



SETON

SHRINE

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VISITOR CENTER

THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF
SAINT ELIZABETH ANN SETON

THE FIRST AMERICAN-BORN

SAINT

Some would say that Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton is not a typical saint. She was married, a mother of five, later widowed, and born Protestant, not Catholic. In that spirit of distinction, she went on despite hardship and loss to found the first community of religious Sisters in the United States and, only a year later, founded its first free Catholic school for girls.

By telling her story, the Seton Shrine aims to enrich and inspire the lives of all who visit. Her legacy of hospitality and charity are continued here, especially by the Sisters who serve others as she did throughout her truly remarkable life.

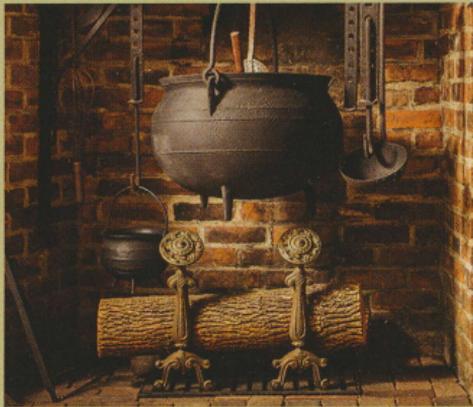
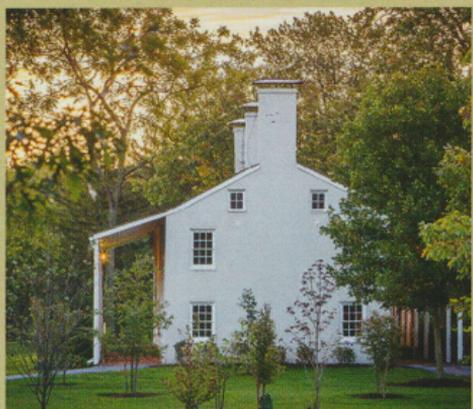


Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton (1774-1821)
Mother + Convert + Educator + Founder

SACRED HEART HEALTH SYSTEM, FL

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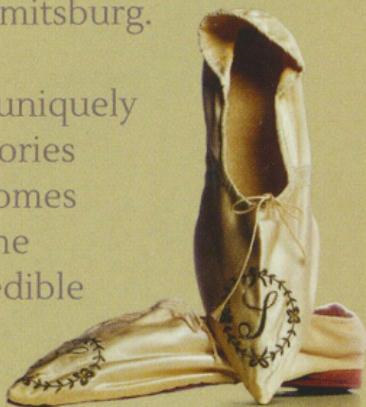
St. Elizabeth's Health System



DISCOVER HER STORY

Visit the museum, and with the help of illustrations, anecdotes, a narrative video and a variety of artifacts, learn about Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton's lifelong journey – through wealth and poverty, across an ocean and back again, and ultimately to a life of service and charity here in Emmitsburg.

A tour of the grounds offers a uniquely historical perspective to the stories told in the museum. See the homes where she lived, walk where she walked, and discover the incredible impact she had on the lives of others.



Just upstairs from the museum, the Basilica is a captivatingly beautiful tribute to Mother Seton.



INSPIRATION
FOR ALL

A PRESIDENTIAL

GIFT



When Pope Francis visited the White House, the President presented him with an original key to the home of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton. The gift, on behalf of the American people, honored both Pope Francis and Mother Seton – a fitting tribute for two people who have so strongly advocated for the poor and marginalized, and have opened the doors for others to do the same.

CIVIL WAR CONNECTION

In June 1863, some troops of the Union Army camped here in Emmitsburg on the eve of the Battle of Gettysburg. The Sisters would come to be tested in ways they couldn't imagine, as they were drawn into service feeding the hungry and caring for the wounded on both sides. The Shrine is just a short drive from Gettysburg and offers a unique opportunity to learn of the Sisters' contributions during the Civil War.



VISITOR INFORMATION, TOURS & RETREATS:

The Basilica, Museum, Visitor Center and shop are open daily 10 am - 4:30 pm. Special evening hours on Wednesdays 6 pm - 7:30 pm.

Guided tours of her historic homes are available daily on the hour at 10 am, 11 am, 1 pm, 2 pm, and 3 pm. Please call 301-447-6606 for availability.

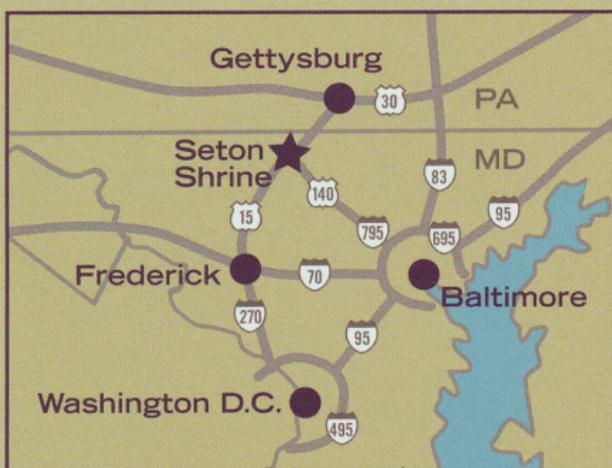
Grounds open daily dawn to dusk. After hours, visitors can self-tour the grounds and listen to audio recordings at her historic homes and the chapel in our cemetery. Admission and parking are free.

- Group tours are welcome; reservations are requested to accommodate your needs. Contact 301-447-7050 for more information.
- For retreat information, contact 301-447-6981.

SETON SHRINE SHOP: A gift shop is located in the Visitor Center. Shop online at www.setonshrine.org/shop for the latest merchandise updates and offers.

MASS: Monday through Friday and Sunday at 1:30 pm. Confessions before Mass from 12:15 pm - 1:15 pm.

NATIONAL SHRINE GROTTO: The National Shrine Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes at Mount Saint Mary's University is located 2 miles south of the Seton Shrine and is also a popular destination. Many travelers plan on visiting both Shrines in one day. For more information about the Grotto, please call 301-447-5318, or visit www.MSMGrotto.org.



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