

SETON SENTINEL

February | 9 | 2025



FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men."
When they brought their boats to the shore, they left everything and followed him.

Luke 5:10-11

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:



National Marriage Week is Underway!



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Confessions:

Saturday 3:30-3:45pm or you
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Worship

Intention

Monday, February 10

8:00am Lorraine Sondag Kleynowski

Tuesday, February 11

8:00pm Matthew & Andrea Gaiteri

Wednesday, February 12

No Daily Mass

Thursday, February 13

8:00am Health & Blessings for Jim Siracuse

Friday, February 14

8:00am Roy & Joanne Baker

Saturday, February 15

4:00pm John Selena

Sunday, February 16

8:30am Robert & Joan Stefanides

11:00am George Barilla

5:30pm Alice Skiengel

Requested by

Wozniak Family

Wife & Mother

John & Nancy Dorman

Sue Bayer & Theresa Yurko

Anna Marie Aed

Lori Raymond

Eleanor Hudak

Sisters Melita & Cynthia, OSF

SAINT ELIZABETH ANN SETON, PRAY FOR US!

Prayer



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Please join us on

**Tuesday evenings 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~~**Frank & Anna Duzen**~~offered by
daughters, Paula Matthews & Donna Gustave

~~In Memory of~~**Victoria Rish**~~offered by daughter-
in-law, Gerry

PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED

~~**Herbert Wiedlich**~~**Daniel Modrow**~~

May their souls and all the souls of the Faithful Departed,
through the Mercy of God, Rest in Peace. Amen.



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

Parish Staff

Rev. John J. Chmil

Pastor

Rev. Anthony Urban

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Deacon John Bankus

Deacon John (Jack) Ziegler

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Lori Raymond

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Religious Education**

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Sacristans and Maintenance

Chris Calore

Director of Maintenance

John Sartin

Trudy Brown

Pat Quinn

Betsy Evanoski

Phil Bosha



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

Classes for February are:

Saturday: 22 (closed Feb 15th-Presidents' weekend)

Monday: 10, 24 (closed Feb. 17th-President's weekend)

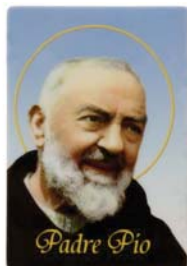
DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

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. Please see Page 4 for Seton update. God bless you for your kindness!

Lenten Pirohy-Making

We will be making Lenten pirohy on Saturday, February 22nd. Potato/cheese ballers come at 7am, and pinchers come at 8:15am. Our pirohy will be sold after all masses on the weekend of March 1st & 2nd, while supplies last.

PADRE PIO IS COMING!!!



St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Knights of Columbus in conjunction with The National Centre for Padre Pio will be hosting "7 Rare Relics" of Padre Pio (including his glove) right here at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish! Viewing of the Relics will be held on Saturday, March 15 from 1pm-7pm with Mass being held at 4pm, and Sunday, March 16 from 8am to 7pm with masses being held at 8:30am, 11am, & 5:30pm. All are welcome to join us for a visit and Mass on these blessed days. For more information, see our website: setonpa.com or call/text Mark Perugino (Grand Knight) at 570-262-2896.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ASH WEDNESDAY RED CLAM CHOWDER SALE

Our KofC will be having their famous Red Clam Chowder Sale on Ash Wednesday, March 5th. Cost is \$10/quart--pay at the door. Sign up sheets are on the tables at the church entrance. Pick up times are after 7:30am ashes, 11am-1pm & 4pm-6pm. Or call Mark Perugino at 570-262-2896 to place your order.

Also, our Knights will meet this Tuesday, February 11th, at 7pm in our church hall. New members are welcome.

Office Hours

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

CLOSED FRIDAY

Weekends and Evenings
by appointment.

570-287-6624

2024 FINANCIAL STATEMENT REQUEST

PLEASE, NO PHONE CALLS

Please make your request by filling out this form. Then drop in collection basket, US mail, drop in rectory mail slot, or email to Lori at : setonpa@aol.com

ENVELOPE #: _____

NAME: _____ PHONE #: _____



SAVE THE DATE! The **Social Concerns Bingo** will be held on Sunday, April 6th, in the school gym. Details to follow.....

SWOYERSVILLE KIWANIS HONORING OUR HEROES BANNER PROGRAM CONTINUES

Our banner program began in 2019, and we continue to honor all those who have served our country. Those banners from years gone by that show signs of severe fading/wear will be removed beginning March 3rd. All purchasers of these banners have been notified. But now there is an opportunity for those banners to be replaced or new banners to be purchased. Call/text Jean Stoss at 570-479-0850 for more info or email: jmsswoykiwanis1@gmail.com. The cost of new banners is \$250. Applications with information must be returned to Jean by **March 1st**, to be sure your hero is on display for Memorial Day. Your hero does NOT need to be a resident of Swoyersville in order to be honored.

