

# THE INSIDE SCOOP

## Seton Happenings, Clubs and Activities

2024-2025

## MISCELLANEOUS GENERAL INFORMATION

### **Morning Announcements**

- Made every morning to students. Announcements must be submitted by 6<sup>th</sup> period of the previous day.
- They are posted outside each building office on the bulletin boards and on Jupiter Ed under the Materials tab
- We post what you need to know in the Sentinel

### **Parent Resource Organization (PRO) Meetings**

- Parent Resource Organization (PRO) meetings are held four times per year. These include a new parent/old parent meet and greet in the fall, an evening Lenten reflection for parents in the spring and two other speaker events with socials, one each semester. The PRO strives to bring high quality speakers to inspire and support Seton parents. Beverages and refreshments are served and the evening is meant to be an enriching night out. Please take advantage of these opportunities to build community among Seton families.

### **Snow Policy**

- If the weather causes Seton School to either close for the day or have a delayed opening, then an announcement will be made by 5:30 AM that morning through Jupiter Ed message (Seton NO LONGER follows PWCS). The announcement will also be on the Seton website
- For delayed openings, Seton classes begin at 9:30 am. If a late opening occurs on a Monday Mass, classes will begin at 9:30 am, but students are not required to attend Mass on such days.
- If Seton is in session and weather becomes inclement, Seton will never close early. Parents are welcome to pick up their student OR call to give permission to let their student drive home.

### **Masses (Monday and Friday)**

- Seton students attend Mass twice a week.
- On **Monday**, students attend the 8:30 Mass at All Saints Church. They are taken directly to All Saints and should arrive at least

five minutes early. They sit in assigned rows. Students then go to Seton with their parents, carpool, or other arranged ride.

- **Friday Mass** is held in Seton's John Paul II Center usually at 11:15. Various priests from the diocese celebrate the Mass. Families are welcome to attend the Friday Mass.

### **Mercy Hours**

- Seton encourages students to perform spiritual and corporal works of mercy.
- Some special activities are organized by the school (homeless trip, performing at nursing homes). Some activities are regularly available (altar serving, choir, tutoring). Some are student organized (praying at abortion clinic, evening holy hours).

### **Exams- Mid terms**

- Religion midterm: Monday, December 16th, 9:30 - 11:30 AM
- Other midterms: Monday, January 10<sup>th</sup> - Friday, January 17<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 - 11:00 AM (note the religion midterm is longer)
- Some classes may let students stay over to finish an exam, so coordinate a time with your student for pick up.

### **Exams- Finals** (May 21 - May 30, 9:30-11:30 AM)

- One exam given each day for 7 days
- 5th and 6th on same day as lunch/ Religion
- Some classes let students stay over to finish exam, so coordinate a time with your student for pick up.

### **Spirit Ad Campaign**

- Seton's largest fundraiser is the Ad Campaign booklet for the Spring Musical - which kicks off in January. Seton families sell Ads that are printed in the playbook.
- ALL Seton families are expected to participate and raise a TBD amount. Last year was \$400. The families who choose not to sell ads will be required to pay the set amount. More information can be found on Seton's website in the fall.

### **Seton Dances**

- Clubs usually host a dance 1x a month.
- Taking a date is **only** for the Christ the King Dance and Prom, and not all students come with an escort to those dances.
- Dances are high school students only except for the Medical Missionaries dance in January.
- All dances are chaperoned with strict times for drop off and pick up.
- Only currently enrolled Seton students are eligible to attend dances - except for prom (see p. 19).

### **Fund raisers for the poor**

- Watch the Sentinel for announcements about 3-on-3 tournaments and other fund raisers for the poor.

## Important School Websites:

- <https://setonschool.net/> This is Seton's official webpage and contains tons of information about schedules, the weekly Sentinels, link to the Calendars, requirements for graduation and much more. The School News section of the home page has the latest happenings at Seton, please check it out often!
- <http://JupiterEd.com/> is the website that Seton uses for recording Seton's grades and for communicating among parents, teachers, and students. It contains homework, grades, files students might need for class and more.
- Calendar: Seton uses a TeamUP calendar which can be accessed by computer or by a phone app. A link to this calendar was sent out by email and can be found on Jupiter Ed. The events for the year are listed here: <https://setonschool.net/news/events-calendar>. Please note the calendar is subject to change at any time without advance warning, so please be sure to check back often to confirm your event.
- <https://setonsports.com/> This is the site for almost all of the sports at Seton. The teams, their schedules, game locations and results can be found at this website.
- <http://www.setonswimming.org/> The Seton swim team is the largest sports team at Seton and hosts its own website. This site is full of TONS of information about the team, its schedule and results.
- <https://setonmusical.com/> The spring musical has more participation than any other activity and hosts its own website. All information regarding the musical can be found here.

