

The Seton Sentinel

The Parish of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton



*Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid;
from now on you will be catching men."*

Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time

February 10, 2013

Swoyersville, PA

ASH WEDNESDAY

This Wednesday is Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday is a Day of Fast and Abstinence.

Lenten Regulations

Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years and older on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and all Fridays* of Lent.

Fasting is to be observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by all Catholics over the age of 18 but not yet 59. Those bound by this may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

Catholics should not lightly excuse themselves from these prescribed minimal practices.

(Those who are ill, pregnant, on medication or special diets for health concerns, or those who work at extremely physical jobs may be exempt from these regulations)

"In the United States, the bishops have asked Catholics over the age of 14 to abstain from meat on all Fridays of Lent."

Ash Wednesday Distribution of Ashes

Ashes will be given at the following services:

7:00 a.m., 12:10 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.

Ashes will also be given at masses at 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

ASH WEDNESDAY CLAM CHOWDER SALE

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Knights of Columbus will be holding a Manhattan (Red) Clam Chowder Sale on Ash Wednesday, February 13th. Pick up times will be after the 8:00AM Mass, 11am-1pm, and 5pm -6pm in the school cafeteria. Cost is \$6.00/quart. Sign-up sheets are located on the tables at the church entrance.

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TEN PIROHY SALE

Every Tuesday during Lent, we will be making pirohy, and we need lots of volunteers. Starting Tuesday, February 19th, if you can help us out, come at 7:00AM to help ball potatoes, and all others come at 8:30AM. Experienced or not, come and join the fun and help out. Sign-up sheets are located on the tables at the church entrance. Cost is \$6.00/ dozen.

SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE



LENTEN COLLECTION

We are collecting the following items during Lent for the Holy Family Food Pantry: Canned meats (ham, Spam, meatballs), canned spaghetti sauce, canned fruit, tuna, canned ravioli, peanut butter, jelly, macaroni and cheese. Please drop food items in the box located near the stairway (left side/St. Anthony side). Thank you!!!

THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU

This Lent, you may go to any Catholic Parish in the Diocese of Scranton and celebrate the **Sacrament of Reconciliation Mondays between 5:30-7:00 p.m.** We would like to make this time period a special time for prayer which we all need more of in our daily lives. On the Mondays of Lent, while the doors are open and the lights are on for the Sacrament of Penance, we will also have a period of **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament beginning at 5:30 p.m. and ending with Benediction at 7:00 p.m.** We need folks to sign-up to be present for about 1/2 hour of adoration so that Our Lord is not alone while He is exposed. Sign-up sheets for the 1/2 hour increments are on the tables at the entrance of the church. You will be making a commitment for the time period each Monday during Lent.

SOUP AND SCRIPTURE



During Lent we will host **Soup and Scripture**. Beginning at 6:00 p.m. on Thursdays, Feb 21st until March 21st, we will gather for an informal and simple meal consisting of Soup and Sandwiches that will be made by the various ministries and organizations in the parish and then listen to a feature presenter give us more "food for thought" about the upcoming Sunday's Scriptures. Everyone is welcome and we encourage families to attend. There will be something special for children as well. The first session will be held on Thursday, February 21st with our presenter, Rev. Jeffery Tudgay, associate pastor of Our Lady of the Snows/St. Benedict's in Clarks Summit. Fr. Jeff was an organist at Holy Name/St. Mary's before entering the seminary. He was ordained this past June. We hear he is an excellent speaker and we are all looking forward to his presentation.

FRIDAYS DURING LENT

Pray the Stations of the Cross and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament (all Fridays of Lent except Good Friday) 7:00 p.m. This year we will feature a new booklet at the stations: *Praying the Stations in the Holy Cross Tradition*. All are welcome and encouraged to attend this time honored devotion of Lent.

LENTEN LITURGICAL OPTIONS

The Roman Missal offers consideration for various preferences and options at masses. We will use the following options for the season of Lent this year:

Use of Penitential Rite, Form A, the *Confiteor, I confess to Almighty God...* followed by the sung *Kyrie* chant in Greek. (This is familiar to most of us)

We shall pray *The Apostle's Creed*, which is recommended in the missal for Lent and Easter instead of the *Neo-Constantinople Creed* which we usually say. The *Apostle's Creed* is familiar to us because it is how we begin the rosary and should be memorized by every Catholic, especially our young people. All of these prayers are printed on the cards in the pew.

Also during Lent we shall chant the *General Intercessions*. The cantor will offer the petition and we will answer with the sung response "*Lord, Hear Our Prayer,*"

Finally, a New Mass Setting will be employed during Lent, *The Heritage Mass*, for the *Sanctus, Memorial Acclamation and Amen*. *Angus Dei* will be the familiar Latin chant.

