



THE SETON SENTINEL

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish

PENTECOST SUNDAY

May 24, 2015
Swoyersville, PA

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Office Hours:

Monday– Friday

8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Weekends and Evenings
by appointment only

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



WELCOME TO OUR PARISH!

New to the area? Just visiting? You will find a warm welcome here!

To become a registered member, please call the parish office during regular business hours.

FROM PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

OUTDOOR MASS AND PICNIC

Join us at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Field on Wyoming Ave., in Forty Fort for our first annual Outdoor Mass and Picnic on Monday, June 15th at 6:00 pm. After mass at the cross on the field, we will provide soda, water, hotdogs, hamburgers and buns. We ask that everyone else bring a covered dish to share. (Please, no alcoholic beverages.) Bring the whole family, or the whole neighborhood! Let's share a little food and fun in the company of one another in the beautiful outdoors to kick off the Summer Season! **B r i n g** along your own folding chairs or blankets. Rain date: Tuesday, June 16th at 6:00 p.m. Sign up sheets will be at the entrance of the church so we know how many people to plan for.

VOICES FOR VOCATIONS

A new initiative from the Parish Council involves everyone in the parish. As we are all aware, vocations to the priesthood and religious life are critically low in the Diocese of Scranton. We would like everyone to do all they can to promote vocations. Especially by encouraging those who show signs of having a calling and by praying for vocations. As a parish, we invite all members to pray for vocations each day at either 1:00 p.m. or 7:00 p.m. A simple lifting of your heart to the Father and asking for more young people to answer His call is all it takes. Or, by all means, if you know a special prayer for vocation or a decade or more of the rosary at the same time each day (doesn't necessarily have to be 1:00 or 7:00 pm) or whenever you can. Today is Pentecost Sunday, let's begin today and do it everyday. There is so much Power in Prayer. Lord, Send Out Your Spirit, and Renew Your Church with Abundant Priests and Religious!



Many Thanks from Knights of Columbus

Our Knights thank everyone who helped make the Chicken Barbeque a huge success! The dinners were sold out & some even had to be turned away! Thanks again and **"see you in the fall"!!!**

MEMORIAL DAY:



Tomorrow, Monday, May 25th is Memorial Day. We will observe a special mass at **9:00 a.m. tomorrow** honoring the Veterans of our community. All are welcome! Please note there **will not** be an 8:00 am Liturgy tomorrow.

Also, the **parish office is closed** in observance of the holiday.

Liturgical Notes:

Today is Pentecost, the Conclusion of the Easter Season. Because this is one of the most Solemn observances of the whole Church year, our attention is focused on the coming of the Holy Spirit and the Church born from the Holy Spirit's Power. The use of the double "Alleluia!" at the end of Mass signifies the end of the Easter Season. Even though this is Memorial Day Weekend on our secular calendars, it is Pentecost all day in our parish. The use of Patriotic Music this weekend is not permitted at Masses celebrating the Solemnity of Pentecost. Monday itself will feature Patriotic Hymns as the character of the day's mass is different from our Saturday and Sunday Liturgies.

The Spirit comes to the aid of our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes with inexpressible groanings. And the one who searches hearts knows what is the intention of the Spirit, because he intercedes for the holy ones according to God's will.

- Romans 8:26-27

THE SACRAMENTS

Baptism

Expecting or new parents are asked to contact the Parish Office as soon as possible to make the arrangements and if necessary, attend the Pre-Baptismal Session. The celebration of the Sacrament is usually held after the 11:30 a.m. Mass on Sundays.

Confirmation

The Sacrament is celebrated for 8th grade students each spring semester. This year Bishop Dougherty will be here on Wednesday, May 6, 2015. Students must be consecutively enrolled in our Parish Religious Education Program or in Catholic Schools to be eligible.

Matrimony

Couples planning to get married are asked to contact the parish office as soon as possible (no less than 6 months prior) to reserve a date and begin the necessary paper work. The dates at the Church are not guaranteed until an actual meeting with the pastor takes place.

Reconciliation

Saturdays: 3:15 p.m.-3:45 p.m.
or anytime by request

Anointing of the Sick

To receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, please contact the parish Priest, day or night. When someone is very ill please do not wait to call the priest. It is better to have the sacrament of the sick sooner rather than at the last minute.

