

THE SETON SENTINEL

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish



*See that you
not be deceived,
for many will come
in my name, saying,
'I am he,' and
'The time has come.'
Do not follow them!*

LUKE 21:8

Thirty-Third Sunday of Ordinary Time

November 17, 2013

Swoyersville, PA

PASTORAL COUNCIL

In the coming months, all parishioners will be asked to respond to this question: *"Looking to the coming years, if you could imagine or transform our parish in any way you wished, what 3 things would you do to enhance its life and vitality?"*

Next PPC Meeting is Tuesday, December 4th at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

LECTOR WORKBOOKS FOR 2014

All lectors are asked to pick up their 2014 Lector Workbook, located in the Server's Sacristy. Readings begin for December 1, 2013, the First Sunday of Advent. Thank you.

CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN MOTHERS

The CCM will meet this Sunday, November 17th, at 2:00PM in the church hall. Plans for the December 8th Christmas Party will be discussed and reservations taken.

ADULT EDUCATION (ENRICHMENT) SERIES

Our fall series continues *Thursday evenings* at 7:00pm in the church hall and continues through Thursday, December 5th. We are studying *Catholicism*, a video series by Fr. Robert Barron. This is a beautifully produced video program filmed all over the Catholic world and features beautiful music. We also hold a discussion session on the episodes. All are welcome to join us Thursday evenings. Come and discover more about what makes us Catholic. Light refreshments to follow.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus installation of officers will take place on Saturday, November 23rd, after the 5:30PM Mass.

THANKSGIVING MASS

Thursday, November 28th at 9:00 a.m. There will be no 8:00 a.m. mass on Thanksgiving Day.

COLLECTIONS REPORT FOR NOVEMBER 9/10

(The report will be posted in next week's bulletin.)

SOCIAL CONCERNS

Holiday Help

Please contact Father Joe or our Pastoral Associate, Lori Raymond, if you are in need or know a family in our community who needs help this Thanksgiving or Christmas. Screened families and individuals may receive help with the food for Holiday Meals and Children's Christmas Presents. We need to be notified now to be able to help for Christmas.

Also, we are **accepting Supermarket Gift Cards for the needy for Thanksgiving**. You can drop them off at the rectory or place them in the Sunday basket, if you are able to help. Any amount will be appreciated. The Social Concerns Committee will once again this year sponsor **the Giving Tree** for presents for needy families and shut-ins. The tree will be in at the entrance of the church near the Reconciliation Room around Thanksgiving. We always have a very successful drive thanks to our parish's tremendous generosity. We thank you in advance for your participation in this year's gift drive.



HOLY FAMILY FOOD PANTRY ITEMS NEEDED-

Canned meats (ham, Spam, meatballs), canned spaghetti sauce, canned tuna, canned vegetables, canned ravioli, canned fruit, peanut butter, jelly, any pasta, cereal The **donation box** is located in the church vestibule on the left side (as you enter the church) near the steps

SAINT VINCENT de PAUL & TOYS FOR TOTS

St. Vincent de Paul Kitchen, a program of Catholic Social Services is once again teaming up with local parishes and the United States Marines "Toys for Tots" for this year's Christmas Toy Drive. Last year, we distributed toys to over 2,000 children in the Wyoming Valley! Toys are needed and donations may be taken to St. Vincent de Paul Kitchen, 39 East Jackson St., Wilkes-Barre, 7 days a week from 7:30am to 1:00pm.

Registration for Toys and Food for Christmas will be held at Our Lady of Hope Parish, 40 Park Avenue, Wilkes-Barre.:
Monday, November 18th, 9-11am and 1-3pm
Tuesday, November 19th, 9-11am and 4-6pm.
Parents should bring the following: PHOTO ID, VERIFICATION OF INCOME, A SOCIAL SECURITY CARD FOR EVERYONE IN THE HOUSEHOLD, AND PROOF OF ADDRESS WITH A RECENT DATE. **Food Distribution** will take place at St. Vincent de Paul Kitchen, Tuesday, December 17th, 9:30am -2:30pm and 4-7pm. **Toy Distribution** will take place at Our Lady of Hope Parish, 40 Park Ave., W-B, on Tuesday, December 17th from 9am to 2pm and 4-7pm.



ADVENT WREATH PROJECT

We are having a **Family Advent Wreath Project** on Sunday, November 24th, at 2:00PM, in the church hall. Sign-up sheets are on the tables at the church entrance. Please join us in this family-oriented gathering, as we begin to prepare for Advent and learn different ways to celebrate Advent at home.

