

October 16, 2016  
Twenty-Ninth Sunday in  
Ordinary Time

# The Seton Sentinel

A publication of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish

*W*ill not God then secure the rights  
of his chosen ones who call out to  
him day and night? Will he be  
slow to answer them?

*Luke 18:7*



Pray  
always  
without  
becoming  
weary.

*Luke 18:1*

## St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish Mission Statement

*"We are Called...  
To Act with Justice,  
To Love Tenderly,  
To Serve One Another,  
To Walk Humbly with God"*

paraphrase from Micah 6:8 by David Haas



**Spirituality without a prayer life is no spirituality at all,**  
and it will not last beyond the first defeats. Prayer is an opening of the self  
so that the Word of God can break in and make us new. Prayer **unmasks**.  
Prayer **converts**. Prayer **impels**. Prayer **sustains** us on the way. Pray for the  
grace it will take to continue what you would like to quit. - Joan Chittister

## THE SETON SENTINEL

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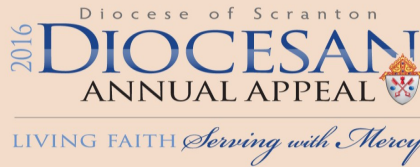
Friday  
8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Weekends and Evenings  
*by appointment only*

Parish Office is closed for all  
Holy Days of Obligation and  
Federal Holidays.



There are so many people with questions about this year's election. It is not the Church's position to endorse any one candidate or political party. For some guidance for your conscience please log into: [faithfulcitizenship.org](http://faithfulcitizenship.org) for more information.



Parish Goal: \$47,000.00  
Raised So Far: \$23,370.00  
Amount Needed: \$23,630.00

Just about half way home !

**Please step-up today and help us make our goal!**

Today is Commitment Weekend for the Annual Appeal. As you can see from the above statistics, we are nearly half way to our goal with 161 donors from our parish so far. We are grateful to those who have already heard the call and responded to this year's Appeal. If you can do something on the Appeal, please consider doing it today. Take an envelope and fill it out and place in the collection basket or mail it directly to the Diocese. So many people are relying on our generosity to meet the many needs of our Diocese! Remember, ever little bit helps in reaching out to those in need and helps us get closer to our goal. No donation is too small. Once again, we only ask you to do what you can do. Thank you!

## MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

On **Friday, November 11th, at 7pm**, there will be a special Mass of Remembrance for the repose of the souls of those who died throughout this year and prayers for their loved ones who grieve their loss. Their names will be called aloud, and they will be remembered at this special Mass. All are invited to attend. If you would like us to remember a loved one of yours who passed away this year, but was not buried from our church, please call Lori at the rectory to have them included in this Mass and have their name read aloud.

## ALTAR GUILD FUNDRAISER

**SWEET PIZZA!!!** Friday, October 28th, \$10/ box of 12 cuts. Pick up in our school cafeteria from 12 noon to 2pm or 5pm to 6pm. Sign-up sheets are on the tables at the church entrance.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

**Sunday, November 6th, 10:00am** Family Mass hosted by our 8th Grade students  
**Thursday, November 10th, 7:00pm**, Meeting for 7th grade students & their parents  
**Thursday, November 17th, 7:00pm**, Meeting for Parents of our 1st Reconciliation & 1st Holy Communion class

## Adult Continuing Education Series



Come explore how the Bible came to be, how it was written and A Catholic Approach to Bible Study. Sessions continue October 18, 25, November 8 and 15. Join us these Tuesdays at 6:30 in the Parish Hall. Bring your Bible along and a friend if possible. All are welcome to attend.

## Social Concerns Corner



**SAVE THE DATE!** Annual Holiday Craft Show, Saturday, November 5th, 9am to 3pm, located in the school gymnasium & cafeteria. Over 40 vendors will be available to start your holiday shopping. Lunch will be served & a raffle of vendor items will also be available. Admission is always FREE. See you there!



**Restock the SHELVES**

Please add one or more of these items to your weekly grocery order for the Holy Family Food Pantry:

Cereal, Peanut butter, Jelly, Rice (14 oz. size), Instant Potatoes (14 oz.), Small Canned Fruit, Canned ravioli, Canned Spaghetti and meatballs, Canned meat.

*(Food donated to the Pantry should be recently purchased from the stores.)*

To accomplish our mission of effecting positive change within our community, each member of the Social Concerns Committee strives to achieve the three-fold goal of leading a fervent prayer life, of practicing simple acts of charity and outreach, and of pursuing the education of both ourselves and of our parish community on social issues which have both local and regional importance. Recently, several members of the Committee attended the Diocesan Congress at the University of Scranton and enrolled in workshops which would help in achieving those goals. If you would like to learn more about the Social Concerns Committee please consider joining us at our next meeting. Thank you!

Our Social Concerns Committee will meet this **Thursday, October 20th at 7pm** in our church hall.



