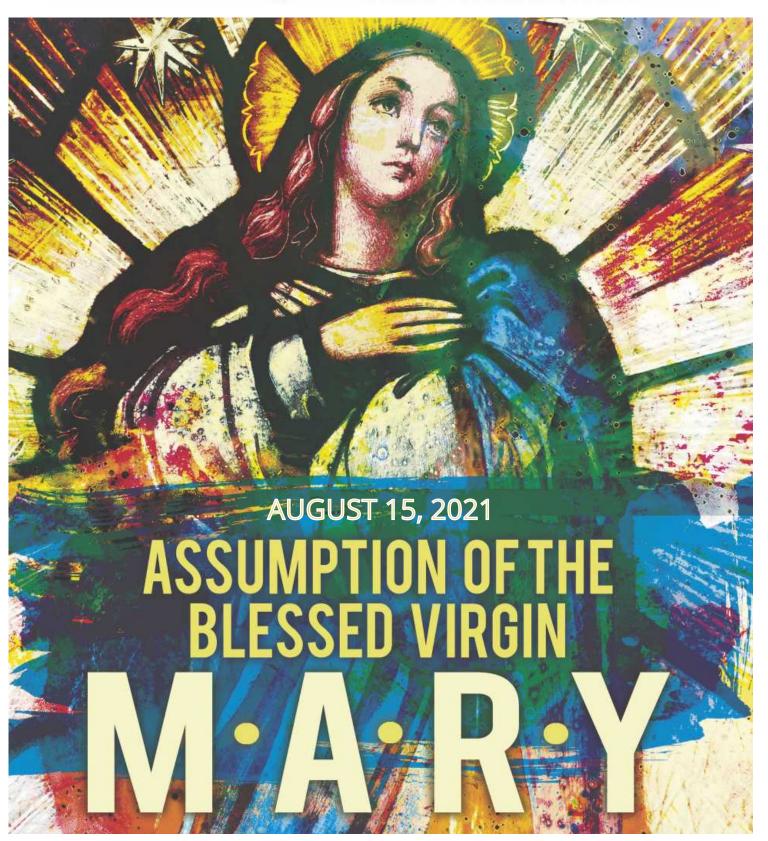
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# MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 4 pm

Sunday: 6am, 8am, 10am, Noon, 4pm and 6pm Daily Mass Mon-Sat: 8am (9am on pubic holidays)

# LIVE STREAM SCHEDULE

Sunday: 8am Mass

Daily Mass Mon-Sat: 8am (9am on pubic holidays)
24/7: The Eucharistic Presence of Christ in the
Tabernacle (except during Mass and when other
activities are happening in the church)

#### TV MASS

www.seaslv.org and on the CW Network Sunday Morning. Check your local listing.

# CHURCH SUMMER HOURS (through Labor Day)

Sunday: 5am-7:30pm Mon-Thurs: 7am-5pm

Fri: 7am-Noon

Saturday: 7am-5:30pm

# MORNING PRAYER

Returning Soon

**ROSARY** 

Mon-Sat: 7:25am

#### **CONFESSIONS**

Saturday: 8:45am-9:30am Also by appointment

# EUCHARISTIC ADORATION IN THE MATER DEI DAY CHAPEL

Temporarily Closed - Reopening Soon

# SUMMER OFFICE HOURS (through Labor Day)

Mon-Thurs: 9am-5pm; Closed 12pm-1pm

Fri: 9am-Noon

Saturday: 9am-4pm; Closed 12pm-1pm

# SUMMER GIFT SHOP HOURS (through Labor Day)

Mon-Thurs: 9am-5pm; Closed 12pm-1pm

Fri: 9am-Noon

Saturday: 9am-5:30pm;

Closed 12pm-1pm & during 4pm Mass

Sunday: 7am-7:30pm;

Closed during all Masses and 2pm-3pm

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# St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church is honored to host the DIOCESE OF LAS VEGAS ANNUAL MASS OF SENDING FOR OUR SEMINARIANS Monday, August 16, 2021, at 6:00 p.m.



