

January 6, 2019
The Epiphany of the Lord

Seton Sentinel

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SWOYERSVILLE, PA — DIOCESE OF SCRANTON



Religious Education Classes

January Classes for Saturdays:

Jan. 5, 12, & 26

(no class on Jan. 19th)

January Classes for Mondays:

Jan. 7, 14, & 28

(no class on Jan. 21st)

January 6th, 11:00am: 6th Grade Family Mass. Social after mass in church hall.

January 13th, All 7th Grade Confirmation students...extra class in church hall after 5:30pm mass

CCD BAD WEATHER CANCELLATIONS

A reminder to parents in the event of inclement weather, to check the message on the Religious Ed extension number: 570-287-6624, ext 131, to see if classes are cancelled.



Sign of Peace During Winter

It is that time of year again when cold and flu germs are among (or against) us.

Please do not feel compelled to shake hands during the Sign of Peace at Mass during these months, especially if you have a cough or sniffles. You may wish to simply acknowledge the people around you, instead of shaking hands.

2019 Wedding Anniversary Mass



His Excellency, the Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L., Bishop of Scranton, and the Office for Parish Life wish to invite couples celebrating their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in 2019 to a diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 30, 2019. The event includes a 2:30pm mass at St. Peter's Cathedral followed by a reception. Requests for an invitation, with a mailing address, should be made by contacting Lori Raymond, in your parish office (570-287-6624, extension 100), before April 2nd.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY

Our Holy Name Society will meet today, Sunday, January 6th, in our church hall, after the 8:30am Mass. New members are most welcome!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Our Knights of Columbus will meet this Tuesday, January 8th, at 7pm, in our church hall. New members are welcome!

DAILY MASS TIME

Please note that our weekday masses are at 12:10pm until further notice.

2018 FINANCIAL STATEMENT REQUEST

PLEASE, NO PHONE REQUESTS

Please make your request by filling out the form below. Then drop in collection basket, mail, or bring to parish office, or email Monica at: seton.swoy@aol.com by January 31st. Thank you!

ENVELOPE #: _____

NAME: _____

PHONE #: _____

Epiphany of the Lord

PAROCHIAL STAFF

Pastoral Ministry

- ◆ Rev. Joseph Pisaneschi, V.F. Pastor
- ◆ Rev. Anthony Urban Assisting Celebrant
- ◆ Deacon John Ziegler Permanent Deacon
- ◆ Lorraine Raymond Pastoral Associate
- ◆ Sister Jane Ellis, IHM Pastoral Care Minister
- ◆ Sister Sarah Landis, IHM Pastoral Counseling/ Therapy

Finance Office

- ◆ Monica Salis Business Manager

Religious Education

- ◆ Sister Marion Tarone, IHM Director of Religious Education

Music Ministry

- ◆ Margaret Semanek Director of Liturgical Music
- ◆ Joseph Sabol Assistant Organist
- ◆ Cora Artim Youth Choir Director
- ◆ Scott Coates 5:30 PM Mass Musician

Sacristans

- ◆ Christopher Calore
- ◆ Patricia Quinn
- ◆ Betsy Evanoski

Maintenance and Cleaning

- ◆ Christopher Calore Director of Maintenance
- ◆ David Quinn
- ◆ Gertrude Brown
- ◆ Carol Hrobaski
- ◆ Phil Boshia St. Mary's Cemetery Maintenance

Pastoral Council, Chair

- ◆ Ann Marie Aed

Finance Council, Chair

- ◆ Michael Perhach

Keeping In-Touch With Seton

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sistermarion@setonpa.com

Ext. 117 Sister Jane
sisterjane@setonpa.com

Ext. 124 Sister Sarah

Ext. 130 Deacon Jack

Ext. 133 Chris Calore

Seton Ministry Appreciation Party

You are invited if you are involved in any of the Liturgical Ministries of our Parish. Including Ushers, Music Ministry, Art and Environment Team, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Lectors, Altar Servers, etc.

