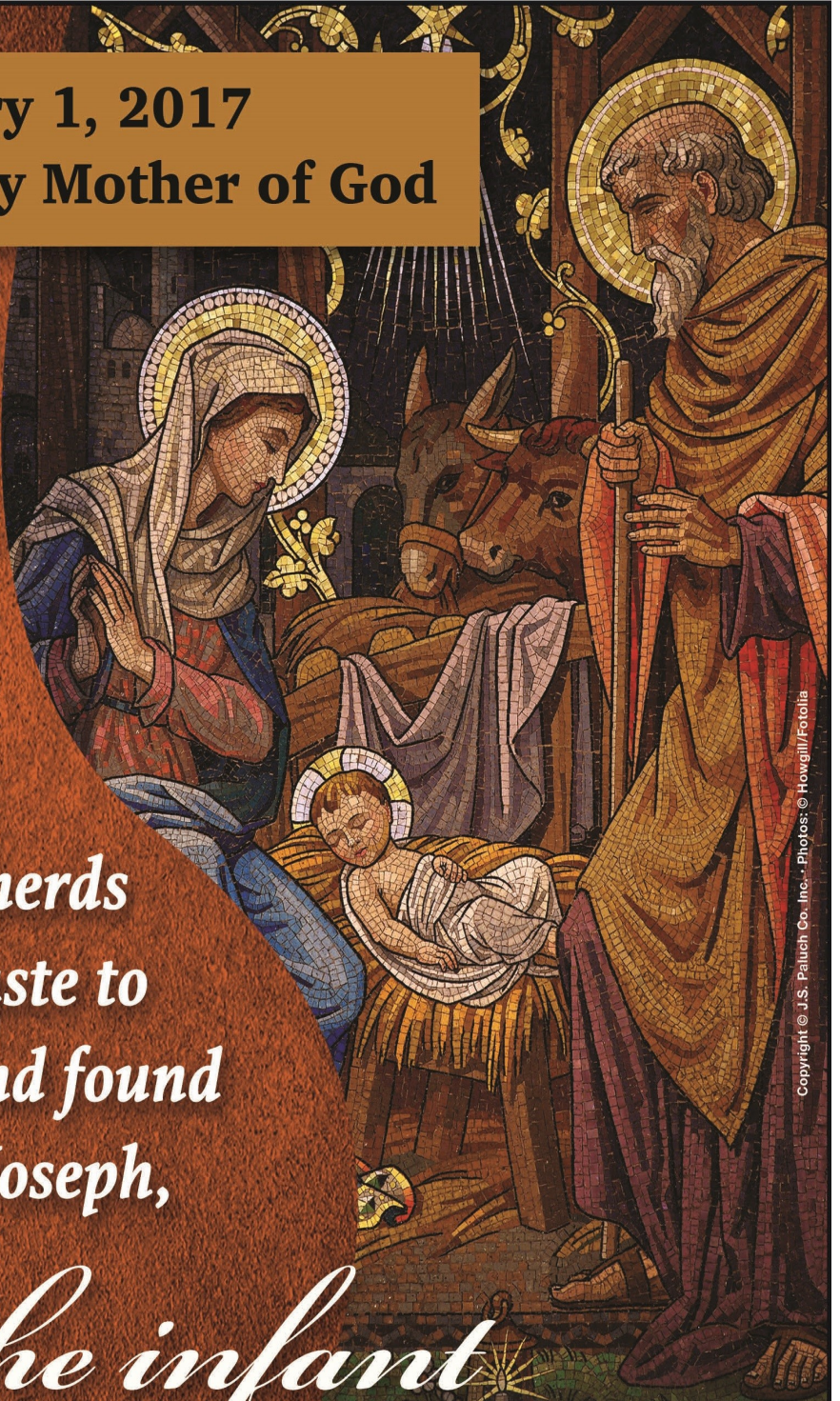
January 1, 2017

Mary, the Holy Mother of God

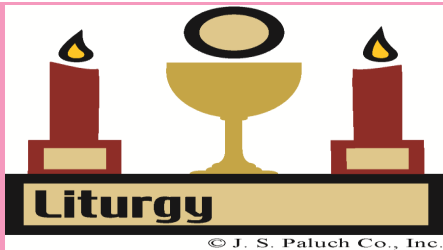
*The shepherds  
went in haste to  
Bethlehem and found  
Mary and Joseph,*