ADVENT PIROHY SALE

We are having our Advent Pirohy Sales on the following dates (all on Fridays): **December 6, 13, and 20.** We need a lot of volunteers to help make them on the days of the sales. If you can help ball potatoes, come at 7:00AM, all others come at 8:30AM. Experienced or not, come out and join in the fun and help out.

THANK YOU FOR SHARING!

The Wyoming Valley West School District wants to thank all who donated coats/hoodies during the Social Concerns Coat/Hoodie Drive. Over 80 coats and 50 hoodies were donated to children in need!!! Your generosity placed a smile on the faces of many children.

SOCIAL CONCERNS PASTA DINNER

The Social Concerns Committee thanks everyone who supported our Pasta Dinner. Thank you to all volunteers who baked, helped prepare, serve, and clean up. The committee applauds Mark Perugini for a wonderful job in making this event successful! Congratulations to the winners of our baskets: Ham Basket-Chris Calore, Movie Basket-Julius Miscavage, and Turkey Basket-Valerie Gerchak.

FIRST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS NEEDED

We are in need of more EM's to bring the Holy Eucharist to our homebound parishioners on the First Friday of each month. If you think you are able to help out, please contact Fr. Joe or Lori, for more information.

GLUTEN-FREE HOSTS

Celiac disease affects many people. People with this disease are allergic to wheat and prevents them from receiving Holy Communion. Our parish offers gluten-free hosts to those who need them. To make arrangements, call the rectory and make sure the priest knows what mass you will be attending. We ask those who are to receive the gluten-free hosts to come to Communion first, so that the hands of the minister do not contaminate it.

Monday Advent Adoration

This weekend you may begin signing up for Advent Eucharistic Adoration on Monday nights. The sign-up sheet is located on the table at the Church Entrance. Exposition will begin at 5:30 p.m. and continue until Benediction at 6:45. We will need someone to be signed for each 15 minute increments. **The Sacrament of Reconciliation** will be celebrated each Monday from 5:30-6:45 p.m. Please use these times as your opportunity for your Christmas confession since our parish will not have a formal Penance Service. Confessions are also heard on Saturday afternoons from 3:15-3:45 or call Father Joe for an appointment.



Here is how our parish stands:

Our Goal: \$45,000.00

29.61%(321 out of 1,084) gave/pledged

Total Raised: \$35,815.00

Under Goal : \$9,185.00

If you have not given or pledged to this year's Appeal, please prayerfully consider doing so this week. Remember, no gift is too small to help those in need. If you need pledge forms or envelopes, they are available by contacting the parish office or pick one up at the entrance of the church. You may also give online at annualappeal.org Help our Diocese as it helps so many others, "Serve with Love."

**HOLY REDEEMER HIGH SCHOOL
PLACEMENT/SCHOLARSHIP TEST**

For interested public & private school 8th Graders
Saturday, December 14, 8:30AM
Call the Guidance Office to register for the test:
829-2424

CATCH OUR SPIRIT!!!

Wyoming Area Catholic School, Exeter

"WHERE WE LIVE, LOVE, & LEARN BY FAITH"

Tuition Assistance available for Grades Pre-K to 8th
For information: www.wacsh.com or 570.654.7982

LADIES ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIANS

Middle or high school students of Luzerne County are invited to submit entries to the Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians 2013-2014 Irish History Writing Contest. The contest is open to any students of grades 6 through 12. For complete contest rules and list of cash prizes, please visit www.ladiesaoh.com or call Mary Ellen Dooley at 735-1711. Deadline for entries is January 15, 2014.

CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES PROUDLY PRESENTS:

Rhythm & Wine~Friday, November 22nd from 6:30 to 9:30 PM at Bartolai Winery, Route 92, Harding.
Wine tasting! Food & desserts by Dente~Piano music by Paul Oschal \$50.00 per person. Call Kelli at 822-7118, ext 357 for reservations.
"A Great Evening for an Even Better Cause!"

ST. FAUSTINA KOWALSKA PARISH BINGO

Sunday, December 1st
St. Mary School Hall, 1010 Hanover St, Nanticoke
Doors open: 12:30pm Early Birds: 1:45pm
Regular Games: 2:00pm
Cash prizes—Door Prizes—Refreshments
Parking & Entrance at rear of building

**SAINT ELIZABETH ANN SETON
PRAY FOR US!**

Tune Into Your Faith!
JMJ Catholic Radio
750am and 98.9 FM
(FM 24 hours a day!)
Seton Parishioner Operated

MALTBY VOLUNTEER FIRE CO. BOOT DRIVE



The Boot Drive will take place this weekend, November 16-17. Donations will be accepted before and after Masses. Please do what you can to support our local fire company so that they will be ready if and when we and our neighbors need them.