Join us Saturday, January 12, 2019
at 6:00 pm in our Parish Hall.

Dinner and Soft Piano Music

Sign-up sheets, located on the tables at the church entrance, will be out until January 6th.



VISIT US ONLINE Setonpa.com

Undecorating the Church

As beautiful as our Church is decorated for this Christmas Season, it officially comes to an end next Sunday, January 13th, the Solemnity of the Baptism of the Lord. We need your help. **We will take down the decorations after the 11:00am Mass on Sunday, January 13th.** It shouldn't take too long, but we will need help climbing ladders, carrying the Nativity statues back to storage, etc. This is a good opportunity for students to get Service Hours. Thank you for considering this request for help.

JANUARY 4TH— ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON FEAST DAY

“God commands us to love one another even with all our faults. Say nothing, do nothing then to pain any one. Carry those who give you pain in your heart before God, and think of their virtues instead of their faults.”

-St. Elizabeth Ann Seton



FROM THE DIOCESE OF SCRANTON:

Official Notice
December 21, 2018

The faithful of the Diocese of Scranton are hereby advised that John Tokarick is not a Roman Catholic Priest and is not permitted to function as a priest in the Roman Catholic Church. Furthermore, the Catholic faithful should not receive the sacraments from Tokarick or attend his celebration of the sacraments, wherever they may be held.

Monsignor Thomas M. Muldowney
Vicar General
Diocese of Scranton

Notice Regarding Reporting Sexual Abuse of a Minor

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. 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

It is also the policy of the Diocese to adhere to all civil and state regulations. 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) or to Diocesan officials, including the Vicar General, Monsignor Thomas M. Muldowney, V.G., at (570-207-2269).



A Global Positioning System (GPS) is a great device to have on a journey. It gives accurate directions and helps the driver navigate unfamiliar territory. With some models, however, it is important to use your computer to update its maps. Otherwise, you might end up short of your destination or taking a very long route to get there—if you get there at all.

The Magi undertake a long and difficult journey because they are convinced that the star they see is of Divine origin. Their GPS is the Glorious Power of a Star and it serves to lead them to Bethlehem where they see the Holy Infant. By their actions, they acknowledge this special Child and leave their gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. Theirs was a successful journey.

We're all on a journey of faith and in need of guidance. Our GPS is the Great Power of our Savior. He becomes the Way, the Truth and the Light, leading us on the path to eternal life. Make sure you update frequently. Prayer, Scripture, Sacraments and good deeds will keep us in contact with Him, enabling us to recognize Him wherever He may lead us.

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Ministry Schedule

January 12/13, 2019

Saturday, Jan. 12th, 4:30pm:

Altar Servers: Daniel Drost, Louis Michaels

EMs: Betsy Evanoski, Maureen Sambo, Mary Jean Simpson, Bob Slezak

Lector: Jane Evelock

Sunday, Jan. 13th, 8:30am:

Altar Servers: Blake Bohn, Brooke Plucas

EMs: Kathy Plucas, Jayne Ruger, Deacon Jack

Lector: Michael Mey

Sunday, Jan. 13th, 11:00am:

Altar Servers: Michael & Evan Dubaskas

EMs: Laura & JoAnn Prushinski, Pat Quinn

Lector: John Dolan

Sunday, Jan. 13th, 5:30pm:

Altar Servers: Zachary & Abigail Schultz

EMs: Doug & Patti Workman

Lector: Jon Meyer

March For Life Bus Trip



The Annual March for Life in Washington, D.C., will be held on Friday, January 18, 2019. Cost is \$50.00, which includes bus and buffet dinner. Make checks out to "PHL" (by January 11th), and mail to Chris Calore, 37 Elder Street, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702. Bus departs right here from St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish at 6:15am, right after 5:50am Mass. We will return home approximately 10:30pm.