## SPORTS

### Sports Try Outs, Game Days, Practice times, Meetings

- All information regarding sports is on the sports bulletin board outside Mr. Vander Woude's office
- Information about our sports programs can be found at <https://setonschool.net/athletics-schedule/>
- Announcements for jhs, junior varsity and varsity tryouts are sent via Jupiter Ed. Fall varsity tryouts begin after August 1<sup>st</sup>; Winter Varsity tryouts begin around November 1<sup>st</sup>; Spring Varsity tryouts begin around the end of February/March 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Game schedules are on <http://setonsports.com>
- Call the AD's office at (703) 367-7871 for questions about practice or game cancellation.
- All of our coaches are volunteers.
- Parents are asked to assist in transporting teams for practices and games.
- Please pick up your children from school promptly after a game or practice. (The office is locked, so use the coach's cell phone if your child doesn't have one)
- Results to games are kept at [SetonSports.com](http://SetonSports.com). Moreover, most results/scores for varsity sports are kept at MaxPreps: [https://www.maxpreps.com/high-schools/seton-\(manassas,va\)/home.htm](https://www.maxpreps.com/high-schools/seton-(manassas,va)/home.htm)
- The Seton swim team has its own website: <http://setonswimming.org>.
- At the beginning of each sports season (fall, winter, spring) a talk and holy half hour are held in the chapel after school.

### Sports Awards held Fall, Winter and Spring For Varsity teams

- Awards and varsity letters and pins are given out to Varsity athletes.
- Varsity players and their parents are encouraged to attend
- Junior High and Junior Varsity athletes are welcome to attend.

# DRAMA

For "Improv" and "Theater Seminar" (see more information under "Clubs")

## Fall Play

- THIS YEAR'S FALL PLAY (directed by Matt Moore) is *Flowers for Algernon* by David Rogers
- Fall Play website: <https://tzahorchak.wixsite.com/seton-fall-play>
- The play is open to all students grades 7-12.
- Auditions will be Monday, August 12th from 6 - 9 PM. Please contact Matt Moore if you're unable to make the audition.
- To audition, please complete the Audition form at: <https://form.jotform.com/241437175867062>
- Students will need to prepare and memorize a reading that will be provided after completing the audition form. Dress in comfortable clothes, bring water and prepare to move.
- Performance dates are Saturday, Oct. 12 and Sunday, Oct. 13.
- Practices start August 22 and will be on Monday, Tuesday, & Thursday's at 6 PM – 9PM with occasional Saturday practices added if needed.
- Questions? Email [m@ttmoore.com](mailto:m@ttmoore.com)

## Seton Musical

- This year the 5 performances are April 4, 5, 6, 11 & 12, 2025.
- The audition dates for the musical are in December. Specific dates will be announced in the Sentinel.
- Callbacks for lead roles are scheduled on December 16<sup>th</sup> afternoon or evening (a few days after the tryouts).
- The name of the musical and audition dates will be announced in the fall on <http://SetonMusical.com> and on posters around the school.
- All information for the Spring Musical will be found on the bulletin board outside Faustina.
- Rehearsals are on Wednesdays and Saturdays.
- Rehearsals during Tech week (March 31 - April 3) are mandatory.
- Sign ups for Stage Crew and Set Design help are announced in Morning announcements. Not everyone who signs up for Stage Crew will be taken.
- For more information, email [setonmusical@gmail.com](mailto:setonmusical@gmail.com)

# Student Government/ Service/ Honor Societies

**Big Brother/Big Sister** (Tim Heisler) Senior Leaders: Philip Gomez, Mary Catherine Hurley, Rose Waldron) Seton Seniors are paired up with incoming 7<sup>th</sup> graders to help them transition into a new school with a helping hand from our Seniors. In addition to the year-long assistance from one of the seniors, Big Brother/Big Sister tries to host an event several times throughout the year.

