



The Seton Sentinel

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St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish

Swoyersville, Pennsylvania

April 13, 2014

HOLY WEEK AT SETON

Palm Sunday:
Regular Mass Schedule



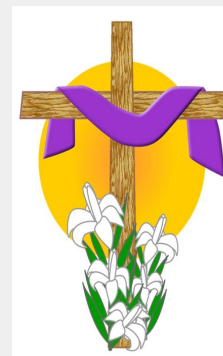
Holy Thursday:
9:00 am Morning Prayer
9:30 am Confessions
7:00 pm **Mass of the Lord's Supper**
Church open for Adoration until 11:00 pm

Good Friday
9:00 am Morning Prayer
9:30 am Confessions
2:00 pm **Mass of the Pre-Sanctified**



Holy Saturday:
9:00 am Morning Prayer
9:30 am Confessions
2:00 pm Blessing of Baskets
8:00 pm **The Great Easter Vigil**

Easter Sunday Masses: 7:00 am, 8:30am, 10:00 am & 11:30 am



Worship with us and bring a friend!

Lenten Regulations

- **Abstinence** from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years and older on **Ash Wednesday, Good Friday,** and all **Fridays*** of Lent
- **Fasting** is to be observed on **Ash Wednesday** and **Good Friday** by all Catholics over the age of 18 but not yet 59. Those bound by this may only take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

Catholics should not lightly excuse themselves from these prescribed minimal practices.

(Those who are ill, pregnant, on medication or special diets for health concerns, or those who work at extremely physical jobs are exempt from these regulations)

*In the United States, the bishops have asked Catholics over the age of 14 to abstain from meat on all Fridays of Lent.

Altar Server Practice Times for Holy Week:

Altar Servers are asked to attend the following practices for the Holy Week Masses. If you cannot make the mass you are scheduled for, please find a replacement and remind them of the practice time.

Holy Thursday, Practice at 4:00 pm (Mass at 7:00 pm)

Good Friday, Practice at 1:15 pm (stay for Passion Service at 2:00)

Holy Saturday, Practice for the Easter Vigil at 1:00 pm, Vigil Mass at 8:00 pm).

Our **Knights of Columbus** meet every second Tuesday of the month at 7pm in the church hall. The next meeting is April 8th. New members are always welcome.

Palm Sunday Penance Service

Sunday, April 13th at 4:00 pm
St. Ignatius of Loyola Parish
Kingston

April 15 Chrism Mass

The Chrism Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday, April 15th at St. Peter's Cathedral, Scranton, 4:00 p.m. All of the faithful are welcome to be in attendance.

Paschal Candle Donation

Each Liturgical Year the church acquires a new Paschal Candle which symbolizes the Light of Christ. This candle burns throughout the 50 days of Easter at all Masses completing with the Feast of Pentecost. The Paschal Candle is also lit throughout the year at all parish Baptisms and Funerals. The Paschal Candle this Liturgical Year is in **Memory of the Stanishefski and Tocheny Families** offered by Children and Grandchildren.

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

Please notify the **Parish Social Ministry Office at (570) 763-5160** if you would like a parish representative to visit a family member who is **hospitalized, homebound, or in a nursing home**. In compliance with **HIPAA regulations** (Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act), health care facilities are required to protect the confidentiality and security of health data. Therefore, the only way that the parish can be informed of someone needing assistance is through notification by a family member or friend.

Cemetery Clean-Up

It's that time of year to clean-up the cemeteries and prepare for spring and grass cutting season. We ask that you please remove all items (this includes wreaths, any artificial flowers, statues of any kind, candle or solar vigil lights and theme flags) from the grave sites by April 30th. This does not include the American flag. This is not only a Diocesan Cemetery Rule, but a safety issue. All Diocesan Rules are posted at each cemetery. After this date all items will be removed and discarded. Please note, we are not responsible for any items left at the grave sites after April 30th. Thank you for your cooperation.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

There are no CCD classes on Saturday, April 19th, and Monday, April 21st. Classes will resume the following weekend.