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**  
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

**K of C Care & Share Program.** The Doorknob Hangers will be placed at homes on Saturday, November 5th, and the food pick ups will take place the following Saturday, November 12th. We will **meet in the church hall** on Saturday, Nov. 5th, at

10:00am to place the Doorknob Hangers on homes in our community. We need lots of volunteers! This is a great opportunity for students who need Community Service hours. We need parents who can drive their children around the community. Then on Saturday, November 12th, we will **meet in the school cafeteria** at 9:00am to collect and sort the food. We will need lots of help from parishioners, friends, students, and parents!



### HOLY NAME SOCIETY 50/50 CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Once again this year the HNS will sponsor a Christmas 50/50 Raffle. Drawing to be held on Sunday, November 27th after the 8:30 am Mass. Donation is \$5.00 per ticket. Tickets are available from any HNS member.

### Parish Staff

Cora Artim  
*Children's Choir*  
Phil Bosha  
*Maintenance*  
Chris Calore  
*Maintenance*  
Scott Coates  
*Contemporary Mass Musician*  
Sister Jane Ellis, IHM  
*Parish Social Minister*  
Rev. Joseph J. Pisaneschi  
**Pastor**  
Lori Raymond  
*Pastoral Associate*  
Joseph Sabol  
*Assistant Organist*  
Monica Salis  
*Business Manager*  
Marge Semanek  
*Director of Music*  
Sister Marion Tarone, IHM  
*Director of Religious Education*  
Rev. Anthony Urban  
*Weekend Celebrant*  
Deacon Jack Zeigler  
*Permanent Deacon*

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Bulletin deadline: Friday, one week prior to the publication week.



St. Elizabeth Ann Seton  
Pray for Us!

**Prayer Chain**

Volunteers are needed to join in the Seton Prayer Chain. To become one of our prayer partners contact Gail at 570-690-7520. If anyone is in need of prayer, contact Gail at that number or call Lori in the parish office. All calls are confidential.



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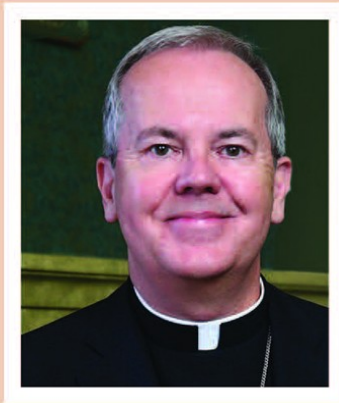


Log on to setonpa.com and sign-up for electronic giving. It's a fast easy way to remember your offerings. You can chose to give weekly, monthly, pay dues, etc. Look for and click:



Diocese of Scranton  
**2016 DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL**

*LIVING FAITH Serving with Mercy*



MOST REVEREND  
JOSEPH C. BAMBERA, D.D., J.C.L.  
BISHOP OF SCRANTON

“The great gift of mercy lies at the heart of all that we do as a church, and it also lies at the heart of the support we receive for the Diocesan Annual Appeal.”

**THIS IS APPEAL COMMITMENT WEEKEND**

On behalf of all who benefit from your donations made to *LIVING FAITH, Serving with Mercy*, we express sincere thanks. Each gift truly matters. If you have not yet made your gift, pledge envelopes will be distributed at Masses today. You may also contribute by calling the Diocesan Development Office at 570-207-2250, or online at [www.DioceseofScranton.org](http://www.DioceseofScranton.org).

*Be a minister of God's love and mercy...  
Help us reach our Parish Appeal goal.*

October 1/2, 2016

SUNDAY: \$8774.00  
 LOOSE: \$528.25  
 HOLY DAY :\$5.00  
**TOTAL: \$14,373.26**

DUES: \$3758.25  
 E-GIVING: \$188.76  
 Day's Wage: \$119.00

May God Bless You a Hundredfold for your Generosity!

**October's Parish Group Collection:  
Knights of Columbus**

**SWOYERSVILLE AMERICAN LEGION Post 644 Auxiliary is hosting a Designer Purse Bingo today, Sunday, October 16th, at Swoyersville Hose Co. #2, 299 Slocum St..** Doors open at noon & bingo starts at 2pm. In addition to bingo prizes of name brand purses, there will be basket raffles & refreshments. Donation is \$25.00. Tickets can be purchased at the door. All proceeds benefit our Veterans & our surrounding community. Call 287-8531 for more info.

### SWOYERSVILLE HALLOWEEN PARADE

Catholic War Veterans Memorial Post 1601, American Legion Post 644, Swoyersville Kiwanis Club & other local organizations are coming together again to host the Annual Halloween Parade on Saturday, October 22nd. Set up begins at 10:30am at Roosevelt Field, corners of Church & Tripp Sts., Swoyersville. Parade begins at 11am & will lead to the Swoyersville American Legion where children will be treated to snacks & refreshments. Contests are held for the Most Original, Scariest, Cutest, & Overall Best costumes. Prizes will be awarded to each in age groups 4 & under, 5-8, and 9-12. In event of rain, go directly to the American Legion. Children from local communities are invited to enjoy our fun & safe community event.