**National Honor Society (NHS):** (Mrs. Lucas and TBD) The St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Chapter of the National Honor Society (NHS) is a student-run service organization. Membership eligibility includes full-time status for sophomores and juniors who have a cumulative GPA of at least 92.5% from classes taken at Seton, no more than four demerits since the beginning of the current school year and no more than eight demerits during the previous year. Notification of eligibility takes place in February at which time students complete an application and schedule an interview with the NHS Faculty Council. Students selected on the basis of their scholarship, character, leadership and service record are formally inducted into the NHS in April. Membership requirements include tutoring, assisting with school functions, chairing an NHS-sponsored event, supporting NHS work throughout the year and attending monthly meetings. Monthly meetings: the first in school Monday of the month following last bell in Aquinas (or Claude).

### 2024-2025 NHS Officers:

President- Jackie Hugo	Treasurer- Jojo Vander Woude
Vice President- Molly Bauer	Historian- Gabe Likoy
Secretary- Clara Condon	Parliamentarian- Bella Chau

**Student Government:** (Mrs. Pogue). Members of the SG/SC are expected to be leaders in the school in every aspect. Their purpose is to encourage the rest of the student body to take pride in the school and get involved. The **Senior Council (SC)** (Mrs. O'Connor) plans and carries out various social activities which work to raise money for the Junior/Senior Prom. The SC is

responsible for selling lunch 2 days a week in which profits go to pay for Prom and various service projects for the benefit of the school. Both groups work in cooperation with the faculty and Director of the school to uplift the student body toward the good, the beautiful and true. All proposed activities are subject to approval from the Director. Student Officers and Representatives are responsible for attending SG/SC meetings and the following specific events during the year. An officer or representative of either service council may undergo review for serious category II demerits with the possibility of removal from office. Elections are held in May. Seventh grade class representative elections are in September.

**2024-2025 SGSC/SCC Members**

<b>Student Govt Officers</b>	<b>Senior Class Council</b>	<b>Class Representatives</b>
<u>Pres:</u> Connor Koehr <u>VP:</u> Lucy Pennefather <u>Publicist:</u> Haley Fifield <u>Historian:</u> Javier Garcia <u>Secretary:</u> Luke Vander Woude <u>Members at Large:</u> Greg Bauer, Jackie Hugo, Peter Maranian, Kate Reese	<u>Pres.:</u> Rose Waldron <u>VP</u> Bella Chau <u>Historian:</u> Anna Russo <u>Secretary:</u> Elodie Brox <u>Publ:</u> Seth Kellogg <u>Treasurer:</u> Gus Kohlaas	<b>7<sup>th</sup>:</b> TBA <b>8<sup>th</sup>:</b> Annabelle Mikkelson, Daniel Kohlhaas <b>9<sup>th</sup>:</b> Veronica Gonzalez, Joey Lynch <b>10<sup>th</sup>:</b> Caroline Brand, Joe Geary <b>11<sup>th</sup>:</b> Christina Witter, John Reyes <b>12<sup>th</sup>:</b> Orla Haggerty, Joe Borneman

**Senior Advocates:** (Mr. Heisler). The mission of this group is to serve as advocates for each class - a voice for the student body. With kindness and patience, we will bridge the gap between Seton grades, as well as between students and faculty, nurturing a charitable and connected day-to-day atmosphere within the school community. Our motto is "I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me, with me in him, bears much fruit; apart from me, you can do nothing." John 15:5

**Senior Advocates/Helpers per grade**

<b>Gr.</b>	<b>Advocates</b>	<b>Helpers</b>
7	Elizabeth Francis, Lucy Pennefather, Michael Brox, Peter Maranian	Esther Allen, Lucy Cunningham, Vincent Sayani, Seth Kellogg, Rose Waldron
8	Bella Chau, Jojo Vander Woude, Philip Gomez, Kolbe Olszewski	Lucia Bingham, Clara Condon, Liam Halisky
9	Elodie Brox, Haley Fifield, Drew Nguyen, Gabriel Orellana	Molly Bauer, Monica DeMicoli, Luke Vander Woude
10	Kate Reese, Anna Russo, Max Gonzalez, Joseph Borneman	Mary Catherine Hurley, Piper Reddington, Gus Kohlhaas
11	Emma Fox, Christian Ghering, Luke Wood	Lizzy Rohan, Briana Shillingburg, Connor Koehr

