

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish

Swoyersville, PA

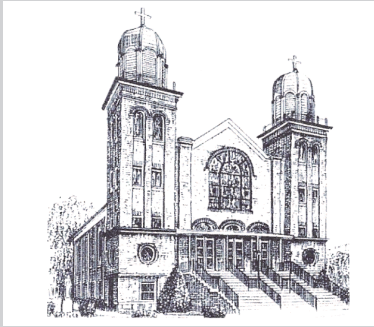


THE SETON SENTINEL HOLY FAMILY SUNDAY

December 28, 2014

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St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish



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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.

NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE:

Thursday, January 1, 2015, is a Holy Day of Obligation as we celebrate the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God. Masses will be celebrated on New Year's Eve, this Wednesday at 4:00 pm and New Year's Day, Thursday at 8:30am, 10:00am, and 11:30 am.

RECTORY HOURS THIS WEEK:

The office will be closed on Wednesday, December 31st and Thursday, January 1st and will reopen at 12:00 Noon on Friday, January 2nd. Please hold off on all business calls when the rectory is closed. Emergency calls will be taken anytime of the day or night.

THE CHURCH IS A WORK IN PROGRESS

While much has been done with the floors and the lighting in the church, there are still a few adjustments that need to be made with the lighting and the hardwood floor needs to be installed in the sanctuary. The floor should be installed around the middle of January. It is difficult to say anything specific about the progress since this bulletin has been completed much in advance of this weekend.

ONLINE GIVING TO ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON PARISH

Many people find it easier to do all or most of their financial business online. Our parish accepts your contributions online now. Go to setonpa.com and follow the E-offering link. There you can set-up your online support for our parish. It is easy to do and you can choose how much you would like to give and how often. Everyone's support of our parish is becoming more and more critical to our ability to continue our many ministries and meeting our weekly expenses. Thank you for your continued support either via the collection basket or your online giving!

DIOCESE OF SCRANTON EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER TRAINING AT SETON

Our parish will host training for new Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion on three consecutive Thursday evenings during January: Jan 8, 15, and 22nd beginning at 6:30 pm in the Parish Hall. Attendance at all three sessions is required for certification for ministry in our parishes. If you know of someone who you think would make a good addition to our EM team, please call Lori at the rectory office.

5:30 pm Contemporary Sunday Eucharist

Beginning Sunday, February 15, 2015 our parish will offer a 5:30 pm Sunday afternoon mass each week. Although we are especially appealing to the youth of our parish (grades 7-college age), everyone is most welcome to attend, participate, and be part of the ministries of this mass. More information will follow in the coming weeks.

ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED

Any young person who has received 1st Holy Communion or older and would like to serve at mass is asked to have a parent/guardian call Lori at the office and give their name. We will train a new class of Altar Servers in the New Year.

SAINT ELIZABETH ANN SETON, PRAY FOR US!

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 or friend.

LIFELINE SCREENING AT SEAS.... St. Elizabeth Ann Seton is pleased to offer a preventive health event. LifeLine Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings, will host their affordable, non-invasive & painless health screenings on 1/8/2015. 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.

The First Annual Catholic Men's Conference for the Diocese of Scranton will be held on April 25, 2015, at King's College, Wilkes-Barre. The event will feature 2 nationally known speakers: Fr. Larry Richards, author of "Be a Man", and Damon Owens of the Theology of the Body Institute. There will be opportunities for Eucharistic Adoration, Confessions, as well as devotional prayers. Please save the date & plan to join Bishop Joseph Bambera, many clergy, & all faithful brothers who will be participating in an effort to build up the Church. For more information, contact Men's Conference co-chairs: Glenn Yanik, at gmyanik@epix.net or 570-362-0417, or Michael Kilmer at michaelkilmer71@gmail.com or 570-746-0100.

DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS & CELEBRATION

His Excellency, the Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L, Bishop of Scranton, and the Office for Parish Life wish to invite couples celebrating their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in 2015 to a diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 21, 2015. The event includes a 2:30pm Mass at St. Peter's Cathedral, Scranton, followed by a reception. Requests for an invitation should be made before March 16th, by contacting Father Joe or Lori Raymond , Pastoral Associate , at the rectory. 287-6624

COLLECTION REPORT FOR DECEMBER 13/14, 2014

SUNDAY: \$7325.00 DUES: \$4087.00
 LOOSE: \$395.03 TOTAL: \$11,807.03

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS: \$2622.00
 IMMACULATE CONCEPTION: \$2135.12
 ALL SAINTS: \$2.00

DIOCESAN— Care & Education of Priests: \$133.62
 Retirement Fund for Religious: \$952.00

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS

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| Mrs. Olga Cajka | Mrs. Charles Lamoreaux | Mr. Michael Stofko |
| Mr. Daniel Chipego | Mr. & Mrs. Robert Lapasnick | Ms. Barbara Trevitz |
| Mrs. Irene Gulla | Paul & Sylvia Malak | Mr. & Mrs. Kerry Urban |
| Mrs. Paulette Hall | Mr. & Mrs. Mark Nenichka | Mrs. Erwin Wolfe |
| Mrs. Joann Helinski | Mr. Richard Olejnik | Mr. Michael Yurkon |
| Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Krakosky | Mrs. Gloria Perugini | Mr. & Mrs. Stanley Yurkon |



Parish Staff

Cora Artim
Children's & 11:30 Choir
 Phil Bosha
Maintenance
 Chris Calore
Maintenance
 Sister Jane Ellis, IHM
Parish Social Minister
 Terry Jankoviak
Director of Faith Formation
 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

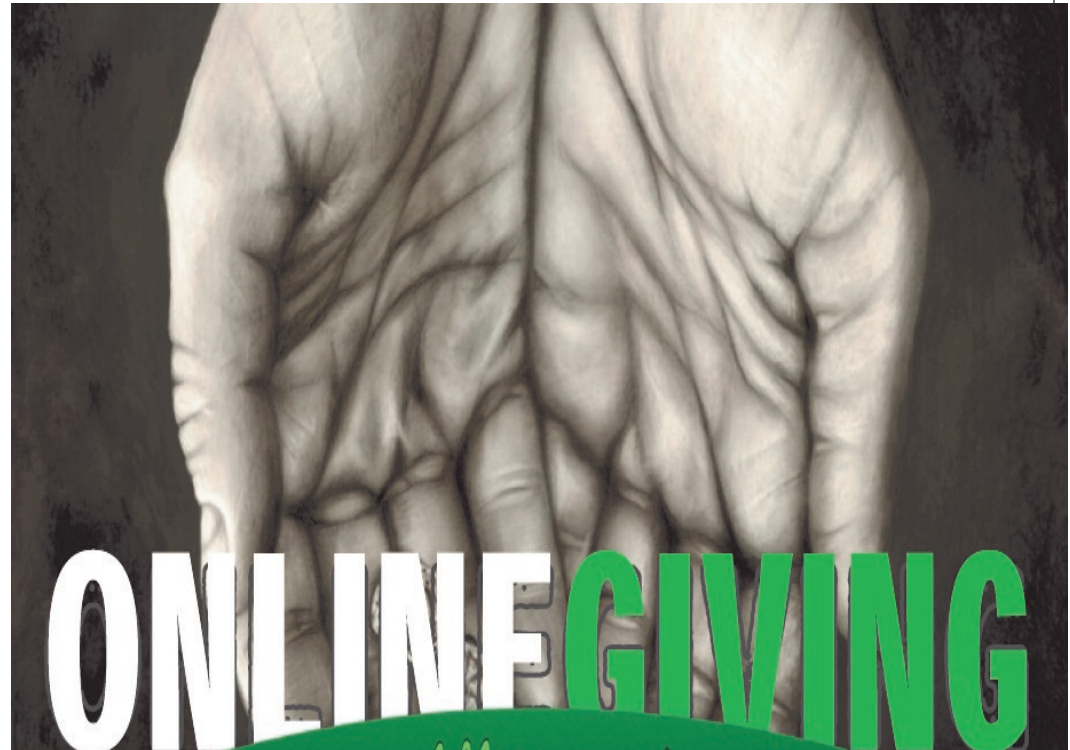
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 570-287-4587
 Father Joe's email: *fatherjoey@aol.com*
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Bulletin deadline: Friday, one week prior to the publication week.