Holy Week Collections:

Holy Thursday—St. Vincent DePaul Soup Kitchen, Wilkes-Barre (CSC)

Good Friday—The Holy Land

COLLECTION REPORT

March 29/30, 2014

SUNDAY: \$7172.50	DUES: \$651.00
LOOSE: \$329.96	Other: \$31.00
TOTAL: \$8184.46	

May God bless you for your generosity!

PRAYER REQUEST CARDS

Prayer request cards have been placed on a table near the confessional. All of the parish community groups will pray for your intentions. Take a moment to fill out a prayer card for you and your loved ones, and trust in the power of prayer.



SUMMER FESTIVAL 2014

Our festival dates for this year are **July 10, 11, & 12**. We are accepting non-perishable items & other donations at this time. We are in need of napkins, paper towels, paper plates, take-out containers (9x9 or 3-section), ketchup, vegetable oil, aluminum foil, and bottles of whiskey, wine, brandy, & other spirits. We are also asking for small toys that can be used as prizes at the children's game stands. These can be purchased at a local dollar store, etc. They need not be expensive, but must be new. We appreciate whatever you can do!

THANK YOU

The **Confraternity of Christian Mothers** extend a very sincere thank you to everyone who helped make our Spring Rummage Sale a huge success. The men & boys of the parish who set up & removed the tarp on the gym floor, the tables, cleaned up, etc. To the Christian Mothers & volunteers who set out the sale items, baked, worked the kitchen & sale floor, & packed the leftovers. To those who made the haluski, wimpies, etc. To the office staff & Chris Calore for their generous contributions. And, of course, our customers, and those who donated items for sale. **THANK YOU!**



HOLY NAME SOCIETY GOOD FRIDAY POTATO PANCAKE SALE

Sign up sheets are on the tables at the church entrance for our HNS

Good Friday (April 18th) Potato Pancake Sale. There will be no walk-in orders. All orders must be pre-ordered by signing the order sheet this weekend. Cost is 6 for \$4.00 or 12 for \$6.00. Take-outs only. Pick-up times are from 4pm to 6pm at the garage in the church parking lot. Anyone who can volunteer to help us, please come at 3:30 to the garage.

CAMP ST. ANDREW A RESIDENT CAMP FOR BOYS AND GIRLS

- Girls' Basketball (entering grades 5-10) July 6-11
- Girls' Basketball (entering grades 5-10) July 13-18
- Girls' Traditional Camp (entering grades 3-10) July 6-11
- Girls' Traditional Camp (entering grades 3-10) July 13-18
- Boys' Basketball (entering grades 4-9) July 20-24
- Father/Son Weekend (sons age 6-14) July 18-20
- Women's Weekend (21 & older) July 11-13

Visit www.dioceseofscranton.org, click on Camp St. Andrew under Social Services or visit our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/campstandrew or call 570-342-5556 ext 4

Handyman/Driver Needed

A driver and handyman for small repairs around the house are needed. Please call Jeanne at 570-287-6279 for more information.



ST. PAUL CENTER FOR BIBLICAL THEOLOGY

By Dr. Scott Hahn

Passion Sunday (Cycle A)

All Is Fulfilled

Readings:

Isaiah 50:4-7

Psalms 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24

Philippians 2:6-11

Matthew 26:14-27:66

"All this has come to pass that the writings of the prophets may be fulfilled," Jesus says in today's Gospel (see Matthew 26:56).

Indeed, we have reached the climax of the liturgical year, the highest peak of salvation history, when all that has been anticipated and promised is to be fulfilled.

By the close of today's long Gospel, the work of our redemption will have been accomplished, the new covenant will be written in the blood of His broken body hanging on the cross at the place called the Skull.

In His Passion, Jesus is "counted among the wicked," as Isaiah had foretold (see Isaiah 53:12). He is revealed definitively as the Suffering Servant the prophet announced, the long-awaited Messiah whose words of obedience and faith ring out in today's First Reading and Psalm.

