

Seton Sentinel

# NEWS

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The Parish of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

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## *Eucharist*

Monday—Friday 8:00am  
Saturday vigil 4:00pm  
Sunday 8:30am, 11:00am &  
5:30pm

## *Office Hours*

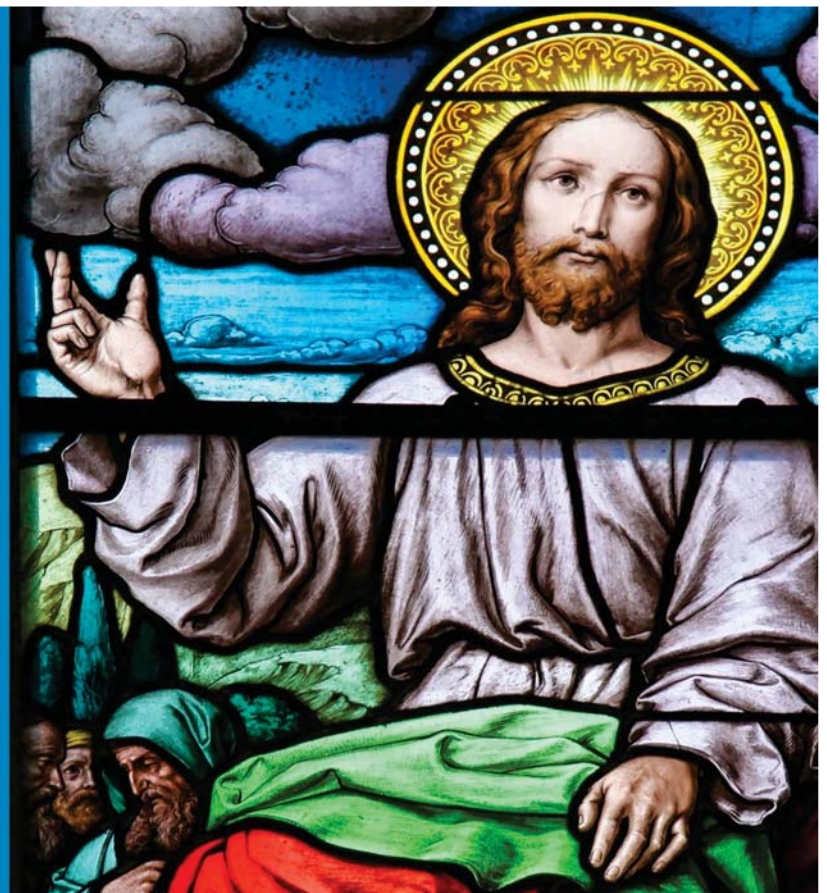
Monday through Thursday  
8:30am to 3:00pm.  
Weekends and Evenings  
by appointment

S I X T H  
SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME

TEACHING ABOUT OATHS

"Let your 'Yes' mean 'Yes,'  
and your 'No' mean 'No.'  
Anything more is from the evil  
one."

Matthew 5:37



# Special Intentions

## SANCTUARY CANDLE INTENTIONS

~In Memory of **Mary Ann Timek** offered by cousin, Gerry

~In Memory of **Frank & Anna Duzen** offered by daughters, Paula & Donna

## BAPTISM TODAY

Join us in welcoming~~**Bernard Joseph Socha IV**~~ to the Christian family, through the Sacrament of Baptism, which will be celebrated today after the 11:00am Mass.



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4:00pm, 8:30am, 11:00am

5:30pm

Gathering	574 B	O God Beyond All	304 B	Our God Is Here
Preparation	472 B	In Every Age	601 B	Christ Be Our Light
Communion	139 S	Rejoice, Be Glad	93 S	I Am the Vine
Sending	422 B	Church of God	499 B	Go Make a Difference



Intention

Requested By

Monday, February 13

8:00am Danny Husovsky

Betsy Evanoski

**Tuesday, February 14 Saints Cyril and Methodius**

8:00am Margaret Nenichka

Mark & Sharon Nenichka

Wednesday, February 15

8:00am Walter Palmer

Family

Thursday, February 16

8:00am Joan Stefanides

Husband, Bob, & daughter, Lisa

Friday, February 17

8:00am Bernard, Margaret, Adolph, & Bertha Kadish

Goeckel Family

**Saturday, February 18**

4:00pm Bill Schaeffer

Wife, Theresa

**Sunday, February 19**

8:30am Health & Blessings for Patti & Doug Workman in Honor of their 45th Wedding Anniversary

11:00am Vanyo Family

Jim & Mary Beth Siracuse

5:30pm **Pro Populo**

We should strive to keep our hearts open to the sufferings and wretchedness of other people, and pray continually that God may grant us that spirit of compassion which is truly the Spirit of God.

*St. Vincent de Paul*

## Our Parish Staff

Rev. Joseph J Pisaneschi x105

### Pastor

Rev. Anthony Urban

### Assisting Celebrant

Deacon John Bankus

Deacon John (Jack) Zeigler

### Permanent Deacons

Lori Raymond x100

### Pastoral Associate/Director of Religious Education

Sister Mary Beth Makuch, SS.C.M.

