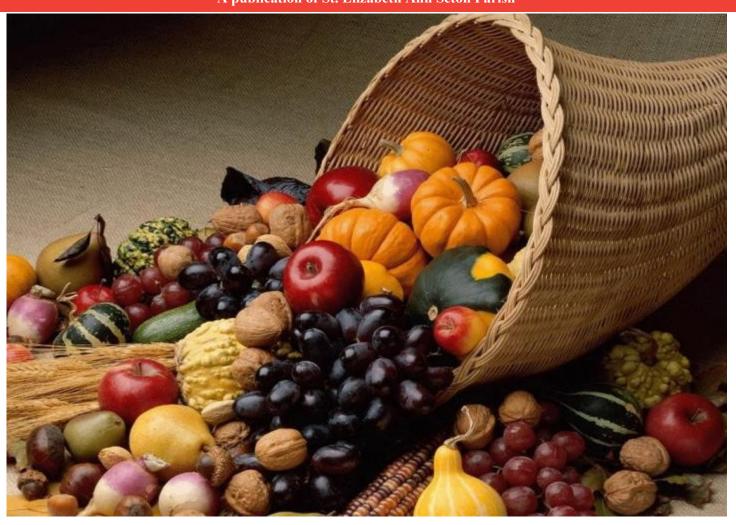


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PAROCHIAL STAFF

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
- ♦ Sister Sarah Landis, IHM Pastoral Counseling/ Therapy

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 Monica Salis **Business Manager**

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Sister Marion Tarone, IHM **Director of Religious Education**

Music Ministry

- Margaret Semanek **Director of Liturgical Music**
- ♦ Joseph Sabol

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♦ Cora Artim

Youth Choir Director

♦ Scott Coates 5:30 PM Mass Musician

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- **Christopher Calore**
- Patricia Quinn
- Betsy Evanoski

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- Christopher Calore
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- Carol Hrobaski
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Finance Council. Chair

Michael Perhach

Our Parish This Week



PARISH OFFICE CLOSED:

Our Parish Office will be closed on Thursday and Friday, November 22nd and 23rd, in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.

THANKSGIVING DAY MASS

Please note that our Thanksgiving Day Mass will be held at **9:00am**. Thanks to the generosity of Mr. Ed Mitchell, fresh fruit will be distributed to all those in attendance as a reminder of all of God's Blessings to us.

Social Concerns Committee

The Social Concerns Committee would like to thank all those who were able to donate children's clothing to our recently completed Fall Coat Drive. The response was tremendous! Many more children will now have the chance to stay warm & healthy because of your continuing generosity. Thank you! Several members of the Social Concerns Committee also participated in the Care & Share Annual Food Drive

sponsored by our parish's Knights of Columbus chapter. It's always a pleasure to assist the Knights in any of their charitable projects, & especially to show our appreciation for the helping hands they've provided to the Social Concerns Committee over the years. Truly, this is a giving parish!

Holy Family Food Pantry

Our neighbors in Luzerne host a Food Pantry and collect food for distribution throughout our community. Our parish is in a partnership with Holy Family Food Pantry to help supply some of the goods for the people who need help.

Items needed for the food pantry: Macaroni & Cheese (box), canned fruit, jelly, crackers, canned corn, & instant rice Boxes are located in the vestibule next to the statues of our Blessed Mother and St. Joseph.

Please Do Not Block

There have been complaints that our church driveway is being blocked by cars parking in spaces not designated as spaces. Please remember that there are others that need to use the elevator and handicapped accessible entrances and drop people off in the driveway. Park only in designated spaces. Be courteous to others who need the accessibility.



Keeping In-Touch With Seton

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ALTAR GUILD FUNDRAISER

PIROHY SALE

Our first Advent Pirohy Sale will be on Friday, November 30th, followed by 2 more sales on Friday, December 7th and 14th. Sign-up sheets are on the tables at the church entrance, and will be pulled when our quota is met. Cost is \$7.00/dozen. Pick-up times are noon-2pm and 5pm-6pm in our school caferia.