**Sociedad Honoraria Hispánica** (Sra. Martella) Student officers/leaders: TBA. This national honor society sponsored by the American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese honors excellence in Spanish studies at Seton. Meeting dates: TBD in Vianney. Upper-level students that have demonstrated excellence in Spanish classes (3.5 or above) and have an overall GPA of 3.0 or higher in all Seton courses will be invited to join and will take part in an initiation ceremony.

## CLUBS (by alphabetical order)

Seton hosts an Activities Fair on August 28, 2024 where students may sign up for many of the following listed activities. Moreover, students may reach out to the moderator listed to find out more information.

**Art Club:** (Mrs. Tsukalas) Student Leaders: Claire O'Connor, Rachel Tsuklas. Interested in art? Meeting dates will be announced in the upcoming Sentinel/announcements!

**Blue Crab Bowl (BCB) Team:** (parent mentors Mr. Konstanty and Mrs. Ekaterina Makarova) **TBA for 2024-2025** because the national organization that sponsored Blue Crab dissolved. A new organization is picking up the competition, but the new national sponsoring organization is not running a competition until 2025 as they continue the process of determining a new competition format. However, a Blue Crab Bowl POCs tell us that William and Mary and ODU have a meeting planned for September to discuss hosting a local high school competition to fill the gap. Stay tuned for more information.

**Seton Chess Club:** (Mr. P) President: Nick Moore. The Seton Chess Club is dedicated to promoting chess-playing ability in its members while providing an enjoyable experience. Meetings may include lessons on chess tactics, opening theory, checkmating advice, endgame theory, offense/defense, etc. The majority of the meetings will consist of playing chess. The club will meet outside during lunch on nice days and will be based in Clare on other days. There will also be chess tournaments on days predetermined by the club, depending on the availability of its members. In short, the Chess Club is a great way to improve your chess expertise while having a lot of fun!

**Choir:** (Mr. Catabui) The Choir meets on Mondays after school in Faustina to prepare to sing for Mass on Mondays at All Saints and Fridays at Seton. All grades are welcome to audition. Auditions will be held during the first week of school. Students who cannot stay after school on Mondays may schedule makeup rehearsals during Lunch on Mondays.

**Creative Writing Club:** (Mrs. O'Connor) The Creative Writing Club will meet once a month and focus on character

development, writing short story fiction, using imagery, gaining inspiration, and brainstorming ideas. President: Claire O'Connor. Meeting dates: Last Wednesday of the month from 2:45-3:45 in the library/Jerome.

**Data Science Club:** (Mr. Linton and Mr. Hoffman). **STARTS AFTER MIDTERMS.** In Data Science Club you'll learn how to program and train Deep Neural Networks, the most powerful form of Machine Learning - often referred to as 'Artificial Intelligence'. This technology is changing the world and transforming practically every field of study, from the hard sciences and engineering; to language and the fine arts. Our students have already performed at least one world's-first accomplishment. If you're planning to apply to college in the next few years, there's hardly anything that can make your application stand out from the crowd like this. Membership: \$100 dues to help pay for hardware. Meeting Dates: Every other Saturday for two hours in Francis - introduction date for parents and students to be announced.

**Hope Club:** (Mr. Westhoff) Executive Committee: TBA. The Hope Club raises money for poor children. 100% of the \$\$\$ raised goes to help the Poor. Meetings in Teresa (as-needed basis). Requirement for membership: Love of the Poor

**Game Masters Club:** (Mr. Chalkley) John Pugh. Fridays in Bertoni.

**Jazz Band:** (Mr. P, Miss Jennifer Erwin). Students with band instrument talent are invited by the directors of the Jazz band. Weekly attendance is essential, as we are preparing for various performances. Currently-scheduled: Christmas concert and Spring Concert. Additional performances TBD. Questions about the club can be fielded by Miss Erwin. Meeting dates: Most Wednesdays after school in Faustina or Innocents.