*and the infant  
lying in the manger.*

Luke 2:16







**MONDAY, January 2**

8:15 AM + Albert and + Yvonne La Pierre By: Shiela

**TUESDAY, January 3**

8:15 AM + Genevieve Flores and + Maria Lopez By: Ray and Jean Lopez

6:00 PM + Mel Akina By: Cecilia Monje

**WEDNESDAY, January 4**

8:15 AM + Don and + Daryl Lithgow By: Gloria Lithgow

**THURSDAY, January 5**

8:15 AM Jonah Collier (Birthday) By: Ann Marie Collier

6:00 PM Our Lady of Guadalupe By: Martha Estorga

**FRIDAY, January 6**

8:15 AM + Peter Bogner By: Vicky Pachol

**SATURDAY, January 7**

8:15 AM + Ralph and + Jean Gutierrez By: James Gutierrez

5:30 PM + Edward Espinoza and + Eulogio Barreras By: Annelise and Valerie Espinoza

**SUNDAY, January 8**

7:30 AM + Ezinne Philomena Okonkwo By: Medina Family

9:00 AM Our Parish Family

11:00 AM + Margarita Jerome By: John and Patricia Shelland

Josie and Tom Deason (5th Wedding Anniversary)

1:00 PM + Faye Gibson By: Dan and Jude Montes

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Sunday, January 1**

**Monday, January 2**

Holiday, Office Closed

**Tuesday, January 3**

1:30 p.m. Faith Sharing Meeting, Room 115

6:00 p.m. 1 pm Mass Choir Rehearsal, Room 1

6:30 p.m. Youth Bible Study, Room 8

6:30 p.m. RCIA Classes, Room 105

6:30 p.m. Spanish RCIA, Room 115

6:30 p.m. Spanish ACTS Women Meeting, Room 9-10

7:00 p.m. English Prayer Group, Room 109

7:00 p.m. Scripture Sharing Men's Group, Room 7

7:00 p.m. Spanish Men Meeting, Room 4

**Wednesday, January 4**

No Religious Education Classes

**Thursday, January 5**

10:00 a.m. Faith Sharing, Room 115

5:30 p.m. Pro-Life Meeting, Room 105

7:00 p.m. 11 am Choir Rehearsal, Cathedral

**Friday, January 6**

3:00 p.m. Marriage Enrichment Setup, Finley Hall

6:00 p.m. Mariachi Choir Rehearsal, Room 1

7:00 p.m. El Buen Pastor Prayer Group, Room 105

**Saturday, January 7**

9:00 a.m. English Baptism Class, Room 105

9:00 a.m. Spanish Baptism Class, Conference Room

11:00 a.m. Marriage Enrichment Reception, Finley Hall

***Sunday Collection 12.25.2016***  
***No figures available at publishing time.***

***Additional deposits for this week:***

***Stewardship: \$739.50***

***Building Maintenance:***

***\$198.00***

***St. Vincent de Paul: \$260.00***



### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28

Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:29 — 3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-6; Jn 1:29-34

Wednesday: 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Jn 1:35-42

Thursday: 1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 4:14-22a

Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20;

Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-28 [23, 31-34, 36, 38]

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Sal 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 2:1-11

Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13;

Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

**Happy NEW YEAR**

*You crown the year with Your goodness,  
And Your paths drip with abundance.*

PSALM 65:11

Spanish Choir (Once a month) would like to invite any one who is interested in joining us in singing for our Lord.

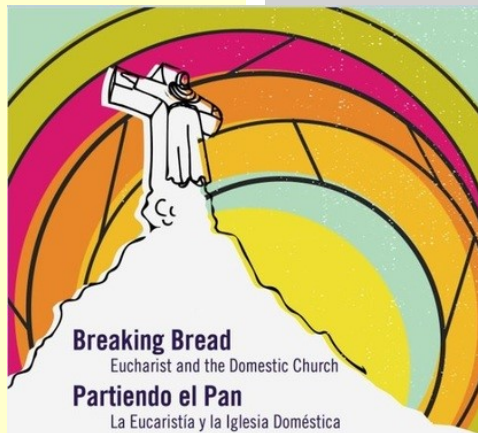
Practices are every Monday at 4:30 pm. We sing the first Sunday of the month.

