

Where in the world is Mother Seton?

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Since January, Mother Seton School has been asking “Where in the world is Mother Seton?”

Inspired by the Flat Stanley project, the Emmitsburg school created Mother Seton puppets – drawings of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, the first native-born American saint, attached to Popsicle sticks – for each family and staff member.

The Mother Seton School community was challenged to take pictures with the puppet and send them to the school. The school has received more than three dozen photos.

The project aimed to demonstrate how widespread the saint’s legacy is and the lives she has touched, according to the school.

While the project ends June 11, the last day of the 2013-14 school year, some families plan to extend it by bringing Mother Seton with them on their summer travels, according to Lynn Tayler, a school spokeswoman.

Student’s families, alumni, staff and faculty have participated, Tayler said. Puppets have been sent to family and friends who travel or reside outside of the United States.

Recently, John Harbaugh, head coach for the Baltimore Ravens, and Morgan Cox, a long snapper for the team, posed with Mother Seton.

In the U.S., the puppet has traveled to places including the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum in Cleveland; St. Patrick’s Cathedral in New York; Walt Disney World in Orlando, Fla.; Long Island, N.Y.; Mobile, Ala.; New Orleans; and Washington, D.C.

In April, Mother Seton traveled to Rome for the canonizations of Popes John XXIII and John Paul II. The puppet has also been to Bahamas, Barcelona, Canary Islands, Ireland, London and Mexico.

To see photos of the puppet’s travels, click here or use the hashtag #wheresmotherseton.



Since January, Mother Seton School in Emmitsburg has had students and staff photograph a puppet/drawing of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton at various locations to

*demonstrate how widespread the legacy of the first native-born American saint is.
Baltimore Ravens coach John Harbaugh recently posed with Mother Seton.
(Courtesy Mother Seton School Pinterest page)*

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