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St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic High School to Host Community Open House ~ The Event Celebrates the Move into the School's New Building ~

(Myrtle Beach, SC) – The faculty and staff of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic High School invite the public to attend an open house on Sunday, Jan. 29 from 2-4 p.m. The event is the first community gathering in the school's new building, which is located at 1300 Carolina Forest. "We are thrilled to be in our new building," said Ted Hanes, school principal. "Our open house on Sunday is the opportunity to personally thank the entire Grand Strand community for supporting Seton High School, from inception to where it is today."

Students, faculty and staff moved into their permanent facility on Dec. 16. Monsignor James LeBlanc, who led the school's fundraising efforts, celebrated the first Mass inside the chapel on Jan. 4. The new building is approximately 15,600 square feet and includes a chapel, eight instruction spaces, state-of-the-art technology, collaborative spaces for students, and a faculty lounge. The school officially opened in August 2016, but classes were held at St. Mark Coptic Orthodox Church because construction on the building was not complete. "We are extremely grateful to Father Antony Zaki and the St. Mark congregation," said Monsignor LeBlanc. "Their hospitality is just one way in which the community worked together to bring Catholic education to the Grand Strand for high school students."

There are currently 10 freshman enrolled at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton. School officials plan to add an additional grade every year, with the current freshman class graduating in 2020.

In addition to the community open house on Sunday, school officials will also host an information night on Tuesday, Jan. 31 from 6-8 p.m. All parents who wish to learn more about the high school are encouraged to attend.

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St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic High School serves all Grand Strand students, both Catholic and non-Catholic. Its Catholic feeder schools are St. Andrews, St. Michael and Holy Trinity Catholic Schools.

About the Diocese of Charleston

The Catholic Diocese of Charleston comprises the entire state of South Carolina with Charleston as its See city. Founded in 1820 by Pope Pius VII, it is one of the oldest Catholic dioceses in the United States.

About St. Elizabeth Ann Seton High School

The mission of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic High School is to provide a safe and nurturing environment in which its students will be educated both in character and in conscience, to be steadfast in their faith, dedicated to social responsibility, and committed to developing all their God-given talents.

About St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, the school's patron saint, is the founder of the Sisters of Charity. She started the first parochial school in the United States, in Baltimore, MD, in 1808. In 1975, she became the first American born citizen to be canonized. Her feast day is January 4th.

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