



The Seton Sentinel

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish
Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Swoyersville, PA
November 8, 2015

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Office Hours:
 Monday– Thursday
 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Friday:
 8:30am to 3:00pm

Weekends and Evenings
by appointment only

Parish Office is closed for all Holy Days of Obligation and Federal Holidays.

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH!

New to the area? Just visiting? You will find a warm welcome here! To become a registered member, please call the parish office during regular business hours.



2015 Diocesan Annual Appeal

Parish Goal: \$47,000.00
 Pledged so far: \$31,500.00
 Balance: \$15,500.00

Thank you for your continued support of the Diocesan Annual Appeal. To make a pledge, take one of the envelopes at the entrance of the church or go to annualappeal.org to donate on-line.



Our Social Concerns will sponsor a Craft Show here in our school gym and cafeteria, on Saturday, November 14th, from 9am to 3pm. There will be over 40 vendors. Admission is free and lunch will be served. Please contact Mary Ann Martinsky at 570-287-3484 for more information. Social Concerns members are asked to attend a pre-craft show meeting on Thursday, November 12th, at 7pm in the church hall.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
 IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

SETON KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CARE & SHARE PROGRAM

We need **LOTS** of volunteers to help us distribute neighborhood **Doorknob Hangers on Saturday, November 14th. Come at 9am to the CHURCH HALL.** Then on **Saturday, November 21st, at 10am, come to the SCHOOL CAFETERIA** if you can help us collect the non-perishable food donations. Then look for the doorknob hangers on your front doors. The groceries will be picked up from your home on Nov. 21st, & then will be packed & ready for our needy families for Thanksgiving & Christmas distributions. If you or someone you know in our parish or local area is in need of groceries for the holidays, please call Lori Raymond at the rectory. All calls are confidential. Also, our Knights of Columbus are looking for **NEW MEMBERS**. If you have been thinking about joining or need more information, there are sign up sheets on the tables at the church entrance, or call Mark Perugino at 262-2896. Our Knights meet the second Tuesday of each month at 7pm in our church hall, with our next meeting this Tuesday, November 10th.

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE



On **Friday, November 20th at 7:00pm**, there will be a special Mass of Remembrance for the repose of the souls of those who died throughout this year and prayers for their loved ones who grieve their loss. Their names will be called aloud, and they will be remembered at this special Mass. All are invited to attend. If you would like us to remember a loved one of yours who passed away this year, but was not buried from our church, please call Lori at the rectory to have them included in this Mass and have their name read aloud.



THANK YOU, VETERANS!

Thank you, Veterans, past and present, for so generously dedicating your lives in serving our country. Please know that your sacrifices and contributions to our national security are greatly appreciated. May God bless all Veterans! Our Mass on Wednesday, November 11th, is in memory and in honor of all our Veterans.

Parish Staff

Cora Artim
Children's Choir
 Phil Boshia
Maintenance
 Chris Calore
Maintenance
 Scott Coates
Contemporary Mass Musician
 Sister Jane Ellis, IHM
Parish Social Minister
 Margaret Loveless
Director of Religious Education
 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

Direct Contacts

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 Faith Formation Office:
 570-287-4587
 Father Joe's email: fatherjoey@aol.com
 Parish direct email: setonpa@aol.com

Bulletin deadline: Friday, one week prior to the publication week.

**EXTRAORDINARY
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 DEC. 8, 2015 - NOV. 20, 2016



ALTAR GUILD FALL FUNDRAISER

Friday, November 20th-SWEET PIZZA

Sign up sheets are on the tables at the church entrance. Cost is \$10.00/box of 12 cuts. Pick ups are in the school cafeteria from noon to 2pm or 5pm to 6pm.



**HOLY NAME SOCIETY
 50-50 RAFFLE**

OUR HOLY NAME SOCIETY IS SELLING TICKETS FOR THEIR 50-50 HOLIDAY RAFFLE. THE DRAWING WILL BE HELD IN DECEMBER. TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AFTER ALL MASSES THIS WEEKEND IN OUR CHURCH HALL AND ARE ALSO AVAILABLE FROM HOLY NAME SOCIETY MEMBERS. COST IS \$5.00 EACH.



Looking ahead into December:

- *Oplatki Sale*
- *Seton Babysitting for busy parents*
- *Giving Tree for needy children and homebound parishioners*
- *Monday, December 21st: Children's Christmas Play*
- *Christmas Masses: Eve, 4:00, 6:00, 9:00 pm*
Day, 12:00 Mid, 8:30, 10:00 and 11:30 am
- *Extra Christmas Confessions: Saturday, December 19th and Monday December 21*

Helping those in need:

The Holidays are right around the corner and that could be a very hard time of the year for some of our families who do not have the resources for a Holiday meal, let alone Christmas presents for children. ***If you or someone you know is struggling please let us know.*** Contact Lori, our Pastoral Associate, at the office. All calls will be held in the strictest confidence. We will be preparing Holiday Food Baskets and Christmas presents for children. We will once again be accepting Food Cards from local supermarkets and sponsor the Annual Giving Tree. If you can help with a grocery gift card for someone in need, drop it in the collection or bring it by the office. Your help is appreciated as we reach out to those who may go without this Thanksgiving and Christmas.