The taunts and torments we hear in these two readings punctuate the Gospel as Jesus is beaten and mocked (see Matthew 27:31), as His hands and feet are pierced, as enemies gamble for His clothes (see Matthew 27:35), and as his enemies dare Him to prove His divinity by saving Himself from suffering (see Matthew 27:39-44).

He remains faithful to God's will to the end, does not turn back in His trial. He gives Himself freely to His torturers, confident that, as He speaks in today's First Reading: "The Lord God is my help...I shall not be put to shame."

Destined to sin and death as children of Adam's disobedience, we have been set free for holiness and life by Christ's perfect obedience to the Father's will (see Romans 5:12-14, 17-19; Ephesians 2:2; 5:6).

This is why God greatly exalted Him. This is why we have salvation in His Name. Following His example of humble obedience in the trials and crosses of our lives, we know we will never be forsaken. We know, as the centurion today, that truly this is the Son of God (see Matthew 27:54).

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www.SalvationHistory.com



Then I will proclaim



your name to



the assembly; in



the community



I will praise you



Psalm 22:23

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SAINT ELIZABETH ANN SETON PARISH
The Roman Catholic Community of Swoyersville

April 5, 2014

Dear Parishioners:

For many months now, your Parish Finance Council has been charged with the duties of winding down the Parish's ownership of the former Holy Name/St. Mary's properties in and around Shoemaker Street in Swoyersville. These duties have included the demolition of the former church structure; the subdivision of the land to better reflect the usage of each property; and the appraisal of each parcel to reflect the fair market value of each.

I am writing this letter to communicate to you, the Parishioners of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, and to any other interested parties, that the Parish is seeking bids from any party with an interest in purchasing any of the parcels available for sale at the former Holy Name/St. Mary's campus. The Finance Council has identified the parcels for sale as follows:

1. Former Rectory Building – 283 Shoemaker Street
Map #F9SE2 Block 011 Lot 016
Minimum Bid - \$160,000.00
2. Religious Education Center – 14 Barber Street
Map #F9SE2 Block 010 Lot 019
Minimum Bid - \$46,000.00
3. Abandoned House – 301-307 Shoemaker Street
Map #F9SE2 Block 011 Lots 013 and 014
Minimum Bid - \$26,000.00
4. Vacant Lot – 66 feet fronting Shoemaker Street
Map #F9SE2 Block 011 Lot 015
Minimum Bid - \$30,000.00
5. Vacant Lot – 66 feet fronting Shoemaker Street
Map #F9SE2 Block 011 Lot 015
Minimum Bid - \$30,000.00

All properties are being offered for sale "AS IS/WHERE IS".

116 Hughes Street
Swoyersville, PA 18704

570-287-6624 or 570-287-2139
570-287-4704
website: setonpa.com

If you or anyone you know has an interest in purchasing any or all of these parcels of land and improvements, please contact Monica Salis at the Rectory for additional information and to arrange a convenient time to inspect the properties more thoroughly.

Bids for each property for sale must be submitted to the offices of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, 116 Hughes Street, Swoyersville, PA 18704 by 3:00 PM, Monday, May 5, 2014 and must be accompanied by a Certified or Cashier's Check for ten (10%) percent of the bid amount. All bids must be sealed and marked with the address for the property.

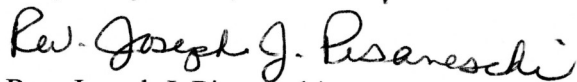
Thereafter, the sealed bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish Finance Council Meeting to be held at the Rectory on Thursday, May 8, 2014 at 7:00 PM.

The successful bidder must make payment and take possession of the Property within thirty (30) days from the date of the bid award pursuant to the terms and conditions contained in the proposed Agreement of Sale with the Diocese of Scranton. The Diocese of Scranton reserves the right to reject any or all bids and the right to approve of the successful bidder's intended use of the Premises.