FAITH-SHARING

Faith-sharing in small groups is held at St. Ignatius Parish in Conlan Hall every 2nd Friday of each month from 6:15pm to 8pm. All are welcome. Call Mary Bednar for more info: 570-690-7732.

DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL UPDATE 2/1/25

DAA 2024 Goal: \$55,801.00

Total Committed: \$46,547.04

% to Goal: 83.47%

Number of Donors: 297 26.52% of Parishioners



Ways to Give:



Online: www.setonpa.com

US Mail to: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish
116 Hughes St.,
Swoyersville, PA 18704

WEEKLY OFFERING

WEEKEND OF January 25/26, 2025

REGULAR: \$7818.05 DUES: \$750.00 Christmas: \$125.00

Assessment: \$30.00

E-offerings: 12-8-24 to 1-25-25 Reg: \$8640.44 Dues: \$569.40

Diocesan:

Los Angeles Wildfires: \$3614.86

MAY GOD BLESS YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!!!

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton ,

Pray for us!



February 14th is World Marriage Day!

On this World Marriage Day, we thank our heavenly Father for the gift and blessing of marriage and the family. As we strive to live our particular vocations and respond to the Lord's grace in our lives, let's also consider how we might dedicate renewed prayer and attention to marriage and the family.

As a start, here are possible areas we might consider:


First, we begin with prayer: Let's remember to pray with and for marriages and families throughout our nation: for marriages in crisis, for families struggling with unemployment, for broken or wounded family relationships.

Second, let us reclaim Sunday as the Lord's Day, a day of rest when we can focus on being together as a family. The celebration of Holy Mass together is the first essential way to honor this day. But is there something more the Lord is inviting us to when we go back home? Set aside some time to pray a decade of the rosary, enjoy the outdoors together, play ball, eat dinner together, have a game night!

And third, let us remember that the Church is the family of God and a family of families. As a family, how can we share Christ with other married couples and families? Do we have any friends and family members who are struggling in their marriage, alone during this time of isolation, or particularly afflicted by this pandemic? When was the last time we checked on our elderly neighbors? Is there someone in the parish that we haven't seen in a while? How can we—as a family—reach out to those who are in need?


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Diocese of Scranton
VOCATIONS



EZRA 10:4
A RETREAT FOR MEN DISCERNING THE
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Rev. Alex Roche

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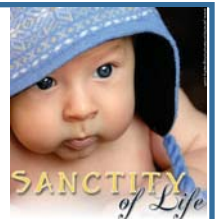
**HIS
GLORY!**

ISAIAH 6:3



PRO-LIFE CORNER

Our Pro-Life Ministry meets on the third Tuesday of each month in the church hall after Holy Hour. The rosary will be said at 6:45 in church to end abortion.



Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish

Pastor: Rev. John J. Chmil

Kingston Deanery

-All Saints, Plymouth
 -Gate of Heaven, Dallas
 -Holy Family, Luzerne
 -Holy Spirit, Mocanaqua
 -Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Lake Silkworth
 -Our Lady of Victory, Harveys Lake
 -Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, Swoyersville
 -Saint Faustina Kowalska, Nanticoke
 -Saint Frances X. Cabrini, Carverton
 -Saint Ignatius Loyola, Kingston
 -Saint John the Baptist, Larksville
 -Saint Monica, West Wyoming
 -Saint Therese, Shavertown

PARISH DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Number of Households	1116	1120	1126	1119	1110
Number of Parishioners	2230	2235	2243	2216	2207
Total Number of Weekend Masses	4	4	4	6	-
Total Average Weekend Mass Attendance	631	653	760	818	310

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Baptisms	22	17	20	26	20
First Holy Communions	19	19	17	29	19
Confirmations	19	12	22	65	34
RCIA/Baptism	0	0	0	0	0
RCIA/Full Communion	0	0	0	0	0
Marriages	7	6	12	5	2
Funerals	78	63	65	64	55

FAITH FORMATION PARTICIPATION

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Religious Education K-8	100	95	96	136	140
Religious Education 9-12	0	0	0	0	0
Catholic School Students	100	82	89	81	0
Adult Faith Formation	2	0	0	0	0

*All data in this report has been supplied to the Diocese by your Parish. 2024 data is from July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024.



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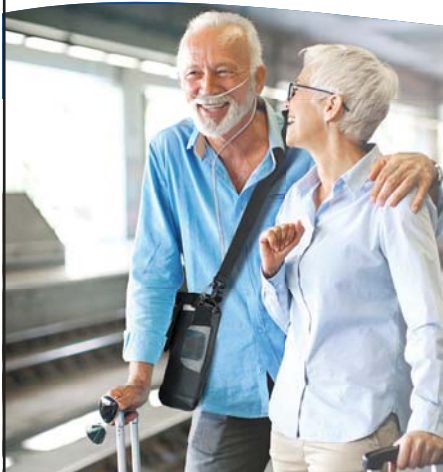
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