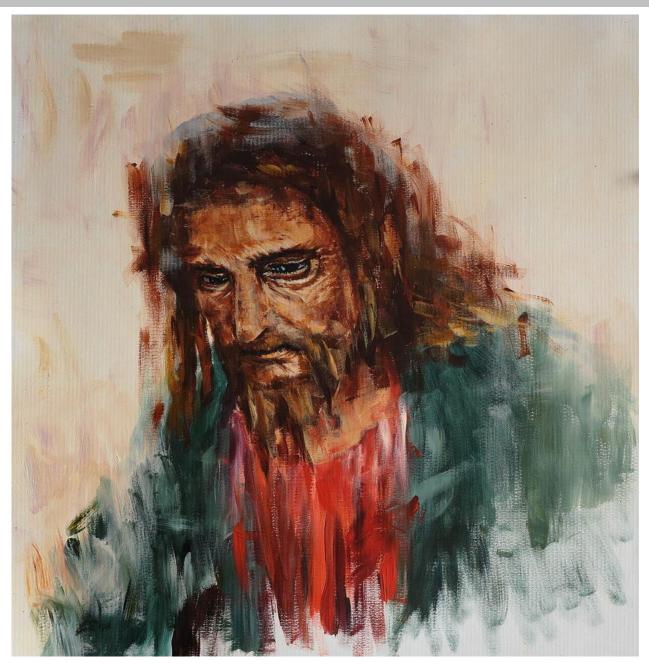
First Sunday of Lent March 10, 2019

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The First Sunday of Lent (cycle C) Readings can be found in the *Gather* Books at number 1018 Psalter week I



Mondays during Lent, "The Light is On For You," in our church. Confessions will be heard from 5:30 to 7:00 pm and there is an opportunity for Eucharistic Adoration at that time. Come, be refreshed by the Sacrament of Penance and spend some time with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. All are welcome!

Weekday Masses

During Lent it is a good practice to attend daily mass if you are able. Monday—Friday Schedule for Daily Mass will remain at 12:10 pm for the duration of Lent. Join us when you can. The rosary is prayed before mass each weekday.

1st Sunday of Lent

Fr. Walter Ciszek was a Jesuit priest who had volunteered to serve in the Russian mission. During his seminary training, Fr. Ciszek would challenge himself physically to strengthen his body. He would push himself in cold weather, or do strenuous exercises, or fast for long periods of time. This regimen prepared him for the years he would spend in prison camps in the Soviet Union. His cause for sainthood is under consideration.

There are many ways to look at Lent. It is a time of prayer, of retreat, of sacrifice and self-discipline. But at the heart of all these ideas, Lent is a time of preparation for our encounter with God. At Easter, we see His power and glory, His life and grace in the death and resurrection of Jesus. Our good works, sacrifice, prayer and fasting strengthen us by directing our energy, our attention and our will on the calling we have received to be disciples of the Risen Lord.

Don't waste Lent. Don't make it another endurance contest to see if I can give something up for 40 days. Whatever you do, give it the focus it needs and deserves. Renew your sense of mission, a sense that in every life, in everything we do, we strive to think, speak and act with the heart and mind of Christ. Share in His sacrifice and you will share in his glory.

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Lenten Fasting and Abstinence						
	FASTING	ABSTINENCE				
WHEN?	Ash Wednesday and Good Friday	Ash Wednesday & all Fridays				
WHO?	For those Catholics from age 18-59 <i>(Who are in</i> good enough health to fast)	For those Catholics age 14 and beyond				
WHAT?	1 Full Meal + 2 smaller meals may be taken with no snacking in between meals permitted. Water does not break fast.	No meat may be eaten				



MEET THE STAFF

Pastoral Ministry

- Rev. Joseph Pisaneschi, V.F. Pastor
- Rev. Anthony Urban Assisting Celebrant
- Deacon John Ziegler
 Permanent Deacon
- Lorraine Raymond Pastoral Associate
- Sister Jane Ellis, IHM Pastoral Care Minister

