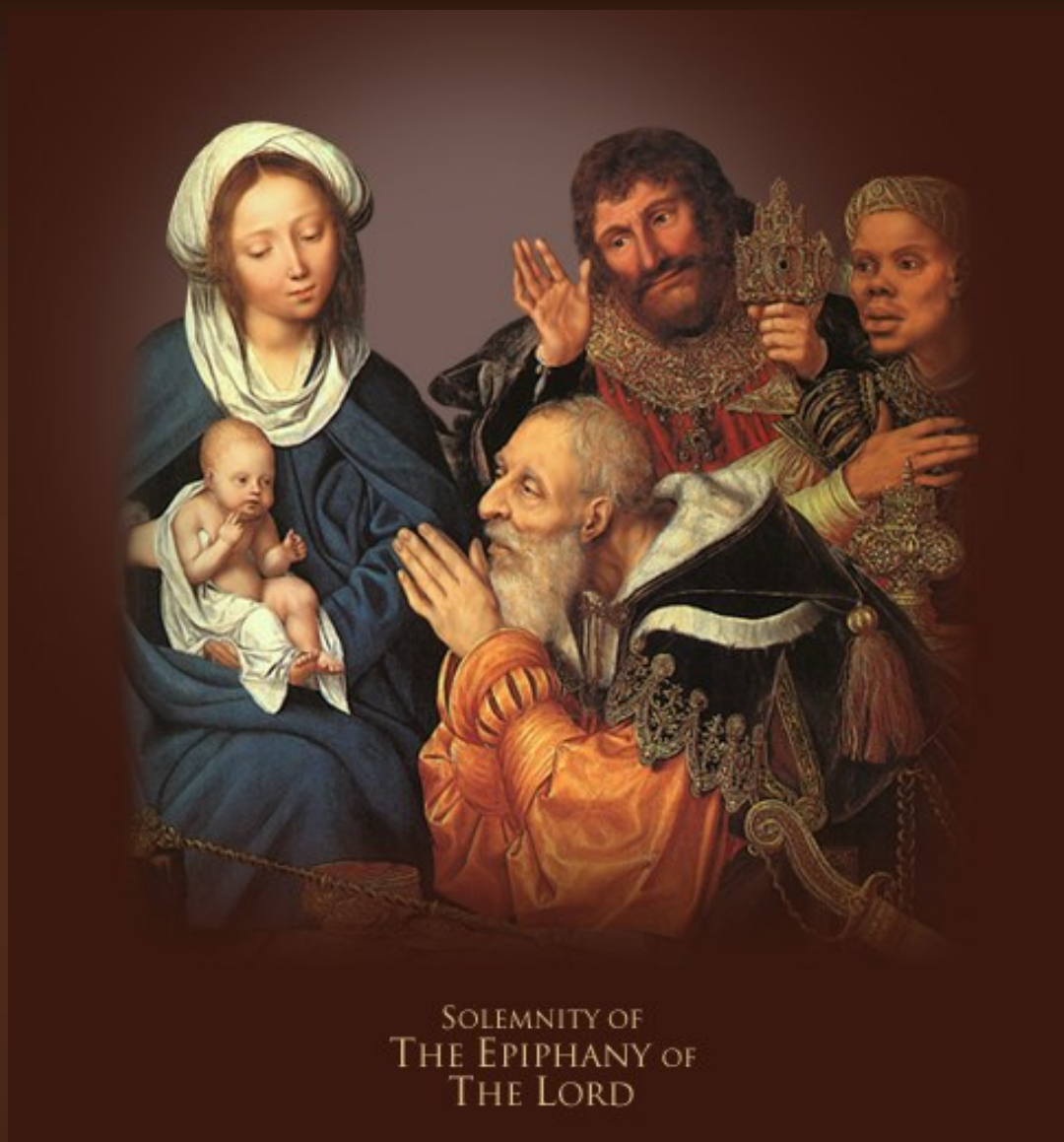


St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish



The Seton Sentinel

January 6, 2013

Swoyersville, PA



YEAR C

Epiphany of the Lord

Because of the early deadline for printing the bulletin this week, the weekly offertory reports will not be listed until next edition.