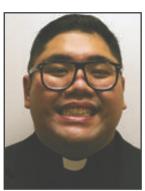
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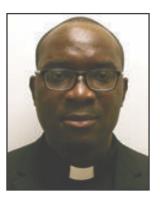
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Join our own Bishop George Leo Thomas, many of the clergy of our diocese, our present and future seminarians and their families and friends, and other Catholics from around the Diocese of Las Vegas as we gather to give thanks to God for the vocations he has given to us and as we show our support for them on their journeys toward priesthood! After the Mass, please join us in the parish hall for fellowship, light food and beverages and an opportunity to meet our Seminarians.

# WEEKLY PRAYER

# READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 15, 2021

**Sunday:** Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2; Ps 132:6-7, 9-10,

13-14 [8]; 1 Cor 15:54b-57; Lk 11:27-28 Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16 [10bc]; 1 Cor 15:20-27;

Lk 1:39-56

Monday: Jgs 2:11-19; Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40, 43ab and 44 [4a];

Mt 19:16-22

**Tuesday:** Jgs 6:11-24a; Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14 [cf. 9b]; Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15; Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [2a]; Mt 20:1-16

**Thursday:** Igs 11:29-39a; Ps 40:5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10 [8a and 9a]; Mt 22:1-14

Friday: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Ps 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a,

9bc-10 [1b]; Mt 22:34-40

**Saturday:** Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17; Ps 128:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [4]; Mt 23:1-12

Next Sunday: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b; Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21,

22-23 [9a]; Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32; Jn 6:60-69

# OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 15, 2021

**Sunday:** The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Monday: St. Stephen of Hungary

Tuesday:

Wednesday:

Thursday: St. John Eudes, Priest

Friday: St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church

Saturday: St. Pius X, Pope

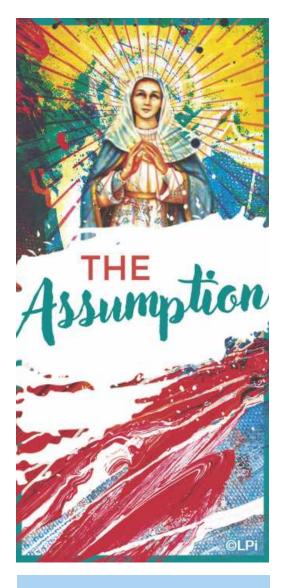
Next Sunday: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

# LIVE THE LITURGY

# Inspiration for the week

Good mothers have a way of bringing their children hope. When we fall and hurt ourselves, our mothers can help us walk the path of healing. There is hope that we will get better and the trust that we have in mom's comforting assurance allows us to move forward. Mothers know instinctively what we need and what we are capable of doing. They can be one of our biggest cheerleaders in life, and even when facing despair, can point the way to a brighter tomorrow. Our Blessed Mother does precisely that for us today. As one closest to our Lord, she cheers us on with the hope of what life will be for all of us. Although given the unique distinction of being raised in both body and soul, she nonetheless points to our true eternal destiny. Achieving this inheritance overrides any disappointment and her intercession and example inspires us to pick ourselves up when we fall. Always a mother filled with grace and hope, she calls us to reaffirm our faith in God and in the gifts we have each been given as we persevere even in the midst of life's challenges and failures.

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# ALTAR FLOWERS

This weekend's altar flowers were donated by
Sister Na, Sister Agnes, and Sister Theresa from the Congregation of the Lovers of the Holy Cross of Go Vap in gratitude for the kindness shown to them by the SEAS parish community.

#### FIRST READING

A great sign appeared in the sky, a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon beneath her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars. (Rev 12:1)

#### **PSALM**

The queen takes her place at your right hand, arrayed in gold. (Ps 45)

#### SECOND READING

So Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. (1 Cor 15:20)

#### GOSPEL

"From this day all generations will call me blessed: the Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his Name." (Lk 1:48-49)

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# WEDNESDAY DAILY MASSES CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC

Beginning Wednesday, August 18, and until further notice, the 8am Mass on Wednesdays will be reserved for the SEAS School students and faculty and will **not be open to the public**. Thank you for understanding.

# **WORSHIP & MEDITATION**

# GOSPEL MEDITATION THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

# A Deeper Understanding of Scripture

They are courageous, wise women who ground us, focus us, and inspire us. They are the good mothers who walk with us and light our way. They teach us life lessons and help us heal and navigate through challenges and difficulties. We need people to point the way. Sometimes, these wise ladies are not our biological mothers but women in our lives, who through their strong and faithful presence, anchor us and remind us that we are loved. We need these women. Human beings do their best when they have cheerleaders in their lives. They show us that even when facing despair there is always a brighter tomorrow.

