A publication of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish

Keeping In-Touch With Seton

116 Hughes Street

Swoyersville, PA 18704

Phone: 570-287-6624

Extension Numbers:

Ext. 2 Mass Schedule

Ext. 3 Religious Ed

Ext. 100 Lori Raymond setonpa@aol.com

Ext. 105 Fr. Joe fatherjoey@aol.com

Ext. 113 Monica Salis seton.swoy@aol.com

Ext. 116 Sister Marion sistermarion@setonpa.com

Ext. 117 Sister Jane sisterjane@setonpa.com

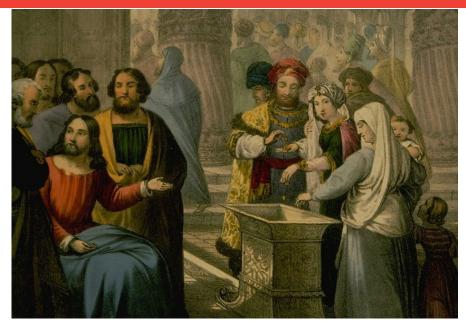
Ext. 124 Sister Sarah

Ext. 130 Deacon Jack

Ext. 133 Chris Calore

Fax: 570-287-4704







(43) Jesus called His disciples to Him and said, "I tell you the truth, this poor widow has given more than all the others who are making contributions



PAROCHIAL STAFF

Pastoral Ministry

- ◆ Rev. Joseph Pisaneschi, V.F. Pastor
- ◆ Rev. Anthony Urban Assisting Celebrant
- ◆ Deacon John Ziegler Permanent Deacon
- ◆ Lorraine Raymond Pastoral Associate
- ◆ Sister Jane Ellis, IHM Pastoral Care Minister
- ◆ Sister Sarah Landis, IHM Pastoral Counseling/ Therapy

Finance Office

Monica SalisBusiness Manager

Religious Education

◆ Sister Marion Tarone, IHM Director of Religious Education

Music Ministry

- ♦ Margaret Semanek Director of Liturgical Music
- ♦ Joseph Sabol
- Assistant Organist
- ♦ Cora Artim Youth Choir Director
- ◆ Scott Coates 5:30 PM Mass Musician

Sacristans

- Christopher Calore
- Patricia Quinn
- Betsy Evanoski

Maintenance and Cleaning

- ♦ Christopher Calore Director of Maintenance
- ♦ David Quinn
- ♦ Gertrude Brown
- ♦ Carol Hrobaski
- Phil Bosha

St. Mary's Cemetery Maintenance

Pastoral Council, Chair

Ann Marie Aed

Finance Council. Chair

Michael Perhach

Our Parish This Week

Mass of Remembrance

This Friday, November 16th at 7:00pm, there will be a special Mass of Remembrance for the repose of the souls of those who died throughout this year and prayers for their loved ones who grieve their loss. Their names will be called aloud, and they will be

remembered at this special Mass.
All are invited to attend. If you would like us to remember a loved one of yours who passed away this year, but was not buried from our church, please call Lori at the rectory office to have them included in this Mass & have their names read aloud.

Social Concerns Committee

On *Thursday, November 15th, at 7pm*, in our *church*, the Social Concerns Committee will be hosting Passionist Brother Andre Mathieu C.P., who will be giving a presentation on Spirituality and the Dynamics of Grief. All are welcome!

The Social Concerns Committee thanks all the guests, vendors, Knights of Columbus, & committee members

who participated in last weekend's Craft Show. It was a great success! Our mission has always been to assist those in need in both our parish & community. Recently, we sponsored a day & served the guests at St. Vincent DePaul Soup Kitchen. Without your continuing support, outreach projects like these would not be possible. Thank you!

Holy Family Food Pantry

Our neighbors in Luzerne host a Food Pantry and collect food for distribution throughout our community. Our parish is in a partnership with Holy Family Food Pantry to help supply some of the goods for the people who need help.

Items needed for the food pantry: Macaroni & Cheese (box), canned fruit, jelly, crackers, canned corn, & instant rice Boxes are located in the vestibule next to the statues of our Blessed Mother and St. Joseph.

OFFICE CLOSED: Please note that our parish office will be closed on Monday, November 12th, in observance of Veteran's Day.

Please Do Not Block

There have been complaints that our church driveway is being blocked by cars parking in spaces not designated as spaces. Please remember that there are others that need to use the elevator and handicapped accessible entrances and drop people off in the driveway. Park only in designated spaces. Be courteous to others who need the accessibility.





32nd Sunday Ordinary Time (Cycle B) 1 Kings 17:10-16 Psalm 146:7-10 Hebrews 9:24-28 Mark 12:28-24

SAINT ELIZABETH AM/SETON, PRAY FOR US!

Knights Care and Share Food Drive

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Knights of Columbus are holding their Annual



Care & Share Food Drive. The Food Drive provides food for those in need in our church community. All food stays in our church community. Any overflow food collected is donated to Holy Family Food Pantry in Luzerne.