We take the options to help us slow down and focus on our prayer more attentively during this Holy Season. However, the music should remain upbeat and never drag or become burdensome. Each Sunday is still *An Easter*, and a reason to Celebrate and Rejoice. We have also dug up some "oldies but goodies" hymns that will surely bring back memories of Lent of former days to help us pray and sing the season properly.

MEETINGS

The **Holy Name Society** will meet today, Feb. 10th, after the 8:30AM Mass in the church hall.

The **Confraternity of Christian Women** will meet today, Feb. 10th, at 2PM in the church hall.



St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Co. 12976 Meeting will be held on Tuesday Feb. 12th @ 7:00 pm

in the school cafeteria. The Knights from Co. 12976 want to encourage all men that are eighteen or older to join our growing council. Our membership is made up of men from numerous Catholic parishes. Be sure to check out what the Knights can offer you. Should you like to join or have any questions call James McGrath @ 570-288-9772.

FIRST RECONCILIATION

Our CCD students in the 2nd Grade have been preparing for the Sacrament of First Reconciliation and will receive their first penance on Saturday, February 16th at 9:00AM.

COLLECTION JANUARY 26/27

SUNDAY: \$6178.00 DUES: \$936.00 HOLY DAYS: \$55.00
LOOSE: \$303.25 TOTAL: \$7472.25
CAMP. HUMAN DEVELOPMENT: \$1184.75

COLLECTION FEBRUARY 2/3

SUNDAY: \$6941.50 DUES: \$1316.00 HOLY DAYS: \$18.00
LOOSE: \$406.29 TOTAL: \$8681.79
CAMP. HUMAN DEVELOPMENT: \$84.00
CARE & EDUCATION OF PRIESTS: \$1265.74

GOD BLESS YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

CUB SCOUT PACKS 123 & 193 RELIGIOUS EMBLEMS

CONGRATULATIONS to two of our local Cub Scout packs for receiving the Light of Christ & Parvuli Dei religious emblems last week, Feb. 3rd, at our 11:30am Mass. The cub scouts are **Nicholas Magistro & Ian Hiedcavage** from Pack 123, Forty Fort, who received the Parvuli Dei emblems and **Noah St. Clair** from Pack 193, Swoyersville, who received the Light of Christ emblem. These scouts received their emblems after completing the requirements set forth by the Boy Scouts of America and the Scranton Diocese.

OVER THE TOP!

Here are the latest figures for the **2012 Diocesan Annual Appeal** for our parish:

33.26%(448 out of 1,347) gave/pledged
Goal: \$45,000.00
Total Raised: \$49,180.00
Over: \$4,180.00

Once again, on behalf of all those who will benefit from your generosity, THANK YOU!!!

REGIONAL YOUTH MINISTRY

Regional Teen Mass, Social & Speaker Series

Sunday, February 10th at 5pm

St. Ignatius Kingston

(speakers and dinner)

****There will be a collection for the American Cancer Society to benefit cancer patients and their families.****

We will also hear from a cancer survivor and the Regional Youth Ministry Relay for Life Team Captain.

ISLI

International Student Leadership Institute

February 22 - February 24

Fatima Renewal Center

1000 Seminary Road, Dalton, PA

For additional information or to register:

www.dioceseofscranton.org or call
Tommy McGrady 570-207-2213

Regional Youth Ministry Summer Mission Trip to Almost Heaven, Habitat for Humanity "Blitz Build 2013"

Sunday, July 21st-Saturday, July 27th, 2013

80 youth & adults from across the Diocese of Scranton will join together with Regional Youth Ministry this summer for our "Blitz Build 2013". (building one house in one week)

Our total donation in fundraising and family contributions to Habitat this year is \$20,000.00 to help a family have affordable housing.

DONATIONS REQUESTED:

Cases of water	powdered drink mix	snack packs
cookies	boxed brownie mix	perierogies
frozen meatballs	syrup	cereal

Alter Christus Vocation Discernment Weekend

When: Friday to Sunday, March 1-3, 2013

Where: Fatima Center, Dalton

Who: Young men ages 16-30

What: A vocation is always born from a personal relationship with the Lord. This weekend allows men who are thinking about priesthood time away from everyday activities to listen more closely for God's presence and action in their lives. Participants will also have the opportunity to get to know seminarians and priests from the Diocese of Scranton and to hear about their vocation stories.

- Do you have a love for God and for the Church?
- Are you drawn to spend time in quiet prayer?
- Have you imagined yourself being a priest one day?
- Has someone told you that you would make a good priest?