Finance Office

• Monica Salis Business Manager

Religious Education

• Sister Marion Tarone, IHM Director of Religious Education

Music Ministry

- Margaret Semanek Director of Liturgical Music
- Joseph Sabol
- Assistant Organist
- Cora Artim
- Youth Choir Director
- Scott Coates
- 5:30 PM Mass Musician

Sacristans

- Christopher Calore
- ♦ Patricia Quinn
- Betsy Evanoski

Maintenance and Cleaning

- Christopher Calore Director of Maintenance
- David Quinn
- Gertrude Brown
- Carol Hrobaski
- Phil Bosha

St. Mary's Cemetery Maintenance

Pastoral Council, Chair

Ann Marie Aed

Finance Council, Chair

Michael Perhach

"Road to Resurrection"

<u>The Miracles of Jesus</u>

Join us on the "Road to Resurrection" on four Wednesday evenings during Lent, beginning at 7:00 P.M.

The schedule of masses is as follows:

<u>Wednesday, March 20</u> –

St. Therese's Church 64 Davis Street, Shavertown. **Guest Homilist:** Reverend Andrew Kurovsky, Pastor of Sacred Heart Parish in Peckville.

Wednesday, March 27 –

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, 116 Hughes Street, Swoyersville.

Guest Homilist: Reverend Ryan Glenn Associate Pastor of St. John Neumann Parish in Scranton.

<u>Wednesday, April 3 –</u>

Holy Family Church 574 Bennett Street, Luzerne. **Guest Homilist:** Reverend Daniel Issing, CSC Holy Cross Father, Kings College in Wilkes-Barre.

<u>Wednesday, April 10 –</u>

St. Faustina Church 520 South Hanover Street, Nanticoke. **Guest Homilist:** Reverend Brian Van Fossen Pastor of St. Joseph the Worker Parish in Williamsport.

A Social will follow each evenings mass.

For information relative to cancellations due to inclement weather, call St. Therese's Parish at 570-696-1144 (Ext. 13), or St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish at 570-287-6624 (Ext. 124) on the day of the mass.



Eucharistic Adoration At 6:20 pm Stations of the Cross At 7:00 pm Benediction Following Stations



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MONTHLY MEETING & MEMBERSHIP DRIVE The Knights of Columbus monthly meeting has been moved from Tuesday, March 12th to Thursday, March 14th to coincide with our Installation Ceremony. Members are asked to arrive at 5:30pm in the church hall.

Becoming a Knight of Columbus can transform your life. As a Knight, you have the opportunity to support our parish, give back to our community, grow in your faith and gain exclusive access to our top-rated insurance program to protect your family. These are just some of the reasons to become a Knight. We are a band of brothers, a network of men in communities around the world dedicated to doing good in the service of God and our neighbor.

Our Knights of Columbus have started their search for new members for their Membership Drive. The *Installation Ceremony is Thursday, March 14th.* Please contact Mark Perugino, Grand Knight, at 570-262-2896, for more information Come join us! Become a St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Knight of Columbus!

What do we do? Some of our Volunteer Hours in 2018: St Vincent DePaul Soup Kitchen; participate in the Rosary Rally; help church functions, such as Bingo, Rummage Sale, Craft Fair, Pasta Dinner, Bazaar; Care & Share Food Drive. We have also made monetary donations in 2018: Human Life Resource Center; Statue restoration at the Fatima Grotto; PA for Human Life-sponsored 10 students for the March for Life in Washington, D.C.; HNS Easter Egg donation; Sponsored fellow Knights to attend the Men's Conference; Landscaping at Holy Trinity Cemetery; purchased new flag for our school building; Sign for our Bazaar; purchased solar light for St. Mary's Cemetery; donation to KofC Rosary Rally; Knights of Columbus Charities Florida Hurricane Relief donation; monetary Christmas gifts for our Altar Servers; purchased Michael Mootz Christmas chocolate pops for our children; The Knights also run several fundraising events throughout the year to support these worthwhile donations; the Spring & Fall Chicken BBQ, Ash Wednesday Clam Chowder Sale, & Breakfast with Santa. Come join us!!! Become a St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Knight of Columbus.

