

THE SETON SENTINEL

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish



Thirty-First Sunday of Ordinary Time

November 3, 2013

Swoyersville, PA

Diocese of Scranton
DIOCESAN
ANNUAL APPEAL



"Serve with Love"

Pope Francis

Here is how our parish stands as of last week:

14.89%(251 out of 1,686) gave/pledged

DAA 2013 Goal: \$45,000.00

Total Raised: \$26,695.00

(Under): (\$18,305.00)

With just under 15% of the parish responding we have raised \$26,695.00! Let's aim for at least 50% parish participation and raise the \$18,305.00 that we need to reach our goal. 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. All we ask is that we do what we can for the Campaign this year. If you need pledge forms or envelopes they are available by contacting the parish office or pick one up in church next weekend for Commitment Weekend. Help our Diocese as it helps so many others, "Serve with Love."

Next Weekend is In-Pew Commitment Weekend for the Diocesan Annual Appeal

Diocesan Appeal materials & pledge cards will be distributed to all parishioners during Masses celebrated this weekend. If you have not already done so, please make your pledge to help the thousands of people who will directly benefit from your caring support.

Each day, your gift to the Appeal allows us to "Serve with Love" by enhancing the programs offered in each of our 121 parishes; by educating our most precious resources; the approximately 6,000 students in our 20 Diocesan schools & those children in parish religious education programs; by responding to the poorest, the weakest & those most in need through the good works of Catholic Social Services; and by supporting our retired and aging priests as well as the 12 men currently studying for the priesthood.

SOCIAL CONCERNS

The Social Concerns Committee is a program that is promoted by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and the Diocese of Scranton. There are 4 components of parish social concerns ministry, namely, prayer, education, pastoral outreach and advocacy for change. Our parish committee is currently focusing on pastoral outreach as its initial priority, since there are many needs within our parish and local community. Some services that we are attempting to provide include: supporting the Holy Family Food Pantry, providing holiday food baskets to our needy parishioners and assisting with the Christmas Giving Tree Project. Since these activities and others being considered involve expenses, periodic fundraising activities will be necessary. Our next fundraiser is the Ziti and Meatball Dinner being held on November 9th. Anyone interested in joining the committee, please come to the next meeting.



SOCIAL CONCERNS
ZITI & MEATBALLS DINNER

On November 9th, the Social Concerns Committee is having a **ZITI & MEATBALLS** dinner. They will be selling tickets after weekend Masses. Cost is \$7.00/Adults and \$4.00/children under 12. Also, they are selling tickets for 3 theme baskets: a Turkey basket, a Ham basket, and a Movie basket. Cost is ONLY 3 tickets for \$1.00. **Please call Mary Ann Martinsky at 287-3484** for more information. Anyone who is able to **donate baked goods** for the dinner is asked to bring them in on Friday, November 8th, anytime after 4pm, or Saturday morning after 10am.

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.

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

Religious Education

Sunday, November 3rd, 6pm-7:30pm

7th Grade Student Meeting in the church hall

Wednesday, November 6th, 7pm

First Reconciliation Parent Meeting in the church hall



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.

PARISH FUNDRAISER

Friday, November 8th, Apple Dumplings—sign up
sheets are on the tables at the church entrance.

Cost is \$3 each or 4 for \$11. Please specify your
pick-up time.

ADULT EDUCATION (ENRICHMENT) SERIES

Our fall series continues *Thursday evening, November 7th* at 7:00pm in the parish 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.

Check out our newly reconstructed website: setonpa.com It is a work in progress....

Like us on Facebook, too!

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING will take place on Monday, November 4th (please take note of the change of date) at 6:30 p.m.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING

Tuesday, November 12th at 7PM in the church hall



COLLECTIONS REPORT FOR OCTOBER 26/27

Sunday: \$6482.50

Dues: \$814.00

Loose: \$428.20

TOTAL: \$7724.70

Mission Sunday: \$177.00

PLEASE NOTE: Effective immediately, unless otherwise announced from the altar, there will only be one (1) collection taken at all masses. **Please place all of your envelopes in the first basket.**

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.