For ordinary sick calls

(Non-Emergency):

Please notify the Parish Social Ministry Office at (570) 763-5160 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 of friend.



INVITATION TO

2015 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

All high school graduates from our parish are invited to participate in a Special Mass on **Sunday, June 28th, at the 10:00am Mass**. Mass will be followed by a **breakfast** for the graduates and their immediate families. Please RSVP before June 14th by email: setonpa@aol.com or call Lori at the parish office, 287-6624.

Confraternity of Christian Mothers

Our CCM will meet next **Sunday, May 31st at 2pm** in the church hall. A final report on the Rummage Sale & Mother's Day Luncheon will be given. New members are always welcome.

SUMMER FESTIVAL 2015—July 9, 10, & 11

Please stop in the Parish Hall after masses this weekend to pick up your **Festival Tickets!!!**

DONATIONS NEEDED

We are accepting donations of: 9" Styrofoam plates, one-section styrofoam containers 9"x9" and the 6"x6" sizes, vegetable oil, butter and margarine, **bottles of whiskey, wine, brandy & other spirits, small toys** for the children's game stand prizes (inexpensive, but must be new!) Drop off at rectory office door from 8:30 to 5pm. Thanks so much!!!!

NO LARGE ITEM RAFFLE THIS YEAR

We are **NOT** having the large item raffle this year. It has proven not to be cost effective in the past and a cause of worry for those involved. Anyone who was planning on making a donation to the large item raffle is encouraged to make a cash donation to the Festival. Thank you.

KOUNTRY KITCHEN

Buckets for the Kountry Kitchen stand are now available in the church vestibule. Please take a bucket & fill it with non-perishables or cleaning items. Return the filled buckets to the rectory before July 2nd. If you do not take a bucket, you can just bring the items in a bag.

THEME BASKETS

We are asking you to create baskets with a value of at least \$35. Suggested themes are Hair Care, Seasonal, Car Care, Pet Supplies, Cooking or Baking Themes, etc. We are also accepting monetary donations & we will put the basket together for you. Please have basket wrapped & ready for display with a list of items in the basket. We would like to know if you will be making a basket & your theme as soon as possible. Please call Doreen Dougherty at 696-4270 or Elaine Lipinski at 288-9831 and let them know. Thank you!

PIROHY-MAKING DATES: JUNE 15-16-17 (18th if necessary)

PIGGIE-MAKING & VEGGIE CUTTING: JULY 6 & 7

Watch the *Sentinel* for more Festival News each weekend!

Parish Staff

Cora Artim
Children's & 11:30 Choir
 Phil Bosh
Maintenance
 Chris Calore
Maintenance
 Scott Coates
Contemporary Mass Musician
 Sister Jane Ellis, IHM
Parish Social Minister
 Terry Jankoviak
Director of Faith Formation
 Margaret Loveless
Acting Dir. of Religious Ed.
 Rev. Joseph J. Pisaneschi
Pastor
 Lori Raymond
Pastoral Associate
 Joseph Sabol
Assistant Organist
 Monica Salis
Business Manager
 Marge Semanek
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 Rev. Anthony Urban
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Direct Contacts

Office of Social Ministry (Sr. Jane):
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 Faith Formation Office:
 570-287-4587
 Father Joe's email: fatherjoey@aol.com
 Parish direct email: setonpa@aol.com

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



**St. Elizabeth Ann Seton,
pray for us!**

Next Sunday Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

Next weekend we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, the namesake of our Church. We pray in a special way remembering all those who sacrificed and worked so hard to build the building we worship in to this day. Sweat, tears and financial sacrifice built this magnificent building and the same keeps it viable, worthy, and beautiful today. It has become the center of Catholic life in Swoyersville, Forty Fort and many other parts of the surrounding towns. The recent renovations will keep it that way for many years to come. We all have invested in this building's preservation and restoration now. It truly belongs to us all.

PARKING

We are working to acquire more land for parking in the near future. We will update you on this matter when we have all our ducks in a row. However, it looks as if additional parking will not be ready by the time of the Festival this year. Hopefully, we will be ready by the fall. Please continue to use the monthly Building and Maintenance Envelope to help us fund the parking project and other endeavors to our campus.