8th GRADE CONFIRMATION CLASS *must attend* the Confirmation Retreat on April 6, 2019, 11:00am to after the 4pm Mass at St. Ignatius, Kingston. Paperwork is due in February for all 8th graders being confirmed. (Registration, service hours, Saint report, Confirmation record sheet—orange paper, letter to the Pastor and Baptismal Certificate, if not baptized at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton).

Sacrament Dates for 2019

First Reconciliation : Saturday, March 23rd, 10:30am

R.C.I.A. Sacraments: Holy Saturday, April 20th, 8pm, Easter Vigil

First Holy Communion: Saturday, May 4th, 10:00am

Confirmation: Sunday, June 9th 11:00 am

ALL 7th GRADE CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES in the first year of preparation of our Confirmation Program are expected to attend one more additional class during the 2018-2019 school year. <u>March 24th (after the 5:30pm</u> Mass).

MARCH CCD

CLASSES:

SATURDAYS: Classes are on March 9, 16, 23, & 30 MONDAYS: Classes on March 11, 18, & 25

LENTEN EVENING OF REFLECTION FOR MUSIC MINISTERS

The Scranton Chapter of the National Association of Pastoral Musicians will hold a meeting this *Tuesday, March 12, 2019*, beginning at 6:00pm at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, 116 Hughes St., Swoyersville. The topic for the evening will be "Making Music in a Beautiful Yet Wounded World: An Evening of Reflection on the Season of Lent", led by Sr. Christine Koelhoffer, IHM. Join us this evening with Sr. Chris as we reflect together on being bearers of hope and healing in a world full of madness and mayhem, but also music. The meeting begins with dinner at 6:00pm, followed by the presentation at 7:00pm, and concludes with Night Prayer. All are welcome to attend. There is no cost for the event, but a Free-will offering will be taken up to help offset the cost of dinner. To register, **please contact David Baloga at 570-207-2213 ext 1158** OR at *ScrantonNPM@outlook.com*



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LENTEN PIROHY SALE

Friday, March 15th Sign-up Sheets are at the entrance of the Church while supplies last.

Help is needed making the Pirohy!!! Come Friday morning, March 15th, at 7:00 am to help ball potatoes, others come at 8:30 for pinching, bagging, boiling, etc., No experience is necessary. We'll show you what to do. Refreshments, lunch and lots of camaraderie and fun!!! Even if you just have an hour or so to give, we'll gladly take it — Bring a friend along too.

Cost for one dozen pirohy is \$8.00/dozen. Pick-up times are noon to 2pm or 5pm-6pm, in our school cafeteria.



March 3, 2019

Lenten Altar Guild Fundraisers

Friday, March 15th, Pirohy Friday, March 22nd, Sweet Pizza Friday, March 29th, Pirohy Friday, April 5th, To be announced Friday, April 12th, Pirohy

CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN MOTHERS SPRING RUMMAGE SALE

<u>COLLECTION DATES</u> for the Rummage Sale are <u>Monday,</u> <u>March 25th from 8am to 5pm and</u> <u>Tuesday, March 26th from 8am to</u>

12:00noon. Bring all items to the side door of the school gym. (New St. side) We accept clothing, shoes, purses, jewelry, household items, glassware, sports items, books, holiday decorations, toys, tools, DVDs, CDs, etc., etc., but please no TVs, outdated magazines, encyclopedias, or college textbooks.

Also, NO pick-ups or deliveries. Our Rummage Sale will be held on Monday, April 1st, 9am-6pm Tuesday, April 2nd, 9am-5pm (\$2/ bag day)

There will be refreshments, homemade haluski & wimpies, and a Bake Sale. More details to follow on the Bake Sale.

Social Concerns Committee BINGO

The Social Concerns Committee of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish will host a VARIETY BINGO on Sunday, April 7th in the school gymnasium, 116 Hughes St., Swoyersville. Cost is \$10 and includes 20 games with a \$200 Cash Coverall. Daubers are needed & can be purchased at the event. Doors open at noon and games begin at 1pm. Extra cards, basket raffle, and instant bingo will be available. Lunch & a Bake Sale are also featured. Seating is limited to 250. Proceeds will be used to benefit all those in need in our parish & community. This is a great opportunity for students to get service hours. Call Dottie at 570-288-8396 for information on Service Hours or more information on Bingo.

