

# THE SETON SENTINEL

ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON PARISH



## Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.  
In verdant pastures he gives me repose;  
beside restful waters he leads me;  
he refreshes my soul.  
He guides me in right paths  
for his name's sake.  
Even though I walk in the dark valley  
I fear no evil; for you are at my side  
with your rod and your staff  
that give me courage.



## Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton

We must pray without ceasing, in every occurrence and employment of our lives - that prayers which is rather a habit of lifting up the heart to God as in a constant communication with Him.

(St. Elizabeth Ann Seton)

THANK YOU!



## *Festival 2018 is in the History Books!*

It is 12:30 am on July 15, 2018. The Midnight Mass for the festival workers just ended and I hope everyone has left the grounds. The quiet night is somewhat refreshing after the hustling and bustling for the past week, even longer actually. Alone in the silence with my thoughts and God's ear I am thanking Him for another outstanding Festival this year! I offer special prayers of blessing on all of those who worked at our Festival and our Parish Family as a whole.

Thanking God comes somewhat naturally for me because I know He reads my thoughts and understands what I cannot say.

Each year I try to come up with the right words of appreciation and thanks to our countless volunteers who make these Festival not only happen, but such a smashing success. I feel as if whatever I say pales in comparison of the gratitude, pride, and elation that is inside of me at this moment.

It would be unfair of me to start naming names of those whom I think gave more than others to the Festival. No, I will not do that because I truly believe that each person gives their gifts to the best of their ability and your work, your contributions, your efforts towards anything here at our parish is nothing less than your unique gift that you offer to God. So I will leave the personal nature of what you give between you and God.

I can only remark, marvel actually at your combined efforts. There are no one-man-shows when it comes to our Festival either. It's teamwork at its finest! While someone pitches another catches another hits the ball and still others run the bases.

While many churches are unable to work together to put on Festivals or Bazaars our parish remains one of the bright lights of the valley with unprecedented cooperation! To think that just a few short years ago this was two separate, very different parishes — Look at us now! Believe me what you have accomplished in theory is vividly displayed each year at the Festival. It is a dream come true for your pastor and it is thanks to your individual efforts.

I've done it again, I've said much, but have not expressed what is in my heart and mind to tell you. That is simply, with humility, honor, and deep affection: To each and everyone who helped in any way shape or form with this year's Festival; **THANK YOU!!!!**

With much Love,

Father Joe  
Pastor



## 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 Ministry

- ◆ 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 Hroboski
- ◆ Phil Boshia  
St. Mary's Cemetery Maintenance

### Pastoral Council, Chair

- ◆ Ann Marie Aed

### Finance Council, Chair

- ◆ Michael Perhach

## FOOD PANTRY



We can help our neighbors in need. Hunger is a year-round problem and does not take a summer vacation. The Holy Family Food Pantry in Luzerne is in need of the following items:

-Instant Potatoes, -Instant Rice, -Canned ravioli, - Canned Fruit, - Canned Chicken, -Spam, Crackers.

If you could help with any of these items, please bring them to church next weekend and leave in the vestibule next to the Blessed Mother and Saint Joseph shrine. Thank you.



## BLOOD DRIVE

A Red Cross Community Blood Drive will be held on Friday, August 17 in our Church Hall from 1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. You can schedule your appointment to give blood by calling 1-800-RED-CROSS or visit [redcrossblood.org/RapidPass](http://redcrossblood.org/RapidPass) RapidPass is a new tool that allows blood donors to help save lives in less time. Using RapidPass can save you 15 minutes at the Blood Drive. Schedule your appointment today.

## LIFE LINE SCREENING

Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings, will offer their affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings here at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish on Tuesday, September 4th. Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems related to: blocked arteries which is a leading cause of stroke; abdominal aortic aneurysms which can lead to a ruptured aorta; hardening of the arteries in the legs which is a strong predictor of heart disease; atrial fibrillation or irregular heart beat which is closely tied to stroke risk; & a bone density screening for men & women, used to assess the risk of osteoporosis. Register for a Wellness Package which includes 4 vascular tests & osteoporosis screening from \$149 (\$139 with our member discount). All 5 screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. In order to register for this event and to receive a \$10 discount off any package priced above \$129, please call 1-888-653-6441 or visit [www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle](http://www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle) or text the work circle to 797979.

