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## November 2017 Newsletter



*Our Seton PreK-12 family of faith fosters academic excellence, nurtures personal responsibility, and encourages service to others in the spirit of Jesus.*

### Seton Academy's Mission Statement:

- Encourage respect for everyone;
- Apply Biblical teachings to real life situations;
- Promote appreciation for the community celebration of the Eucharist;
- Foster a sense of community.

## November Dates

Dear Parents, Teachers, and Friends,

Dear Parents,

November is here! We have the opportunity to honor All Saints on Nov. 1, pray for those who have died on Nov. 2, pray for Veterans on Nov. 11, and celebrate Thanksgiving on Nov. 23. Our new liturgical year begins on Dec. 3.

### **Wed. Nov. 1: All Saints' Day**

- 9:00 Mass Planned by Mrs. Toner's 5<sup>th</sup> grade class



### **Thurs. Nov. 2: All Souls' Day**

We pray for all our loved ones who have died. I also ask you to pray for those people who were remembered by donors of the Adopt-A-Student Program.

### **Sat. Nov. 4:**

- **9:00-2:00** Volunteers (wear your Seton shirts!) needed to sell wreaths, etc. at the Mall (Food court)

### **November Prayer Intention**

(suggested by the Holy Father)

**Christians in Asia:** that Christians in Asia may promote peace and understanding with those of other religions

## **November 5-11 Vocation Awareness Week**

Sunday, November 5

### **St. Peter's Turkey Dinner & Craft Fair (12:00-4:30) at Seton Academy**

- **9:00-2:00** Volunteers (wear your Seton shirts!) needed to sell wreaths, etc. at Walmart's entrances

**Mon. Nov. 6:**

- **5:30** General Fundraising Meeting at Seton Academy: Come with your new ideas for fundraising and see what we have planned for the 2017-2018 school year
- 6:00 Seton Family Association Meeting at Seton Academy

**Tues. Nov. 7: Election Day**

*Please take the time to vote*

- Mrs. Karen Donahue (Assistant Superintendent of school for the Diocese of Ogdensburg) will be visiting classes
- Faculty Meeting with Mrs. Donahue

**Wed. Nov. 8:**

Mrs. Donahue continues her visit.

**Thurs. Nov. 9**

- 1:00 Sister Cindy talks to classes about the Missionary Childhood Association (each class about 15 minutes)
- Parent/Teacher Conferences:  
**3:15-5:00** and **5:30-8:00**

**Fri. Nov. 10: Veterans' Day Observed - No School**

Please pray for our veterans who have paid the price so that all of us can enjoy freedom.

**Saturday, November 11 & Sunday, November 12**

*Family pictures at Seton Academy by Mr. Semeraro*

**Sat. Nov. 11**

9:00-2:00 Volunteers (wear your Seton shirts!) needed to sell wreaths, etc. at the Mall (Food court)

**Sun. Nov. 12**

- **St. Alexander's Turkey Dinner (11:30-6:00)**

**Thurs. Nov. 16**

**3:00** Faculty Meeting

**Fri. Nov. 17**

- I have a Diocesan Principal's meeting at Wadhams Hall in Ogdensburg
- Limo Lunch for those who qualified
- Great Event (from the Magazine Drive)
- Kid's Night Out at Seton Catholic (*tentative*)

**Sat. Nov. 18:** Leaf Raking 8:45-12:30

(Gr. 3-5 and their families)

**Sun. Nov. 19**

- **First Reconciliation/First Eucharist Class for St. John's parents & students**

**Tues. Nov. 21: Picture Retake**

- **1:15** Thanksgiving prayer service

**Wednesday, November 22 - Friday, November 24**

**Thanksgiving Recess**

**Thursday, November 23**

**Thanksgiving Day**



Let us take this opportunity to thank God for His many blessings to us!