Mark your calendars! We will need LOTS of help making the pirohy on each Friday of the sales. Please come on Friday, Nov. 30th, at 7:00am if you can help ball the potatoes; all others come at 8:30am. Bring your friends! Lunch will be served.

In need of Counseling?



Sister Sarah Landis, IHM, a licensed certified therapist and counselor addresses problems with depression, anxiety, grieving, relationship issues, and many other mental heath concerns. Sister's office is located at the former Holy Trinity Convent, across from the rectory on Hughes Street. For more information or to contact Sister Sarah directly, call the main office and dial extension 124 when prompted.

Religious Education

Religious Education Classes:

NOVEMBER CLASSES for Saturdays: (no classes on Nov. 24th) NOVEMBER CLASSES for Mondays: 19th (no classes on Nov. 26th)

DECEMBER CLASSES for Saturdays: Dec. 1, 8, & 15 (no classes on Dec. 22 & 29) DECEMBER CLASSES for Mondays: Dec. 3, 10, & 17 -(show) No classes Dec. 24 & 31)

Parent's Meetings:

November 18th: 8th grade Confirmation Parent meeting after 5:30pm mass in our church hall. Date and Time for Confirmation will be announced at this meeting.

DECEMBER 2ND: 7th Grade Family Mass & Enrollment: 5:30pm & Extra Class in church hall

HNS 50/50 Christmas Raffle

Tickets are **sold out!** Thank you to everyone who purchased a ticket! The drawing will take place next Sunday,

November 25th, after the 8:30am Mass. The lucky winner will receive \$1250.00! Good luck to all!

Christian Mothers

The Christian Mothers Christmas Party will be held at the Avenue Diner on Sunday, December 9th, at 2pm. Reservations will

be taken until Monday, Nov. 26th, by calling Susan at 570-714-1628. Guests of members are \$15.00.

And Speaking of Christmas....



Here is this Christmas' Mass Schedule at Seton

Monday, December 24, 2018 Christmas Vigiil Masses 4, 7, 10 pm

Tuesday, December 25, 2018 Christmas Day Masses 12 Midnight, 8:30 and 11:00 am

We are publishing the schedule so you can make your plans accordingly in advance.

CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE



Each year our parish reaches out to members of our community who are in need of help for

the holidays and presents for children. If you or someone you know is struggling, please contact Lori at the office. All calls are confidential. Soon we

will be posting gift tags on our Christmas Giving Tree for both the needy children in our area & the elderly. We thank you for your help and participation in this project each vear!



Our Parish's 2018 Annual Appeal Goal:

\$47,000.00

Gift and Pledges to Date:

\$22,972.00

KNIGHTS CARE & SHARE FOOD DRIVE



Our Knights of Columbus & many volunteers have collected non-perishable food from our caring community and the boxes of food are ready to be distributed. If you or someone you know in our parish community is in need of groceries for the holidays, please call Lori Raymond at our parish office, 570-287-6624, extension 100. All calls are confidential.

Assistance for Christmas



St. Vincent DePaul Kitchen, a program of Catholic Social Services, is once again teaming up with local parishes & the US Marines "Toys for Tots" for this year's Christmas Toy Drive. Last year we distributed toys to hundreds of children in the Wyoming Valley. This year's registration for Toys & Food for Christmas will be held at Our Lady of Hope Parish, 40 Park Ave, Wilkes-Barre on Monday, November 19th, 10am-1pm and 3pm-7pm. Children up

to age 10 are eligible. Parents should bring the following: 1. Photo I.D. of parent/ guardian 2. Original birth certificate for each child 3. proof of address, such as a recent utility bill. Food Distribution will take place at St. Vincent DePaul Kitchen, 39 E. Jackson St., Wilkes-Barre on Monday, Dec. 17th from 9:30am-12:30pm and 3pm-7pm. Toy Distribution is at Our Lady of Hope Parish, on Monday Dec. 17th from 9am-noon and 3pm-7pm. Anyone who wants to donate new Toys or new outerwear, contact Dianne at 570-406-9843, or just drop off at St. Vincent DePaul Kitchen from 8am-1pm daily. Please drop off items through the Kitchen's rear entrance on Bennett Street. Thank you!

