# SETON SENTINEL

March|30| 2025

### Laetare Sunday th Sunday oflent

### THE PARABLE OF THE LOST SON

'Take the fattened calf and slaughter it. Then let us celebrate with a feast, because this son of mine was dead, and has come to life again; he was lost, and has been found. Luke 15:23-24



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### St. Elizabeth Ann Seton **116 Hughes Street** Swoyersville, PA 18704 570-287-6624

### Eucharist

Monday-Tuesday-Thursday & Friday 8:00am No Mass on Wednesday Saturday 4:00pm (vigil) Sundays 8:30am, 11:00am & 5:30pm Connect with us:

#### **Confessions:**

Saturday 3:30-3:45pm or you may call Fr. Chmil for an appointment



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Intention		Requested by			
Monday, March 31					
8:00am	Catherine Smith	Confraternity of Christian Mothers			
Tuesday, A	Tuesday, April 1				
8:ooam	Glenn Yanik	Lorraine & Stanley Kopec			
<u>Wednesday, April 2</u>					
No Daily Mass					
Thursday,	April 3				
	Frank San Filippo	Chris Calore			
Friday, April 4					
8:00am	Donald Rakus	Sister, Denise & Family			
Saturday,	Saturday, April 5				
4:00pm	Patrick Charney	Family			
Sunday, A	pril 6				
8:30am	Sharon Gauldin	Grandson, Zeb			
11:00am	Joseph & Helen Olejnik	Son, Joseph			
5:30pm	Edward & Irene Tomaszewski	Karen and Alan			

ROSARY FOR VOCATIONS--The Rosary will be prayed for vocations after daily mass.



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Please join us on MONDAY evenings

(during Lent) from 5pm to 7pm in the church. Come spend a few minutes or longer with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.



SANCTUARY CANDLE INTENTIONS

**~~**In Memory of~~*Robert Prushinski*~~offered by Frank & Mary Ann Fosko

~~In Memory of~~*Frank & Catherine Mucha*~~offered by

Rick & Diane Frusciante

#### BAPTISM SUNDAY

Congratulations and God's blessings upon **~~Hailey Elizabeth Bordy~~ and her family.** Hailey will be baptized by water and the Holy Spirit after the 11:00 mass **today.** 



May all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

### Parish Staff

Rev. John J. Chmil *Pastor* 

Rev. Anthony Urban Assisting Celebrant

Deacon John Bankus Deacon John (Jack) Ziegler *Permanent Deacons* 

Lori Raymond Pastoral Associate/Director of Religious Education

Sister Mary Beth Makuch, SS.C.M. *Pastoral Outreach Ministry* 

Music Ministry Marge Semanek Director of Liturgical Music

Joseph Sabol Accompanist

Scott Coates Accompanist

Pat Quinn *Office Assistant* 

Sacristans and Maintenance Chris Calore Director of Maintenance

John Sartin Trudy Brown Pat Quinn Betsy Evanoski Phil Bosha

### Office Hours

Monday through Thursday 8:30am to 3:00pm

**CLOSED FRIDAY** Weekends and Evenings by appointment.

570-287-6624

### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES**

Saturday: April 5, 12, 26 (last day) No class: April 19th Easter Monday: March 31, April 7, 14, 28 (last day) No class April 21st Easter **Confirmation Students:** Please hand in paperwork as soon as possible. Mandatory Confirmation Retreat to be held on Saturday, April 12th, at St. Ignatius Church, 11am to 4pm, followed by Mass. Letters have been mailed to all parents.

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**1st Holy Communion Parents:** Please hand in forms as soon as possible. Our **1st Holy Communion Retreat is on Sunday, April 6th**. Parents & students are to attend the 11am Mass, followed by the Retreat in our church hall for students & parent volunteers. **First Penance:** Saturday, April 12th, at 10:30am in church. Letters have been mailed to all parents.

## THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU & ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Every Monday evening during Lent we will have "The Light is On For You" (Confessions), beginning March 10th, and continuing through the Monday of the last full week of Lent, April 7th. Confessions will be heard from 5:30pm to 7pm. Also, <u>during Lent</u>, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be held on Mondays from 5-7pm (instead of Tuesdays).

