

The Seton Sentinel

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish



“Blessed are those who have not seen but still believe!”

John 20:29

Second Sunday of Easter

April 3, 2016

Swoyersville, PA

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Office Hours:

Monday– Thursday
8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Friday:
8:30am to 3:00pm

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.

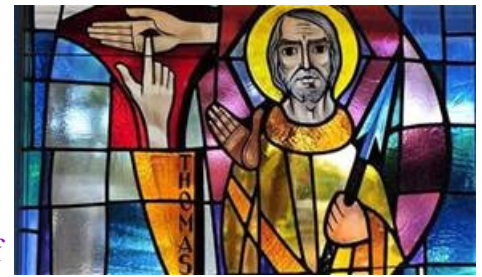
SETON ONLINE

Stay in touch with your parish on-line by “Liking” us on Facebook, Viewing our website setonpa.com and now with your mobile device. Download the new Seton App from setonpa.com and stay in touch with your parish on the go! Worship Schedules, Facebook, The Seton Sentinel and more! Download it today on your phone or ipad! Bulletins are posted each weekend to keep up with the parish happenings if you are away or just want a sneak peek at what’s coming up for our parish.



The Second Sunday of Easter

This Sunday has many nicknames. In the post-Conciliar calendar it is the “Second Sunday of Easter (or of Divine Mercy)”. It is also called “Thomas Sunday” (because of the Gospel reading about the doubting



Apostle), and “Quasimodo Sunday” (from the first word of the Introit), and “Low Sunday”. This is also the conclusion of the Octave of Easter, during which we halted our liturgical clocks and contemplated the mysteries we celebrated from different points of view. Since ancient times this Sunday has been called “*Dominica in albis*” or “*in albis depositis*”, the Sunday of the “white robes having been taken off.” 1 Peter 2:2-3 says: “Like (*Quasimodo* – from a Latin Scripture translation that pre-dated the Vulgate by St Jerome) newborn babes (*infantes*), long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation; for you have tasted the kindness of the Lord.”



Divine Mercy Sunday, celebrated on the Octave of Easter (the Sunday after Easter Sunday, is a relatively new addition to the Roman Catholic liturgical calendar. Celebrating the Divine Mercy of Jesus Christ, as revealed by Christ Himself to St. Maria Faustina Kowalska, this feast was extended to the entire Catholic Church by Pope John Paul II on April 30, 2000, the day that he canonized Saint Faustina.

“Jesus, I Trust In You!”

Special Appeal from the Pastor:

We are making plans for our Annual Summer Festival. This year the dates are July 14, 15 and 16th. We would like to try something new (well actually old) this year. Making our own Potato Pancake Batter! We have an awesome recipe already. We just need some very willing volunteers to make the batter each day. I am going to be honest and tell you that this is not an easy undertaking but with a good group of 8-10 people it is very doable. Please let me know if you would be interested in helping out in this endeavor. In the past, entire families have been involved. It is a great way to be involved. I have heard some people say that they would really like to help out at the Festival but there does not seem to be a need. Well here you go. A very big need! It is not that our Potato Pancakes are not good now. That’s not the case. However, our profit margin from the purchased batter is quite low. We would have to charge a lot more for each pancake to make up the difference. Let’s try to do it ourselves! Your help is appreciated.

Parish Staff

Cora Artim
Children's Choir
Phil Bosha
Maintenance
Chris Calore
Maintenance
Scott Coates
Contemporary Mass Musician
Sister Jane Ellis, IHM
Parish Social Minister
Margaret Loveless
Director of Religious Education
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

Direct Contacts

Office of Social Ministry (Sr. Jane):
570-763-5160
Faith Formation Office:
570-287-4587
Father Joe's email: fatherjoey@aol.com
Parish direct email: setonpa@aol.com

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



CEMETERY CLEAN-UP TIME

It's that time of year to clean-up the cemeteries and prepare for spring and grass-cutting season. We ask that you please remove all items (this includes wreaths, any artificial flowers, statues of any kind, candles, or solar vigil lights, and theme flags) from the grave sites by April 30th. This does not include the American flag. This is not only a Diocesan Cemetery rule, but a safety issue. All Diocesan rules are posted at each cemetery. After this date all items will be removed and discarded. Please note, we are not responsible for any items left at the grave sites after April 30th. Thank you for your cooperation.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY

Our Holy Name Society will meet in the church hall today, Sunday, April 3rd, after the 8:30am Mass. The Holy Name Society is an active part of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish that follows the servant leadership of Jesus Christ through "Community". The **men and women** of the society strive to enhance parish life spiritually, socially, and financially. Join us for fellowship & fun! There's always coffee and snacks!

CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN MOTHERS SPRING RUMMAGE SALE

Donation Days are April 4-5-6. Sale Days are April 11-12-13. (see our flyer on page 5)

**Collection Days & Times: Monday, April 4th, 9am to 5:30pm
Tuesday and Wednesday, April 5th and 6th, 9am to 3pm.**

Donations will be accepted from St. Elizabeth Ann Seton parishioners only. All donations are to be brought to the gymnasium. The following items **will not** be accepted: **NO Readers' Digests, Encyclopedias, college textbooks, or outdated magazines. NO TVs. NO pick ups or deliveries.** Also, we welcome **all women**, single or married, to join our organization. Call Susan Bayer, President, at 714-1628 for more information.

SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE VARIETY BINGO

Our Social Concerns Committee is sponsoring a **VARIETY BINGO** on Sunday, April 17th. The \$5.00 admission provides 3 bingo cards & a ticket for door prize drawings. Additional cards & specials will be available for purchase. Prizes include a variety of gifts, gift certificates, Kindle tablets, & a \$200 cash coverall!!! Doors open at 1:00pm, and games begin at 2:00pm. Lunch, bake sale, Instant Bingo, and Basket Raffles will also be available. Come and join us for a fun afternoon. Monies raised are used to assist the committee in their work of helping both parishioners and members of the community in need.

HELP NEEDED! Mark your calendar

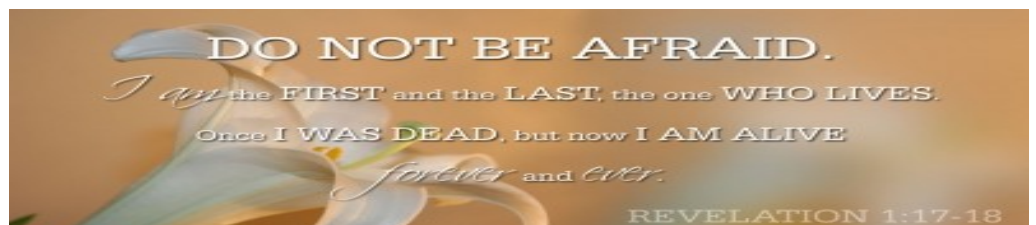
HELP IS REQUESTED AS WE WILL NEED MANY STRONG HANDS to **dismantle** the tables in the Gym that we will use for the Rummage Sale and Bingo, on **SUNDAY, APRIL 17th**, at approximately **4:30pm**. Thank you!!!

BAPTISM CLASS

Our next Baptism class will be held on Wednesday, April 13th, at 6:30pm, in our church hall. Expectant or new parents who have not previously attended a baptism class and are planning on having their baby baptized are asked to call Lori at the office to schedule the baby's baptism and to register for the class.

Message from Chris Calore:

I wish to thank Father Joe and fellow parishioners for your thoughts and prayers during my time of surgery. Many of you sent cards as well for which I am very grateful. The prayers were evident throughout my whole ordeal and I am recovering more quickly than expected. My surgeon at Johns Hopkins, Dr. 'Trinity' Jude Bivalacqua, gave me a clean bill of health. I am blessed to be a member of such a wonderful parish and consider all of you 'family'.



VOICES FOR VOCATIONS

Don't forget to pray for vocations each day at either 1:00 p.m. or 7:00 p.m. A simple lifting of your heart to the Father and asking for more young people to answer His call is all it takes. Or, by all means, if you know a special prayer for vocations or a decade or more of the rosary at the same time each day (doesn't necessarily have to be 1:00 or 7:00 pm) or whenever you can.

SETON PRAYER CHAIN

We have formed a Prayer Chain in our parish. We all need each other's prayers. We need volunteers who can pray for our requests. A prayer chain is a network of individuals who will receive prayer requests and thanksgivings, forward them to the next available person in the network, and will pray immediately for each request. We need volunteers who can be "prayer warriors" or "prayer partners". Once we receive a request from our parishioners and friends, we would call you with the requested intention, and then, in turn, you would call a designated fellow prayer partner with the intention, and they, in turn, would call the designated prayer partner with the intention, and so on and so forth. Gail Kimmerle has volunteered to lead our Prayer Chain. If you are able to be one of our prayer partners, please call Gail at 570-690-7520. She will then make a list of prayer partners, and will let you know who you would have to call. We ask anyone who is need of prayer, to please call Gail at the above number with your request, or call Lori at the parish office. All calls are confidential.

Dear Parents,

Children are at the heart of what we are all about here at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton. We encourage children of all ages and stages to attend mass with their parents each week. We expect that smaller children will, from time to time, be fussy, wiggle and make some noise. There is no need to leave mass. Again, it is expected. If you do feel the need to get up with your child, please return as soon as you are able. Training children in church early will help establish good habits in the future. We can all stand a little noise to ensure the future of our parish.

**SAINTE ELIZABETH ANN SETON,
PRAY FOR US!**

VARIETY BINGO

SPECIAL CASH COVER ALL Instant bingo

APRIL 17 2016

ST. Elizabeth Ann Seton Hughes St. Swoyersville

Doors Open 1:00 PM.