## SOCIAL CONCERNS



CALLING ALL VENDORS!

The Annual Fall Craft Fair is scheduled for **Saturday, November 3, 2018 from 9 –3.**

This show features Homemade Crafts, not commercially produced products. For further information on becoming a vendor, speak with one of the committee members or visit our website [setonpa.com](http://setonpa.com) and click on "Fall Craft Show" button to download a copy of the *Vendor Contract*.

## FAITH ENRICHMENT



Join us for our Weekly BIBLE STUDY on Friday evenings from 6-7.

Meetings are in the Church Hall.

Come every week or just when you can and bring along your friends.

## CHARISMATIC RENEWAL



The Scranton Catholic Charismatic Renewal is sponsoring the 36th annual conference at the University of Scranton during the weekend of August 3-5. This year's theme is "He Restores My Soul!" The conference will feature speakers and music. Mass is celebrated each afternoon. Separate tracks for Children, Youth, etc. The full-weekend registration fee is \$50 up to and including July 23, and \$65 after July 23. Single day registration is available on site. Community and brown-bagging is encouraged, while dormitory housing and cafeteria meals are available for a moderate cost. For registration Forms please visit, [ccrscranton.org](http://ccrscranton.org) or Call the office at 570-344-2214. All are Welcome.



## Community News

### EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS BIG TENT BAZAAR

420 Main Road, Hanover Township. July 20-21-22.

Saturday, July 21, 5-11:30pm, OZ and Sweet Pepper & the Long Hots

Sunday, July 22, 5-11:30pm, 40 Lb. Head and Flaxy Morgan

Homemade food, Potato Pancake Express, Full Service Tiki Bar, ample seating, Big Tent, Rain or Shine.

### GRANDMA'S ATTIC

St. Ignatius Church, 330 N. Maple Ave., Kingston. Our sale begins in Conlan Hall on Thursday, July 26, from 8am to 1pm and 6-8pm. Friday, July 27, from 8am-1pm, and Saturday, July 28 from 8am to noon (Bag Day). Bake Sale & food items available for lunch.

### ST. MARIA GORETTI PARISH FESTIVAL 2018

42 Redwood Drive, Laflin. July 27-28-29, Rain or shine-under tents!

Friday, July 27, 5-10pm, Sperazza Band. Saturday, July 28, 5-10pm, Flaxy Morgan, and Sunday, July 29, 4-9pm, Sweet Pepper & the Long Hots. Air-conditioned Bingo, Bake Sale, Gift Card Showcase, Vera Bradley Showcase, Raffle Baskets, games, water wars, food, & more.

### SACRED HEART POLISH PICNIC IN DUPONT

Father Petro & the parishioners of Sacred Heart Church invite you to attend their annual picnic on the church grounds, 215 Lackawanna Ave., Dupont, on August 2-3-4. Thursday & Friday, 6-11pm and Saturday, 5-11pm. Pierogi, golombki (pigs in blankets), halushki, kielbasa, & placki (potato pancakes), pizza, hot dogs, & sausage. The men & women of the parish prepare the food. This picnic offers delicious ethnic foods, theme baskets, games of chance, beer tent, & great polka music nightly.

### SAINT MICHAEL'S BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH FLEA MARKET & ZITI DINNER

Located at 205 N. Main St., Pittston, Saturday, August 4th from 9am-4pm, and Sunday, Aug. 5th, from 9am-3pm. The Ziti Dinner will be on Saturday from 12 to 3pm, and Sunday, from 10am to 3pm. Adults: \$10; children under 12-\$6.00. Bake Sale on Saturday, ethnic foods, potato pancakes, & traditional foods. Please come out & join the fun!

### SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST, PITTSTON BAZAAR

August 9-10-11, 5:30pm to 10pm. Under tents on Church & Broad Sts. Rain or shine. Thursday, Hillbilly D'Lux; Friday, Emerald Isle Step Dancers & Sweet Pepper & the Long Hots; Saturday, Pat Ward Magic Show & Flaxy Morgan. Delicious Ethnic & American foods. Variety booths, Bingo, games, quilts, raffles, books, jewelry, baked goods, & GIANT FLEA MARKET IN AUDITORIUM. Fun & food for all the family.

### ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST ANNUAL PARISH FAMILY PICNIC

126 Nesbitt St., Larksville, church grounds, Friday, Saturday, & Sunday, August 10-11-12. Theme basket stand, Gigantic Flea Market (new items daily), bingo, games, & prizes! Over 40,000 pierogies, handmade by our Parish Pierogie Pinchers, delicious homemade halushki, potato pancakes, piggies, clam chowder, & assorted Polish, Slovak, & American food. Friday: 6-11pm, John Stevens' Double-shot; Saturday: 5-11pm, (Mass at 4pm) music by George Tarasek; Sunday, 3-9pm, Tommy & the Original Tones from 6-9pm, and a Pierogie Wedding story at 2pm.

### ANNUAL FESTIVAL FOR THE INTELLECTUALLY DISABLED

The Order of Alhambra (local caravan Alhamar #4)-a Catholic organization dedicated to helping children & adults with special needs will host this festival on Sunday, August 19th, 11:30-2:30 at Plains Polish American Veterans Pavilion, 2 South Oak St., Wilkes-Barrre (Near Penn-Lee Footwear). Hot dogs, hamburgers, sweet corn, soda & ice cream. Free of charge. RSVP by Aug. 5th to Ray Kownacki, 570-823-2894. Indicate # of Special Needs individuals and aides/chaperones who will be attending.

## COUNSELINGS SERVICES 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. Her 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.

LIVE & GIVE  
IN GRATITUDE

## Sacrificial Giving

Weekly Offering  
July 7/8, 2018

**\$8886.42**

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 to do God's work here at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton.

# EUCCHARISTIC REMEMBRANCES



*Intention:*

*Requested By:*

## Monday, July 23

8:00 am John Bartoli Don and Barbara Stevens

## Tuesday, July 24

8:00 am James Dougalas Wife, Martha

## Wednesday, July 25

8:00 am Laura N. Przybyla Cathy & Bob Beretski & family

## Thursday, July 26

8:00 am Joseph Tarreto Catherine Austin

## Friday, July 27

8:00 am Irene Puchalsky Barbara Ripa & Family

## Saturday, July 28

4:30 pm Frank Vnuk Daughter, Wanda and family

## Sunday, July 29

8:30 am William Tibus Lois and Rob

11:00 am Steven Azaravich Steve and Marie Englot

5:30 pm ***Pro Populo***

## Getting In-Touch With Seton

116 Hughes Street

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### **Extension Numbers:**

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Ext. 130 Deacon Jack

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**Fax: 570-287-4704**

Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday 8:30 am to 5:00 pm

Friday 8:30 am to 3:00 pm

## **Sacrament of Holy Matrimony**

Congratulations to Charles Jankoviak and Sandra Allen-Stoodley who were married on Saturday, July 21, 2018.

## OUR PARISH INTENTIONS

### **This Week's Vigil Lights :**

~In Memory of Ray Gustave, offered by Frank and Paula Matthews

~In Memory of George Yurko, offered by Wife, Theresa, and daughter, Susan

### **Altar Flowers this Weekend :**

~In Memory of Jankoviak, Allen, Muchler, & Reklaitis Families offered by Mr. & Mrs. Chuck Jankoviak

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### **This weekend our parish celebrates the Baptism of:**

**~Viviana Rose Webb**

*Viviana will be baptized by water & the Holy Spirit after the 11:00am Mass today.*