THANKSGIVING SERVICE AT ST. IGNATIUS

St. Ignatius Loyola & the Church of Christ Uniting are sponsoring a celebration, a Thanksgiving Service, on Monday, November 25th, at 7:00PM, at St. Ignatius Church, at the corner of Pringle St., and North Maple Ave., Kingston. Musical preludes will begin at 6:45PM. Our gathering as a grateful community will include hymns, scripture reading, reflection, and a closing hymn. We will have a free will collection and all money will be contributed equally to the Al Beech West Side Food Bank and Dinner for Kids located at Ollie's Restaurant, Edwardsville. Light refreshments will be offered at Conlon Hall after the service. All are invited.

St. Ignatius is one of five local churches with volunteers who operate the West Side Food Bank from its facility at the Church of Christ Uniting on the corner of Market St. and Sprague Ave., Kingston. The pantry is there to serve our friends & neighbors on the West Side. Eligible persons can get 12 grocery orders per year. For information, call 288-8434 or 288-0934.

NPM Saint Cecelia Hymn Sing

The Scranton Diocesan Chapter of the National Association of Pastoral Musicians will be holding a Hymn Festival on Friday, November 22nd, the feast day of St. Cecelia, the patron saint of music & musicians, in St. Mary's Church of the Immaculate Conception, 134 South Washington St., Wilkes-Barre at 7:00PM. The focus of the evening will be on teachings of Pope Francis and will also feature the newly restored pipe organ which was just completed by Patrick Murphy & Associates of Stowe, PA. This event is free and open to all. For more information, call 823-4168 x 130 or email: mignatovich@verizon.net

THIS WEEK'S LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Monday, November 18

8:00 a.m. Margaret Mandell Husband, John

Tuesday, November 19

8:00 a.m. Joseph Gonglefski M/M Lou Michaels

Wednesday, November 20

8:00 a.m. Mary E. Tobias Son, John

Thursday, November 21 Presentation of the Blessed Mother

8:00 a.m. James & Victoria Keating Family

Friday, November 22 St. Cecillia

8:00 a.m. Franklin, Edna, & Eugene Burgess Terri & Joe Burgess

Saturday, November 25 (Vigil: CHRIST THE KING LAST SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME)

4:00 p.m. Marie Shampack Lois Koval

5:30 p.m. John Passeri Mary Catherine & Joe Ardoline

Sunday, November 24 OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST KING OF THE UNIVERSE

8:30 a.m. Margaret Kaschak M/M Leo Polney & Sons

10:00 a.m. *Pro Populo*

11:30 a.m. James & Lenore Parini Family



BAPTISM SUNDAY

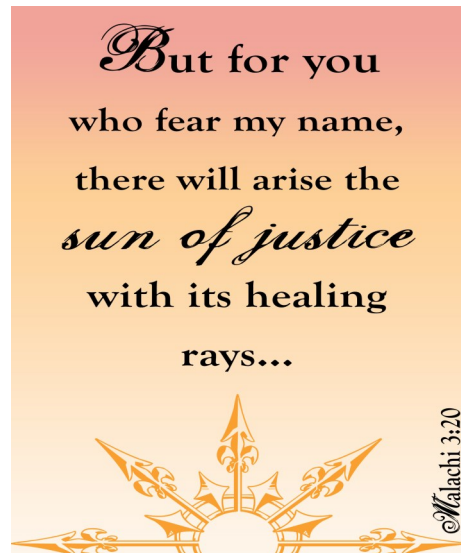
Congratulations and God's Blessings upon the family of *Saraya Marlene Good*, who will be reborn by water and the Holy Spirit after the 11:30AM Mass today.



SANCTUARY LIGHT INTENTIONS

~In Memory of Charlene M. Long

~In Memory of Betty Nevolas



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IMPORTANT NOTICE, PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

Please notify the **Parish Social Ministry Office** 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.

CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENTS

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

- Cora Artim Children's and Contemporary Groups
- Phil Bosha Maintenance
- Chris Calore Maintenance
- Sister Jane Ellis, IHM Parish Social Minister
- Terry Jankoviak Director of Faith Formation
- Rev. Mr. George Mochin Jr. Deacon
- 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

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 celebration of the Sacrament is held after the 11:30 a.m. Mass on Sundays.

Confirmation

The Sacrament will be celebrated in the spring of 2014 by Bishop Bambara. 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 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 or the Deacon.

Penance

Saturdays 3:15-3:45, other times by appointment.

Anointing of the Sick

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

Direct Contacts

Parish Hall: 570-287-2684

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

Faith Formation Office: 570-287-4587

Father Joe's email: fatherjoey@aol.com

Bulletin Deadline: Monday 1:00 p.m.