**Improv:** (Mr. Moore) Semper Ridiculum, Seton's own Improv Comedy Troupe, is back! We will begin immediately after the Fall Show is complete and will have three hilarious, side-splitting shows! Contact Matt Moore at m@ttmoore.com for more information about how you can be a part of this zany, fantastic Seton tradition. Club generally meets the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays in the evening. All grades are welcome.

**Inspired Gateways French Exchange Program** (Mrs. Brand)

Inspired Gateways is a French Catholic home-stay program which has partnered with Seton for several years. The mission of the program is to connect French Catholic teens with American Catholic teens and families for the purpose of sharing values and culture, and promoting faith-based friendships. Seton families have the opportunity to host a French Catholic student for four weeks in October (10/5 - 11/2) or April (around Easter). A private room or bathroom are not necessary. Students are matched to families by age and interests. They attend school and activities with their American host student. There is no expectation for families to play tour-guide. The goal of the program is for the French teens to experience day-to-day life in an American Catholic family. Any student from grades 7 - 12 is eligible to host as long as they desire to welcome a young person from France into your home. There is no requirement to take French, but it is an excellent opportunity for French students because there is an opportunity to visit France at a subsequent time, if desired. Seton earns money through this program, and there is also a stipend available for families to help alleviate the cost of food.

**The Mission: Holy Hours on certain Wednesdays of the month**

**Sacred Life Club (SLC):** (Mrs. Carroll) Leaders: TBA. Sacred Life Club plans trips to pray outside of the abortion clinic and fundraise to help mothers in need of our support and charity. Please come and join us as we promote a culture of life. Let's save some babies! All are welcome. Meeting dates: TBA.

**Sea Perch:** (Moderated by Mr. Maher and Mr. Hoffman) This is a robotics opportunity for middle school students. Sea Perch Club designs, builds and operates Remotely Operated Vehicles (submarines). Cost: \$200 per team. 2 to 3 people per team. Meetings on Wednesdays. The JHS students start in October, completing their Remotely Operated Vehicles in December. A regional middle school competition will be held in January.

**Swing Dance:** Presidents: Monica De Micoli, William Sokban. Swing Dance club meets as announced to practice swing steps! Announcements about meetings will be in the morning announcements.

**Vex Robotics Club:** (Mr. Hoffman) Student leader: Jerome Kramer. Seton School offers a VEX robotics club as an after-school activity to foster student interest in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) fields. Students work in small teams to build technologically advanced robots and compete in tournaments at the local, state, and potentially international levels. The VEX program cultivates skills such as research, planning, brainstorming, collaboration, teamwork, leadership, and programming. The Seton VEX Club has three types of teams (described below): Tryouts are usually held the week following high school graduation, and teams are formed immediately afterwards. The teams may begin work over the summer or start at the beginning of the next school year.

Competition Teams: Seton typically fields 4 to 6 VEX competition teams each year, spanning both middle and high school levels. These teams meet several times per week, including evenings and weekends. They compete in tournaments at the local, state, and potentially international levels. VEX robotics for a competition team is nearly a year-round commitment, with competitions starting as early as September and culminating in the World Championship in late April. Given its time-intensive nature, volunteer parental support is essential.

Developmental Squad: (D-Squad) These teams have a lower level of commitment than competition teams. Typically, a D-Squad team competes in only one local tournament, though they are encouraged to compete in more tournaments, if desired. The D-Squad is a good option for students who don't want to fully commit to a competition team right away.

VEX AI team: The Seton VEX AI teams "trains" robots using data science (AI). VEX AI teams participate in V5 competition tournaments but on a much-reduced scale. Guidelines for VEX AI teams are still being developed. To join or form a VEX AI team, either a year of VEX experience or a year of AI experience is required.

**Boy Scouts:** Seton sponsors Catholic **Boy Scout** Troop 554 that meets on Friday evenings at 7:30 pm, usually in Faustina. Contact Mr. Likoy at [scoutmaster@troop554.org](mailto:scoutmaster@troop554.org) for additional information.

# ACTIVITIES BY MONTH

More information on these activities will be in the Sentinel. This is just a preview of what is to come.