HOLY REDEEMER HIGH SCHOOL DESIGNER BINGO

Sunday-November 3rd—2:00pm

Advance Sales: \$20-- At the Door: \$25—Vera Bradley, Apple, Coach, Tiffany & Co.—Great food & prizes. All are welcome! Call for tickets: 829-2424

HOLY REDEEMER HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL *ANYTHING GOES*

FRIDAY, NOV. 15 & SATURDAY, NOV. 16,
7:00pm RESERVED SEATING

ADULTS \$7~~SENIORS \$6~~STUDENTS \$5

All are welcome! CALL FOR TICKETS 829-2424

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

The PREMIER CHOIR OF KING'S COLLEGE,, *Cantores Christi Regis*, will perform at St. Monica's, 363 W. 8th St., West Wyoming, on Sunday, November 3rd. Enjoy a mix of sacred, secular, classical, and modern music. The concert is FREE of charge and begins at 3PM. A social will follow.

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.

Critically Acclaimed Catholic Author Brian J. Gail to Speak at JMJ Catholic Radio 750am/98.9 FM Second Annual Fall Banquet, Sunday, November 10

Brian J. Gail, author of the "American Tragedy in Trilogy" which includes novels "Fatherless", "Motherless", and "Childless", propels readers from Manhattan boardrooms to European capitals to Middle East laboratories to Church chanceries & confessionals as the fictional Fr. John Sweeney, a pastor of a small Catholic parish on Philadelphia's storied Main Line, is drawn into an apocalyptic vortex through the lives of his parishioners where they are unwillingly ushered behind the scenes of the Life Sciences Revolution's tampering with human life. The event begins with Mass at 4PM at St Barbara Parish at St. Anthony's Church, 28 Memorial St., Exeter, followed by the banquet at 5PM in the parish center. Tickets are \$30 which includes a buffet dinner catered by Arcaro & Genell, Old Forge. **Deadline for tickets is Nov. 4.** For more info., or to make reservations, call 570-451-1903 or 570-287-4670 or e-mail:

jmjbenefit@comcast.net Payments and /or donations can be made via check to: JMJ Catholic Radio, PO Box 851, Pittston, Pa 18640. All proceeds benefit JMJ Catholic Radio 750am/98.9FM serving Northeast PA.

COMPASSIONATE SENIOR CARE: LOOKING OUT FOR OUR LOVED ONES

Join the St. Therese's Social Justice Committee for a Coffee & Conversation series focusing on our seniors.

Who: James Siberski, MS, CMC, Coordinator & Asst. Professor of Gerontology Educ. & Dir. Of Geriatric Care Mgt. Program, Misericordia University

What: Tips for family members & caregivers

When: November 6, 2013, 7PM

Where: St. Therese's Church, Fr. Sammon Hall, (Church Basement) 64 Davis St., Shavertown

Call the rectory at 696-1144 for more information.

This program is FREE and Open to the Public.



MALTBY VOLUNTEER FIRE CO. BOOT DRIVE

Will be held here the weekend of November 16-17.

THIS WEEK'S LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Monday, November 4 **Saint Charles Borromeo**

8:00 a.m. Andrew Gula Son, Raymond

Tuesday, November 5

8:00 a.m. In Honor of the 30th Wedding Anniversary of Mark & Sharon Nenichka

Wednesday, November 6

8:00 a.m. Raymond Yale M/M Mark Ontko

Thursday, November 7

8:00 a.m. All Souls' Day Intentions

Friday, November 8

8:00 a.m. Joseph Gonglefski Swoyersville High School Class of 1945

Saturday, November 9 **(Vigil: THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME)**

4:00 p.m. Erwin C. Sudol Robert & Ruth Prushinski

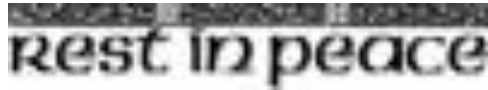
5:30 p.m. Helen Mesaros Children, Marie & Michael

Sunday, November 10 **THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**

8:30 a.m. *Pro Populo*

10:00 a.m. Robert M. Clark Wife, Theresa & Children

11:30 a.m. Edward Volack Family



Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.... *Charles Jarski*



ALTAR FLOWERS THIS WEEKEND

~In Memory of Bernard Chipego, Sr., offered by Wife

~In Memory of Bernard Chipego, Jr., offered by Mother

~In Memory of Helen Brzoska offered by sister, Violet



SANCTUARY LIGHT INTENTIONS

~ In Memory of David Mishkel

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

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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.