Please contact Vanessa Ramirez at (575) 649-3713 for more information.



Southwest Liturgical Conference  
January 18-21, 2017

The 2017 Southwest Liturgical Conference is going to be held close to home this year—in El Paso. This is a great opportunity to take advantage of its nearness to Las Cruces. There are sessions on all aspects of liturgical celebrations and religious education. A flyer is posted on the foyer bulletin board outlining all the topics. This would be especially of interest for anyone involved in parish ministry. The Cathedral parish is willing to pay half of the registration fee for parish musicians or catechists who would like to attend. The registration form is available in the parish office.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE MEMBERS  
OF OUR PARISH WHO ARE ILL

|                      |                     |
|----------------------|---------------------|
| Salomon Padilla, Jr. | Hortencia V. Butler |
| Pat King             | Eloy Flores         |
| Toni Fietze          | Elena Amaral        |
| Corrine Luchini      | Elizabeth Mendoza   |
| Steve Lucero         | Bertha Gallegos     |
| Danny Gutierrez      | Jerry Aragon        |
| J.C. Salcido         | Alice Salcido       |
| Kim Morales          | Mary Martinez       |
| Jack Hancock         | David Moreno        |
| Carlos G. Gonzales   | Joe Gamboa          |

If you would like to add a name to the list please call the parish office at 524-8563.



Conferencia Litúrgica del Sur-oeste  
Enero 18-21 del 2017

La Conferencia Litúrgica del Sur-oeste 2017 se celebrará cerca de casa este año, en El Paso. Esta es una gran oportunidad para aprovechar su cercanía a Las Cruces. Hay sesiones sobre todos los aspectos de las celebraciones litúrgicas y la educación religiosa. Hay un volante en el tablero de anuncios del vestíbulo en el que se describen todos los temas. Esto sería especialmente de interés para cualquier persona involucrada en el ministerio parroquial. La parroquia de la Catedral está dispuesta a pagar la mitad de la cuota de inscripción para los músicos parroquiales o catequistas que deseen asistir. El formulario de inscripción está disponible en la oficina parroquial.

## Legislative Advocacy Training Catholic Faithful Citizenship Did Not End with the Election.

As the US Bishops state: "responsible citizenship is a virtue and participation in political life is a moral obligation." That participation goes beyond just voting, it includes advocacy with our legislators as Bishop Cantú shared in his post-election letter.

In an effort to assist parishioners in gaining the skills needed to be affective advocates to our legislators, the Diocesan Office of Life, Justice and Peace will be holding a training on Legislative Advocacy on January 7, 2017 from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM at the Diocesan Pastoral Center. Mr. Allen Sanchez, Executive Director of the NM Catholic Conference of Bishops will be our keynote speaker. Registration forms are available at the parish office or you may register on line by going to the diocesan webpage: [www.dioceseoflascruces.org](http://www.dioceseoflascruces.org). For more information, please contact Grace Cassetta at 575-523-7577.

## Religious Education Christmas Schedule

### Wednesday and Sunday Classes

Classes held on **Wednesday's** will **not** be in session on the following dates:

Jan 4<sup>th</sup>

Jan 11<sup>th</sup>

**Classes will resume Wednesday January 18, 2017.**

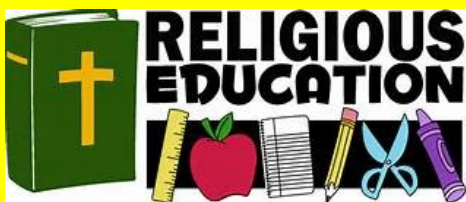
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Classes held on **Sunday's** will **not** be in session on Dec 25<sup>th</sup> and Jan 1<sup>st</sup>

**Classes will resume SUNDAY January 8, 2017.**

Enjoy the beautiful and Holy Season of Christmas and celebrate the Birth of Our Savior, JESUS CHRIST!

**Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year!**



Please come to the Rite of Christian Initiation  
for Adults (RCIA)

Every Tuesday at 6:30 pm

**THIS WEEK'S TOPICS:  
The Eucharistic; Real Presence; Reservation  
of the Blessed Sacrament**

You don't have to be enrolled in these classes  
to come and hear about a topic!

Rooms 104, 105 in the Parish Center  
**All are welcome!**

Are you interested in becoming CATHOLIC?  
Are you an adult Catholic missing any of your  
sacraments?

For information please call  
Lynne Avitia at 575-640-8358



*The office will be closed on Monday  
January 2nd.*

*Happy New Year!!*

*IHM Staff*

**Happy New  
Year 2017**

*La oficina estará cerrada  
el lunes 2 de enero.*

*Feliz Año Nuevo!  
Empleados de IHM*

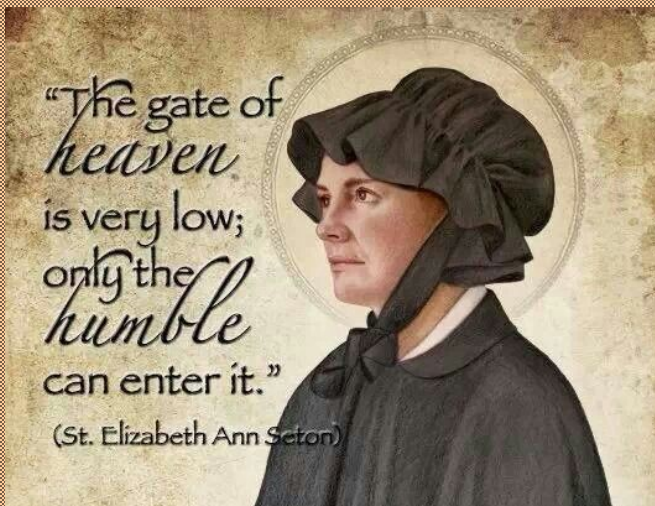


SAINT ELIZABETH ANN SETON  
1774 - 1821  
Patroness of Catholic Schools  
Feast day - January 4th

Elizabeth Bayley was a faithful, fervent adherent of the Episcopal Church until her conversion to Catholicism. In 1794 she married William Seton, and they reared five children in the midst of suffering and illness. Elizabeth and her sick husband traveled to Leghorn, Italy, and there William died. While in Italy, Elizabeth became acquainted with Catholicism and in 1805 she made her Profession of Faith in the Catholic Church.

She established her first Catholic school in Baltimore in 1808; in 1809 she established a religious community in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

The remainder of her life was spent in leading and developing the new congregation. Mother Seton was described as a charming and cultured lady. Her connections to New York society and the accompanying social pressures to leave the new life she had created for herself did not deter her from embracing her religious vocation and charitable mission. The greatest difficulties she faced were actually internal, stemming from misunderstandings, interpersonal conflicts and the deaths of two daughters, other loved ones, and young sisters in the community. She died of tuberculosis on January 4, 1821, at the age of 46. Today, her remains are entombed in the National Shrine of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton in Emmitsburg, Maryland, United States. By 1830, the Sisters were running orphanages and schools as far west as Cincinnati and New Orleans and had established the first hospital west of the Mississippi in St. Louis.



**ATTENTION:** Previous  
Marriage Enrichment  
Participants  
Marriage Enrichment  
Reunion at IHM Cathedral,  
Finley Hall

*Saturday, January 7, 2017*

*11 am to 4:30 pm*

*There will be speakers, visiting with friends from  
previous ME Weekends and celebrating our  
marriages.*

*Enjoy a potluck dinner, donations accepted.*

*For more information please call Lucinda Aguilar at  
(575) 644-3475 or Mary Jane Rocha at  
(575) 202-1540*

*Please reserve your space ASAP*

### **Hospital Ministry**

**We are in need of extra-ordinary Communion  
Ministers to visit the hospitals and nursing homes.**

**Consider spending time with our brothers and  
sisters in order to share the  
Word of God and offer Holy  
Communion.**

**For more information  
please contact Deacon Jim  
202-5978.**



### **MARRIAGE BANNES**

**Samuel Muniz Varela and Vanessa Villalobos**

**January 21, 2016**

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**David Soto and Veronica Ontiveros**

**January 28, 2016**