We need LOTS of help. Anyone wishing to help, please come on Saturday, November 17th, to help pick up the food donations and sort. Please report to the school cafeteria at 10:00am. We will need lots of volunteers for this Food Drive. This is a great opportunity for **students who** need Community Hours. Parents, students, & anyone who can lend a helping hand—-your assistance is greatly appreciated!!! If you or someone you know in our parish community is in need of groceries for the holidays, please call Lori Raymond at our parish office, 570-287-6624, extension 100. All calls are confidential.

Extra-Ordinary Ministers

We will be placing an order for new albs soon. If you would like to order a new alb, please contact Lori at the office with your size. Payment may be made when albs arrive.

If you are ministering in a nursing home or to other homebound patients and you need a copy of the ritual book, please call Lori at the office to obtain your copy.



Thank you, Veterans, past and present, for so generously dedicating your lives in serving our country. Please know that your sacrifices and contributions to our national security are greatly appreciated. May God bless all Veterans! Our Mass on Monday, November 12th, 8:00am, is in memory and in honor of all our Veterans.

In need of Counseling?



Sister Sarah Landis, IHM, a licensed certified therapist and counselor addresses problems with depression, anxiety, grieving, relationship issues, and many other mental heath concerns. Sister's office is located at the former Holy Trinity Convent, across from the rectory on Hughes Street. For more information or to contact Sister Sarah directly, call the main office and dial extension 124 when prompted.

Religious Education

Religious Education Classes:

NOVEMBER CLASSES for Saturdays: Nov.17th (no classes on Nov. 24th)

NOVEMBER CLASSES for Mondays: 19th (no classes on Nov. 26th)

DECEMBER CLASSES for Saturdays: Dec. 1, 8, & 15 (no classes on Dec. 22 & 29)

DECEMBER CLASSES for Mondays: Dec. 3, 10, & 17 -(show) No classes Dec. 24 & 31)

Parent's Meetings:

November 18th: 8th grade Confirmation Parent meeting after 5:30pm mass in our church hall. Date and Time for Confirmation will be announced at this meeting.

November 15th: First Penance/First Holy Communion Parent Meeting at 7pm in our church hall

DECEMBER 2ND: 7th Grade Family Mass & Enrollment: 5:30pm & Extra Class in church hall

HNS 50/50 Christmas Raffle

Tickets are almost gone! Right now the jackpot is at **\$1027.00!**

If you didn't get a ticket, get it now! The remaining will be sold before and af-

tickets will be sold before and after all masses this weekend in the vestibule. *Get yours today!*

Christian Mothers

The Christian Mothers
Christmas Party will be
held at the Avenue Diner
on Sunday, December 9th,
at 2pm. Reservations will
be taken until Monday, Nov. 26th,

be taken until Monday, Nov. 26th, by calling Susan at 570-714-1628. Guests of members are \$15.00.

CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE



Each year our parish reaches out to members of our community who are in need of help for

the holidays and presents for children. If you or someone you know is struggling, please contact Lori at the office. All calls are confidential. Soon we

will be posting gift tags on our Christmas Giving Tree for both the needy children in our area & the elderly. We thank you for your help and participation in this project each year!





CHRISTMAS &CA\$H&

Drawing to be held on

Sunday, November 25, 2018

after 8:30am Mass

You do not have to be present to win. **DONATION:** \$5.00

FOR TICKET INFORMATION CONTACT ANNA MAE AT 570-287-7655

And Speaking of Christmas....



Here is this Christmas'
Mass Schedule at Seton

Monday, December 24, 2018
Christmas Vigil Masses 4, 7, 10 pm

Tuesday, December 25, 2018
Christmas Day Masses 12 Midnight,
8:30 and 11:00 am

We are publishing the schedule so you can make your plans accordingly in advance.

Please consider a pledge or gift to this year's Diocesan Annual Appeal. So many people depend on your generosity including our Catholic School children....

EDUCATION

44 All the schools in the Diocese of Scranton are committed to developing the whole child in a faith-filled environment. We strive for academic excellence, and our faith underlies everything we do. ***)





Assistance for Christmas



St. Vincent DePaul Kitchen, a program of Catholic Social Services, is once again teaming up with local parishes & the US Marines "Toys for Tots" for this year's Christmas Toy Drive. Last year we distributed toys to hundreds of children in the Wyoming Valley. This year's registration for Toys & Food for Christmas will be held at Our Lady of Hope Parish, 40 Park Ave, Wilkes-Barre on Monday, November 19th, 10am-1pm and 3pm-7pm. Children up

to age 10 are eligible. Parents should bring the following: 1. Photo I.D. of parent/ guardian 2. Original birth certificate for each child 3. proof of address, such as a recent utility bill. Food Distribution will take place at St. Vincent DePaul Kitchen, 39 E. Jackson St., Wilkes-Barre on Monday, Dec. 17th from 9:30am-12:30pm and 3pm-7pm. Toy Distribution is at Our Lady of Hope Parish, on Monday Dec. 17th from 9am-noon and 3pm-7pm. Anyone who wants to donate new Toys or new outerwear, contact Dianne at 570-406-9843, or just drop off at St. Vincent DePaul Kitchen from 8am-1pm daily. Please drop off items through the Kitchen's rear entrance on Bennett Street. Thank you!