## AUGUST

### Activities Fair: Wednesday, August 28<sup>th</sup> during lunch

- Clubs set up tables for students to offer information about their clubs and a sign up sheet

### Coaches Conference: Saturday, August 24<sup>th</sup>

- The Athletic Department hosts a conference for our volunteer coaches to prepare them for the year.

### Opening Mass: Friday, August 30, 2024, 11:20 AM

- Families are welcome to attend. The Seton community comes together at the beginning of school to ask God's Blessing on the year
- Teachers take the oath of Allegiance to the Magisterium of the Church
- Families are asked to send in non-perishable food items to donate to the Bethany Food Pantry at All Saints.

## SEPTEMBER

### Back To School Nights: Wed. Sept. 4<sup>th</sup> & Wed., Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>

- For parents to come and meet their children's teachers by following their child's schedule
- For parents only- nursing infants are welcome
- One evening for JHS and one for the HS

### Back to School Social: Saturday, September 7<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 - 9:00

- Games and activities planned by the Student Government for the High School students

### Parents Trivia Night: Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup>

- PRO will host its 2<sup>nd</sup> Trivia night for Parents! Information coming!

### JHS Scavenger Hunt: Saturday, September 28<sup>th</sup>, 4 - 6 pm

- Fun for the JHS students! Scavenger hunt at Seton
- Students enjoy pizza and soda while judges review submissions and vote for awards

## OCTOBER

### Sacred Heart and Holy Rosary

In the month of October, the school dedicates altars to the Sacred Heart and says special enthronement prayers at First Friday Mass. Families are encouraged to begin or continue the grace-filled practice of the family Rosary.

### PSAT date (October 2<sup>nd</sup>)

- All freshmen, sophomores and juniors take the PSAT
- 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders have the day off
- Seniors have a retreat

### French Foreign Exchange Students (October 5 - November 2)

- see Inspired Gateways p. 11

### Life Chain (October 6<sup>th</sup>)

- Held Pro-Life Sunday First Sunday in October
- Gather along Route 234 (Sudley Road) for peaceful witness

### Col P Golf Tournament (October 8)

- The Athletic Department hosts a fundraiser for its activities.
- This year's 24<sup>th</sup> annual tournament is Tues., Oct. 8<sup>th</sup> at Piedmont.

### Oktoberfest (October 9<sup>th</sup> during lunch)

- Sponsored by the Foreign Language Classes.
- Food, Fun, and Friends is the motto of this event!

### Fall Play (October 12 & 13 --see p. 7)

### Boo Bags

- Sponsored by the NHS
- Students and parents can purchase bags filled with candy
- Encourage your children to send to their siblings



### **HS Halloween Dance** (Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup>)

- For HS students only, sponsored by the SGSC
- Held Saturday closest to Halloween
- Students must dress in costume
- Needs to be modest- no witches or gruesome costumes
- Prizes given for costumes

### **JHS All Saints Party** (Thursday, Oct. 31<sup>st</sup> 2:00 pm - 2:40 pm)

- All JHS students are invited to attend
- Sponsored by SGSC during 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> period
- Student must dress as saint, bible character or historical figure
- Those who do not dress up will have a study hall
- Watch the Sentinel for complete information

## **NOVEMBER**

### **50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala (Nov.1)**

- **Fox Chase Manor, Manassas,**
- See <https://setonschool.net/gala/>

### **All Souls Day Pilgrimage to Cemetery** (November 4<sup>th</sup>)

- Walk to the cemetery across from All Saints after Monday morning Mass during the All Saints Day octave (Nov. 2 - 9)
- Each homeroom class gathers at a different assigned grave and prays a decade of the rosary for the faithful departed
- Students return to All Saints and meet their rides to Seton

### **Spirit Week** (begins November 16 through November 23)

- Be on look out for a flyer
- Begins on the Friday before with class mural decorating-each choosing a different theme
- Encourage participation as much as possible, points are given for participation, classes are competing against one another
- Each class has a t-shirt that students buy in their class color
- One morning during the week is a pot luck breakfast ask your students what they're signed up for
- Concludes with **Christ the King Procession** (see below) and Spirit Assembly (**3:30 dismissal**) on Friday and the **Christ the King Dance** (see below) on Saturday.

