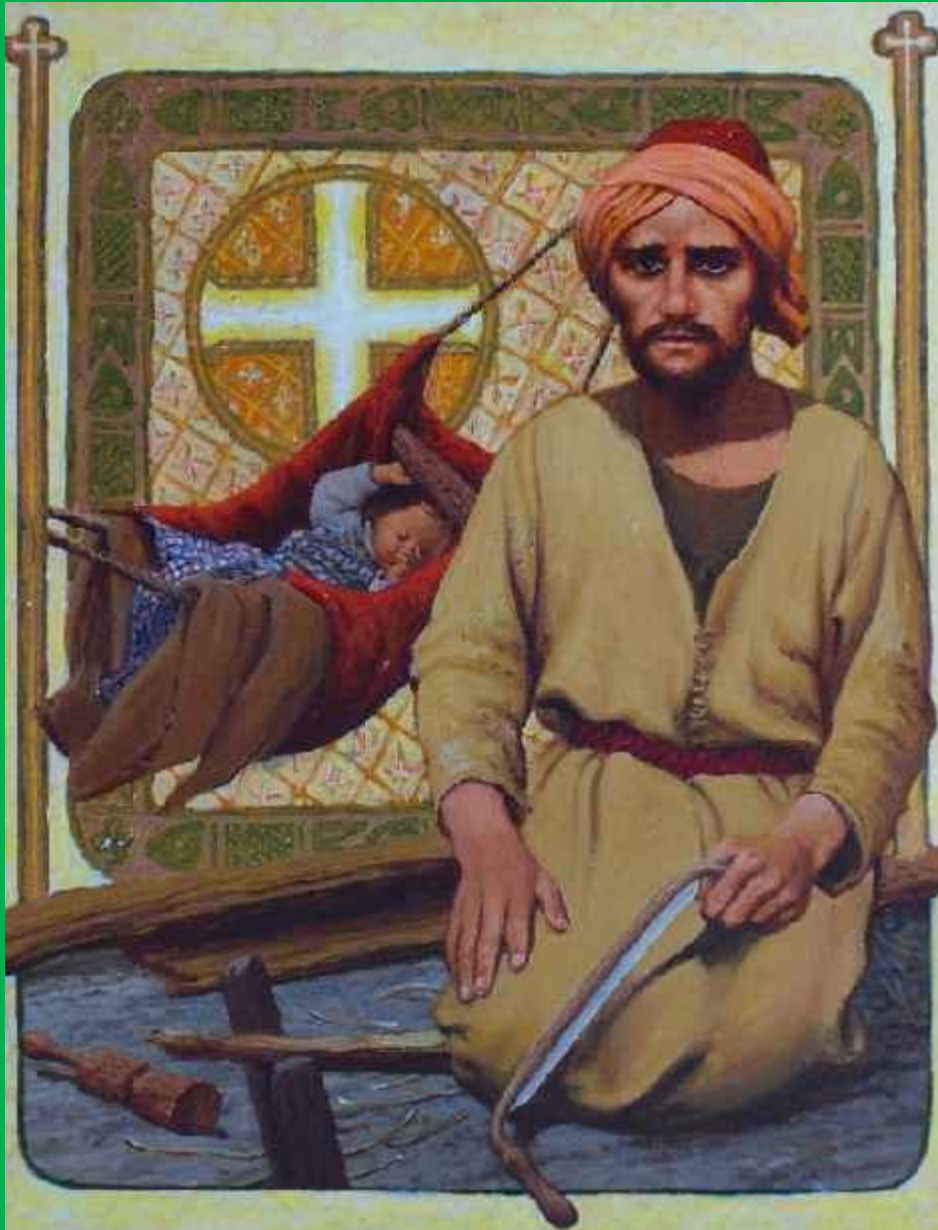


The Seton Sentinel



HAPPY LABOR DAY!

St. Joseph the Worker, Pray for Us!

The Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 3, 2017



THE SETON SENTINEL

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Office Hours:

Monday– Thursday
8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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.

Reconciliation
Saturdays 3:15pm to 3:45pm
or by appointment

Mission Statement:

"We are Called....

To act with Justice,

To love Tenderly,

To Serve One Another,

To Walk Humbly with God"

Paraphrased from Micah 6:8 by David Haas



Office Closed

Our parish office will be closed tomorrow, Monday, September 4th, in observance of the Labor Day holiday.