For further information contact Fr. Jim Rafferty, Vocation Director, at 570-207-1452 or Rev-James-Rafferty@dioceseofscranton.org



SETON BUS TRIP

A bus trip is being planned for parishioners of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish on Wednesday, April 17, 2013, to visit the Shrine of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton in Emmitsburg, Maryland. We will visit the Basilica, the tomb of St. Elizabeth, historical sites, museum, see a brief film on her life, visit the gift shop, prayer walkway and chapel. (Hopefully we can celebrate mass there.) There will be a buffet dinner nearby in Thurmont, Maryland. You can register for the trip by enclosing \$40.00 in a plain envelope, c/o Chris Calore, trip coordinator. You can drop it in the collection basket, or bring or mail it to the rectory by February 15, 2013. Please include your phone number. **Checks should be made out to Chris Calore.** Join us for this spiritual spring trip!

SUMMER MISSION EXPERIENCE

High School students currently in their Junior year, and interested in an opportunity to grow in their faith and learn what it means to be missionary in today's world, are invited by the Pontifical Mission Societies, Diocese of Scranton Office for Parish Life, to apply for the 2013 U.S. summer Mission Experience. Criteria for applicants and "How to Apply" instructions are included in the flyer announcement which must be read and understood by the applicant and his/her parents. Parental permission is necessary to apply. A copy of the announcement may be obtained from the Parish office, or by logging onto the Mission Societies link:

www.dioceseofscranton.org Letters of interest with a request for an interview must be sent no later than February 15, 2013 to:

Miriam-heverline@dioceseofscranton.org

HAPPY SAINT VALENTINE'S DAY!

February 14th



THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, February 11th

Our Lady of Lourdes

8:00 a.m. Jeffrey Muchler

Grandparents, Joe & Madeleine Barush

Tuesday, February 12th

8:00 a.m. Stephen Gaydos

Wife, Helen & Family

Wednesday, February 13th

Ash Wednesday

8:00 a.m. Deceased Members of Yekel & Runscavage Families

7:00 p.m. Deborah Ann Belinski

Diane & Rich Nemetz

Thursday, February 14th

Sts. Cyril and Methodius

8:00 a.m. Joseph & Anna Barnoski

Daughter, Rosemary Chimock & Family

Friday, February 15th

8:00 a.m. Paul Oravec

Gene & Anna Mae Dragojevich

Saturday, February 16th

Vigil of the First Sunday of Lent

4:00 p.m. *Pro Populo*

5:30 p.m. Cindy Bogdon

Bob & Gerry Hovan

Sunday, February 17th

First Sunday of Lent

8:30 a.m. Robert M. Clark

Wife, Theresa & Children

10:00 a.m. Wesley M. Rhiel

Allan & Sandy Molotsky

11:30 a.m. Bill Quinn

Wife, Pat & Family



SANCTUARY LIGHTS

~ In Memory of Frank & Cecelia Gritcen

~ In Memory of Joseph & Anna Barnoski

PRESIDERS' SCHEDULE FEBRUARY 16/17

4:00 p.m. Fr. Urban

5:30 p.m. Fr. Pisaneschi

8:30 a.m. Fr. Pisaneschi

10:00 a.m. Fr. Pisaneschi

11:30 a.m. Fr. Urban

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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

- Rev. Joe Pisaneschi Pastor
- Rev. Mr. George Mochin Jr. Deacon
- Brian Williams Regional Youth Minister
- Monica Salis Business Manager
- Lori Raymond Pastoral Associate
- Terry Jankoviak Director of Faith Formation
- Marge Semanek Director of Music
- Cora Artim Children's and Contemporary Groups
- Joseph Sabol Assistant Organist
- Phil Bosha Maintenance
- Chris Calore Maintenance

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 Sacrament is celebrated bi-monthly after the 11:30 a.m. Mass on Sundays.

Confirmation

The Sacrament will be celebrated in 2014 by one of the Diocesan Bishops. 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 paper work necessary.

Holy Orders

Any man who feels called to Ordained Ministry of the Church, either Priesthood or Diaconate is asked to contact one of the Priests or the Deacon.

Penance

Is celebrated Saturday from 3:15 p.m.-3:50 p.m.
Other times by request.

Anointing of the Sick

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

If you or a relative or friend is admitted to a hospital, nursing home, or is homebound. Please contact the Parish Office for a Pastoral Visit. Holy Communion is brought to those who request it on First Fridays.

Office Hours:

Monday—Friday 8:30-4:00
Closed Holidays and Holy Days

Direct Contacts

Parish Hall: 570-287-2684
Regional Youth Ministry Office: 570-288-6446
Faith Formation Office: 570-287-4587
Father Joe's email: fatherjoey@aol.com
Youth Ministry email: SJBrian2aol.com