### **Christ the King Procession** (Nov. 22)

- Begins with Mass at 10:45 AM. After Mass, the whole school will process around the block with the Blessed Sacrament under a canopy in honor of Christ the King.
- Families are welcome to attend.

### **Christ the King Dance** (Saturday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 7:00 - 9:45 pm)

- HS only, sponsored by the SGSC
- Girls wear nice semi-formal dresses. Must be approved. Guidelines will be in the Sentinel.
- Boys wear nice slacks, jackets and tie

### **3-on-3 Basketball Tournament** (Nov. 27)

- After school on the Wednesday before Thanksgiving
- Teams sign up for various divisions: Youth/JHS level, JV level or Adult/Varsity Level
- More details in announcements in November.
- Sign ups will be on the Athletic Board outside Mr.VW's office

### **Drives to help the needy**

- The student body sponsors penny wars or diaper drives or other activities to help the needy throughout the Fall

## **DECEMBER**

### **Kris Kringle better known as KK**

- Chosen in Religion Classes
- Encourage simple gifts
- Purpose to get them to think about someone else
- Do secret acts of kindness
- Encourage them to participate more than the last/final gift. Don't have to do daily but don't just do last day
- Encourage spiritual acts- stop in chapel, offer Mass on Mon or Fri
- Send small note: praying for, hope did well on test/ project
- Small gifts should be inexpensive
- Candy, lip balm, socks, Dollar store/Five Below
- Total cost of small gifts should not exceed cost of final gift (\$5-\$10)

**Senior Play** (Dec. 7 & 8): Details coming!

### **Saint Nick's Carnival** (Dec. 8)

- Notice goes in the Sentinel – occurs near Feast day
- Many grades run a game/craft booth
- Come and encourage others with young families to come
- St. Nicholas appears
- Adult help is also needed
- Counts for Mercy Hours
- Contact [Lbmoore7@gmail.com](mailto:Lbmoore7@gmail.com) for more information.

### **Christmas Baskets for the Faculty**

- Flyer is sent home around Thanksgiving
- Collection is divided among faculty and staff
- Families participate with monetary donation and/or can also provide baked goods
- See your flyer for more info or to volunteer to help

### **Good Neighbor Baskets**

- A few years ago one of our parents began this to keep good rapport with neighbors.
- Hospitality Committee assembles plants, baked goods, ornaments made in art classes
- Plea will be in Sentinel for bakers, baskets, and helpers
- Be aware these two baskets (Christmas and Good Neighbor) are separate - pay attention to dates and respond accordingly

### **Band/Chorus Concert** (December 18)

- Band and chorus performs during school and in evening

## **JANUARY**

**Midterms** (see page 3)

### **Second Semester begins after Midterms**

### **March for Life** (Friday, January 24<sup>th</sup>)

- Day off from school so you can attend
- Seton has place to meet - announced in Sentinel
- Can go on All Saints or own parish buses and meet up

### **Science Fair**

- High School: Wednesday, January 29
- Junior High School: Wednesday, February 5<sup>th</sup>
- All Biology and 7<sup>th</sup> grade Life science students participate in the science fair.

### **Dance for Medical Missionaries** (Saturday, January 25<sup>th</sup>)

- This dance is a major fundraiser for the Medical Missionaries Sponsored by the NHS (National Honor Society). It includes, dancing, games, activities, prizes and fun.
- This is open to both JHS and HS students.

## **FEBRUARY**

### **Homeless Trip**

- Students arrange a homeless trip. Sometimes this has taken place in different months. Details will be in the Sentinel.

### **Valentine Carnation** (Sponsored by the NHS)

- Students and parents can purchase carnations and write notes
- Encourage your children to send to their siblings
- Watch Sentinel for details

### **Spanish Language Holy Hour** (TBA - evening in Seton's chapel)

- Students, families, and community members are invited to come spend time with the Lord in Spanish.
- The Holy Hour is organized by Dual Enrollment, Spanish V and Heritage Spanish students.

### **Foreign Language Club week** (Feb. 25 - Mar. 4)

- Foreign Languages sell foods of their cultures.

