

THE SETON SENTINEL

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish



San Francisco de Assisi, Feast Day, October 4th
"Lord make me an instrument of thy peace!"

Twenty-Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time

September 29, 2013

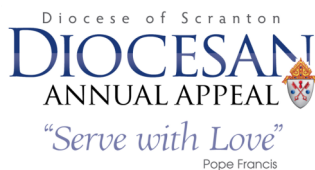
Swoyersville, PA

MEMORIAL OF ST. FRANCIS of ASSISI

This Friday, 1st Friday, we will commemorate our Holy Father's Namesake: Francis of Assisi. We know that St. Francis had an extraordinary love for all of God's Creation, especially human beings. Francis is also often depicted with animals by his side. He has become the patron saint of pets and pet owners. In that vein, let's bring our pets together on Thursday, October 3rd at 6:00 p.m. in our parish parking lot and let them be blessed. Cages, leashes, restraints, whatever may apply to your best friend are highly encouraged so there are no unexpected meals being served! All are welcome, and of course, our children's "stuffed pets" are welcome too.

FATHER TONY URBAN

Our weekend helper and friend, Father Urban, is experiencing some health problems. Please keep him in your prayers. We hope to welcome him back to the altar for duty as soon as he is ready.



Our priests unconditionally answer the call to "Serve with Love" by responding to the ever increasing needs throughout our Diocese. Contributions to the Annual Appeal fund ongoing formation of our priests, permanent deacons, seminarians and deacon candidates. These funds also help us care for and support our 111 retired or ill priests, many of whom continue to generously assist with the celebration of Masses, the visitation of the sick and by offering spiritual guidance to all in need. They also assist the Vocations Office, which has been blessed with encouraging growth, in guiding those who are considering priesthood through a comprehensive discernment process. We are grateful to currently have 12 seminarians pursuing the priesthood in the Diocese of Scranton. Your gift to the Annual Appeal directly supports the celebration of the Eucharist, proclamation of the Gospel, administration of the Sacraments and devotions within our parish communities.

IMPORTANT NOTICE, PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

Please notify the **Parish Social Ministry Office** 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 or friend.

SISTER JANE'S DIRECT PHONE LINE:

Sister Jane can be reached directly here in her office at 570-763-5160

Adult Education (Enrichment) Series

Our fall series continues this **Thursday evening at 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall** and continues through Thursday December 5th! We will be studying *Catholicism*, a video series by Father Robert Barron. This is a beautifully produced **video program** filmed all over the Catholic world and features beautiful music. We will also hold a discussion session on the episodes. All are welcome to join us **Thursday evenings**. Come to all the sessions or just a few, but come and discover more about what makes us Catholic! Light refreshments will be served.

FALL RUMMAGE SALE



The Confraternity of Christian Mothers will hold their **Annual Fall Rummage Sale on October 14, 15, 16, & 19; Monday, Oct 14th: 9am-3pm and 6pm-8pm; Tuesday & Wednesday, Oct. 15 & 16: 9am-3pm (Wednesday is Bag Day) Saturday, Oct. 19th: 9am-12Noon, featuring a light lunch & Bake Sale.** Volunteers are needed and welcome. **Collections** for the sale will be held on October 7, 8, and 9 ONLY. Clean, usable items can be brought to the church hall from 8am-6pm. Please do not leave items on the landing. Recommended donations: clean clothing, small appliances, household items, toys, books, CDs, DVDs, jewelry, shoes in good condition, etc. **Men and boys of the parish** are asked to come on **Sunday, October 6, at 4:00PM** to set up tables for the sale. Set up & sorting will start Monday, Oct. 7 through Oct 10, all day. Parishioners able to help are asked to report to the church hall during the hours mentioned.

COLD AND FLU SEASON

It seems as the various "bugs" are beginning early this year. As a result, let's eliminate hand shaking at the sign of peace. A smile will do fine. Please keep in mind Father has very low resistance to any cold and flu germs. Although He protests, please do not shake his hand before or after mass. Also, if you are sneezing, coughing, feverish, or have other active symptoms, please stay at home. God understands and there is no need to confess missing mass if you are sick. For everyone's well-being, stay at home until you are better.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, October 1st, 6:30PM in the church hall

SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE

Tuesday, October 8th, 7PM in the school cafeteria

The Social Concerns Committee would like to thank everyone who donated baked goods, worked at the Craft Show, and all those who supported it. Also, Betty Caffrey, Director of the Wilkes-Barre Pro-Life Center, extends heartfelt gratitude to everyone who supported the recent Baby Shower for the Center. Every item will be distributed to the truly needy, and all clients are screened so that we are helping those of poverty level.

