

The Seton Sentinel



Second Sunday of Lent

LENTEN SCHEDULE

Monday Evening, "The Light is Still On For You in Prime Time"

The Church will be open from **7pm-8:30 pm** for Individual Confessions and Private Prayer Time before the Blessed Sacrament. We're moving it to *primetime* in hopes that busy people will be able to make some time in their schedule to be with the Lord in the Sacrament of Reconciliation and Adoration. Join us, tell others The Light will *Still* be On For You at Seton.

Thursday Evening, A Walk through the Sunday Gospel

All are welcome to join us in the Parish Hall for Faith Sharing around the coming Sunday's Scripture. Father Joe and Deacon Jack will be the group leaders on Thursdays at 6:30 pm.

Friday Evening, The Stations of the Cross

We will gather to pray to the last steps of Jesus at 7:00 pm Friday evenings. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament begins at 6:30 pm.

LENTEN RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS

Would you like to travel a different path this year on your Lenten journey? Make someone's day a little brighter? Let's focus on performing random acts of kindness these next few weeks of Lent (and it doesn't have to end at Easter)! Perhaps performing acts of kindness can become a personal goal for you and awaken you to endless opportunities for growth and compassion. The following examples are just a start: Hold a door open for person behind you~ Shovel neighbor's sidewalk~ Cook a meal for someone~ Babysit for free~ Send a thank you note to a soldier~ Let someone go in front of you in line~ Donate food to a shelter~ etc

You can be kind to others in endless ways. Kindness Kards have been printed and are in a basket on the tables at the church entrance. Please take one today and set off on your Lenten journey of compassion and selflessness. Let's see what happens when we act!

From the Diocese of Scranton concerning the Flu Season:

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

Parishioners are reminded that:

- If they are sick, especially with flu-like symptoms, they should stay home for their own well-being and that of others.
- If parishioners are sick or suspect they are sick with a contagious illness, they are not bound by the Sunday Mass obligation.
- Parishioners are urged, but not required, to receive Holy Communion on the hand instead of the mouth
- Offering the Precious Blood to the faithful at Mass will be suspended.

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Office Hours: Monday–
Thursday 8:30 to 5:00

Friday 8:30 to 3:00

Weekends and Evenings by
appointment only

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

Reconciliation Saturdays
3:45pm to 4:15pm 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





On **Sunday, March 11th**, Our Parish will host the **Catholic Choral Society's** Lenten Concert!

Make plans to join us for a special afternoon of beautiful music of the season right here in our own church. It will be yet another opportunity for some time with the Lord during this holy time of the year. The Music begins at **3:00 pm** with a light reception afterward in the parish hall.

SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE~~SAVE THE DATE!

The Social Concerns Committee will be hosting their **4th Annual Variety BINGO** on Sunday, **April 15th**. Additional details to follow in the coming weeks.

The **Social Concerns Bingo Planning Committee** meeting has been changed to **Monday, March 12th**, at 7pm, in our church hall. The **Social Concerns Committee** will meet on **Monday, March 19th**, at 7pm in our church hall. New members are welcome!

CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN MOTHERS MEETING TODAY

Our CCM will meet today, **Sunday, February 25th**, at 2pm in our church hall. New members are welcome!

USHERS ' MEETING

Fr. Joe will meet with all ushers on Tuesday, March 16th, in the church from 6:30pm-7pm. Please try to attend.

KEEP DOORS CLOSED

If you so choose to leave mass before it is over, please do not leave the doors open behind you in winter weather. Heating Hughes Street is not in our budget this year. Thank you for your cooperation in this important matter.