Please note our Mass for Labor Day will be at 9:00am.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHICKEN BAR-B-QUE NEXT SUNDAY



Our Knights of Columbus is sponsoring a Chicken Bar-B-Que NEXT Sunday, September 10th, 11am to 3pm, in our school cafeteria. Eat in or take out. Cost is \$9.00/dinner which includes 1/2 chicken, baked potato, cole slaw, roll, butter, and dessert. Sign-up sheets are on the tables at the church entrance.

FESTIVAL APPRECIATION PARTY



The Festival Workers' Appreciation Party will be held Sunday, September 24th, from 1-4pm in our church hall. All who worked or helped in ANY way are invited to attend. Food, Music, & Fun!!

The sign-up sheets are on the tables at the church entrance.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY

Our Holy Name Society will meet today, Sunday, September 3rd, after the 8:30am Mass in our church hall. All members are asked to attend. New members are welcome!

SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE—Fall Craft Show Nov. 4th

VENDORS WANTED: The Social Concerns Committee is seeking Homemade Craft Vendors for its Annual Fall Craft Show, scheduled for Saturday, November 4, 2017, from 9am to 3pm. Please note that this year's show will feature only homemade crafts, not commercially produced items. For further information, please speak with one of the committee members or visit: www.setonpa.com and click on the "Fall Craft Show" button to download a copy of the Vendor Contract. We kindly request that you do not call the Church for information. Thank you!

Parish Staff

Cora Artim
Children's Choir

Phil Bosha
Maintenance

Chris Calore
Maintenance

Scott Coates
Contemporary Mass Musician

Sister Jane Ellis, IHM
Pastoral Care Minister

Rev. Joseph J. Pisaneschi V.F
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 Ziegler
Permanent Deacon



2017 Festival Report

GROSS INCOME: \$154,472.00

EXPENSES: -63,624.00

This year's PROFIT: \$90,848.00

(Last year's profit: \$82,437.00)

Once again, a tremendous THANK YOU to ALL who made these fantastic numbers possible. From this year's Festival Profit, we already paid our insurance bill (that came in on July 1st) of \$37,906.00.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Once again we will offer a choice of two sessions for Grades 1 -7, and all 8th Grade classes will be held on Monday evenings. Monday sessions are 6:00pm to 7:15 pm, and Saturday sessions are 9:00am to 10:15am. You may pick one of the days to send your student(s). Classes resume Saturday, September 16th, and Monday, September 18th. Registration forms are on the tables at the church entrance, and also online at setonpa.com under Religious Education, and also on our mobile App .

CCD TEACHER MEETING

~Wednesday, September 6th, at 7pm in the church hall.

EXTRA, EXTRA, READ ALL ABOUT IT!!!!!!

On September 11th, our Youth Choir practices will resume in the church at 4:45 until 5:45. Practices will be Mondays. The Youth Choir monthly mass will be the first Sunday of the month at 10:00am. The Christmas Play will have a modern day twist on Dicken's, "Christmas Carol." Play practices will involve most of the weekends in December. The Christmas Play will be on Monday, December 18th, at 6:30 in the church hall. Play parts will be assigned in October. Hope to see many parish youth there. All are welcome!

Direct Contacts

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sisterjane@setonpa.com

Faith Formation Office (Sr. Marion):
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sistermarion@setonpa.com

Father Joe's email:
fatherjoey@aol.com

Parish direct email: setonpa@aol.com

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

Prayer Chain

Our Prayer Chain meets on the 2nd Saturday of each month at 9am in our church hall. 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.



Log on to setonpa.com and sign-up

for Electronic Giving. It is the easy, safe, fast way to remember your offerings. Even if you are away from home or cannot make it to our church every week. This is a way to keep up with your sacrificial offerings.

You may chose to give weekly or monthly, pay dues, or other offerings.



Look for the link and click:

FEAST OF ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER

The Feast of St. Joseph the Worker will be celebrated on **Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 4th**, at the Oblates of St. Joseph Chapel, Route 315, Laflin, with a **Solemn Mass at 11:00am**. Serving as celebrant & homilist will be Bishop John M. Dougherty, D.D., auxiliary Bishop emeritus of Scranton. Concelebrants are local Oblate Fathers. St. Joseph's Bread will be blessed & distributed following the Mass as a "symbol of the fruit of our labor". Special intentions include: workers' thanksgiving, the unemployed, & special blessings for students, teachers, administrators & staff as they are entering a new school year. **Everyone is invited to attend.**

