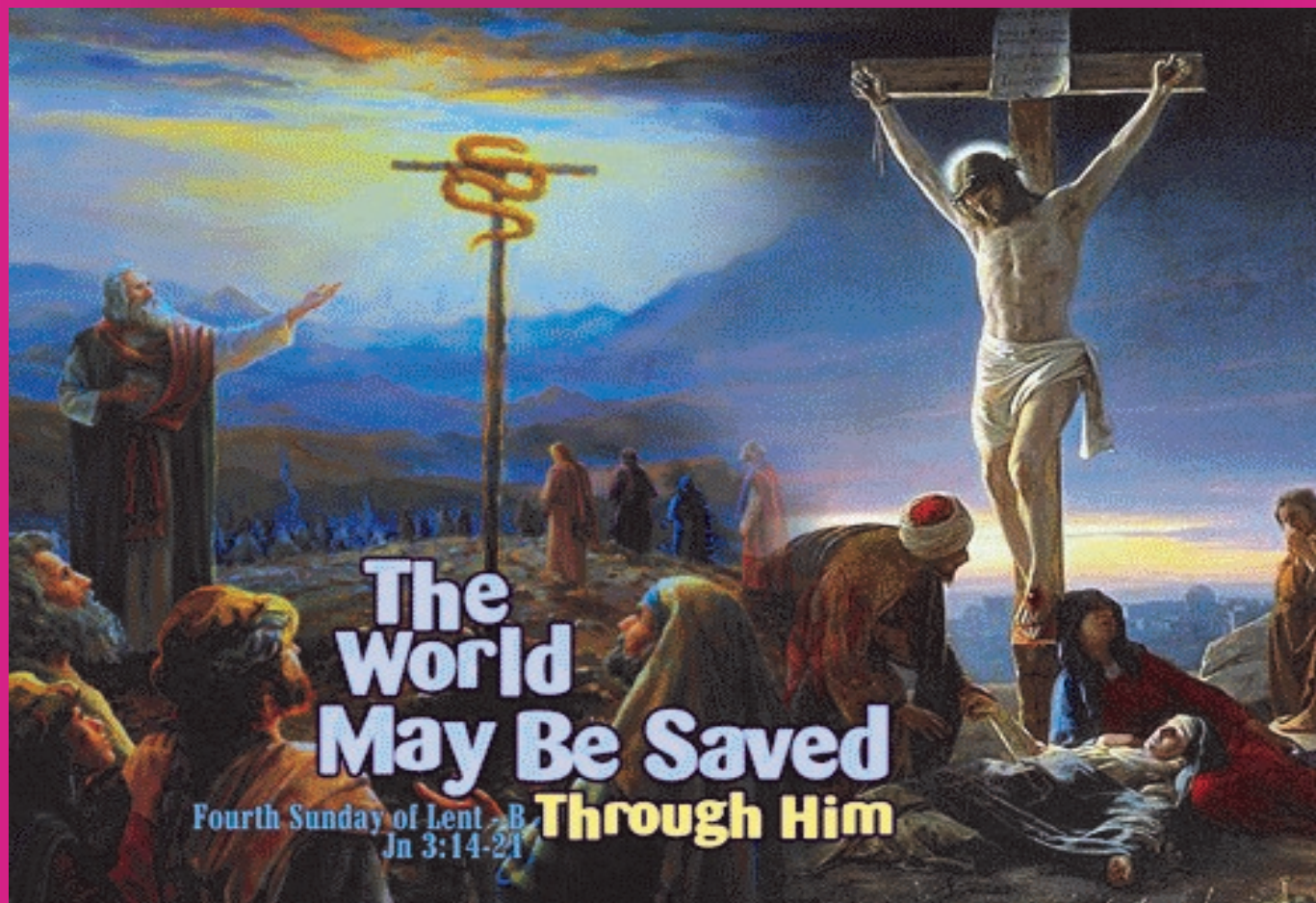


# St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish

Swoyersville, PA



## THE SETON SENTINEL

The Fourth Sunday of Lent

*Laetare Sunday*

March 15, 2015

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**Office Hours:**

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.