THE SACRAMENTS

Baptism

Expecting or new parents are asked to contact the Parish Office as soon as possible to make the arrangements and if necessary, attend the Pre-Baptismal Session. The celebration of the Sacrament is usually held after the 11:30 a.m. Mass on Sundays.

Confirmation

The Sacrament is celebrated for 8th grade students each spring semester. Students must be consecutively enrolled in our Parish Religious Education Program or in Catholic Schools to be eligible.

Matrimony

Couples planning to get married are asked to contact the parish office as soon as possible (no less than 6 months prior) to reserve a date and begin the necessary paper work. The dates at the Church are not guaranteed until an actual meeting with the pastor takes place.

Reconciliation

Saturdays: 3:15 p.m.-3:45 p.m.
or anytime by request

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. It is better to have the sacrament of the sick sooner rather than at the last minute.

For ordinary sick calls (Non-Emergency):

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 of friend.



CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN MOTHERS

Reservations are now being accepted for the Christian Mothers Christmas Party to be held on Sunday, December 13th, after the 11:30am Mass in our church hall. Cost is \$15.00 per guest.

Please **RSVP by December 4th** by calling Fran Krajnak at 570-288-1708 or Sue Bayer at 570-714-1628.

LECTORS

LECTOR WORKBOOKS IN SACRISTY

Lector workbooks for 2016 (Year C) are in the server sacristy. Lectors may pick up their workbook beginning this weekend. Thank you.

FRIDAY MORNING COMPANY

Join us this Friday morning after the 8:00am mass for conversation and sharing on the coming Sunday's Scriptures. All are welcome, refreshments served. Come to the parish hall this Friday at 8:30am.

PARKING LOT PROGRESS:

There have been a lot of starts and stops to this process. We are able to say confidently now that we should be able to acquire the 4 properties that make up the corner of Sidney, Warsaw and Poland Streets for future parking. Two of the structures are scheduled to be demolished this month while the remaining two require us to wait longer. This project is funded by our parish savings account for special projects. We hope to have a modified surface on the 1st part of the parking lot down for the winter.



Collection Report

SUNDAY: \$6555.00; DUES: \$523.00; HOLY DAYS: \$10.00;
LOOSE: \$651.57; E-GIVING: \$67.33; **TOTAL: \$7806.70**
OCTOBER PARISH GROUPS-CIOONF. OF CHRISTIAN MOTHERS: \$766.00
BUILDING & MAINTENANCE: \$1245.50

DIOCESAN: WORLD MISSION SUNDAY \$8427.57

This Month's Special Groups Envelope will benefit Seton's Knights of Columbus Council.

EXPENSES: Each month our parish owes the following assessments in full to: Catholic Schools: **\$9,072.42** Diocese of Scranton: **\$11,105.09** **TOTAL: \$20,177.51** Thank you for helping us meet these and our other monthly expenses.

VOICES FOR VOCATIONS

Don't forget to pray for vocations each day at either 1:00 p.m. or 7:00 p.m. A simple lifting of your heart to the Father and asking for more young people to answer His call is all it takes. Or, by all means, if you know a special prayer for vocations or a decade or more of the rosary at the same time each day (doesn't necessarily have to be 1:00 or 7:00 pm) or whenever you can.

SETON PRAYER CHAIN

We have formed a Prayer Chain in our parish. We all need each other's prayers. We need volunteers who can pray for our requests.

A prayer chain is a network of individuals who will receive prayer requests and thanksgivings, forward them to the next available person in the network, and will pray immediately for each request. We need volunteers who can be "prayer warriors" or "prayer partners". Once we receive a request from our parishioners and friends, we would call you with the requested intention, and then, in turn, you would call a designated fellow prayer partner with the intention, and they, in turn, would call the designated prayer partner with the intention, and so on and so forth. Gail Kimmerle has volunteered to lead our Prayer Chain. If you are able to be one of our prayer partners, please call Gail at 570-690-7520. She will then make a list of prayer partners, and will let you know who you would have to call. We ask anyone who is need of prayer, to please call Gail at the above number with your request, or call Lori at the parish office. All calls are confidential.

LEARN MORE ABOUT YOUR FAITH WITH LIGHTHOUSE BOOKS/ CD'S

Don't forget to check out our "rolling library" of religious books & CD's located in our vestibule. For a small donation, you can find some good materials that can edify your spiritual life.

