

Education you can believe in



at Our Lady of Lourdes † Saint Anne



At Seton Catholic School, we believe that each child is made in the image of God. Our Catholic education strives to help mold every individual into the finest, fullest human being. We guide students in the love and service of others and educate spiritually, physically, intellectually, emotionally and socially. And we understand the importance and interconnectedness of home, school and faith community.

Seton is a community of educators – faculty, staff and educators – dedicated to the common goal of providing the best faith-based education and learning for each student. We focus on providing education that you – and your child – can truly believe in.

#### Our philosophy/mission statement is one of belief -



### In Academics, We Believe...

- In challenging each student to develop his or her own intellectual potential
- In assessing and adapting programs to maintain academic excellence and promote lifelong learning



#### Concerning Community, We Believe...

- Mind, body and spirit are nurtured through classroom and extracurricular activities that develop teamwork, fitness and creativity
- In helping students become responsible, caring individuals who are accountable for their actions
- That providing and receiving a Catholic education requires a commitment and sacrifice that is shared by parents, families, educators, parishioners and alumni



#### Spiritually, We Believe...

- Children are a blessing from God
- In the dignity and value of each child, as they are created in the image of God
- In helping students develop a personal relationship with God
- In instilling the Catholic world view by integrating Christian values – such as faith, love, hope, courage, reconciliation and justice – into our curriculum

#### Elizabeth Ann Seton: The First American Saint

Our namesake, Elizabeth Ann Seton, was a nineteenth century woman of great faith and compassion. She played a vital, early role in establishing Catholic education in the United States during the early 1800s.

well as challenged to do her or his best. In 1975, Elizabeth Seton was canonized by the Catholic Church and became the first Her life and ideals continue to inspire Seton Catholic School.



### Our Faculty and Staff:

#### The Soul of Seton

Creative. Energetic. Skilled. Caring. Experienced. Knowledgeable. Words that perfectly describe the faculty and staff at Seton. Each teacher at Seton -

- Creates a loving, learning environment while reinforcing the positive influence of family
- Is dedicated to helping each child grow and succeed intellectually and spiritually
- Is New York State certified, with all holding advanced degrees
- Receives strong support from our principal, learning specialists, school nurse and office staff
- Considers the opportunity to teach a sacred trust

Seton benefits from the support of two parishes, Our Lady of Lourdes and St. Anne's. Lourdes' pastor and other local clergy visit Seton often, providing special liturgies and religious instruction. Our entire student body attends special daytime masses throughout the school year.









## A Rich Tapestry of Learning Academics and Academic Intervention Services

Seton Catholic School encompasses grades Kindergarten through sixth. Our curriculum meets all requirements of Diocesan Catholic Schools, exceeds those established by the NYS Education Department, and is aligned with the NYS Common Core Standards. Seton is also accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools. Complete Title 1 tutoring is available, providing quality, supplementary academic instruction to students in need of this assistance.

On a more personalized level, Seton is blessed with a rich tapestry of learning programs from art to language arts to social studies and beyond. Students in all grades participate in field trips, interactive learning experiences, computer labs, visiting school activities and other exceptional educational opportunities that broaden their horizons and help develop specialized interests for the future.

#### Programs and Courses at Seton

Art

Handwriting

Language Arts

Math

Music

Physical Education

Reading

Religion

Science and Health

Social Studies

Spelling

Technology



# Education That's *In* the Spirit and *Of* the Spirit

A Seton experience helps children nurture their spiritual selves and develop core beliefs. Daily religious instruction and outreach projects engage our students and reinforce values and the importance of service to society and to others. Education at Seton is truly "spirited" in many ways -

- · Sixth graders undertake a service project creating and selling products with all proceeds going to local charities
- · All grade levels participate annually in charitable activities on local, national and international levels
- Other annual school-wide charitable undertakings raise money for research, the less fortunate, the homeless, and other worthy causes
- Special liturgical celebrations take place throughout the year, with students taking on active roles as liturgy planners, lectors and cantors

In the spirit of exceptional education, each student receives individual, personalized attention while daily homework aids discipline, focus and development of a sound work ethic.

- Students participate in national standardized tests
- Grades 3 through 6 take NYS exams in January and June
- · Scores rank comparatively with highly-regarded local public schools







#### The Religious Experience

All students participate in our daily prayer each morning. The involvement sets the tone for the school day and helps ground students by reminding them of the things that are most important in life.

Once a month, all students, faculty and staff attend our full-school mass and this experience provides the opportunity to connect with God and the positive, uplifting values that epitomize the Seton experience.