### TRUNK OR TREAT TAILGATE PARTY

The Swoyersville Kiwanis Club invites all ghosts & goblins, super heroes, & princesses to come out to the their "Trunk or Treat" tailgate party on Sunday, October 23rd from 2 to 4pm at the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church grounds, Hughes St, Swoyersville. Local businesses, organizations, & residents are invited to take part by uniquely decorating their vehicles to tailgate with tricks & treats for kids of all ages. We are looking to create an atmosphere that allows children to trick or treat in a safe & friendly environment. Dressing in costume is encouraged for all attending or displaying a vehicle. Also, vehicles are eligible to win Best Dressed Trunk Prizes. All vehicles must be registered, must fit into a standard parking space, & must provide their own candy or prizes for the children. To register your vehicle or for more info., call Sandy at 570-288-5848 or 570-606-1153 or [k-swoyer@comcast](mailto:k-swoyer@comcast) Rain date: Sunday, October 30th.

**Life Line Screening**, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings, is pleased to offer a preventive health event here at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish on 11/17/16. Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems related to: blocked arteries, abdominal aortic aneurysms, hardening of the arteries in the legs, atrial fibrillation, and a bone density screening. 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 & to receive a \$10 discount off any package priced above \$129, please call 1-888-653-6441 or visit [www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners](http://www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners)

## Hospital Visitation

A reminder to all parishioners: If you or a family or friend is admitted to the Hospital, Physical Rehab, or a Nursing Home, please contact Sister Jane at 570-763-5160 to inform the parish. We try to visit everyone we know is hospitalized or in a facility for any length of time but we need your help. Hospitals do not release patient information to the parish any longer due to privacy regulations. For emergency Anointing of the Sick, call anytime, day or night the main rectory number for assistance. Note that priests are assigned to hospital emergency calls on a rotating basis so ask the nurses station to call the priest on duty in the event of an emergency.

### LEARN MORE ABOUT YOUR FAITH WITH LIGHHOUSE BOOKS/CDs



Did you check out our "rolling library" of religious books & CDs located in our vestibule? For a small donation, you can find some good materials that can edify your spiritual life.

#### 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](http://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).

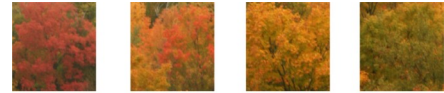
## Masses for the Week

<b>Monday, October 17</b> <i>St. Ignatius of Antioch</i>		
8:00 am	Carmella Debonis	Frank & Donna
<b>Tuesday, October 18</b> <i>Saint Luke</i>		
8:00 am	Joseph & Lois Koval	Children
<b>Wednesday, October 19</b> <i>Ss. John de Brebeuf &amp; Isaac Jogues</i>		
8:00 am	Thomas Runcavage	Sister, Ruth
<b>Thursday, October 20</b> <i>St. Paul of the Cross</i>		
8:00 am	Frances Skiendzel	Social Concerns Committee
<b>Friday, October 21</b>		
8:00 am	June Stone	Art & Sandy Piccone
<b>Saturday, October 22</b> <i>Vigil: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>		
4:00 pm	John Yaskoweak	Joe & Terri Burgess
5:30 pm	Patricia Kane	Carol & Skip Hoover
<b>Sunday, October 23</b> <i>30th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>		
8:30 am	Eugene & Eleanor Breznay	Gene & Kathy Breznay
10:00 am	Tony & Kay Baldrice	Brother
11:30 am	<b>Pro Populo</b>	
5:30 pm	John Bankus	Wife, Nancy, John, Judy, & John Jr.



### Priest's Schedule

<b>Saturday, October 22</b>	
4:00 pm	Fr. Pisaneschi
5:30 pm	Fr. Urban
<b>Sunday, October 23</b>	
8:30 am	Fr. Pisaneschi
10:00 am	Fr. Urban
11:30 am	Fr. Pisaneschi
5:30 pm	Fr. Pisaneschi



**All scripture  
is inspired by God**

and is useful for teaching,  
for refutation,  
for correction,  
and for training  
in righteousness,  
so that one who  
belongs to God  
may be competent,  
equipped for  
every good work.



2 Timothy 3:16-17

## Sanctuary Candles

- In Memory of Marcin & Olenik Families offered by Children
- In Memory of Lou Michaels offered by Wife & Family

## Altar Flowers

- In Memory of Stanley Kudey offered by wife, Mercedes
- In Memory of Marcin & Olenik Families offered by Children

## Sacrament of Baptism

- Congratulations and God's Blessings upon **~Olivia Rae Smith~** and her family. She will be reborn by water and the Holy Spirit after the 11:30am Mass today.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD** continues this Sunday at the 10am Mass, and runs concurrent with our CCD schedule. CLOW is for children ages 5 through 5th grade. CLOW will not take place during CCD Family Masses.