PARISH FUNDRAISERS

Friday, October 18th, Pasties (sign-up sheets are on the tables at the church entrance)

Friday, November 8th, Apple Dumplings

MISSALETTES

In an effort to assist our elderly parishioners & those with vision problems, new missalettes have been obtained that feature much larger print. Look for them in the pews this weekend.

SAVE THE DATE!

Saturday, October 26th, HALLOWEEN 50'S HOP, DJ-the Twins, Sponsored by the **HOLY NAME SOCIETY**. More details to follow



SENIOR CHOIR REHEARSAL

Our Senior Choir rehearsal will continue on **Wednesdays at 6:30PM**. **New members are always welcome. We would especially welcome more male voices.**

YOUTH CHOIR

The Youth Choir continues practice on Sundays in the church hall from 8:45am until 9:45am.

CONTEMPORARY CHOIR

Our Contemporary Choir holds practice on **Tuesdays, at 6PM** in the church.

HOLY COMMUNION IN THE BALCONY

Please note: An Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion will be assigned to the balcony **only** at the mass that the Senior Choir is singing. They are being sent to the balcony for **the Choir**. If you happen to be seated in the balcony at that mass you may approach the minister **after the choir has received**. For all other masses communion will be distributed downstairs only. It is our hope that everyone would be seated downstairs for mass. We do realize that at some masses the balcony is needed but please fill the downstairs first. Questions about this procedure should be directed to Father Joe.

COLLECTIONS REPORT FOR SEPT. 14/15, 2013

Sunday: \$6081.30	Dues: \$1077.00
Day's Wage: \$1773.00	Holy Day: \$14.00
Loose: \$633.75	TOTAL: \$9579.05
Care & Education: \$59.00	

COLLECTIONS REPORT FOR SEPT. 21/22, 2013

Sunday: \$7751.47	Dues: \$1035.00
Day's Wage: \$332.00	Holy Day: \$10.00
Loose: \$659.79	TOTAL: \$9788.26
Church in Eastern Europe: \$10.00	
World Mission Sunday: \$10.00	

The Second Collection *next weekend* is for the Care & Education of Priests.



COMING IN OCTOBER

October 3rd, 6:00pm Blessing of the Pets (in the "barking" lot)

October 31st, 4:00pm All Saints Vigil Liturgy (students come dressed!) Halloween Party to follow.

CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN MOTHERS ROSARY

The CCM will conduct an *outdoor rosary* for ALL parishioners on Sunday, October 6th, at 2PM. Rosary will be recited at the Blessed Mother statue in front of the rectory-weather permitting. If inclement weather, the rosary will be recited in the church. The Christian Mothers will hold their October meeting immediately after the Rosary, in the church hall to finalize plans for the Rummage Sale. JoAnn Baker & Martha Douglas are on committee.

BINGO

St. Faustina Kowalska Parish, Sunday, October 6th, St. Mary School Hall, 1010 Hanover St., Nanticoke. Doors open 12:30PM, Early Birds 1:45pm, Regular 2:00PM. Cash prizes, door prizes, refreshments, parking & entrance at rear of building

Exaltation of the Holy Cross Church, Buttonwood, Hanover Township, is having a Soup, Bake, & Book Sale on Thursday, October 10th from 8am to 6pm. Soup of the month is Vegetable Beef. Cost is \$7/quart. Take outs only. Your pre-order is appreciated. To place order, call Sylvia at 825-6371 or Barry at 831-5593.

SS. Peter & Paul, 13 Hudson Rd., Plains, will hold their Annual Quilt Bingo/Bake Sale on Sunday, October 7th, in the school auditorium. Doors open at noon. Admission is \$5.00 & can be purchased at the door.



"Abortion is the least regulated invasive procedure in the country. Many states do not require that a mother be fully informed about abortion, its potential risks, and alternatives—something required for every other medical procedure performed in this country." Carol Tobias, National Right to Life News, Summer 2012, p.3

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SWOYERSVILLE KIWANIS BREAKFAST BUFFET

The Swoyersville Kiwanis Club will be holding an ALL YOU CAN EAT BREAKFAST BUFFET on Sunday, October 13th, from 8AM to 12 Noon at St Elizabeth Ann Seton school cafeteria. Menu: Scrambled eggs, sausage, home fries, pancakes, SOS, toast, coffee, juice & dessert. Cost is \$8/adult & \$3/children ages 5-12. Tickets can be purchase in advance from any Kiwanis member or at the door. By supporting our breakfast we can continue to help & support the community, the residents, & youth. We look forward to seeing you on October 13th, where we will do the cooking for you. Come on out & enjoy!!!