Jesus needed his mother. She had to be that faithful anchor, that guiding presence, in his life. Jesus needed to be affirmed and encouraged just like any other human being and Mary had to be there, right by his side, doing precisely that. Even when her heart was pierced as he was nailed to a tree, she did not give up hope. Most certainly, she continued to wait, watch, hope, and love until he took his final breath. That's what mothers do. Even when their heart breaks, they persevere.

Today, our Blessed Mother is our cheerleader once again. Taken up to heaven in body and soul, she points to and directs us toward our final destiny. Life eternal waits! Any disappointment, fear, or anxiety can be set aside as she gently reassures us of God's love and promise. Always a mother filled with grace and hope, she calls us to reaffirm our faith in God and in the gifts we have each been given. We can persevere and do what we need to do to live life well, with faith, hope, and love as our guiding lights. Knowing who we are and who we will one day become helps us to better chart the course and direction of our earthly lives. Looking to the example of our Blessed Mother, we receive the assurance we need.

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# ACTING ON FAITH - RECOGNIZING THE STRANGER TRAINING

Join Nevadans for the Common Good (NCG) in partnership with the Diocese of Las Vegas and the Catholic Campaign for Human Development to learn about the principles of Catholic Social Teaching and gain tools to engage the life of the parish and the world.

This training will include 1) A session on Catholic Social Teaching and 2) Training on "house meetings"—a strategy for listening and acting in our parish and community. The event will be in both Spanish and English. Register at:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e044da4a82ba7fa7-recognizing

# LITURGICAL LIFE

# PRESIDER MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 8/14

8am † Natividad Dulay &

† Crescensia Mosquito

4pm † Joan Tarantino

Sunday 8/15

6am † Laurie Fonseca 8am SEAS Parishioners 10am Pray for All Souls 12pm † Edwin Abreu 4pm † Virgilio Soriano

6pm † Christina & † Carlita Paris

Monday 8/16

8am † Kathryn & † John Janura

Tuesday 8/17

8am † Pacito & Manuel Mina

Wednesday 8/18

8am † Souls in Purgatory

Thursday 8/19

8am † Juan & † Marcelina Zavala

Friday 8/20

8am † Souls in Purgatory

Saturday 8/21

8am † Catalina Bermudez 4pm † Thedia Tan &

† Stephen Tan

Sunday 8/22

6am † Sophie & Albert Holland, Sr.

8am † Benjamin &

Demetria Balingit

10am † Esther Castro 12pm † Cherrie Cadiz 4pm SEAS Parishioners

6pm † Patricia & † Anthony Winter

# Scheduling an Intention

Schedule a Presider's Mass Intention in the gift shop or call the church receptionist at 702-228-8311. These intentions are prayed for silently by the priest at Mass and are not announced during Mass.

# QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

# Reflect and Respond to Scripture

# First Reading:

We hear in Proverbs how we are called to participate in divine wisdom. Who do you see as a wisdom figure in your life?

# Second Reading:

Paul sees one pathway to wisdom is to avoid evil, ignorance, and drunkenness, and be filled rather with gratitude. For what in your life should you be grateful?

# Gospel:

How do you understand Jesus' assertion: "Unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you."

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# WHY DO WE DO THAT?

# **Catholic Life Explained**

Question: What are we celebrating on the

Feast of the Assumption of Mary?

**Answer:** The Assumption, along with the Immaculate Conception, are two Marian dogmas that have been infallibly defined by the church. The Assumption proclaims the reality that Mary was taken up body and soul into heaven. This was God's special gift to her in response to her total giving of self to God's plan and will.

The church believes that Mary was immaculately conceived, that is, conceived without original sin. This led the church to believe that she did not suffer one of the key consequences of original sin, death and corruption. The Orthodox Church celebrates the Dormition of Mary, the belief that Mary did not die but rather fell asleep and was thus assumed into heaven.

