



UPCOMING EVENTS

[Live Calendar](#)

Every Monday and Thursday
Pizza - \$1.50/slice

Every Tuesday Morning
Colossal Donuts—\$1.50/donut

- Dec 8 Immaculate Conception—NO SCHOOL
- Dec 9 PRO sponsored Advent Retreat 7-9 PM [Please come!](#)
- Dec 13 No Lunch Sales
Christmas Concert 7PM
- Dec 14 Dismissal at 1:20; Faculty Advent Retreat 1:30-3:30
- Dec 15 School Mass 2 PM
- Dec 16 VEX Tournament
- Dec 18 Religion Midterm 9:30-11:30 (Students must attend 8:30 Mass as usual but no classes that day, 11:30 pickup)
- Dec 19 Last Day of 2023
- Dec 20-Jan 2 Christmas Break
- Jan 3 First Day of 2024
- Jan 5 End of 2nd Quarter
- Jan 6 Admission Testing 9AM
- Jan -8-15 All Exams are 9:30-11AM
- Jan 8 Period 1 Exam
- Jan 9 Period 2 Exam
- Jan 10 Period 3 Exam
- Jan 11 Period 4 Exam
- Jan 12 Period 7 Exam
- Jan 15 Period 8 Exam

FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, MRS. CARROLL



Maureen (Terza) Campbell (Class of '93), her husband Bob and nephew arranging a beautiful bigger than life advent wreath. Mo, we are so grateful for you!

GRATITUDE: Thank you and congratulations to Matt Moore, the intrepid cast and crew of A Christmas Chaos, and all the parents and other volunteers who helped make this show a great success. (Pictures elsewhere in the Sentinel.) Thanks also to those who participated in the St. Nick's Carnival.

INTELLECTUAL FORMATION: The Battle for the American Mind. Coming next week (instead of this week) a few comments on the book as a whole and on how Seton and Seton parents fit into the picture.

FAMILY SPIRITUAL PREPARATION FOR THE GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY: Works of mercy (see below). Here is a link to an article with more suggestions for works of mercy. <https://aleteia.org/2023/10/26/10-ways-to-practice-the-works-of-mercy-with-young-kids/>



RECOMMENDED READING:

- ✦ <https://aleteia.org/2019/12/22/the-eucharistic-symbolism-of-the-manger/>
- ✦ <https://aleteia.org/2019/12/02/pope-francis-explains-the-symbolism-of-each-figure-in-the-nativity-scene/>

MASSES AND ROSARIES

Monday Mass
All Saints 8:30 AM
Rosary
Tues-Fri 8:00 AM
in the Chapel



PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Don Davies, father of several Seton Alumni

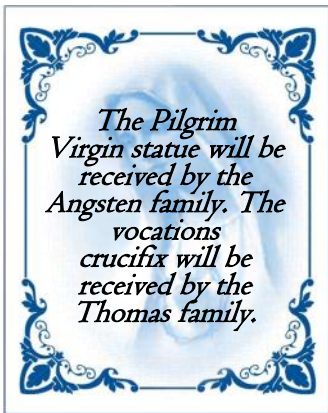
Thank You!

Mr. and Mrs. DeMicoli for providing the delicious Staff lunch on Monday, the Guerico's for the Crumbl Cookie surprise, Mrs. Mosimann for providing the priest's lunch and dinner for Mrs. Carroll and Mr. Westhoff and Fr. Mosimann for saying Friday's School Mass.

SETON'S GUIDANCE CORNER



Any Questions? I have a question about...Click [here](#).



Mrs. Carroll's Advent Challenge!

Please see the [Advent Challenge email](#) that went out this week. We have a post on our website <https://setonschool.net/advent-works-of-mercy/> with ideas and the form to fill out and submit. Some Works of Mercy that our families are currently participating in include: Visiting the House of Mercy to help put together food baskets for the poor...Singing Christmas Carols at the English Meadows Nursing Home...Visiting the Gates of Beautiful for Disabled Children...Purchasing groceries for a homeless pregnant woman.

"Whatever you do to the least of my brothers and sisters, you do to Me."
Matthew 25:40



CELEBRATING 50 YEARS • A TOUR THROUGH SETON'S HISTORY

From the 1995-96 school year through the 1999-2000 school year.

We are grateful for:

- Michael Joseph Pennefather born to Mr. and Mrs. P. December 9, 1995, not expected to survive but miraculously lives. He and his parents become examples of trustful surrender to Divine Providence as well as joy in the midst of trials.
- Col. and Mrs. Jones join the staff.
- American Government class introduced.
- Miss Vugteveen becomes Mrs. Pogue.
- Mr. Pogue becomes an all-round all star taking on all manner of projects around the school.
- Baby Pogues (eventually 8 altogether)

appear regularly in the Seton classrooms.

- Five faculty babies born '96-'97, eventual members of the Class of 2015: Patrick Pennefather, Ann Pennefather, Mary Scheetz, Maria Pogue and Ian Heisler.
- State Pro-life Speech Winners: Michelle Hadro ('96), Anna Kim ('97), Caroline Wheeler ('00).
- Band program established.
- Swim team established.
- Lacrosse team established.
- 1997: Senior class produces the We Are Church Petition, defending the Papacy and the true teachings of the Catholic Church. The petition goes worldwide, through Human Life International. HLI sponsors a

pilgrimage to Rome with 8 seniors, 3 faculty members and others. The petitions are presented to Pope John Paul II.