### Pastoral Outreach Ministry

### Music Ministry

Marge Semanek

### Director of Liturgical Music

Joseph Sabol

### Accompanist

Scott Coates

### Accompanist/5:30 p.m. Sunday

Pat Quinn

### Office Assistant

### Sacristans and Maintenance

Chris Calore

### Director of Maintenance

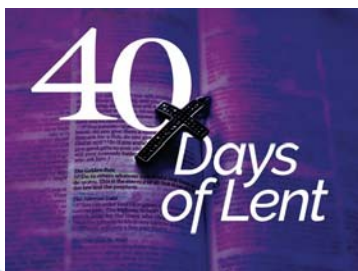
John Sartin

Trudy Brown

Pat Quinn

Betsy Evanoski

Phil Bosh



## Religious Education for Children

Children in Grades 1-8

Saturday classes: 9:00am-10:15am Monday classes: 6:00pm-7:15pm

### February classes:

Saturday: 25 (no classes on Sat., Feb. 18, Presidents' Weekend)

Monday: 13, 27 (no classes on Mon., Feb. 20, Presidents' Weekend)

**Confirmation Students:** Please hand in paperwork by March 6th.

**1st Holy Communion parents:** Hand in forms as soon as possible.

## 2023 Summer Festival

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish is happy to announce the dates of this year's Summer Festival! Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, July 13, 14, and 15! More information in the weeks ahead...

## Lenten Pirohy

We'll be making Pirohy **THIS Saturday Feb 18, AND Feb. 25 and March 11th** beginning at 8:00am to ball potatoes, 9:00am for everyone else.

They will be on Sale on Saturday, March 18th at 11:00am, they will be available on a First Come-First Served basis, no reservations or holds.

They will be sold for \$12.00 per dozen. Those who help make the pirohy will be able to buy 2 dozen each time they come to help. So make plans to help us make them so you are guaranteed a taste.

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## February 22nd, Ash Wednesday Schedule

7:30am—Liturgy of the Word and Ash Distribution

12:10pm—Eucharist and Ash Distribution

4:00pm and 6:00pm—Liturgy of the Word and Ash Distribution

*Ashes will be imposed with the thumb of the minister on the forehead of the recipient as before COVID-19 restrictions. Please remember that Ashes are a sacramental, not a SACRAMENT. It is not necessary to "get ashes," for salvation. It is simply a reminder that one is entering into the 40 Day Period of Fasting, Prayer and Almsgiving in a serious way.*

## Lenten Schedule

**Mondays** "The Light is On For You" Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and opportunity for Confession from 5:30pm to 7:00pm (This will take the place of Thursday evening adoration.)

**Fridays** 7:00pm "Stations of the Cross"

Please join us for these and other to be announced opportunities for Lenten prayer and reflection and preparation for the Easter mysteries.



# Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish

Pastor:  
Rev. Joseph J. Pisaneschi

## Kingston Deanery

- All Saints, Plymouth
- Gate of Heaven, Dallas
- Holy Family, Luzerne
- Holy Spirit, Mocaqua
- Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Lake Silkworth
- Our Lady of Victory, Harveys Lake
- Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, Swoyersville
- Saint Faustina Kowalska, Nanticoke
- Saint Frances X. Cabrini, Carverton
- Saint Ignatius Loyola, Kingston
- Saint John the Baptist, Larksville
- Saint Therese, Shavertown

## PARISH DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Number of Households	1126	1119	1110	1113	1085
Number of Parishioners	2243	2216	2207	2240	2187
Total Number of Masses	4	6	-	4	4
Total Average Weekend Mass Attendance	760	818	310	979	1005

## SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Baptisms	20	28	20	28	36
First Holy Communions	17	29	19	39	23
Confirmations	22	65	34	23	16
RCIA/Baptism	0	0	0	6	1
RCIA/Full Communion	0	0	0	3	3
Marriages	12	5	2	7	6
Funerals	65	64	55	58	67

## FAITH FORMATION PARTICIPATION

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Religious Education K-8	96	136	140	132	147
Religious Education 9-12	0	0	0	0	0
Catholic School Students	89	81	0	78	73
Adult Faith Formation	0	0	0	0	0

*\*All data in this report has been supplied to the Diocese by your Parish.*



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# Welcome to our Parish!

No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church, No matter what your current family or marital situation, No matter what your current personal history, age, income, background, gender, gender identity or orientation, race, ethnicity or spirituality, No matter what your own self-image or holiness or virtue - You belong to Christ and belong to us! You are invited, accepted and respected here at Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish. We welcome you. We want to share our Roman Catholic way of life with you!

## WEEKLY ADORATION

Join us Thursday evening from 6:00pm to 8:00pm for Eucharistic Adoration in the church, closing with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. All are welcome for some time of quiet prayer and reflection.

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

We Celebrate Confession Saturdays from 3:25pm—3:45pm before the 4:00pm Vigil Mass. You may request confession at any time by calling and making an appointment in the office.