ST. PAUL CENTER FOR BIBLICAL THEOLOGY

By Dr. Scott Hahn **Hope in Tribulation** 33rd Sunday Ordinary Time Daniel 12:1-3 Psalm 16:5,8-11 Hebrews 10:11-14,18 Mark 13:24-32 In this, the second-to-the-last week of the Church year, Jesus has finally made it to Jerusalem.

Near to His passion and death, He gives us a teaching of hope—telling us how it will be when He returns again in glory. (cont'd in next column \rightarrow)



ST. LEO'S/HOLY ROSARY HOLY NAME TURKEY BINGO

Today, Sunday, Nov. 18th, church hall, 33 Manhattan St., Ashley. Win 1 of 15 turkeys. Doors open at noon, games start at 1pm Admission: \$5.00 & Kitchen open.

FEAST OF ST. NICHOLAS

Come and join us for a wonderful afternoon of singing Slovak Christmas carols & sharing Christmas memories. Slovak hospitality to follow. The Slovak Heritage Society of N.E. PA cordially invites you to celebrate "The Feast of St. Nicholas" on Sunday, December 2nd, at 2pm. Our Lady of Fatima Parish Center at St. Mary's Church of the Immaculate Conception, 134 South Washington St., Wilkes-Barre.

Today's Gospel is taken from the end of a long discourse in which He describes tribulations the likes of which haven't been seen "since the beginning of God's creation" (see Mark 13:9). He describes what amounts to a dissolution of God's creation, a "devolution" of the world to its original state of formlessness and

First, human community—nations and kingdoms—will break down (see Mark 13:7-8). Then the earth will stop yielding food and begin to shake apart (13:8). Next, the family will be torn apart from within and the last faithful individuals will be persecuted (13:9-13). Finally, the Temple will be desecrated, the earth emptied of God's presence (13:14). In today's reading, God is described putting out the lights that He established in the sky in the very beginning—the sun, the moon and the stars (see also Isaiah 13:10; 34:4). Into this "uncreated" darkness, the Son of Man, in Whom all things were made, will come.

Jesus has already told us that the Son of Man must be humiliated and killed (see Mark 8:31). Here He describes His ultimate victory, using royal-divine images drawn from the Old Testament—clouds, glory, and angels (see Daniel 7:13). He shows Himself to be the fulfillment of all God's promises to save "the elect," the faithful remnant (see Isaiah 43:6; Jeremiah 32:37).

As today's First Reading tells us, this salvation will include the bodily resurrection of those who sleep in the dust. We are to watch for this day, when His enemies are finally made His footstool, as today's Epistle envisions. We can wait in confidence knowing, as we pray in today's Psalm, that we will one day delight at His right hand forever. A service of the St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology. www.Salvation/History.com



Weekly Offering for November 3/4, 2018 \$ 7901.36

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 to do God's work here at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton.

ALL SAINTS' DAY: \$1847.75

Parish Intentions This Week

Intention: Requested By:

Monday, November 19

8:00 am Walter Skrainy Sister, Sophie Pointon

Tuesday, November 20

8:00 am Susan Kawalkewicz Confraternity of Christian Mothers

Wednesday, November 21

8:00 am Jim Keating Family

Thursday, November 22

9:00 am Pro Populo

Friday, November 23

8:00 am Robert Farber Phillip A. Farber & Family

Saturday, November 24

4:30 pm Franklin & Edna Mae Burgess Joe & Terri Burgess

Sunday, November 25

8:30 am Pro Populo

11:00 am Frank & Anna Tressa Ernest & Dolores Tressa

5:30 pm Raymond Chimock Wife, Rosemary & Family



In Dying that we're born to Eternal Life:

~David Wolfe~

May the Lord grant him Eternal Rest.



This Week's Vigil Lights:

- In Memory of Helen Jenziorski offered by Granddaughter & Family
- In Memory of Lou Michaels offered by Family



Altar Flowers this weekend:

- In Honor of the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Frank & Mary Ann Fosko
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