Bingo Starts 2:00 PM.

Entrance Fee \$5.00

Spical Games Available

Bake Sale Door Prizes

Lunch & Refreshments

Basket Raffle

Sponsored by

Social Concerns Committee

Church Finances

March 19/20, 2016

Collection Report

SUNDAY: \$8630.80

DUES: \$1155.00

LOOSE: \$926.02

OTHER: \$12.00 E-GIVING: \$211.13

TOTAL: \$10,944.95

Building & Maintenance: \$1605.00

Diocesan: Care & Education of Priests (March): \$186.00

May God bless you abundantly for your generosity!

APRIL Parish Groups Envelope benefits SOCIAL CONCERNS

2016 Second Annual Catholic Men's Conference "*Be A Man: Jesus Christ, The Face of True Manhood*" April 23, 2016 at King's College, Scandlon Physical Education Center, 149 North Main St, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701 Experience a prayerful, spirit-filled, life-changing day featuring keynote presentations by Catholic biblical scholar, professor and conference speaker Dr. Scott Hahn from Steubenville, Ohio, well-known blogger Msgr. Charles Pope from the Archdiocese of Washington D.C., and former Notre Dame football player Michael McGlinn. Reconciliation opportunities with many priests available for confessions. The Most Reverend Bishop Joseph Bambera will celebrate the closing Mass. Eucharistic Adoration 6:00am, Registration/Continental Breakfast 7:00am, With main Conference and Mass from 8:00am to 2:45pm. Cost: \$35, \$30 early bird, \$15 for students. Register online at : www.BeAManConference.com or mail the completed conference brochure application with your check to Attn: Men's Conference, Office for Parish Life, 330 Wyoming Ave, Scranton, PA. 18503 (Mark "Men's Conference" on memo line of check). Our Parish Captain is Chris Calore (570-824-5621)

RUMMAGE



SALE



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CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN MOTHERS of

ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON PARISH

116 HUGHES STREET

SWOYERSVILLE

in SCHOOL GYMNASIUM

MONDAY, April 11: 9am-6pm

TUESDAY, April 12: 9am-3pm

\$2/Bag Day

WEDNESDAY, April 13: 9am-3pm

\$1/Bag Day

BAKE SALE~~~~REFRESHMENTS

Eucharistic Schedule and Intentions for the Coming Week

Monday, April 4 *The Annunciation of the Lord*

8:00 am Adam Mihalek Rosemarie Mattie

Tuesday, April 5 *St. Vincent Ferrer, Priest*

8:00 am Health & Birthday Blessings for Marge Palmer Family

Wednesday, April 6

8:00 am Janice Burda Karen & Dave Maszczak & Family

Thursday, April 7 *St. John Baptist de la Salle, Priest*

8:00am Louise Megatulski Don & Barbara Felsko

Friday, April 8

8:00am Easter Mass Remembrances

Saturday, April 9 *Vigil: Third Sunday of Easter*

4:00pm Patricia Kane Bob & June Butkiewicz

5:30pm Joseph Gulla Molly Dennebaum

Sunday, April 10 **Third Sunday of Easter**

8:30 am John & Josephine Hrobaski Son & Family

10:00 am Thomas M. Puchalsky Ripa Children

11:30 am John Backo Daughter, Patty & husband, Ron Temple

5:30 pm *Pro Populo*



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY:

~~Grace Ivers~~Helen Kopetchny~~

GIVE THEM ETERNAL REST, FATHER. MAY THEIR SOULS AND ALL THE SOULS OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED, THROUGH THE MERCY OF GOD, REST IN PEACE. AMEN.



Sanctuary Candles

~In Honor of the 90th Birthday of Steffie Stefanides offered by son-in-law, Tom Wesley

~In Memory of Bernard J. Hargadon offered by Family



BAPTISM SUNDAY:

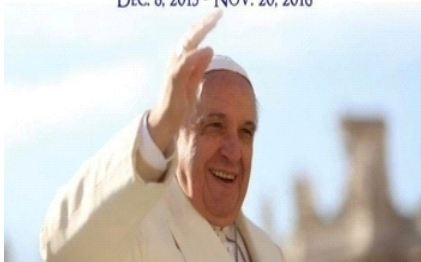
CONGRATULATIONS and God's Blessings upon

~~Emily Sophia D'Aiello~~

and her family. She will be reborn by water and the Holy Spirit after the 11:30am Mass today.

**EXTRAORDINARY
JUBILEE OF MERCY**

DEC. 8, 2015 - NOV. 20, 2016



Celebrants for the Eucharist

APRIL 9

4:00 pm Fr. Urban

5:30 pm Fr. Pisaneschi

APRIL 10

8:30 am Fr. Pisaneschi

10:00 am Fr. Pisaneschi

11:30 am Fr. Urban

5:30 pm Fr. Pisaneschi