Altar Guild Lenten Fundraisers:

Friday, March 2nd, PIROHY

Sign-up sheets are on the tables at the church entrance. Cost is \$ 7.00/dozen. Pick-ups are noon to 2pm, or 5-6pm. When you sign up, please write down the date & time of pick up, as many people are forgetting to pick up their orders. **We need LOTS of help making the pirohy. Please come at 7am on Friday, March 2nd, if you can help ball the potatoes; all others come at 8:30am. Bring your friends! Lunch will be served!**

Upcoming fundraisers:

Friday, March 9th, Haluski

Friday, March 16th, Pirohy

Friday, March 23rd, Sweet Pizza

YOUR OFFERINGS FEBRUARY 10/11, 2018

Sunday:	\$ 6124.80
Dues:	\$ 1900.00
Loose:	\$ 526.00
E-Giving:	\$ 407.00
TOTAL:	\$ 8957.80

DIOCESAN:

Care & Education of Priests (Feb.): \$798.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Direct Contacts

Office of Pastoral Care (Sr. Jane): 570-763-5160

sisterjane@setonpa.com

Faith Formation Office (Sr. Marion): 570-287-4587

sistermarion@setonpa.com

Father Joe's email: fatherjoey@aol.com

Parish direct email: setonpa@aol.com



It is normal to feel a huge hole inside us when we lose a loved one, and feeling that hole often remains long after everyone and everything around us seems to have moved on. For many, gathering with others who are experiencing the same feeling of being left behind as life moves on offers comfort, support, and encouragement. If you would like to join our parish Bereavement Group or to learn more about the group, call the parish office.

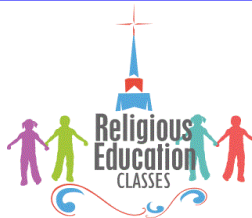


St. Elizabeth Ann Seton has a licensed therapist on our Pastoral Staff. If you think you may benefit from this ministry, please contact Fr. Joe for a referral. All inquiries will be held in the strictest confidences.



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.



CCD NEWS

7th Grade Confirmation class: Today, Sunday, Feb. 25th after 5:30pm Mass

Sunday, March 4th:

Family Mass, Grades 3 & 4, Refreshments after mass in church hall

Monday, March 5th: All paperwork for 8th Grade Confirmation class due

Saturday, March 10th: Sat. CCD regular time, but will go over to the church at 9:40am for Stations of the Cross. Dismissal from church

Monday, March 12th: Mon. CCD regular time, but will go over to the church at 6:40pm for Stations of the Cross. Dismissal from church

Saturday, March 17th: First Penance 10:30am

Sunday, March 18: 7th Grade Confirmation class in church hall after 5:30pm Mass

EVENING OF REFLECTION ON THE PASCHAL TRIDUUM

The Scranton Chapter of the National Association of Pastoral Musicians (NPM) will be holding an Evening of Reflection on the Paschal Triduum on Tuesday, March 6th, from 6pm to 8:30pm at St. Ann's Basilica Parish, 1233 St. Ann Street, Scranton. The Evening of Reflection will be facilitated by Sr. Catherine Luxner, IHM, Director of Campus Ministry at Marywood University. The evening begins with dinner, followed by the presentation and then Night Prayer. There is no fee, but a free-will offering will be taken up to help offset the cost of dinner. For more information or to register, please contact David Baloga, Scranton NPM Program Director at 570-207-2213, ext. 1158, or visit *Scranton NPM.com* by Thursday, March 1, 2018.

LENTEN BABY BOTTLE PROJECT

Baby Bottles are located at the church entrance for our **Lenten PA for Human Life Baby Bottle Project**. Please take a bottle home with you, and fill with your spare change during Lent. Please return all bottles on or before Sunday, March 25th. All donations benefit the PA for Human Life, Wilkes-Barre. **The Babies 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
Assisting Celebrant
- Deacon Jack Ziegler
Permanent Deacon





HOLY NAME SOCIETY EASTER EGG HUNT

Sign-up sheets are on the tables at the church entrance for our **Holy Name Society's Easter Egg Hunt** to be held in our church hall and grounds on

Saturday, March 17th, at 1:00pm for our parish children ages 1 to 8. The Hunt will take place rain, snow, or shine!



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Our Knights of Columbus want to **thank everyone** who supported their Ash Wednesday Red Clam Chowder Sale.

It was a huge success! Hope to see you at our Chicken Barbeque in the spring!

Also, our Knights' Membership Drive and 1st Degree installation ceremony will be held on **April 10th**. Anyone who is interested in joining us, or who wants to transfer from another council, is asked to contact Mark Perugino, Grand Knight, at 570-262-2896.