40 Days for Life March 6 to April 12

Rosary is prayed each weekday, Monday-Friday at 10:00am in front of the new Planned Parenthood location: 101 N. Main St., Wilkes-Barre (across from King's College) for an end to abortion & to close this particular facility. Planned Parenthood is the largest provider of abortions in the nation. Peaceful, prayerful witness on Planned Parenthood sidewalk.

Oblates to Host Annual St. Joseph Novena

The Annual Solemn Novena to St. Joseph, Patron on the Universal Church, begins today Sunday, March 10, at the Oblates of St. Joseph Chapel, Rte. 315, Laflin. Masses are celebrated daily at 11am & 7pm, followed by Novena prayers Each Novena Mass is preceded by Confessions & the Holy Rosary. The Feast of St. Joseph will be celebrated on Tuesday, March 19th, at 11am Mass, with His Excellency, Bishop Joseph C. Bambera as principal celebrant & homilist. At the conclusion of the Holy Mass, St. Joseph's Medals will be blessed & distributed. There will also be a Holy Mass at 7pm. Everyone is most welcome to come!

PENNY AUCTION

The Reginas of King's College will hold their annual Penny Auction on Sunday, March 24th from 2-4pm, in the Sheehy Farmer Center, 3rd floor. Plenty of free parking on campus grounds. Many beautiful prizes. Tickets are \$2 & can be purchased at the door. Doors open at 1:30pm. All proceeds assist a local student through the Rev. Clement J. Podskoch Scholarship Fund.

CORPUS CHRISTI TWILIGHT BINGO

Saturday, March 30, 7pm. Doors open at 6pm, at Immaculate Conception Hall, 601 Luzerne Ave., West Pittston. Tickets: \$20 in advance/\$25 at door (if not sold out). Tickets include 14 Free games, special not included. For tickets, call the Rectory at 570-654-2753. Food available.

\$47,000.00



Weekly Offering for the

Weekend of February 16/17, 2019

\$ 8231.83

Love and generosity start here at home. We are grateful for your faithful stewardship which sustains the life of our parish, supports our outreach and ministries, as well as maintains the level of staffing needed to put our mission into action. Thank you for your gift of treasure and commitment do God's work here at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton.

Total Raised:	\$36,932.00
Under:	\$10,068.00

Other Collection Totals:

Parish Groups

DAA 2018 Goal:

(Christian Mothers): \$659.00

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish

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Eucharistic Schedule and Intentions

Intention	Requested By				
Monday March 11					
Theresa Kolesar	Margaret Stelma				
r <u>ch 12</u>					
John W. Gibbons	Sister, Pat Quinn & Family				
Wednesday, March 13					
Natalie Zyla	Slezak Family				
arch 14					
Richard Sisko	Sister, Christine Sisko				
<u>1 15</u>					
Richard Gavlick	Sr. Cynthia & Sr. Melita				
2nd Sunday of Lent					
<u>irch 16</u>					
John Ludwikowski	Daughter, Jane & Family				
<u>ch 17</u>					
Pro Populo					
Joseph Libus	Stiles Family				
William Michaels	Wife, Jean				
	<u>ch 11</u> Theresa Kolesar <u>rch 12</u> John W. Gibbons <u>March 13</u> Natalie Zyla <u>arch 14</u> Richard Sisko <u>n 15</u> Richard Gavlick of Lent <u>irch 16</u> John Ludwikowski <u>ch 17</u> Pro Populo Joseph Libus				

CONFESSIONS are held on Saturdays from 3:45pm to 4:15pm or you may call Fr. Joe for an appointment.



In Dying that We're Born to Eternal Life ~~ Joanne Armaghan~~

May the Lord grant her Eternal Rest.

Sanctuary Candles

-In Memory of Carol Adonizio offered by Mary Ann Kosisher -In Memory of Alberta Kolojejchick offered by sister, Mary Ann Romanowski



Bread and Wine

~In Memory of Alberta Kolojejchick offered by sister, Mary Ann Romanowski