**LENTEN FOOD SALES:**

Sign-up sheets are on the tables at the church entrance for our next Lenten Sale—Sweet Pizza, to be held this Friday, March 20th, in the school cafeteria. Cost is \$10.00/tray of 12 cuts. Pick-up times are noon to 2pm or 5pm to 6pm.

**Final Lenten Sale** : Friday, March 27th-Pirohy

**BAPTISM SESSION**

The next Baptism class will be held on Tuesday, March 24th, at 6:30pm in the church hall. Expectant parents and new parents who are planning to have their baby's Baptism soon, and have not previously attended a Baptism class before, are asked to call Lori at the office to register for the class.

**ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED**

We are in need of more altar servers. Any student who has received First Holy Communion up to Grade 12, is most welcome to become an Altar Server. We currently have 9 new students signed up and would like to get several more, as many of our current Altar Servers will be graduating in June. Fr. Joe will have a training session after Easter. Please call Lori at the office to register.

**Children's Liturgy of the Word**

On Sundays the Children's Liturgy of the Word continues for the Lenten Season at the 10:00 am Mass. (until March 22nd) Children from 5 to 10 years old are invited to go in a group to the church hall during the Liturgy of the Word and participate in this activity designed especially for them.

**SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE MEETING**

Our Social Concerns Committee will meet this Wednesday, March 18th, at 7pm in our church hall. New members are welcome.

**Holy Name Society Easter Egg Hunt**

For SEAS Parish children ages 1-8  
Sign-up sheets are on tables at church  
entrance (Final weekend to sign up)

Saturday, March 21st, 1:00pm

in our Church Hall

Rain, Snow, or Shine!

Contact Anna Mae at 287-7655 if any questions.

**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.

**Monday Evening** Eucharistic Adoration and the opportunity for Reconciliation will continue this Lenten season until Monday, March 23rd. Join us Monday Evenings from 5:30—7:00 pm by preparing for Easter with sacramental confession and a period of silence before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Stop by anytime from 5:30 on... Please note there will not be confessions or adoration on Monday, March 30 of Holy Week.

**Thursdays** during Lent join us for something new to our parish....  
**AWAKENING FAITH: Reconnecting with Your Catholic Faith.**  
Continues this Thursday at 6:30p.m. in the church hall.

**FRIDAYS**

The Stations of the Cross will be prayed each Friday during Lent at 7:00 p.m. with Eucharistic Benediction. All are welcome.

**MONDAY RELIGIOUS ED MAKE UP DAY**

Because there were so many Monday classes missed because of bad weather, we have scheduled a make-up day on Monday, April 6th, Easter Monday. Please be advised that CCD will be held at the regular time that day. All students are encouraged to be present but we must strongly recommend that our 2nd and 8th grade students be there as they prepare for the spring sacraments.

**HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE****Holy Thursday, April 2nd**

**9:00 am** Morning Prayer, **9:30 am** Confessions,  
**7:00 pm** Mass of the Lord's Supper, Adoration until 11:00 pm

**Good Friday, April 3rd**

**9:00 am** Morning Prayer, **9:30 am** Confessions,  
**2:00 pm** Mass of the Pre-Sanctified

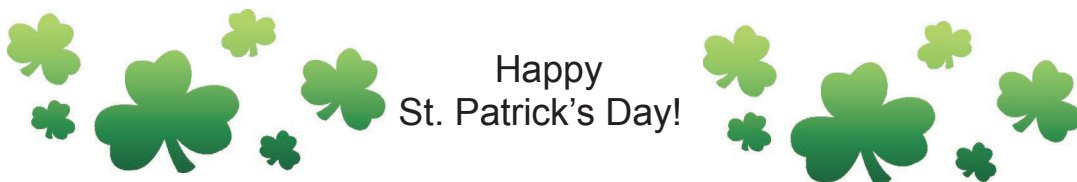
**Holy Saturday, April 4th**

**9:00 am** Morning Prayer, **9:30 am** Confessions,  
**2:00 pm** Blessing of the Easter Baskets (gym),  
**8:00 pm** The Great Easter Vigil Mass