## **MARCH**

### **Latin Certamen for all Levels of Latin:** (March 1<sup>st</sup> at 2:30 PM)

- The Certamen is the Latin Department's 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter project in which Latin I students participate in a lively competition sponsored by the upper level Latin classes. All Latin students are expected to attend. An alternate project will be given to those with scheduling conflicts.

### **Lenten Stations of the Cross & Soup Supper** (March 7<sup>th</sup>)

- A Friday during Lent held at Seton
- All families are invited and share a soup or side

### **Retreat** Boys: Monday, March 17<sup>th</sup>; Girls: Tuesday, March 18<sup>th</sup>

- Retreat will be split up into age groups. Other gender has day off.
- Encourage children to prepare mentally and spiritually
- Beautiful day of encountering Christ during Lent
- Great need for chaperones and parental involvement
- Watch the Sentinel for more details.

## **APRIL**

### **Seton Spring Musical** (see p. 7)

#### **NHS (National Honor Society) Inductions** (April 9)

- This is usually held the week between the two weekend performances of the Spring Musical. Requirements: GPA cum of 93, no more than 8 demerits the year before and no more than 6 demerits the year of induction. The students are invited by invitation to apply and undergo an interview process approximately 1 month before inductions.

#### **National Spanish Exam** (TBA)

- Spanish students will take the exam during their Spanish class periods at Seton in Stein.

#### **Junior/Parent College Meeting** (TBA)

The Guidance department sponsors a junior and junior parent college meeting to introduce the college process. It is mandatory.

## **MAY**

#### **Prom** (Friday, May 2)

- For Seton Juniors and Seniors and their guests. Guests may be non-Seton students but permission must be granted.
- Girls dresses must be approved. Guidelines will be in the Sentinel.

### **Seton Pilgrimage** (May 4)

- To Shrine of Elizabeth Ann Seton in Emmitsburg, MD
- 1st Sunday in May
- Joyful mysteries on the way up in the car
- Mass at 9:00 am,
- Luminous Mysteries after Mass,
- Picnic following at nearby park
- Sorrowful mysteries at Shrine cemetery at 1:00 pm,
- Glorious mysteries in car on the way home.
- All families are encouraged to attend

### **Teacher Appreciation Day** (May 6)

- NHS provides teachers with breakfast

### **May Crowning** (May 12)

- Monday after Mother's Day after 8:30 am Mass
- May Crowning Court selected by student body
- Everyone is welcome to attend

### **Band/Chorus Concert** (Wednesday, May 14)

- Band and chorus performs during school and in evening

### **Rent A Senior** (May 9)

- Students bid on April 24 for the senior of their choice and dress them up crazy or funny, make them sing or do something simple for them.
- Students can bid individually or in groups
- The money raised goes to the Senior Class who in turn gives a gift to Seton upon graduation.

### **Senior Banquet** (Monday, May 19)

- Seniors and their parents are guests. Juniors and their parents work the banquet. The banquet is held at Seton.

### **Finals** (see p. 3) (May 21 - May 30)

### **8<sup>th</sup> Grade Awards and Graduation** (May 29)

- Seventh graders receiving special awards will be invited and honored first. *(Then may leave if desired)*. Seventh graders may wear Activity dresscode or better.
- Academic awards and Eighth Grade Honor Roll certificates will be distributed at the beginning of the ceremony.
- 8th Grade Graduation follows
- Classroom Dress Code is in effect for 8<sup>th</sup> graders.

### **Senior Class Awards Night** (May 30)

- Seniors receive awards, but underclassmen receiving special awards will be invited.
- There is no prior notification that your student will receive an award but all Honor Roll students receive an award.
- Dresscode for all students is activity dress code or better.
- Scholarships are awarded - all Seniors are strongly encouraged to attend. Mr. & Miss Seton announced and other elected winners (e.g. most humorous, most school spirit etc.)

## **JUNE**

### **HS Graduation** (Monday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> at 5:30 pm)

- Held at All Saints on the first Monday in June.
- Begins with Mass followed by the graduation ceremonies.
- All are welcome to attend.

### **50<sup>th</sup> Celebration Mass** (Saturday, June 14<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM)

- Mass celebrated by Bishop Michael Burbidge
- All are welcome to attend

“Let His will of the present moment  
be the first rule of  
our daily life and work.”  
– *St. Elizabeth Ann Seton*