**Join our Senior Choir!** We are getting set for Lent and Easter and would love to welcome new voices! Practices on Wednesdays at 6:30 in the choir loft. Join us!

**Children's Choir** Mondays 5:15 pm in the church. All are Welcome!

**5:30pm Sunday Choir** welcomes students and young adults to sing with us. See Mr. Coates for more information after mass on Sunday.



## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Our KofC will meet this Tuesday, February 14th, at 7pm in our church hall. New members are welcome!

**CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN MOTHERS** Meeting in the church hall on Sunday Feb. 26th at 2pm. New members are welcome. **Upcoming Fundraisers:** HALUSKI SALE: March 10th  
RUMMAGE SALE: April 17/18 More information to follow.

**SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE** Meeting on Thursday, Feb. 16th at 6:30pm in the church hall. New members are welcome.

**SAVE THE DATE!** BINGO IS BACK! Our SCC Bingo will be held on Sunday, April 23rd. More info. to follow.



It is the policy of the Diocese of Scranton to report any allegation of sexual abuse of a minor to law enforcement. If you are a victim of sexual abuse committed by a priest, deacon, religious or lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton, you are encouraged to immediately report the matter to law enforcement. If any priest, deacon, religious, lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton has cause or reason to suspect that a minor has been subjected to any form of abuse, including child sexual abuse, the matter will be reported to law enforcement.

It is also the policy of the Diocese to adhere to all civil and state regulations. In accordance with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Child Protective Services Laws, reports of suspected child abuse should also be made immediately by phone to the 24-Hour Child Abuse hotline (ChildLine) at 1-800-932-0313 or electronically at [www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis](http://www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis). To this end, the Diocese is equally committed to adhering to the norms of the Code of Canon Law and to upholding the tenets of the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, which includes supporting victims of sexual abuse in their pursuit of emotional and spiritual well-being. As such, information regarding an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor should also be reported to the Victim Assistance Coordinator Mary Beth Pacuska at 570-862-7551.

# Rectory, Set, Cook

There is still time to vote for your favorite priest chef. Father Joe has teamed up with Jon Meyer from Newswatch 16 This Morning and his sister Donna to make the Pisaneschi's family favorite Ravioli. Watch the video and vote for our crew at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Follow the link on our website or on our facebook page to access the videos.

Also available at [dioceseofscranton.org](http://dioceseofscranton.org)

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, 116 Hughes St., Swoyersville, PA

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #12976 ASH WEDNESDAY **RED CLAM CHOWDER SALE**

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### 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sports fans can be a predictable group. When their team is winning, they never miss a game! They talk about how great the team is and buy jackets, caps, and anything with the team's logo. But if the team is struggling or has a losing season, fans can be hard to find. The seats are empty and everyone is full of criticism and other 'helpful' suggestions. There is lots of blame to go around and everyone thinks they know exactly what needs to be done. Of course, there is always next season!

Jesus has quite a few fans, that is, until he says something that challenges those around Him. People listened to the prophets, teachers and preachers for years. The message was often very similar: reform, change, observe the law, and live your life to please God. Sacrifice, discipline and service were necessary to the spiritual life. Somewhere along the way, the message was changed and now people hear a message of a Gospel of prosperity, financial blessings and that enough faith will make you great. There is no substitute for truth. We have to get the message right, to hear the words of the prophets, of the martyrs and saints, of the Church, indeed, the words of Jesus Himself.

Discipleship is about loyalty, honesty and faithfulness. It is about perseverance and persistence. We are not fair-weather believers, nor are we easily distracted from our work. We have seen what the Lord can do and we take Him at His word. Do not worry about tough times or difficult moments. We play on a winning team!

### Collection Report

#### Weekend of January 29, 2023

Regular: \$9013.75

Dues: \$879.00

Christmas (additional): \$45.00

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### Ways to Give:



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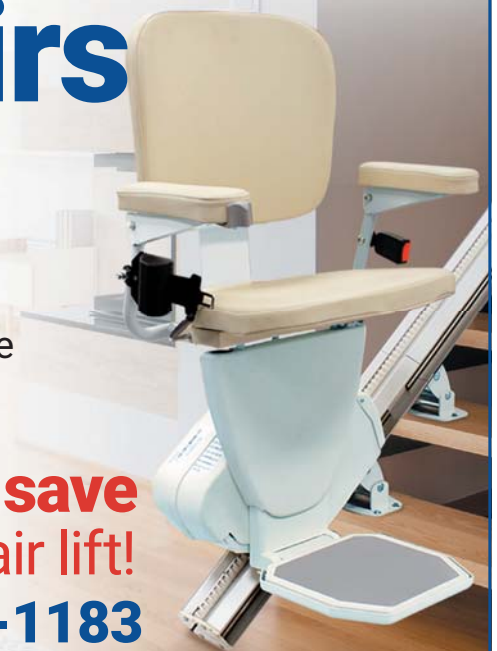
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