#### **STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

Stations of the Cross will be held on Friday evenings at 7pm during Lent.

### FESTIVAL PIROHY-MAKING DATES

MARK THE DATES! We will be making festival pirohy on the following Saturdays: April 12, April 26. Potato/cheese filling ballers come at 7am & pinchers at 8:15am.

#### SCAM ALERT! Fraudulent Messages

It has come to our attention that there is a scam circulating within our community. We want to make it very clear that Fr. John will not call, text, or email anyone with a request for money. Some of our parishioners received a text supposedly from Fr. John that he was meeting with a family & asked them to text back. This was not from Fr. John. If you receive any such message, do not respond. Report it to the office, as we are taking steps to address these issues. Thank you for your vigilance.



#### **PRO-LIFE MINISTRY SPIRITUAL ADOPTION**

The Pro-Life Ministry is sponsoring The <u>Spiritual</u> <u>Adoption Program</u> to coincide with the Feast of the Annunciation, which is on March 25th. Pledge forms and a Spiritual Adoption Prayer will be at the back of the church by the Blessed Mother statue. Please take note of the poster on the easel. We will change the poster on the 25th of each month with the baby's development, which will coincide with the birth of Baby Jesus.

#### **ART & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**

Our A&E committee will have a work session on Tuesday, April 1st at 6:00pm in our church hall. Then on Saturday, April 19th, at 10am, we will decorate the church for Easter. This is a good opportunity for students who need service hours.

"Men, it's not too late to register for the **Men's Lenten Retreat**, next weekend, April 4-5 at Holy Transfiguration Retreat center in Dalton PA. For more information and to register please go to the Be A Catholic Man website. The retreat. "Be Imitators of Christ" will include talks by John Edwards, Adoration and confession and Mass with Bishop Bambera. The cost of \$100 includes two meals and lodging. <u>www.BeACatholicMan.com</u>"

### DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL UPDATE 3/22/25 DAA 2024 Goal: \$55,801.00 Total Committed: \$47,932.05 % to Goal: 85.90% Short of goal: \$7868.95 Number of Donors: 316 28.21% of Parishioners

#### WEEKLY OFFERING

#### WEEKEND OF March 15/16, 2025

REGULAR: \$7649.75 DUES: \$510.00 Ash Wed: \$120.00 Christmas: \$20.00 Holy Day: \$15.00

E-offerings: (2-8-25 to 3-12-25) Regular: \$7101.30 Dues: 734.46

MAY GOD BLESS YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!!!



ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON PARISH HOLY NAME SOCIETY

### ANNUAL

### EASTER EGG HUNT

FOR THE CHILDREN OF OUR PARISH AGES 1 TO 8 RAIN OR SHINE SATURDAY, APRIL 12, 2025 1:00PM CHURCH HALL

SIGN-UP SHEETS ARE ON THE TABLES AT CHURCH ENTRANCE OR CALL ANNA MAE AT 570-287-7655 TO REGISTER

REGISTER NO LATER THAN MARCH 30

STUDENTS WHO NEED SERVICE HOURS, CALL ANNA MAE



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St. Elizabeth Ann Seton,

Pray for us!

### SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE'S





April 6, 2025 St. Elizabeth Ann Seton 116 Hughes St. - Swoyersville Doors Open – 12:00 PM BINGO Play – 1:00 PM (15) Regular Games: \$100 (4) Special Games: \$200 Coverall: \$500 Bake Sale / Door Prizes / 50-50 Drawing Basket Raffles / Lunch Seating Limit 250 Admission: \$25.00 Advanced Sales Only

Before and After All Weekend Masses: March 22-23 and March 29-30 Saturdays 4:00PM Sundays 8:30AM, 11:00AM, 5:30PM NO TICKET SALES DAY OF EVENT PLEASE DO NOT CALL RECTORY

### SETON FESTIVAL 2025 ---

### save the dates

Our Summer Festival will be held on *July 10-11-12, 2025.* More details to follow......