The Parish Finance Council has given this method of sale a tremendous amount of thought and it believes by offering the properties for sale to the members of the Parish Community and to the general public in this manner is the most cost effective manner in which to do so.

Please feel free to contact Monica Salis at the Rectory if you have any questions or would like to make arrangements to inspect the properties prior to submitting a bid.

Very Truly Yours,



Rev. Joseph J. Pisaneschi
Pastor

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, April 14

8:00 a.m. Peter Linsky Alice & Mary Mochan

Tuesday, April 15

8:00 a.m. Elizabeth Kachmar Family

Wednesday, April 16

8:00 a.m. Joseph & Helen Kosco Mark & Mary Ann Kosco

Thursday, April 17 Holy Thursday

7:00 p.m. Emil J. Sholtis, Jr. Mark Skiro & Robin Tupper

Friday, April 18 Good Friday

2:00 p.m. *Mass of the Pre-Sanctified*

Saturday, April 19 (Vigil: Easter)

8:00 p.m. Easter Mass Intentions

Sunday, April 20 Solemnity of the Resurrection of the Lord

7:00 a.m. Easter Mass Intentions

8:30 a.m. Easter Mass Intentions

10:00 a.m. Easter Mass Intentions

11:30 a.m. *Pro Populo*



Eternal Rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let Perpetual Light shine upon them~

~~Julia Volack~~Dorothy Milunic~~ Thomas Tomascik~~May their souls and all the souls of the Faithful Departed rest in peace. Amen.



SANCTUARY LIGHT INTENTIONS

~ In Memory of Russell W. Jones (10th Anniversary of Passing) offered by Wife & Children

~ In Memory of Stephen Hudak offered by wife, Eleanor

Scripture for the week of April 13, 2014

13 SUN Mt 21:1-11/ Is 50:4-7/Phil 2:6-11/Mt 26:14-27:66 or 27:11-54
14 Mon Is 42:1-7/Jn 12:1-11
15 Tue Is 49:1-6/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
16 Wed Is 50:4-9a/Mt 26:14-25
17 Thu Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15
18 Fri Is 52:13-53:12/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1-19:42
19 Sat Gn 1:1-2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/ Ex 14:15-15:1/Is 54:5-14/Is 55:1-11/Bar 3:9-15, 32-4:4/Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/

Celebrant's Schedule April 19-20

8:00 pm Fr. Pisaneschi

7:00 am Fr. Pisaneschi

8:30 am Fr. Pisaneschi

10:00 am Fr. Urban

11:30 am 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.

Reconciliation

Mondays: 5:30 p.m. -7:00 p.m.
Saturdays: 3:15 p.m.-3:45 p.m.
Paschal Triduum: 9:30 a.m.
or anytime by request.

Parish Staff

- Cora Artim Children's and Contemporary Groups
- Phil Boshia Maintenance
- Chris Calore Maintenance
- Sister Jane Ellis, IHM Parish Social Minister
- Terry Jankoviak Director of Faith Formation
- Rev. Joseph J. Pisaneschi Pastor
- Lori Raymond Pastoral Associate
- Joseph Sabol Assistant Organist
- Monica Salis Business Manager
- Marge Semanek Director of Music
- Rev. Anthony Urban Weekend Celebrant

CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENTS

Baptism

Expecting parents are asked to contact the Parish Office as soon as possible. The celebration of the Sacrament is held after the 11:30 a.m. Mass on Sundays.

Confirmation

The Sacrament will be celebrated for 8th grade students next spring.

Matrimony

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

Holy Orders

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

Anointing of the Sick

To receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, please contact the parish Priest, day or night. When someone is very ill please do not wait to call the priest. With the priest shortage there is no guarantee that a priest will be available at the last minute, even in the hospitals.

Direct Contacts

Office of Social Ministry (Sr. Jane) 570-763-5160

Faith Formation Office: 570-287-4587

Father Joe's email: fatherjoey@aol.com

Bulletin Deadline: Friday, for the next week's publication.

Welcome to our Parish!

Actual Parish Membership begins by contacting the parish office.