What significance does this feast have for our lives as Christians today? This feast is above all an assurance and hope of our continued life with God. Modeling ourselves on Jesus and living the Christian life molded by Jesus' values is certainly the sure path to God. As a result, God will not leave us orphaned or alone to suffer the emptiness of death. Rather, we believe that death is merely a transformation of our present state into an even more glorious and eternal relationship with God.

This is the hope and assurance that Mary's assumption celebrates. It is a celebration of our assumption as well. She is one of us, providing a model of what God has in store for all who love and give of themselves to God.

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# **EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP**



#### WWMD?

WWJD bracelets were all the rage about 25 years ago in Christian circles. I've always wondered if a WWMD bracelet might not make just as much sense, and maybe more. What Would Mary Do?

I would argue that Mary was the most exemplary steward who ever lived. Her answer was always "Yes." Yes, Lord, I am Your handmaiden. Yes, I will visit Elizabeth, and help her in the last difficult months of pregnancy. Yes, I will bring my son up in the Mosaic law and present him at the Temple of Jerusalem. Yes, I will give him to the crowds and to public ministry. Yes, I will offer him on this Cross, if it is Your will.

Yes, yes, yes.

Well, I can't be like Mary, we think to ourselves. There's an intimidation factor with the Blessed Mother and Catholics sometimes—one that almost exceeds that of Christ. Perhaps it's because we are in awe of the fact that she was not divine in any way—she was a mere creation, like us—but somehow, she always had the courage to say yes. How could she do it, when we find it so hard?

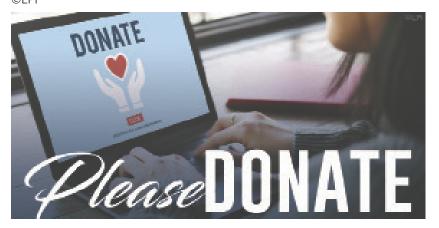
Well, God certainly lavished on Mary extraordinary graces. Her lack of original sin liberated her to conform her will to God's.

But God is impatient to give us, too, all the graces we need to be a steward in the example of Mary. He's waiting for us simply to ask. Just as in Adam we died, so in Christ—through Mary we live.

What can we say yes to today, in Mary's example?

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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# PARISH GIVING

#### WEEKLY OFFERTORY

July 31 - August 1, 2021

ONLINE	\$11,589.58
ENVELOPES/CHECKS	\$ 17,759.00
ANNONYMOUS/CASH	\$ 4,009.00
MAILED IN	<u>\$ 14,287.98</u>
TOTAL	\$ 47,645.56

"IN GIVING, WE RECEIVE" \$ 953.00 Parish Stewardship gift to St. Christopher Church

MAINTENANCE FUND \$ 1,643.00

# **Upcoming Special Collections**

August 15 - Assumption of Mary August 22 - Diocese of Las Vegas Rural Parish Appeal

September 19 - Seminary and Clergy
Education & Development



# Online Giving

Giving online allows you to make onetime contributions or create a profile and set up automatic recurring contributions. Scan the QR Code above or go to www.seaslv.org. It's that easy!

# Give by Text

Text **702-978-7462** with the amount you would like to give. Example: \$25. Make sure to include the dollar sign before the amount and within seconds you'll receive a text with a link to register.

# **STEWARDSHIP**



# CATHOLIC STEWARDSHIP APPEAL (CSA) Update as of August 8, 2021

* Parish Goal	\$3.	23,685.00
* Amount Pledged	\$3	67,372.15
* Cash / Payments Received	\$3	30,488.15
* Rebate to SEAS So Far	\$	6,803.15
* Number of Donors		673

Yah!! Enough cash and pledge payments have been received that we can officially say we've exceeded our monetary goal for the 2021 CSA! Now, all payments and additional contributions received will be refunded to our parish! This diocesan appeal continues throughout the year so if you haven't made your 2021 CSA contribution yet, you can still do so. Each week, a few more pledges and contributions are made. Thank you for keeping stewardship as a way of life!



# More New Items in the Gift Shop

Finally! Our brown scapulars have arrived! Also, stop by and see our new books and bibles. We also have new rosaries, medals and religious CDs including recordings of The Rosary in English and Spanish. Also available are the monthly prayer periodicals *Give Us This Day* and *Magnificat*. And to beat the heat, we now carry \$1 bottles of cold water. If we didn't have something you were looking for in the past, make sure to stop back. We have new items coming out daily. Thank you!