- 1998: Colonel Michael Pennefather dies of cancer. He teaches all of us how to die well.
- June 2000, Seton sponsors a pilgrimage to the Holy Land to celebrate the Great Jubilee Year.
- Yearbook dedications: 1994, Mrs. Jeanne Larsen. 1996, Mr. Peter Westhoff. 1997, Michael Joseph Pennefather. 1998, Col. Michael Pennefather. 1999, Robert and Peggy Gregory (Board of Directors Chairman and Choir Director). 2000, The Most Holy Trinity in honor of the Great Jubilee Year.

ATTENTION STUDENTS: RELIGION EXAMS ARE ON MONDAY, DEC 18! All Students are expected to go to Mass that Monday before the exam begins. School will be dismissed at 11:30 when the exam ends.

PRO HOURS! Thank you to all parents who are serving and reporting your PRO hours. Some families have already met the minimum of 25 hours. Each hour served is valued at \$15/hour. For donated items, every \$15 spent is one hour served. Please report on your Track it Forward account. Seton would rather have your service than an end of year buyout. (Total buyout is \$375.00) For ideas on serving contact provoluters@setonschool.net. For help reporting contact prohours@setonschool.net



*St Andrew Christmas Novena
Hail and blessed be the hour and moment in which the Son of God was born Of the most pure Virgin Mary, at midnight, in Bethlehem, in the piercing cold. In that hour vouchsafe, I beseech Thee, O my God, to hear my prayer and grant my desires through the merits of Our Savior Jesus Christ, and of His blessed Mother. Amen.*

GOOD NEIGHBOR BASKET UPDATE AND THANK YOU! The Good Neighbor baskets will be delivered to the homes neighboring Seton on Dec 9. Each year, we are able to provide a basket of goodies to thank the families in our neighborhood for their patience during the busy school year and for keeping an eye out for our students. Thank you for everyone's generosity this year! The baskets will be full to the brim with tasty holiday goodies!



Please help update our **Seton Alumni List** and share this link with all the Seton Alumni that you know: [Seton School Alumni Update Form](#). If you are interested in helping please contact Nancy Bauer at nandgbauer@yahoo.com.



ATTENTION PARENTS: January is re-registration month. There will be a \$150 charge per student for those returning to Seton School August 2024. IF YOUR CHILD IS NOT RETURNING, PLEASE CONTACT Mrs. Cooper by Jupiter Ed or email.

Seton's Spring Musical! Click [here](#) for all the Spring Musical information!



Information Meeting:
NEW DATE:
 Tuesday, November 21st @ 3:00 - 4:00 PM
 Parents & Students welcome
 In Person

Auditions (1 hour slot) on either:
 Wednesday, December 6th 3:30 - 7:30 PM
 Thursday, December 7th 3:00 - 7:00 PM
 Friday, December 8th 1:00 - 3:00 PM

Callbacks:
 Monday, December 11th 3:30 - 9:00 PM

Tech Week: required attendance;
 Easter Vacation week: April 3 - 4, 2024

Performances: required attendance;
 April 5, 6, 12, & 13, 2024 at 7:00 PM
 April 7 at 3:00 PM

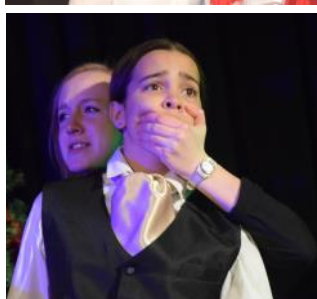
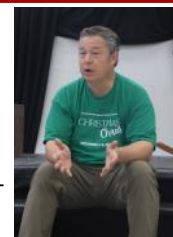
The **2023-234 Seton Spirit Ad Campaign** begins on Monday, January 1! If you would like to take advantage of the holidays and end-of-year business donations, you may start selling ads now. The Spirit Ad Campaign is Seton's annual fundraiser and produces the playbook for our spring musical - White Christmas. All families are required to participate in the fundraiser and raise at least \$400. More information about the Ad Campaign is located on our website. Click [here](#). *St. Ignatius of Loyola, Pray for us!*

The **Cover Art Contest** will be starting soon. More information is forthcoming!

A CHRISTMAS CAROL CHAOS!

Thank you Matt Moore and everyone that helped put on such a fun play! Bravo to our students for an outstanding performance! Well done!

"I just returned from watching the matinee performance of "A Christmas Chaos," this year's fall play. It was one of the most enjoyable afternoons I've had in a long time. I could hardly stop laughing (and didn't want to stop). Everything about the play was sheer fun. I was so proud of the students." (Mrs. Carroll)



OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE SETON COMMUNITY

Diapers and wipes from a company that Celebrates LIFE. [EveryLife](#): Stands with Integrity, Rooted in Faith and Champions Parenthood. Click [here](#) for the flyer and for a 10% discount (Ali Salas, class of 2013).



Come help **House of Mercy** make this Christmas a special one for all our families! At Christmas with Mercy we will be providing about 312 families with gifts for the holidays. Families will experience Santa's workshop, and parents will get to pick out toys and have their selected toys wrapped by Volunteer Elves. We need many hands to turn House of Mercy into a winter wonderland for our client families and give them the Christmas they deserve, so we need YOU! Click [here](#) for all the information and to sign up.

Former Seton family is looking for an attendant for a special needs child. Responsibilities include taking the individual off the school bus in the afternoon, dinner feedings and bathing on weekdays. If interested and/or to get more information, please call Rechael Nagle at 703-501-5984 or email naglefam@hotmail.com.

The **Manassas Ballet Theatre** presents **Nutcracker** December 14-23. Come see fellow Seton sophomore, Claire O'Connor, perform! All staff and students of Seton may attend Nutcracker with a 20% savings ([click on the Ad](#)) AND see their fellow student, Claire O'Connor in the performance!