**THANK YOU, THANK YOU,
THANK YOU!**

HOLY NAME SOCIETY MEETING

There will be a Holy Name Society Meeting for all members, past, present and new members (always welcome) on **Sunday, January 20, 2013** following the 8:30 am mass in the Parish School Cafeteria. Please be in attendance as the newly-elected president, Frank Fosko, will preside at the meeting.

REGIONAL YOUTH MINISTRY

Sunday, January 27th

Regional Rec Room OPEN & INFO NIGHT hosted by St. Ignatius Leadership Team. 6:00 pm -7:00 pm 6th, 7th & 8th graders AND 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm (High School)

Sunday, February 10th

5pm, Regional Teen Mass, Social & Speaker Series

(St. Ignatius)

DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

His Excellency, the Most Rev. Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L., Bishop of Scranton, & the Office for Parish Life invites couples celebrating their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in 2013 to a Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 16. The event includes a 2:30pm Mass at St. Peter's Cathedral followed by a reception. Please call Lori at the office to request an invitation, with your mailing address, before Feb. 8th.

OFFERTORY REPORT:

A note of thanks to all who helped in our preparation and celebration of Christmas this year in our Parish! To all who helped decorate the church, those who preformed Liturgical Roles and Ushers who helped keep order. To our Music Director, Marge, who did a superb job preparing the music ministry. Thanks also to Joe, Terry, and Cora for their work with the Children's Choir and for preparing the Children's Christmas Play. The Adult Choirs, Cantors and the Children's Choir Members who rehearsed so hard to help us sing and pray so beautifully this season. Hope to see you all at the party this afternoon! Thank you again for all your contributions, not only at Christmas, but throughout the entire year!

Special Thanks to all who brought or sent cookies, food, gifts and cards to the rectory! So unnecessary, but very much appreciated by yours truly.

-Father Joe

Family Mass

There is no Family Mass in January. Our next Family Mass will be on Sunday, Feb. 10th at 10AM.

RETROUVAILLE

Know a marriage that needs help? Tell them about Retrouvaille, a program that helps couples who are having marital difficulties. This program is for all couples, at any stage of marriage that needs help to communicate with each other in a more attentive and loving manner. The next program begins Feb. 15-17, at Fatima Renewal Center in Dalton. Please call 1-800-470-2230 or visit our website at www.retrouvaille.org for more information.



Epiphany

Some kids in the parish school were doing an informal survey about New Year's resolutions. No one in our school is sure why we make them, since no one seems able to keep them, even though they focus on something we can do or change that will make us better people, or help us accomplish our goals. Have you made your New Year's resolution? More importantly, will you keep it?

New Year's Day marks a new beginning, another notch in the life that measures time's progress. We often use the image of a journey to describe it. Journeys are trips with a purpose and we journey through time, through faith, through life, with a purpose—something that we do that gives us a sense of meaning and value.

In the spirit of this feast day, here's a spiritual resolution that is one we can keep. Make progress in your spiritual journey. Set a goal, make a plan, and then accomplish it. Choose something that will make a difference in the way you pray, or believe or practice your faith. Write it out and put it in a place where you will read it often, reminding yourself to stay on course. A year from now, you'll be amazed at just how far you've come!

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TEN DAY PANAMA CANAL & CARRIBEAN

CRUISE Led by Msgr. David Tressler, aboard Holland America MS Zuiderdam, October 18-28, 2013. Includes round trip motor coach to Newark airport with a direct flight to Fr. Lauderdale, where we will board the ship for an exciting week cruising to the ports of Costa Rica, Aruba, Curaco. Cabins start at \$2095.00 /person based on double occupancy. For further information, contact John Madden at Travelworld at 342-5790.