Respect Life Mass

The Annual Respect Life Mass, sponsored by the Wyoming Valley Councils, Knights of Columbus, will be held at St. Ignatius Parish, 339 N. Maple St., Kingston, Sunday, January 13th, at 10:30am. The Knights, along with Pro-Life Representatives, will offer prayer intentions during the Mass for a greater respect of all Human Life & to end abortion. January is Respect Life month as abortion was legalized on January 22, 1973. Since then, upwards of 60 million innocent unborn children have been aborted. Msgr. Tressler, Pastor, warmly invites all to attend & to pray for the most vulnerable of Human Lives, those with disabilities, the ill, & the unborn.

When the Snow Falls

Our Parish is looking for a few good shovels and people behind them. When it snows, digging our campus out can be a real challenge that often left to one of two people. We are asking for help when it snows if we could get a team together to help Chris take care of our properties. The more help we get the easier and quicker it will get done. It has to be done before masses on the weekend and before Funerals and the 12:10 mass during the week. If you can help, please call Chris Calore at the office 287-6624, ext 133 and leave your name. Our neighborhood youth is encouraged to get involved. Please be healthy and agile enough to shovel snow.



2018 Diocesan Annual Appeal

Our response to the Diocesan Appeal to date has been that 19.22% of our parishioners or 213 families have given or pledged. Our 2018 Goal is \$47,000.00
Total Raised: \$32,767.00
We are Under: **\$14,233.00**

Anything that you are able to do to help us make up this deficit would be greatly appreciated as the Diocese has decided to extend the Appeal into early 2019 to allow parishes to make their much needed goals for the Appeal. Without your support many of the ministries of the Dioceses will not be able to be funded. That includes Outreach to the Poor, Catholic Education, Seminarians, Retired Priests, and many Parish Life facets. These ministries will be in jeopardy if the DAA is not successful this year.

Envelopes are located on the tables at the Church entrance or visit: annualappeal.org and give online to the Appeal.



Weekly Offering for the Weekend of December 22/23, 2018

\$ 7528.94

Love and generosity start here at home. We are grateful for your faithful stewardship which sustains the life of our parish, supports our outreach and ministries, as well as maintains the level of staffing needed to put our mission into action. Thank you for your gift of treasure and commitment do God's work here at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton.

Counseling Ministry Offered

Sister Sarah Landis, IHM, a licensed certified therapist and counselor addresses problems with depression, anxiety, grieving, relationship issues, and many other mental health concerns. Sister's office is located at the former Holy Trinity Convent, across from the rectory on Hughes Street. For more information or to contact Sister Sarah directly, call the main office and dial extension 124 when prompted.

Other Collection Totals:

CHRISTMAS:
\$21,502.45

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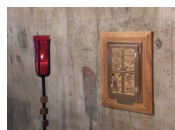


Liturgical Schedule and Intentions

Intention	Requested by
Monday, January 7 12:10 pm Ann Marie Laskowski	Laskowski Family
Tuesday, January 8 12:10pm Thomas Chirkot	Susan & Romaine
Wednesday, January 9 12:10 pm Helen Tomasura	Felix Wawer
Thursday, January 10 12:10 pm Catherine Petty	Betty Adamitis
Friday, January 11 12:10 am Anna Kuchemba	Doug & Patti Workman

Solemnity of the Baptism of the Lord

Saturday, January 12 4:30 pm Margaret Becker	Son, David & wife, Helene, & Sons
Sunday, January 13 8:30 am Lois Koval	Daughter, Lois
11:00 am Michael S. & Michael C. Ritondo	Josie Kandrac & Family
5:30 pm <i>Pro Populo</i>	



Vigil Candles This Week

- Health & Blessings for Theresa Charney offered by Children & Grandchildren
- In Memory of Charlotte Demko offered by Ralph & Barbara Romanowski Sr.

May
all kings
bow before
HIM,
all nations
serve
HIM.
Psalm 72:11