**Sunday, November 26**  
**Feast of Christ the King**

Advent Festival at St. Peter's

**Mon. Nov. 27:** Puppets in Education assemblies provided by Bill McBride's Chevrolet, Inc.

**Thurs. Nov. 30**

**3:00** Faculty Meeting

**November Birthdays**

(Birthdays are announced on WIRY at 6:20, 7:20, and 8:20 AM)

- 11/2 Sophia Minasi (1)
- 11/5 Lacey LaPoint (4)
- 11/6 Kirk Jackson (P)
- 11/12 Olivia LeFevre (2)
- 11/18 Elijah Bilow (1)
- 11/21 Conrad Wells (1)
- 11/23 Hailey Maciaszek (K)
- 11/26 Azik Helmer (3)
- 11/29 Hudson Spiegel (1)
- 11/30 Aspen Barret-Stearns (K)

**Upcoming Dates**

**Sunday, December 3**  
**Annual Christmas Dinner**

We need to support this dinner by volunteering to help and by attending the dinner.

**Friday, December 8**

9:00 Mass at St. Peter's  
(planned by Mrs. Reynold's 4<sup>th</sup> grade class)

**Wednesday, December 20**

**Seton Academy's Christmas Program**

1:00 PM—PreK to Gr. 2

6:30 PM—Grades 3-5

*Please mark this date on your calendar. All students are expected to participate in this school-wide event.*

# Planning Ahead for Spring

Saturday, April 14

Seton Gala at West Side Ballroom

May

Fun Run/5K Fundraiser

Saturday, June 2 & Sunday June 3

Seton Garage Sale

## Activity Fee

There is an activity fee of \$100 per child due each year. This covers such things as student insurance, testing fees, computer fees, student planners, student newspapers, field trips, extra classroom activities, etc. It varies from classroom to classroom. When you submitted your registration/re-registration paper work, the money you paid was applied as a tuition deposit. This was the decision of the Education Council. In the past it was the activity fee. Basically, it's the same idea. If you paid the full tuition plus the \$100 deposit at registration time, I will credit the deposit to the activity fee. A few families have sent in the activity fee, but most families have not. Please send it in as soon as possible. I am sorry for the confusion.

## Tuition Assistance from the Bishop's Fund

Recently Seton Academy received a check for \$6311.32 from the Bishop's Fund. This will help to pay a part of the tuition for 27 students whose families submitted applications. We want to thank those people who donated to the Bishop's Fund and made this grant possible.

## Box Tops

Please send box tops into school with your child. Today we mailed out 6900 box tops (valued at \$690). Thank you for all you do to support the Seton Academy and Seton Catholic. Thank you to Tammy D'Aust for cutting the box tops and for the students who helped me bag them. They were a great help.

## Holiday Wreath Sale

Seton's Annual Holiday Wreath Sale is under way. An order form with example pictures of items available can be downloaded on the school's website <http://www.seton-academy.net>



## Magazine Drive

We surpassed our goal of \$25,000 for the magazine drive!

## Early Morning Procedures

- Students in Kdg.-Gr. 5 need to report to the cafeteria, not go to the classroom to drop off their backpacks, coats, etc.
- Students who are late need to come to the cafeteria for prayers and morning announcements, not stay out in the hallway.

## Written Excuses

If a student is absent, he/she needs to bring in a written excuse stating the reason for his/her absence. This is New York State law. These excuses have to be kept on file for 1 year. If students do not bring in a written excuse, we have to mark them as illegally absent. That is not good!

## Extra Vacations during School Time

Some students have missed several days or a week of school because they are on vacation. Teachers are not required (nor should they be expected) to get work ready for these students before they go on vacation, give make up tests before or after they return, or help them with the work they missed while they were gone. Missing school does affect a child's grades and performance in school.

## For Your Information

This is to let you know that Seton Academy is in full compliance with all asbestos regulations and pesticide regulations. The school only uses products that are environmentally friendly. If a situation should warrant using a product that is not environmentally friendly, you will be notified.

## Promoting Mission Awareness

Thank you for sending redeemable bottles and cans to Seton Academy. They have been taken to the redemption center but I do not know how much money they will bring in for the Missionary Childhood Association.

## Third Grade Social Studies Project



## Reading Awards

Assemblyman Billy Jones visited Seton Academy and present awards to those that participated in the special reading program that he sponsored.



Peace  
*Sister Helen, SSJ*