DIOCESAN DAY OF SERVICE

In response to our Holy Father's challenge & the recommendations of members of the young church, our Diocesan Offices for Parish Life & Vocations are teaming up for a Diocesan Day of Service (#Leaveamark17) for those **aged 16 to 35 & adult chaperones on Saturday, September 16th**. The day will consist of: Registration, Opening Prayer/Sending Forth Blessing, Service at a nonprofit organization, Lunch, Presentation on Faith & Service/Reflection on the Experience, and Closing Liturgy. (Our area will take place at St. John the Evangelist, Pittston, 4:30pm). Online registration will be open until Monday, Sept. 11th. Once you register, you will receive an email confirmation with your exact schedule for the day. Registration locations & schedules will vary based on the region & the volunteer sites. All individuals or groups must provide their own transportation. Online registration form: <https://goo.gl/forms/Lv3Dj4C3iDdYekAH3>
For more information, contact Dominick Costantino Jr. at 570-207-1452

The **Catholic Charismatic Renewal** in the Diocese of Scranton is hosting a Retreat on Friday & Saturday, **Sept. 15-16** at the Villa of Our Lady in Mt. Pocono. The retreat will be led by Bob Valiente, Coordinator of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal in our Diocese. For more information & registration details, call 570-344-2214 or email: ccrenewal@comcast.net

SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS FOR AUGUST 19/20

Sunday: \$6284.00 Dues: \$608.00
Loose: \$785.65 E-Giving: \$263.33
TOTAL: \$7940.98

DIOCESAN:
Care & Education of Priests-August: \$75.00

May God Reward Your Tremendous Generosity to our Parish Community

"Give to the Most High God, as God has given to you, generously, according to your means, for the Lord is one who always repays, and God will give back to you sevenfold."

CELEBRATION OF THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA NEXT SUNDAY

Organizers of the Our Lady of Fatima Blessed Grotto, North Street, Wilkes-Barre, will celebrate Our Lady of Fatima's 100th Anniversary on **Sunday, September 10th, 2017**. Opening Prayers will be offered at **5:00 pm**, King's College, at the Chapel of Christ the King, Jackson and N. Franklin Streets, Wilkes-Barre. A Procession to the Our Lady of Fatima Grotto, North Street, will begin at 5:30 pm. Mr. Walter Camier will speak on "How Devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary is Crucial Today" at 6:00 pm at the Grotto. Refreshments will be served, followed by the 15 decade Rosary at 7:00 pm. All are welcome.

MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR ABORTED CHILDREN AT MT. OLIVET CEMETERY-TOMB OF THE UNBORN

On Saturday, September 9th, pro-life Americans throughout the country will gather at the gravesites of aborted babies and other memorial sites dedicated in their honor for the 5th Annual National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children. Solemn vigils will be held at these sites to commemorate the more than 55 million children who have lost their lives to legal abortion since 1973, and to remind our society of the humanity of the unborn child. Please join us for the memorial service in our community on **Saturday, September 9th, at 11:00am**, at Mt. Olivet Cemetery, 612 Mt. Olivet Rd., Carverton, held at the Wyo. Valley Knights of Columbus Tomb for the Unborn, located at the top of the hill of the cemetery. All faithful are invited. Together let us remember the victims of abortion. We will pray 5 decades of the rosary for a final end to this injustice in our land during National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children.

Swoyersville Kiwanis Golf Tournament

The Swoyersville Kiwanis Club is sponsoring a Scholarship Open on **Sunday, September 17th, 1:00 PM** at Wilkes-Barre Golf Club, Wilkes-Barre, PA. The format is captain and crew with a 1:00 PM shotgun start. Cost is \$80/golfer and includes green fees, cart, dinner, prizes and refreshments. There will be a longest drive hole and 50-50 hole. Proceeds will benefit Youth Academic Scholarships. To register call Gene at 570-283-1677 or Barb at 570-287-8783. **Deadline to register is September 12.**

BOY SCOUT TROOP #143 CAR SHOW & FLEA MARKET

Boy Scout Troop #143, Swoyersville, is sponsoring its 4th Annual Car Show & Flea Market, to be held on **Sunday, September 24th**, (rain date-Sunday, Oct. 1st) from **9am to 3pm** at Hugh B. Hughes Funeral Home parking lot, 1044 Wyoming Ave., Forty Fort. Please join us for a day of live entertainment, food, & raffles. Car Sponsors-\$10. Flea Market Vendors-\$15. Contact Caroline Magistro at 570-288-0294.