**Easter Sunday, April 5th Masses**

**7:00am, 8:30am, 10:00am, 11:30 am, and 5:30 pm**

*Please note that confessions will be heard at the above times during Holy Week and our regular Saturday afternoon times 3:15-3:45 (except on April 4th) Plus Monday evenings from 5:30 to 7:00 (until March 23). Please use these times to make your Easter Confession as there will not be an additional penance service in our parish. Don't wait until the last minute when lines become long.*



Happy  
St. Patrick's Day!

**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*
- Margaret Loveless  
*Acting Dir. of Religious Ed.*
- 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](mailto:fatherjoey@aol.com)
- Parish direct email: [setonpa@aol.com](mailto:setonpa@aol.com)

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



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

**CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN MOTHERS**

Our CCM will meet next Sunday, March 22nd, at 2pm in our church hall. President Susan Bayer requests ALL women who work at the Rummage Sale to please attend. Hostesses for this meeting are Martha Douglas and JoAnn Baker. The Rummage Sale **Donation Days** are Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday, April 13, 14, and 15 from 8am to 6pm. **All donations are to be dropped off at the School Gymnasium.**

The Rummage Sale Days are: Monday, April 20, 9am to 6pm, Tuesday, April 21, from 9am to 3pm (\$2/bag day) and Wednesday, April 22, from 9am to 3pm (\$1/bag day). Call Susan at 763-5944 if you have any questions.

**PRAYER RALLY Saturday, March 21st** including recitation of the

Rosary, prayers & presentation in support of traditional marriage, begins at 12noon at Our Lady of Fatima Grotto, North St., Wilkes-Barre. Our guest speaker is Walter Camier, a representative from America Needs Fatima Apostolate, who will conduct a presentation entitled, "The Family: The Cell of Society". All are welcome to participate in the gathering. For more information, call Carmen at 846-7684.

**Novena & Feast of St. Joseph**

The Feast of St. Joseph, Patron of the Universal Church, will be celebrated on Thursday, March 19th. The Oblate Fathers will offer Holy Masses at 7am & 11am at the Oblates of St. Joseph Chapel, Rt. 315, Laflin. A Solemn High Mass will be celebrated at **7:00PM**. Serving as principal celebrant & homilist will be Bishop John M. Dougherty, D.D., auxiliary Bishop Emeritus of Scranton. Concelebrants will be local Oblate Fathers & Diocesan Clergy. The Feast Day celebration will conclude the 9-Day Novena currently being held at the seminary chapel with daily holy Masses at 7am, 11am, & 7pm. Come & offer your prayers to St. Joseph for our families, our country, & the Universal Church Family.

***SAINT ELIZABETH AN SETON, PRAY FOR US!!!***

**COLLECTION REPORT  
FEBRUARY 28/March 1, 2015**

SUNDAY: \$6662.55	DUES: \$3111.00
LOOSE: \$504.85	E-giving (online) \$995.62
Holy Days: \$14.00	Other : \$106.00
<b>TOTAL: \$11,394.02</b>	

***May God bless you for your generosity!***

**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, the celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, as well as devotional prayers. Exhibitors will present a full array of Catholic books, publications, CDs, and ministry opportunities. Save the date & plan to join Bishop Bambera, many clergy, & all faithful brothers who will participate in an effort to build up the church. Invite your friends, brothers, sons & grandsons. For more information contact Michael Kilmer, Chairman, at michaelkilmer71@gmail.com or call 746-0100.

### SPAGHETTI SUPPER-March 22nd


Holy Family Parish, 574 Bennett St., Luzerne, is having a Spaghetti Supper on Sunday, March 22nd, from 12noon to 4pm. Tickets are \$10/adults and \$4/children under 10. Take-outs are available, and containers will be provided. Everyone is welcome!!!