Come away to the Poconos! The **Bernardine Franciscan Sisters** invite you to a **RETREAT EXPERIENCE FOR SINGLE WOMEN**. Consider where God is leading you! Come experience the person of St.

Francis! November 8th & 9th, Villa of Our Lady Retreat House, 245 Meadowside Rd., Mount Pocono, PA 18344. Call S. Madonna Marie at 610-777-2967/FollowFrancis@bfranciscan.org

LOCAL SENIOR RESOURCES; A PRIMER

Join the St. Therese's Social Justice Committee for Coffee & Conversation series focusing on our seniors.
Who: Staff of the Bureau of the Aging
What: A review of area resources for senior citizens
When: October 9th, 1:00-3:00pm
Where: St. Therese's Church, Fr. Sammon Hall (church basement) 64 Davis St., Shavertown
For more info., call the rectory at 570-696-1144. **This program is FREE & open to the public.**

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# THIS WEEK'S LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

**Monday, September 30**      **St. Jerome**  
 8:00 a.m.      Charlene Huss      Dorothy Stanishefski

**Tuesday, October 1**      **St Therese of the Child Jesus**  
 8:00 a.m.      Foster Ritchie      Rosemary & Ray Chimock

**Wednesday, October 2**      **Guardian Angels**  
 8:00 a.m.      Daniel J. Balberchak      Joe & Noreen August

**Thursday, October 3**  
 8:00 a.m.      Frank Kukish

**Friday, October 4**      **St. Francis of Assisi**  
 8:00 a.m.      Zachary Lopian      Michael & Cheryl Bednar

**Saturday, October 5**      **(Vigil: TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME)**  
 4:00 p.m.      Harry Sorber      Cousin, Theresa Yurko & Susan  
 5:30 p.m.      *Pro Populo*

**Sunday, October 6**      **TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
 8:30 a.m.      James J. Connell      Wife & Children  
 10:00 a.m.      Adolph & Mary Jarensky      Children  
 11:30 a.m.      Rose Kowalski      Mark & Cathy Mizzer

**rest in peace**      Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord....Thomas Engle



**BAPTISM SUNDAY**      Congratulations and God's Blessings upon the family of *Braxtyn Michael Wenzel*, who will be reborn by water and the Holy Spirit after the 11:30am Mass today.



**SANCTUARY LIGHT INTENTIONS**  
 ~In Memory of Michael J. McClernon  
 ~Special intention

*Scripture for the week of September 29, 2013*

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| 29 | SUN | Am 6:1a, 4-7/1 Tm 6:11-16/Lk 16:19-31        |
| 30 | Mon | Zec 8:1-8/Lk 9:46-50                         |
| 1  | Tue | Zec 8:20-23/Lk 9:51-56                       |
| 2  | Wed | Neh 2:1-8 /Mt 18:1-5, 10 35                  |
| 3  | Thu | Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12/Lk 10:1-12            |
| 4  | Fri | Bar 1:15-22/Lk 10:13-16                      |
| 5  | Sat | Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Lk 10:17-24                |
| 6  | SUN | Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4/2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14/Lk 17:5-10 |

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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

- Cora Artim Children's and Contemporary Groups
- Phil Bosha Maintenance
- Chris Calore Maintenance
- Sister Jane Ellis, IHM Parish Social Minister
- Terry Jankoviak Director of Faith Formation
- Rev. Mr. George Mochin Jr. Deacon
- Rev. Joseph J. Pisaneschi Pastor
- Lori Raymond Pastoral Associate
- Joseph Sabol Assistant Organist
- Monica Salis Business Manager
- Marge Semanek Director of Music
- Rev. Anthony Urban Weekend Celebrant

## CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENTS

### 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 celebration of the Sacrament is held after the 11:30 a.m. Mass on Sundays.

### Confirmation

The Sacrament will be celebrated in the spring of 2014 by Bishop Bambera. 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 necessary paper work.

### Holy Orders

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

### Penance

Saturdays 3:15-3:45, other times by appointment.

### 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  
Faith Formation Office: 570-287-4587  
Father Joe's email: fatherjoey@aol.com

Bulletin Deadline: Monday 1:00 p.m.