BAPTISMAL CLASS

Expectant parents & new parents who are planning their baby's baptism, and have not previously attended a Baptismal Class, are invited to attend our next Baptism class, to be held on Tuesday, June 23rd, at 6:30pm in the church hall. Please call Lori, Pastoral Associate, at the parish office to register for the class and to schedule the baby's Baptism.

Forward in Faith reflects a grateful heart that wants to give back to God a portion of what He has given us. It is our opportunity to show God that He is first in our lives. It is our faith response that tells us as we are generous with God, He will return His blessings to us one hundredfold. Take the step Forward in Faith to respond to the many needs of our Parish community as we try to meet the many financial challenges of doing ministry in His name.

COLLECTIONS: May 9/10, 2015

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| SUNDAY: \$ 7629.00 | DUES: \$2063.00 | EASTER: \$50.00 |
| LOOSE: \$594.37 | E-GIVING: \$327.97 | |
| TOTAL: \$10,664.34 | | |

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Care & Education of Priests: \$842.00

May God bless you for your generosity!

COMMUNITY NEWS

2016 HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE

Travel with Fr. Thomas Petro, Pastor, Our Lady of the Abingtons Church, Abington, and St. Patrick's, Nicholson, on a Holy Land Pilgrimage. Where: Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Nazareth, Galilee, Ein Karem, Jordan River, Capernaum, Cana. Trip dates: April 6-16, 2016. cost is \$3999.00 Airfare & ALL-inclusive. To register, call 855-842-8001 or 508-340-9370. You can also register online at www.proximotravel.com

INTERNATIONAL FEST at St. Jude Parish, Mountain Top, to be held on **Saturday, May 30th**, from 4pm-11pm and **Sunday, May 31**, from noon to 9pm in the church grove. Ethnic food will be served from 10 different countries in addition to international desserts/beverages including beer & wine. Three Grand Prize Raffles: Dream European Vacation or \$5000, Custom Lasik Vision Correction, & 1 week vacation in Emerald Isle, NC, luxury beachfront home (sleeps 12).

Little Sisters of the Poor

Little Sisters of the Poor will honor Mrs. Joan Blaker and the late Mr. Fenton Blaker at their ninth annual golf tournament Saturday, June 13 at the Scranton Municipal Golf Course, Lake Ariel. In addition to this major fundraiser, the Little Sisters will also honor the Blakers at a Spirited Art party at 6 p.m. Friday, June 5 at Holy Family Residence, 2500 Adams Ave., Scranton.

Golf tournament registration begins at noon with a shotgun start at 1 p.m. The format is captain and crew. Singles will be placed on a team. The cost is \$100 per golfer which includes green fees, use of a cart, an official tournament shirt, a gift bag, a pre-tournament refreshment reception, a light meal during the tournament and a post-tournament dinner at the course clubhouse. Several types of golf and sponsorship packages, which are great advertising vehicles, are also available including hole signs for \$100 and sponsorships of \$250, \$500, \$750 and \$1,000. There will also be a grand raffle of the Sisters' famous gift baskets as well as prizes valued at over \$100.

The Spirited Art party, is an opportunity to create paintings while sampling beverages and snacks such as wine and cheese. It will also provide non-golfers with an opportunity to support the Little Sisters' fundraising efforts and honor the Blaker family. The cost is \$35 per person and includes an instructor led class, paints, smocks, brushes, easels and canvases. Seating is limited. Reservations are due by Monday, June 1

To make a reservation or provide a contribution for either fundraiser, please contact Mrs. Jackie Galvin, M.S., director of development and communications, at (570) 343-4065 ext. 3144 or scdevelopment@littlesistersofthepoor.org. Golf registration is also available at www.littlesistersofthepoorscranton.org.

All proceeds from both events will be used to replace more than 300 windows in Holy Family Residence

Memorial Day Picnic at St. Frances X. Cabrini

Monday, May 25, from 10am to 2pm on the church grounds at 585 Mt. Olivet Rd., Carverton. A Memorial Day Mass will be celebrated at 10am . A Flea Market, craft vendors, homemade food , bake sale, basket raffle, 50/50 drawing will also be open on Sunday May 24, from 8am to 12:30pm.