**NEW EASTER PLAY: PORTRAITS OF THE PASSION: PASSION PLAY 2015**—Friday, March 27th, 7:30pm at St. John the Baptist Church, Larksville. A meditative journey through the art world's depiction of Jesus' Cross & Resurrection. Rev. Gerald Gurka directs his new original script. Open to the public. Refreshments & fellowship in the church hall afterwards.

### March Madness Piggie Dinner

St. Robert Bellarmine Parish at St. Al's, corner of Barney & Division Sts., Wilkes-Barre, Sat., March 14th from 5-7pm, and Sunday, March 15th, from 12-4pm. Cost is \$9.00. Dinner includes 3 piggies, homemade mashed potatoes, green beans, apple sauce, dessert & beverage. Eat in or take out. Children accompanied by adult eat free with the children's menu: hamburg/hot dog & chips. Games of chance, bingo & more. Bring the whole family.

**Slovak Heritage Society** presents a Lenten Slovak Hymn-Sing, Traditional Stations of the Cross in Slovak, Sunday, March 22nd at 2pm at St. Mary's Church, 134 S. Washington St., Wilkes-Barre. Call Magdalen Benish for information at 823-1222.



# CASH BINGO

All Proceeds Benefit  
the American Cancer Society

## Sunday, March 29, 2015

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish  
Church Basement  
116 Hughes St., Swoyersville, PA 18704

Doors open at 12:30 p.m. - BINGO goes  
from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

### \$5.00 Admission

(Limited seating - ticket required)

(Includes entry into cash raffle and double pot bonus  
games). Each Bingo card is 50 cents  
or three for \$1.

Homemade Food, Baked Goods,  
& Refreshments will be available for  
purchase during the event.

Please contact Kevin Kratzer for tickets  
at 570-885-9986.

### *Lenten Regulations*

- **Abstinence** from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years and older on **Ash Wednesday**, **Good Friday**, and all **\*Fridays** of Lent
- **Fasting** is to be observed on **Ash Wednesday** and **Good Friday** by all Catholics over the age of 18 but not yet 59. Those bound by this may only 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.

**Holy Eucharist Schedule and Intentions for the Coming Week**

**Monday, March 16**

8:00 a.m. Marguerite Silvent Rich & Betsy Evanoski

**Tuesday, March 17 St. Patrick**

8:00 a.m. Gloria Reilly Chaz & Theresa

**Wednesday, March 18**

8:00 a.m. Dorothy Bednar Grycko Husband, Walter

**Thursday, March 19 St. Joseph**

8:00 a.m. Joseph Pisaneschi Fr. Joe

**Friday, March 20**

8:00 a.m. Joan Dougherty Reynolds Family & Lois Thompson

**Saturday, March 21 (vigil: 5th Sunday of Lent)**

4:00 p.m. Stef Woznick Ray & Barbara Ripa & Family

5:30 p.m. John Backo Daughter, Patty Backo Temple & husband, Ron

**Sunday, March 22 Fifth Sunday of Lent**

8:30 a.m. Frieda Gurick Gurick Family

10:00 a.m. Jerry Meighan Family

11:30 a.m. Alice Maletta Sister, Jeanne & Family

5:30 p.m. **Pro Populo**



**SANCTUARY LIGHT INTENTIONS**

~ In Memory of Christopher B. Sobota offered by Parents

~ In Thanksgiving



**IN MEMORIAM**~~Eternal Rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let Perpetual Light shine upon him~~**Jamie Kearney**~~May his soul and all the souls of the Faithful Departed rest in peace. Amen.

**Presider's Schedule**

March 21-22

4:00 pm Fr. Urban  
 5:30 pm Fr. Pisaneschi  
 8:30 am Fr. Pisaneschi  
 10:00 am Fr. Pisaneschi  
 11:30 am Fr. Urban  
 5:30 pm Fr. Pisaneschi