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# Children's Faith Formation Begins September 28

We are currently taking registrations for the 2021-2022 year for Children's Faith Formation age 3 through grade 8. Register at <a href="https://www.seaslv.org">www.seaslv.org</a> under the Faith Formation tab - Children Age 3 through Grade 8, or come into the Faith Formation Office, located next to the SEAS School office, Monday through Thursday, 9am-4pm; closed daily from 12:30pm-1:30pm .

# Confirmation Registration is Open

Confirmation registration for the 2021-2022 year is open. Register youth in grades 9-12 at <a href="www.seaslv.org">www.seaslv.org</a> under the Faith Formation for All Ages tab. Questions? Contact the Youth and Young Adult Ministry at <a href="mailto:seasym@seaslv.org">seasym@seaslv.org</a> or 702-804-8313.

# Children's Faith Formation Needs Catechists

Would you like to take part in the great privilege of forming the hearts and minds of future generations in the Catholic faith? Our parish faith formation program relies on the dedicated and generous service of volunteers who serve as catechists and assistants. We provide the support and education for all new catechists. If you wish to inquire about being a catechist, fill out the application under the *Faith Formation for Children Age 3 through Grade 8* tab at <a href="www.seaslv.org">www.seaslv.org</a>. For more information contact the Children's Faith Formation office at <a href="mailto:Faithformation@seaslv.org">Faithformation@seaslv.org</a> or 702-804-8306.



# THANK YOU from the Human Concerns Ministry

The Human Concerns Ministry would like to thank everyone who donated supplies and volunteered to make our Backpack & School Supply Drive and our July Food Pantry and Golden Groceries food distributions a SUCCESS!

- Back Packs & Supplies to 88 students
- Golden Groceries in July to 97 Seniors age 60 and older
- Food Pantry
   Distribution in July to 180 families

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Next and Final "Living the Beatitudes" Bible Study Class Will Meet the Week of August 23

# Topic: "Blessed are the Pure of Heart"

In this beatitude, Jesus reminds us that nothing should distract us from God. It challenges us to have a single-hearted commitment to God and to God's will.

St. Thomas More (from the movie A Man for All Seasons) will be our guide as we explore what it means to be people of faith-filled integrity. This class will be held on Monday, August 23 (6:30pm - 8pm) and repeated on Wednesday, August 25 (9:30am - 11am). Come to the parish hall classrooms—no cost, no registration. Questions? Contact Marcie Wilske at <a href="mailto:mwilske@seaslv.org">mwilske@seaslv.org</a> or 702-804-8370.

# **NEW** Bible Study Coming in September:

# Women in the Old Testament

While the men of the Old Testament often garner the most attention, the women of the Old Testament also have much to share. They are mothers and wives, queens and slaves, prophets and warriors, powerful women and victims—each playing a powerful role in God's story of salvation found in Sacred Scripture. Sessions for this 10-week study begin the week of Septmeber 13, and will be held Mondays (6:30pm-8:00 pm) and repeated Wednesdays (9:30am-11:00am) in the parish hall classrooms. Wednesday sessions will also be live-streamed. The cost of \$25 includes a commentary and study guide. Register at <u>seasly.org</u> or in the gift shop. For more information, contact Marcie Wilske at mwilske@seaslv.org or 702-804-8370.

# Fr. McShane's Bible Book Club Postponed

Fr. McShane's weekly Bible Book Club which was scheduled to reconvene on August 16 after a long haiatus during COVID, has been postponed. The new start-up date will be announced soon.

Congratulations, Sister Na, and the Congregation of the Lovers of the Holy Cross

On Saturday, July 10, 2021, our beloved Sisters Theresa, Na, and Agnes, gathered with the Sisters from their United States Congregation of the Lovers

of the Holy Cross to celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton (SEAS) Church followed by a reception in the parish hall. The gathering highlighted 2 very special occasions—Sister Na's 25th Anniversary in Religious Life and the 350th Anniversary of the Founding of the Congregation of the Lovers of the Holy Cross.