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



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WHAT IS myEoffering?

myEoffering is a service we've teamed up with to give you the ability to send your offerings online in the same way that many of you already pay bills and purchase products. We chose to use myEoffering because they are part of a trusted, Christian family-owned company, who have been serving the needs of churches for nearly 100 years. Their product is solid, secure, easy, and convenient.

WHY SHOULD I USE myEoffering?

Many of you already pay for most of your purchases electronically, whether online or with a credit or debit card. So we have decided to offer this service as a convenience to you - you can stop writing checks or having to remember to bring cash every Sunday. Simply log in to our service and set up your offering. You can set the donations to match your pay periods, and even send your one-time donations to the special offerings we may have from time-to-time. This new service allows you to give any amount, at any time, from home or on the road, with your computer or even your mobile device. Now you can control how and when you give your tithes.

HOW DOES IT HELP?

Online giving is the future. In the lifetime of our young people, we will see electronic payments overshadow traditional methods of paper payments. In order to position ourselves to continue doing the work of God in the future and to make it as convenient as possible to be a cheerful giver to God's work, we have decided to offer online giving to you. In addition to easier access to giving and more engagement with young stewards, online offering has many benefits for the church. It allows us to more easily track contributions for budgeting. It saves us from manually tracking those contributions every week. It saves us from large fees on check processing and allows us to more accurately forecast expenditures and needs.

HOW DO I SIGN UP?

Signing up is as simple as going to our church website listed above and look for the green computer mouse icon. That button will take you to the myEoffering page for our church. Simply sign up and begin giving online today! Or scan the code to the right with your mobile device to get started now.



**SCAN THIS
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 YOUR MOBILE
 DEVICE NOW**



Holy Eucharist Schedule and Intentions for the Coming Week

Monday, December 29

8:00 a.m. (Father Joe) Dolores Paratore Sisters, Joanne, Mary Ann, & Kathy

Tuesday, December 30

8:00 a.m. (Father Joe) Christmas Mass Intentions

Wednesday, December 31

8:00 a.m. (Father Joe) Catherine Stach Ripa Family

4:00 p.m. (Father Joe) Eugene (Bud) Burgess Joe & Terri Burgess

Thursday, January 1 Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

8:30 a.m. (Father Joe) Christmas Mass Intentions

10:00 a.m.(Father Urban) **Pro Populo**

11:30 a.m. (Father Joe) Catherine Stach Nieces

Friday, January 2

8:00 a.m. (Father Joe) Marguerite Krogulski Adrian Bianconi

Saturday, January 3 (vigil: Epiphany of the Lord)

4:00 p.m. (Father Urban) Irene Kopetchne Family

5:30 p.m. (Father Joe) Laraine Lewis Brother, Joseph

Sunday, January 4 Epiphany of the Lord

8:30 a.m. (Father Joe) James Dougalas Wife & Family

10:00 a.m. (Father Joe) **Pro Populo**

11:30 a.m.(Father Urban) Adolph & Mary Jarenski Children



BAPTISM SUNDAY-Congratulations & God's Blessings upon the family of **Adelyn Kathryn Hampel**, who will be reborn by water and the Holy Spirit after the 11:30am Mass today.



SANCTUARY LIGHT INTENTIONS

~In Memory of Stanley Kudey offered by Wife & Children

~In Memory of Dolores Paratore offered by Roy & Joanne Baker & Family



IN MEMORIAM-Eternal Rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let Perpetual Light shine upon her
 ~~Christine Ostrowski~~May her soul and all the souls of the Faithful Departed rest in peace. Amen.



MEMORIAL/DONOR PAVERS

The first order of pavers have arrived! They look beautiful. There is still time to place an order for bricks. Fill out the form below:

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Whether you want to honor a loved one or be a sponsor, this enduring gift will be a lasting memory to all who have sacrificed to build these parishes and for those who are united as one to move into the future.

The pavers are 4 inches by 8 inches and once engraved will be placed randomly on either side of the church. You are limited to 14 characters across (includes punctuation and spaces) for 3 lines. Please begin in the first block of each line (please print clearly), the engraver will center all the lines.

The costs per paver is \$125.00 or you may purchase 2 for \$200.00 (a \$50.00 savings). Please remember pavers will be placed randomly.

Payment must accompany the order, please make checks payable to St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Memorial Fund. Please return the entire sheet (1 per order) with your order. Thank you for your generosity.

Name of Sponsor _____

Daytime Phone # _____