Swoyersville Kiwanis Breakfast Buffet Today

The Swoyersville Kiwanis Club will be holding an "All You Can Eat Breakfast Buffet" today, Sunday, November 8th, 8 AM – Noon, at the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton School Cafeteria, Hughes Street, Swoyersville. The menu consists of scrambled eggs, sausage, hash browns, pancakes, SOS, toast, coffee, juice and dessert. Price is \$8/adult and \$3/children ages 5-12. Tickets will also be available at the door.

HOLY FAMILY FOOD PANTRY GRATITUDE

"Thank you so much for your recent donation of food for our pantry. We are so blessed to have the support of your parishioners donating food to us. Thanks, too, for putting in the time & effort to organize the collections. May God bless all of you," Carol Cardoni for the Holy Family Food Pantry

Dance the Night Away: Benefit for the Wilkes Barre VA Veterans will be held Saturday, November 14, 2015 from 7:00pm to 12:00midnight at the Swoyersville American Legion Post 644, 259 Shoemaker St. Swoyersville. The event includes music by DJ Twins, food, open bar, basket raffles, and 50-50. Cost is \$25.00. Open to the public. LCB rules apply. For tickets or further information, please call the Legion at 570-284-9400. ***Come on out and support our Veterans!!***

SWOYERSVILLE POST 644 PIGGIE DINNER

1st Annual Piggie Dinner: Sunday, November 15th, 1pm to 6pm, Swoyersville American Legion Post 644, Cost is \$8/adults includes 2 piggies, mashed potatoes, vegetable, roll dessert, & beverage. \$5/children 10 and under, includes 1 piggy, mashed potatoes, vegetable, roll, dessert, & beverage. Tickets can be purchased at the door.

JOHN ANGOTTI IN CONCERT

John Angotti, Catholic composer & music artist, will present a concert at the Church of St. Gregory, 330 North Abington Road, Clarks Green, on Sunday, November 15th, at 7pm. General admission is \$10, and a light reception will follow the concert.

GENERATIONS SING CONCERT

The Catholic Choral Society will present the 14th Generations Sing Concert on Sunday, Nov. 22nd at at 7:30pm at St. Peter;s Cathedral, Scranton. All are invited to attend. Free admission, with a free will offering. For more information call 587-2753 or go to www.catholichoralsociety.org

HOLIDAY CRAFT & GIFT FAIR

St. Maria Goretii Parish, Laflin, Saturday, November 21st, 10am to 4pm and Sunday, November 22nd, 9am to 3pm. Free Admission. 30+ vendors



SCHEDULE OF MASSES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, November 9

Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

8:00 am All Souls' Intentions

Tuesday, November 10

St. Leo the Great

8:00 am Audrey Miscavage

Mark D. Lacina

Wednesday, November 11

St Martin of Tours

8:00am Living and Deceased Veterans

Thursday, November 12

St. Josaphat

8:00am For the Souls in Purgatory Steve & Maria Englot

Friday, November 13

St. Frances Xavier Cabrini

8:00am All Souls' Intentions

Saturday, November 14

Vigil: Thirty-Third Sunday of the Year

4:00 pm Eva Helen Mesaros

Children, Grandchildren, & Great-Grandchildren

5:30 pm Jean K. Reilly

Betts

Sunday, November 15

Thirty-Third Sunday of Ordinary Time

8:30 am Leo Venetz

Wife, Anna Mae

10:00 am Anthony & Anna Remus

Regina & Leonard Remus

11:30 am Elizabeth M. Vanyo

Jim & Mary Beth Siracuse

5:30 pm *Pro Populo*

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY:

**REST IN
PEACE**

~Edward Pinchak~

GIVE HIM ETERNAL REST, FATHER. MAY HIS SOUL AND ALL THE SOULS OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED THROUGH THE MERCY OF GOD, REST IN PEACE. AMEN.



SANCTUARY CANDLES

~In Memory of Deceased Parents & Family Members of Vince & Fran Krajnak

~In Honor of the 70th Wedding Anniversary of Anthony & Betty Leptuck

“A poor widow also came and put in two small coins worth a few cents...but she, from her poverty, has contributed all she had, her whole livelihood.” ~Mark 12:42,44



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Welcomes Everyone!

“We are the young - our lives are a mystery, we are the old - who yearn for your face. Gather Us In - the lost and forsaken...the blind and the lame... the rich and the haughty... the proud and the strong... Give us the courage to enter the song.”

-Gather Us In, Marty Haugen

Weekend Celebrants

Saturday, November 14

4:00pm - Fr. Pisaneschi

5:30pm - Fr. Urban

Sunday, November 15

8:30am - Fr. Greskiewicz

10:00 am - Fr. Greskiewicz

11:30am—Fr. Urban

5:30pm —Fr. Pisaneschi