Mary, Queen of the Knights, Pray for Us!

PRAYER CHAIN MEETING

Our Prayer Chain Members will meet on Saturday, **March 10th**, at 9:00am in our church hall. Please come and join us!

SWOYERSVILLE KIWANIS NITE AT THE RACES

The Swoyersville Kiwanis Club is sponsoring a Nite at the Races on Saturday, March 3, 2018, at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton School Cafeteria, Hughes St., Swoyersville. The doors open at 6pm and post time is 7pm. Horses are \$10 and includes free admission. Without purchasing a horse, admission is \$5. There will be food, refreshments, instant bingo, a 50/50 drawing, and raffles in between races. This is a great way to beat the winter blues while supporting our organization. Proceeds benefit Youth Scholarships, St. Joseph's Center, Little League team sponsorship, Girls Softball team sponsorship, Feed a Friend, Valley Santa, and many other youth group and community projects. To purchase a horse, or for more information, contact Gene or Kathy Breznay at 570-283-1677, or any other Kiwanis member. See you at the races!!!

AMERICAN LEGION LENTEN FOOD SALES

American Legion Post 644, 259 Shoemaker St., Swoyersville, will offer Lenten Foods at the post home beginning Ash Wednesday, Feb. 14th, and continuing Fridays beginning Feb. 23rd until Good Friday, March 30th, with the exception of Friday, March 16th, as there will be no meals on that day. Serving will be from 12noon to 6pm. Menu items will include clam chowder, potato pancakes, pierogi, huluski, macaroni & cheese, and fried haddock dinners. Open to the public. Eat in or take out. For more information, call 570-287-9400.

JOB FAIR-ST. JOSEPH'S CENTER

Wednesday, March 7th, 10am to 2pm
St. Joseph's Center DeNaples Building, 320 S. Blakely St., Dunmore. Are you looking for a rewarding career where you can make a difference in people's lives?
Full Time~Part Time~ Weekend shifts~ with guaranteed hours & a steady schedule. To speed up the interview process, go to: www.stjosephscenter.org/employment/application

LENTEN REGULATIONS

~**Abstinence** from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years & older on **Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, & all *Fridays of Lent**

~**Fasting** is to be observed on **Ash Wednesday & Good Friday** by all Catholics over the age of 18, but not yet 59. Those bound by this may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

Catholics should not lightly excuse themselves from these prescribed minimal practices.

(Those who are ill, pregnant, on medication or special diets for health concerns, or those who work at extremely physical jobs may be exempt from these regulations)

*In the United States, the bishops have asked Catholics over the age of 14 to abstain from meat on all Fridays of Lent.



Mass Intentions

Offered for:

Requested by:

Monday	Feb. 26	12:10 pm	William Tibus	Michael, John & Barbara
Tuesday	Feb.27	12:10 pm	Margaret Yadrnak	Paula Baum & Family
Wednesday	Feb. 28	12:10 pm	Health & Blessings for Stephen Grycko	Family
Thursday	March 1	12:10 pm	Joseph Tarreto	Mother, Marie
Friday	March 2	12:10 pm	Helen Covert	Brother, Michael E. Moses
Saturday	March 3	4:30 pm	Joseph & Mary (Mamie) Asklar	Robert & Barbara Jo Asklar
Sunday	March 4	8:30 am	Fred Yamrus Sr.	M/M Joseph Thomas
Sunday	March 4	11:00 am	<i>Pro Populo</i>	
Sunday	March 4	5:30 pm	Lou Michaels	Bob & Bernadine Latoski



~In Memory of **Stanley, Victoria, & Gerrie Kovalski** offered by Family
 ~In Memory of **Louise Anderko** offered by Robert & Barbara Jo Asklar

RECENTLY DEPARTED

~~**Hubert G. "Bud" Pfingsten**~~**William Schaeffer**~~ May their souls and all the souls of the Faithful Departed, through the Mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



BAPTISM SUNDAY

Congratulations and God's Blessings upon
 ~~**Beau Henry Semanek**~~ and his family.
 Beau will be reborn by water and the Holy Spirit after the 11:00am Mass today.