The Congregation of the Lovers of the Holy Cross was established in Vietnam in 1670, to carry out the mission of love, sacrifice, and service. Their founder, Bishop Lambert de la Motte, had planted in the heart of the Vietnamese Church a spirituality centered on Christ Crucified on the Cross. This spirituality became a strong driving force and the motivation for hundreds of thousands of faithful Vietnamese Catholics who have professed their faith during almost 300 years of persecution.

The sisters, together with the Vietnamese Church, experienced a painful history. During these difficult times, the sisters played a vital role in the communication between the bishops and priests, baptized infants, helped the faithful hide in convents, and visited and brought Communion to priests and prisoners. During the persecution, many convents were destroyed, thousands of sisters were dispersed, and many sisters died for their faith.

Today, there are 30 congregations: 24 in Vietnam, 3 in Thailand, 1 in Laos, 1 in Cambodia, and 1 in the United States. There are nearly 9,000 Sisters of the Lovers of the Holy Cross, not including more than 1,000 novices and postulants (one seeking admission into a religious order).

Sister Na has belonged to the Lovers of the Holy Cross since high school, and she credits her parents for her vocation. As a young child she would attend Mass every day with her father and watch him teach religious education to the older children. While watching him, she longed to be like him—to be the one standing at the front of the room teaching others about God.

As a teenager, Sister Na's faith continued to grow. One



Pictured above: Sister Na (middle) with Sister Theresa (left) and Sister Agnes (right).

day when she was in high school, her pastor asked the students if anyone had the desire to become a priest or religious sister. Sister Na said, "Yes!" Her pastor, who was also the chaplain for the Congregation of the Lovers of the Holy Cross, thought the congregation would be a good fit for Sister Na. Most girls did not pursue religious life until after completing high school, but Sister Na's strong faith and enthusiasm for the vocation was evident, and her pastor encouraged and guided her to the congregation. Because of her young age, Sister Na's father was hesitant to allow her to go, but her mother, who already had a number of priests and religious sisters on her side of the family, was very supportive and took Sister Na to the convent.

In January 2013, Fr. Bede Wevita, then pastor of SEAS, took a mission trip to Vietnam with Bishop Joseph Pepe and Fr. Đong Minh Quang, then Rector of Our Lady of La Vang Shrine in Las Vegas—home to approximately 500 registered Catholic Vietnamese families. During their trip, they visited the motherhouse of the Lovers of the Holy Cross community in Ho Chi Minh City where more than 700 professional sisters reside. Bishop Pepe invited the sisters to expand their congregation to Las Vegas to help the Vietnamese speaking Catholics within the diocese. Fr. Bede, noticing their many skills, assured them that if they spoke English, he could most definitely use their talents at SEAS. Shortly thereafter, the invitation was accepted, and their congregation purchased a home near the SEAS campus which is now Our Lady of La Vang Las Vegas Convent.

Sister Na is considered the Local Superior of the convent. She and Sisters Theresa and Agnes are also on staff at SEAS and receive a stipend for the various duties they perform for the parish. In addition to their staff responsibility of caring for the church environment, they volunteer as Eucharistic Ministers of Holy Communion and sacristans during Sunday liturgies and daily Mass. They also visit the sick and homebound in the community.

Although Sister Na came to Las Vegas in 2013, she has been in the United Stated since 2005, when she and her mother, father, and 8 of her 10 siblings moved to South Carolina. From there she was appointed to a congregation in Seattle, then to a congregation in Connecticut before coming to Las Vegas. She has a master's degree in psychology and is currently working toward a degree in education. She loves children—loves babysitting and caring for little ones—and would like to one day teach in a Catholic school. In her spare time she enjoys singing and playing the piano/organ.

As Sister Na thinks about her future, she hopes to remain in Las Vegas—here at SEAS—and to spend more time ministering to the poor. She also recognizes the need to spend more time in prayer. "During the pandemic, I learned even more the importance of being with family, but also the importance of being with God and spending more time with God in prayer. We have to listen to know what he wants us to do."