QUIZ

Can you choose the correct endings?

- Jerusalem should rise up:
 - in sackcloth and mourning
 - against the nations
 - in splendor?
- The kings of Tarshish and the Isles:
 - shall offer gifts
 - shall seize Jerusalem
 - shall see the face of God?
- Saint Paul had been given the stewardship of:
 - the Church's income
 - God's grace
 - the city of Jerusalem?
- When King Herod heard of Jesus' birth:
 - he was troubled
 - he was awestruck
 - he was indifferent?
- The magi found the child Jesus:
 - in a cave
 - in the open fields
 - in a house?

ANSWERS

The correct answers are: 1(c); 2(a); 3(b); 4(a); 5(c)

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This is the glorious day on which Christ himself, the savior of the world, appeared; the prophets foretold him, the angels worshiped him; the magi saw his star and rejoiced to lay their treasures at his feet.

God's holy day has dawned for us at last; come, all you peoples, and adore the Lord. ~Office of readings | Roman rite

In WORD & DEED

Epiphany

A Global Positioning System (GPS) is a great device to have on a journey. It gives accurate directions and helps the driver navigate unfamiliar territory. With some models, however, it is important to use your computer to update its maps. Otherwise, you might end up short of your destination or taking a very long route to get there—if you get there at all.

The Magi undertake a long and difficult journey because they are convinced that the star they see is of Divine origin. Their GPS is the Glorious Power of a Star and it serves to lead them to Bethlehem where they see the Holy Infant. By their actions, they acknowledge this special Child and leave their gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. Theirs was a successful journey.

We're all on a journey of faith and in need of guidance. Our GPS is the Great Power of our Savior. He becomes the Way, the Truth and the Light, leading us on the path to eternal life. Make sure you update frequently. Prayer, Scripture, Sacraments and good deeds will keep us in contact with Him, enabling us to recognize Him wherever He may lead us.

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Thank you!!! We are almost there! Here is the latest report:

30.91% (416 out of 1,346) gave/pledged

DAA 2012 Goal: \$45,000.00

Total Raised: **\$44,490.00**

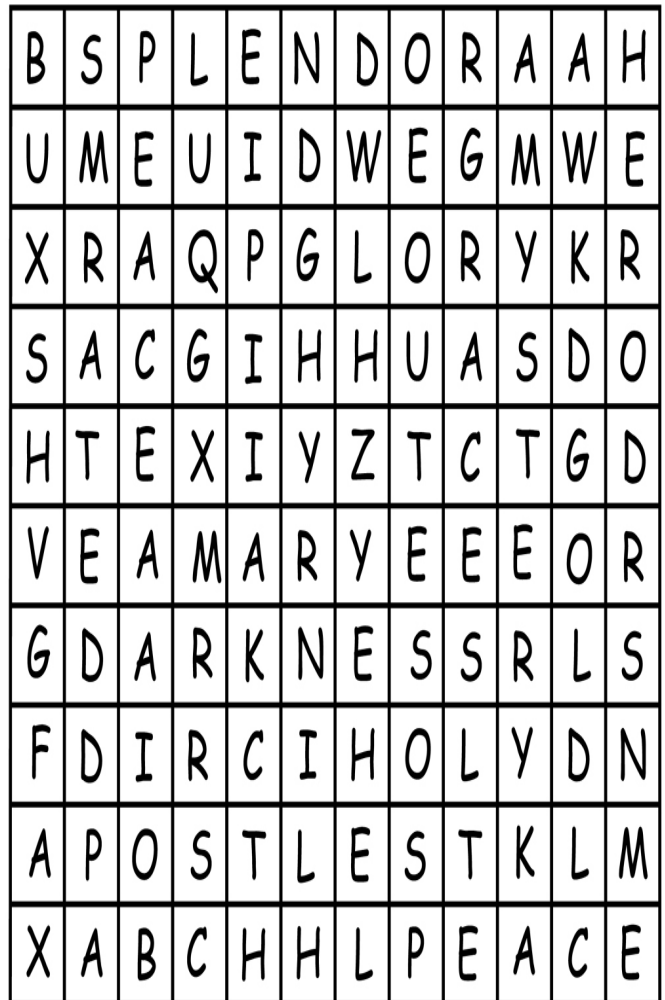
(Under): **(\$510.00)**

WORDSEARCH

Solution to last week's crossword

Can you find and circle the words listed below?