Holy Family Parish, 828 Main St., Sugar Notch, will hold a **CASH BINGO** on **Sunday, September 10th**, in the church hall. Doors open at 12pm; games begin at 1pm. Homemade food, refreshments. Tickets: \$5 at the door.

St. Nicholas Byzantine Catholic Church, 320 Vine St., Old Forge, is having their **Annual Flea Market** on **Saturday, Sept. 16 from 8am-4pm, and Sunday Sept. 17, from 10am-2pm**. Rain or shine. Ethnic foods, baked goods, refreshments.

Exaltation of the Holy Cross, Buttonwood, Hanover Twp., Soup for the Souls **Annual Crafts Festival** will be held on **Saturday, September 23, from 10am to 4pm**. Free admission with a variety of vendors. Food available, including our "Famous" Homemade Potato Pancakes. For more info. Call: 570-825-6370 or 570-899-5080.

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. 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).

Announced Masses for the Week

Monday, September 4 Labor Day
 9:00 a.m. Lindy Berti, Edward Volack, & Norma Romanowski
 Martha Berti & Family

Tuesday September 5 Blessed Teresa of Calcutta
 8:00 a.m. Health & Blessings for Rick Belza Social Concerns Committee

Wednesday September 6
 8:00 a.m. Joseph & Mary Kubick & Joseph Jr. Son, Michael

Thursday September 7
 8:00 a.m. Ted Jaworski Margaret Krajnak

Friday September 8 Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
 8:00 a.m. Michele Magli Fagula Vincent & Frances Krajnak

Saturday September 9 Vigil: Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
 4:00 p.m. Charles Heiser Wife & Family
 5:30 p.m. Louis & Anita Hovanec & Louis Singer Family

Sunday September 10 Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8:30 a.m. Margaret Yadrnak Gretchen, Diane, & Michael Mey
 10:00 a.m. Michael & Josephine Ritondo Daughter, Josie Kandrak & Family
 11:30 a.m. James Gill Ann Crossin & Family
 5:30 p.m. Pro Populo

SANCTUARY CANDLES

~~In Memory of Elaine Smith offered by Loving Husband, Richard
 ~~In Memory of Frank & Anna Duzen offered by daughters, Paula Matthews & Donna Gustave



AN ANCIENT PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH

O ST. JOSEPH, whose protection is so great,
 so strong, so prompt before the throne of God,
 I place in thee all my interests and desires.

O St. Joseph, assist me by thy powerful intercession
 and obtain for me all spiritual blessings through
 thy foster Son, Jesus Christ Our Lord,
 so that, having engaged here below thy heavenly power,
 I may offer thee my thanksgiving and homage.

O St. Joseph, I never weary contemplating thee
 and Jesus asleep in thine arms
 I dare not approach while He reposes near thy heart.
 Press Him in my name and
 kiss His fine head for me,
 and ask Him to return the kiss
 when I draw my dying breath.

St. Joseph, Patron of departing souls, pray for me.

THIS PRAYER WAS FOUND IN THE 50TH YEAR OF OUR LORD
 AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST. IN 1505 IT WAS SENT FROM THE
 POPE TO EMPEROR CHARLES WHEN HE WAS GOING INTO BATTLE.
 WHOEVER SHALL READ THIS PRAYER OR HEAR IT OR KEEP IT
 ABOUT THEMSELVES SHALL NEVER DIE A SUDDEN DEATH
 OR BE DROWNED, NOR SHALL POISON TAKE EFFECT ON THEM
 NEITHER SHALL THEY FALL INTO THE HANDS OF THE ENEMY
 OR BE BURNED IN ANY FIRE OR BE OVERPOWERED IN BATTLE.
 SAY FOR NINE MORNINGS FOR ANYTHING YOU DESIRE.
 IT HAS NEVER BEEN KNOWN TO FAIL, PROVIDED THAT
 THE REQUEST IS FOR ONE'S SPIRITUAL BENEFIT OR
 FOR THOSE WHOM WE ARE PRAYING FOR.

WE PUBLISHED THE ABOVE CLAIM WHICH USUALLY ACCOMPANIES
 THE PRINTED PRAYER, ALTHOUGH WE DO NOT KNOW OF ITS
 AUTHORITATIVE SOURCE.

Priest's Schedule

Saturday, September 9
 4:00 pm—Fr. Pisaneschi
 5:30 pm~ Fr. Urban

Sunday, September 10
 8:30 am— Fr. Pisaneschi
 10:00 am—Fr. Urban
 11:30 am—Fr. Pisaneschi
 5:30 pm—Fr. Pisaneschi

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