Breakfast Buffet Today

Today, Sunday, November 11th, 8:30am to noon, right here at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton School Cafeteria. Menu: eggs, sausage, hash browns, pancakes, waffles, SOS, toast, coffee, juice, & desserts. Cost is \$8/adults and \$3/ children 5-12.

Tickets are available at the door. This year, we wish to thank our Veterans for their services by offering them our breakfast at half price.



ST. PAUL CENTER FOR BIBLICAL THEOLOGY

By Dr. Scott Hahn The Widows' Faith

32nd Sunday Ordinary Time (Cycle B) 1 Kings 17:10-16 Psalm 146:7-10 Hebrews 9:24-28 Mark 12:28-24

We must live by the obedience of faith, a faith that shows itself in works of charity and self-giving (see Galatians 5:6). That's the lesson of the two widows in today's liturgy.

(cont'd in next column \rightarrow)

Northern Tier Symphony

FALL CONCERT DATES November 30th, Wyalusing High School, 11364 Wyalusing-New Albany Rd., Wyalusing, PA 18853 December 8th, Tunkhannock Middle School, 200 Franklin Ave., Tunkhannock, PA, 18657. Robert Helmacy, Music Director & Conductor Tickets: \$10/adults \$5/students Children under 12 FREE More details at: www.northerntiersymphony.org

The widow in the First Reading isn't even a Jew, yet she trusts in the word of Elijah and the promise of his Lord. Facing sure starvation, she gives all that she has, her last bit of food—feeding the man of God before herself and her fam-

The widow in the Gospel also gives all that she has, offering her last bit of money to support the work of God's priests in the Temple.

In their self-sacrifice, these widows embody the love that Jesus last week revealed as the heart of the Law and the Gospel. They mirror the Father's love in giving His only Son, and Christ's love in sacrificing himself on the cross. Again in today's Epistle, we hear Christ described as a new high priest and the suffering servant foretold by Isaiah. On the cross, He made sacrifice once and for all to take away our sin and bring us to salvation (see Isaiah 53:12). And again we are called to imitate His sacrifice of love in our own lives. We will be judged, not by how much we give—for the scribes and wealthy contribute far more than the widow. Rather, we will be judged by whether our gifts reflect our livelihood, our whole beings, all our heart and soul, mind and strength. Are we giving all that we can to the

Today, let us follow the widows' example, doing what God asks, confident that our jars of flour will not grow empty, nor our jugs of oil run dry.

Lord—not out of a sense of forced duty,

but in a spirit of generosity and love (see

2 Corinthians 9:6-7)?Do not be afraid,

the man of God tells us today. As we sing in today's Psalm, the Lord will pro-

vide for us, as he sustains the widow.

A service of the St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology www.SalvationHistory.com



Weekly Offering for October 27/28, 2018 \$7319.87

Love and generosity start here at home. We are grateful for your faithful stewardship which sustains the life of our parish, supports our outreach and ministries, as well as maintains the level of staffing needed to put our mission into action. Thank you for your gift of treasure and commitment to do God's work here at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton.

DIOCESAN: World Mission Sunday: \$922.00

Parish Intentions This Week

Intention: Requested By:

Monday, November 12

8:00 am Living and Deceased Veterans

Tuesday, November 13

8:00 am Joseph & Catherine Calore Son, Christopher

Wednesday, November 14

8:00 am All Souls' Intentions

Thursday, November 15

8:00 am All Souls' Intentions

Friday, November 16

8:00 am All Souls' Intentions

7:00 pm Mass of Remembrance

Saturday, November 17

4:30 pm Helen Jenziorski Granddaughter & Family

Sunday, November 18

8:30 am Margaret Mandell Husband & Son

11:00 am Pro Populo

5:30 pm Henry McCabe Children & Grandchildren

In Dying that we're born to Eternal Life:

~Rita Grace Kohler~

May the Lord grant her Eternal Rest.

This Week's Vigil Lights:

- ◆ In Memory of Leo Venetz offered by wife, Anna Mae
- In Memory of Ray Gustave offered by Frank & Paula Matthews

Altar Flowers this weekend:

- In Memory of Eva Helen Mesaros offered by Children, Grandchildren,
 & Great-grandchildren
- **CONGRATULATIONS** & Wedding Blessings upon **Marc Blasko** and **Maria Sagliocco** who were married on Saturday, November 10th.