- SPLENDOR LIGHT HOLY
- DARKNESS GLORY MARY
- MYSTERY EARTH GOLD
- APOSTLES MAGI HEROD
- PEACE STAR GRACE



THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS**Monday, January 7th**

8:00 a.m. Joseph Wardzel Rich & Betsy Evanoski

Tuesday, January 8th

8:00 a.m. John Yaskoweak, Jr. Pierce Hooper

Wednesday, January 9th

8:00 a.m. Ryan-Durkin Families Joe & Kate Ryan

Thursday, January 10th

8:00 a.m. Stephen Gaydos Wife, Helen & Family

Friday, January 11th

8:00 a.m. Allen Scott Brian & Barbara Flannery

Saturday, January 12th (Vigil: Baptism of the Lord)

4:00 p.m. Benjamin & Wanda Czarnecki Daughter, Caroline Magistro & Family

5:30 p.m. *Pro Populo*

Sunday, January 13th Baptism of the Lord *Last Day of Christmastide*

8:30 a.m. Helen Semanek Joe & Lois Koval

10:00 a.m. Swoyersville Kiwanis Members

11:30 a.m. John A. Viercinski Tracy & Robyn Williams

**SANCTUARY LIGHT**

~For a Special Intention

PRESIDENTIAL SCHEDULE JANUARY 12-13

4:00 p.m. Fr. Urban

5:30 p.m. Fr. Pisaneschi

8:30 a.m. Fr. Pisaneschi

10:00 a.m. Fr. Urban

11:30 a.m. Fr. Pisaneschi



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Weekend Eucharist

Saturday 4:00 and 5:30 p.m.

Sunday 8:30, 10:00 and 11:30 a.m.

Weekday Eucharist

8:00 a.m.

Parish Staff

- Rev. Joe Pisaneschi Pastor
- Rev. Mr. George Mochin Jr. Deacon
- Brian Williams Regional Youth Minister
- Monica Salis Business Manager
- Lori Raymond Pastoral Associate
- Terry Jankoviak Director of Faith Formation
- Marge Semanek Director of Music
- Cora Artim Children's and Contemporary Groups
- Joseph Sabol Assistant Organist
- Phil Bosha Maintenance
- Chris Calore Maintenance

Baptism

Expecting parents are asked to contact the Parish Office as soon as possible to register for a short session in preparation for their child's Baptism. The Sacrament is celebrated bi-monthly after the 11:30 a.m. Mass on Sundays.

Confirmation

The Sacrament will be celebrated in 2014 by one of the Diocesan Bishops. Children must be consecutively registered in our Religious Education Program to be eligible to receive.

Matrimony

Couples planning to get married are asked to contact the parish office as soon as possible to reserve a date and begin the paper work necessary.

Holy Orders

Any man who feels called to Ordained Ministry of the Church, either Priesthood or Diaconate is asked to contact one of the Priests or the Deacon.

Penance

Is celebrated Saturday from 3:15 p.m.-3:50 p.m.
Other times by request.

Anointing of the Sick

To receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, please contact the Parish Office.

If you or a relative or friend is admitted to a hospital, nursing home, or is homebound. Please contact the Parish Office for a Pastoral Visit. Holy Communion is brought to those who request it on First Fridays.

Office Hours:

Monday—Friday 8:30-4:00

Closed Holidays and Holy Days

Direct Contacts

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