Children's Character Luncheon

Moving forward with their children's programs the Swoyersville Kiwanis Club will be holding a Children's Character Luncheon on **Sunday, June 14, 2015 at 1 pm at the St Elizabeth Ann Seton Church Hall**, Hughes Street, Swoyersville. Cost of child's lunch is \$10, children under 2 are free. Children can enjoy lunch and meet with their favorite princess or super hero. Lunch will consist of chicken tenders, French fries, fruit, punch and ice cream Sunday bar for the children. Prizes will also be given to each child attending. Adults can enjoy free coffee and snack while they watch the excitement of the children as they meet the characters. Have your child dress like their favorite princess or super hero and bring along your camera to capture the moment. Reservations are required and the deadline is Tuesday, June 9th. No tickets will be sold at the door. Reservations must be paid in full prior to luncheon. For reservations call 570-288-5848.

Northeastern PA Region of AACA Presents

54th Annual Car Show & Flea Market, Wyoming Valley Airport, Forty Fort, Rain or shine. **Sunday, June 7, 2015.** Gates open at 8am. Car show 10-3pm with judging at noon. Awards at 3pm. 30 classes of cars. Free parking. Food, handicap parking, airplane displays, plane rides for a fee. For more info., call Walter Krieg at 332-9360, or visit website: www.nepraaca.org

Pierogie Sale

St. Monica's Parish, West Wyoming, is having a pierogie sale available for pick up after all masses June 13 & 14. For an order form visit stmonicanepa.com or call Tom at 237-2188.

CATHERINE MCAULE Y CENTER is sponsoring a special Trip Raffle for a 7-day, 6-night vacation at Beaver Creek West Condos in Vail Valley, Colorado. Final drawing is Monday, June 22, at the Swing for Mercy Golf Tournament at Wyo Valley Country Club. For golf tournament registration & trip raffle entry forms, contact Jenny Blanchard at 342-1342.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Monday, May 25 Memorial Day
 9:00 a.m. In Thanksgiving John, Carol, & Corinne Hrobaski

Tuesday, May 26 Philip Neri
 8:00 a.m. Romaine Nenichka John & Susan Carr

Wednesday, May 27
 8:00 a.m. Marie & John Maxwell Virginia & Bill Schlosser

Thursday, May 28
 8:00 a.m. Louise Megatulski Robert & Bernadine Hughes

Friday, May 29
 8:00 a.m. Stanley Kudey Wife & Children

Saturday, May 30 (Vigil: Holy Trinity Sunday)
 4:00 p.m. Stanley Gavlick Wife, Peggy & Children
 5:30 p.m. Mayor Vincent T. Dennis Catholic War Veterans Post 1601

Sunday, May 31 Holy Trinity Sunday
 8:30 a.m. Rose Marie (Bozinko) Amershek Friend, Anna Mae Venetz
 10:00 a.m. Sam & Edna Ting Dr. & Mrs. C.C. Lee
 11:30 a.m. Thomas Koshewski Albert Maffei Family
 5:30 p.m. **Pro Populo**

Celebrants

Saturday 5/30
 4:00—Fr. Urban
 5:30—Fr. Joe

Sunday 5/31
 8:30 Fr. Joe
 10:00- Fr. Urban
 11:30—Fr. Joe
 5:30—Fr. Joe



PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OF OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS
 WHO HAVE DIED THIS WEEK.

GIVE THEM ETERNAL REST, FATHER. MAY THEIR SOULS AND ALL THE SOULS OF THE
 FAITHFUL DEPARTED THROUGH GOD'S MERCY REST IN PEACE. AMEN.



*Congratulations and Wedding
 Blessings upon*

*~Christopher Tonte & Nicole Roberts~
 who were married on Saturday, May 23rd.*



Sanctuary Candles:

~In Memory of Stanley Kudey offered by Wife & Children
 ~In Thanksgiving offered by John, Carol, & Corinne Hrobaski



ALTAR FLOWERS:

~In Memory of Stanley Kudey offered by Wife & Children
 ~In Thanksgiving offered by John, Carol, & Corinne Hrobaski

