

Dear Prefix First Name Last Name,

Greetings from the Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Men of Action group in Hiawatha, Iowa, and welcome to March! Our group meets every Tuesday morning to share fellowship in our Catholic faith through song, prayer, and holding each other accountable for our actions.

With March we have an entire month of Lent until we can celebrate Easter Sunday on the 31st! There are so many things to celebrate this month, with Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and of course Easter Sunday. The Easter season is a time of renewal for all. Leaving the cold deadness of Winter and seeing things come back to life always fills me with hope for the future. Very much like Jesus who died, was buried, and came back to life giving all of us hope for our salvation.

March holds one particular feast day besides the lead up to Easter that I take note of. The Solemnity of Saint Joseph on March 19th speaks to me of the foster father of Jesus who while little was written about Joseph in the bible, he has such a large influence in our religion. The Joseph story is one of a foster father who does God's will by caring for the Virgin Mary and Jesus, helping raise our Lord, and protected Mary and Jesus through trials like during their exile to Egypt.

The Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton parish Men of Action group will continue our weekly prayers for you on your journey of faith. Please pray for us on our faith journey.

Your brothers in Christ, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Men of Action