As Sister Na reflects on the past 25 years of Religous Life, she says:

"God is the source of all perfection. He has unveiled his power and love upon me during my 25 years of Religious Life. On this faith journey, many times there was a single set of footprints marked on the seaside walkway for me to follow. However, the Lord patiently



Pictured above: Sister Na at the piano. Pictured below: Sisters of the Lovers of the Holy Cross from around the United States gather at SEAS on July 10, 2021. Also pictured are Bishop Thomas, Bishop Gordon, Bishop Pepe, Fr. Jim Jankowski, and Fr. Dominic Nguyen, CSSR.

carried me on his mighty and merciful shoulders. As a member the Congregation of the Lovers of the Holy Cross, I have come to a deeper understanding of the words, "When one falls, another helps her up." This means, without my loving sisters, I would not be who I am today. I wish to thank my parents, my entire family, my dear friends, and benefactors. I hold each one of you in my heart and my daily prayers. May God bless you with good health, love, and peace.

To the parishioners of SEAS, I truly feel blessed deep down in my heart to be here, and I thank you for welcoming me and my sisters. I thank Fr. Jim and the staff who have been very kind to us. I am blessed to be part of the Lovers of the Holy Cross of Go Vap, and I am blessed to have been brought up in a good, faithfilled family. But most of all, I am blessed because God loves me and gave me life. My soul proclaims the goodness of the Lord! After 25 years, I am BLESSED!" †



# LOOKING AHEAD

# MONDAY, AUGUST 16 FIRST DAY OF SEAS SCHOOL

8am Daily Mass; also live-streamed
3:30-5pm Volunteers assist in Food Pantry
6pm Mass of Sending Forth for
Diocese of Las Vegas Seminarians
with reception afterward in the
parish hall, also live-streamed

# TUESDAY, AUGUST 17

8am Daily Mass, also live-streamed

# WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18

8am Daily Mass with SEAS School Students, NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC but will be live-streamed

# THURSDAY, AUGUST 19

8am Daily Mass, also live-streamed

# FRIDAY, AUGUST 20

8am Daily Mass, also live-streamed
9am Rosary Makers, parish hall
\* The church, parish offices and gift shop close at Noon on Fridays through Labor Day

# SATURDAY, AUGUST 21

8am Daily Mass, also live-streamed
8:30am Men's Prayer Group,
parish hall conference room
8:45-9:30am Confessions, church
9-11:30am Food Distribution, parish hall
12:30pm Visitation & 1pm Funeral Mass
for Louis German
4pm Vigil celebrating the 21st Sunday
in Ordinary Time
5pm Indonesian Mass & Reception,
Mater Dei Chapel

# SUNDAY, AUGUST 22 21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass Times:

6am, 8am, 10am, Noon, 4pm & 6pm (8am Mass is also live-streamed at <u>seaslv.org</u>)

10am-12pm Volunteers help in Food Pantry



# Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

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Our next RCIA sessions begin the week of September 23, 2021. For more information, please fill out the Adult Faith Formation Registration form at <a href="https://www.seaslv.org">www.seaslv.org</a> under the FAITH FORMATION FOR ALL AGES tab. You may also contact Helen Silva at <a href="https://www.seaslv.org">hsilva@seaslv.org</a> (702-804-8351.





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Call the parish office at 702-228-8311 if you need to receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick at home or in a hospital. For assistance after hours or on Sundays, call the answering service at 702-388-9571. A priest will be notified and will contact you directly. The Sacrament is also offered communally within the Mass. Watch the bulletin for upcoming Anointing of the Sick Masses, scheduled on a quarterly basis.

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In case of hospitalization, inform the hospital staff that you are Catholic and would like to receive Communion.

# Funeral Ministry

In the event of a death of a loved one, please contact the Funeral Ministry at 702-403-8416 BEFORE making arrangements with any of the professional services. Pre-planning is also available.

# Sacrament of Baptism

Please contact Pastoral Associate for Family and Parish Life Maureen Sisto at <a href="mailto:msisto@seaslv.org">msisto@seaslv.org</a> (702-804-8321).

# Sacrament of Matrimony

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# Vocations

Vocations please consult with one of the priests.

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To have the names of loved ones as well as special intentions for inclusion in Masses and prayers in our Parish Chest of Prayers, visit our website at <a href="https://www.seaslv.org">www.seaslv.org</a> and click on the Parish Chest of Prayers tab in the menu bar. Fill out and submit the form and we will make sure your intentions are placed in the prayer chest. You can also call the church office at 702-228-8311.



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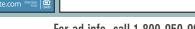
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