#### Welcoming All Children of God

We warmly welcome students of all races, nationalities, religions and ethnicities. Catholic doctrine education and faith community where their children attend school.

# Building Community Through Parental and Student Participation

At Seton, our community is both faith and learning based, and we realize the importance of providing extracurricular activities that become part of our educational tapestry. Parent involvement is extremely critical to our success in these areas.

Parents provide Seton with a framework of support that helps all children here to grow, succeed and enjoy new experiences. Parents volunteer as -

- Accountants
- · Cooks/Chefs
- Parent Association Members and

- Artists
- Fundraisers
  - Leaders
- Club/Activity Leaders
- Gardeners
- Writers
- Painters

Coaches

And that's just the beginning. We have over 60 opportunities for parent involvement.

Seton parents do come together with enthusiastic support, cooperation and spirit, organizing and making things happens at annual Seton events, including -

- Dinner and Auction "BLAST"
- Seton Family Picnic
- Golf Tournament

Without the help and expertise of parents, many of our extracurricular activities for students would not be possible. They truly put the "unity" in our community!



#### Sports and Activities

Seton School offers sports and activities for both boys and girls, including -

Clubs are also an integral part of our experience. A few of the current groups -

Art Club • Board Game Club • Lego League/Club • Science Club Chess Club • Drama • Scouting • Music Lessons

Seton Scoop (a student-written, designed and published newsletter)



# Programs for Many Ages, Hours and Opportunities

#### Seton Pre-School

- Morning and afternoon sessions; 8:45 a.m. 11:45 a.m. and noon - 2:30 p.m., Monday - Friday
- Nationally accredited program that nurtures the whole child
- Experienced early childhood educators
- Wide variety of activities in a secure, caring setting
- Features developmentally appropriate, creative, fun-filled learning-through-play experiences

#### Seton Day Care and Extended Day Programs

- Flexible, wraparound pre- and post-school on-site day care; 7:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Monday - Friday
- After school, extended-day program operated by trained educators; 2:15 p.m. - 6:00 p.m., Monday - Friday
- · Offers low-key recreational activities and unstructured time
- Students can finish homework and receive assistance, computers available

#### Summer Fun Days/Camp

- Summer day camp for students entering grades 1 – 6, offered from late June through mid-August; Monday – Friday
- Activities include swimming, sports, field trips, arts and crafts, computer skills and others





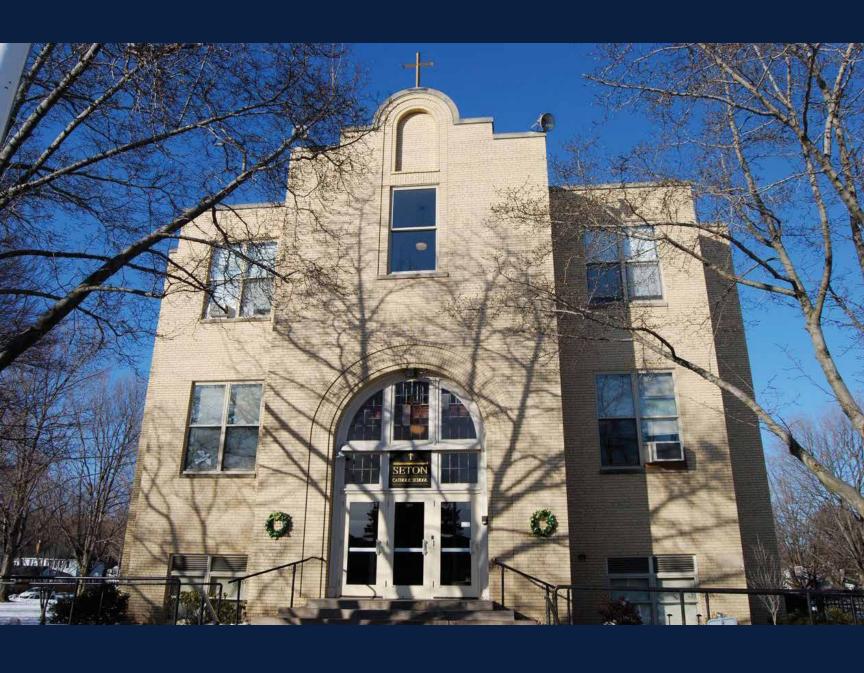






### Experience Education You Can Believe In

We invite prospective Seton community members – parents and children – to visit our school and learn more about all the advantages of education you can believe in. Please call **585.473.6604** or e-mail to **scoffice@rochester.rr.com** to arrange a convenient time. You can also learn more at our Website: **www.seton.dorschools.org**.





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