#### **PRO-LIFE CORNER**

Our Pro-Life Ministry's next meeting will be on Tuesday, April 8th at 7pm in the church. The



rosary will be said at 6:45 in church to end abortion.



#### **DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL**

Envelopes are on the tables at the church entrance, if you haven't already donated. If you already received a letter in the mail, please respond. Gifts of any size are welcome and participation is important. God bless you for your kindness!

#### **CHRISTIAN MOTHERS MEETING**

Our CCM will meet today, Sunday, March 30th, at 2pm in the church hall. If you haven't already paid your dues, you may do so at the meeting (\$5.00) New members are welcome.

### CHRISTIAN MOTHERS RUMMAGE SALE COLLECTION DATES:

TO OUR PARISHIONERS: Time to do some Spring Cleaning by cleaning out your closets, bedrooms, kitchens, garages, etc. We need good, clean items/clothing to sell. Sorry, we cannot accept TVs, computers, furniture, or encyclopedias. Bring your items to the School Gym (parking lot side) on the following dates: **COLLECTION DROP OFF DATES ARE: TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22 & 23, 9am-5pm**. No early drop offs, no pick-ups or deliveries. (**SALE DATES ARE**: Monday, April 28, 9-5 and Tuesday, April 29, 9-3 \$2/bag day)

**RECTORY, SET, COOK** For the fourth year in a row, priests from across the Diocese of Scranton have taken to the kitchen, recording themselves cooking a favorite recipe to raise money for the anti-hunger, anti-homelessness initiatives of Catholic Social Services. You may watch our Chef Fr. John and Chef Jon Meyer by going to dioceseofscranton.org. You can make your donation there online, or send/bring your donation to our parish office, or drop in collection basket. You may also text: 2025PASTORCHEF12 TO 71777. Thank you for your kindness!

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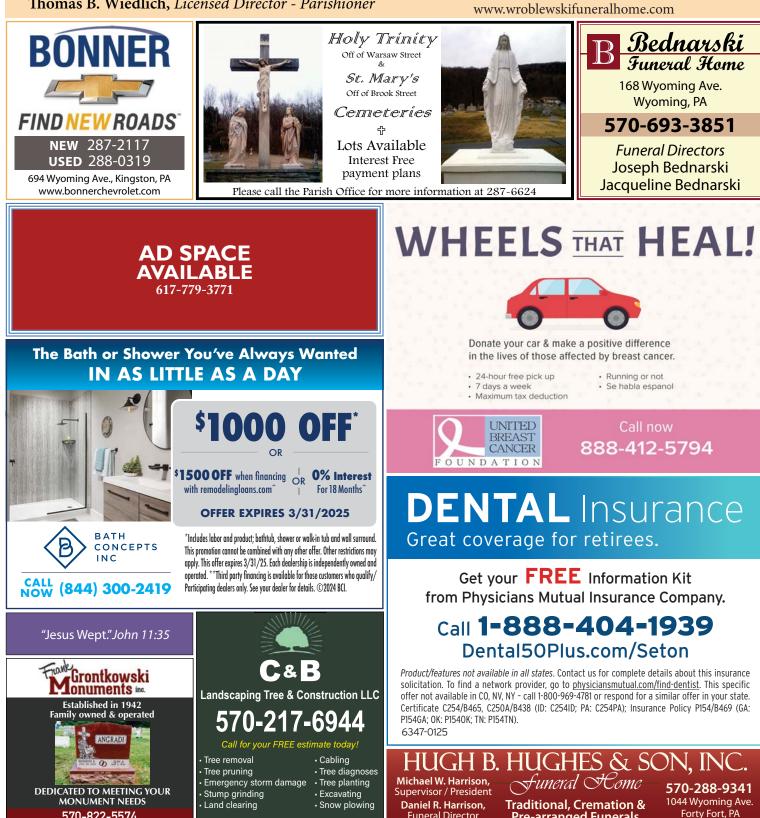
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