

SETON SENTINEL

January | 28 | 2024

4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He commands even the unclean spirits and they obey him. Mark 1:27



St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
116 Hughes Street
Swoyersville, PA 18704
570-287-6624

Eucharist

Monday-Tuesday-Thursday &
Friday 8:00am
No Mass on Wednesday
Saturday 4:00pm (vigil)
Sundays 8:30am, 11:00am &
5:30pm

Connect with us:



Scan to donate
or visit
annualappeal.org



Confessions:

Saturday 3:30-3:45pm or you
may call Fr. Chmil for an
appointment

*Catholic Schools Week
begins this weekend!*

Your Gift to the *Diocesan Annual Appeal* helps
our 19 schools offer an education that combines
Catholic faith and teachings with academic excellence.



Worship

Intention

Requested by

Monday, January 29

8:00am Gerald Olejnik

Lois & Peter Burke

Tuesday, January 30

8:00am Rita Kearney

Mary Lou Lucchino

Wednesday, January 31

8:00am **No Daily Mass**

Thursday, February 1

8:00am Bill Quinn

Wife & Family

Friday, February 2

8:00am Edward S. Evelock

Religious Ed. Teachers

Saturday, February 3

4:00pm Bill Schaeffer

Wife, Theresa

Sunday, February 4

8:30am William Fender

Cousin, Anna Mae Venetz

11:00am Living & Deceased Members of Swoyersville Kiwanis

5:30pm **Pro Populo**

Prayer

Exposition and Adoration of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is held each Thursday from 6:00pm to 8:00pm. Evening Prayer and Benediction conclude the night. All are welcome to come, even just for a quick visit on Thursday evenings here in church.



Special Intentions



SANCTUARY CANDLE INTENTIONS

~~In Memory of ~~**Jule & Stephen Pacovsky**~~ offered by Jerry & Marion Pacovsky

~~In Memory of ~~**John & Theresa Charney**~~ offered by Children, Grandchildren, & Great-grandchildren

PRAY FOR ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

~~**Irene Long**~~ **Ann Marie Kelly**~~

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

~~**Dante James DiGregorio**~~

and his family. Dante will be baptized today after the 11:00am Mass.

Parish Staff

Rev. John J. Chmil x105

Pastor

Rev. Anthony Urban

Assisting Celebrant

Deacon John Bankus

Deacon John (Jack) Ziegler

Permanent Deacons

Lori Raymond x100

Pastoral Associate/Director of Religious Education

Sister Mary Beth Makuch, SS.C.M.

Pastoral Outreach Ministry

Music Ministry

Marge Semanek

Director of Liturgical Music

Joseph Sabol

Accompanist

Scott Coates

Accompanist

Pat Quinn

Office Assistant

Sacristans and Maintenance

Chris Calore

Director of Maintenance

John Sartin

Trudy Brown

Pat Quinn

Betsy Evanoski

Phil Bosha

Office Hours

Monday through Thursday
8:30am to 3:00pm

CLOSED FRIDAY

Weekends and Evenings
by appointment.

570-287-6624

DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL UPDATES

We are almost at our goal! If you haven't already donated, the Diocesan Annual Appeal envelopes are on the tables at the church entrance. If you already received a letter in the mail, please respond. Gifts of any size are welcome and participation is important. God bless you for your kindness and generosity.

DAA goal: \$44,000.00

Total raised: - \$43,275.02

over/under: - \$ 724.98

We have reached 98.35% of our goal.

Number of donors: 293 26.02% of our parishioners gave

ST. BLAISE DAY

Saturday, February 3rd, is St. Blaise Day. Blessing of the Throats will take place after all masses next weekend.

"God's House, Our Home" Program

This week you will receive a newsletter introducing our renewal program "God's House, Our Home". I'm proud to be part of the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish community. On Commitment Weekend, February 3 & 4, I invite each of you to participate in this important program and help us respond to God's great gift of love. I ask that you please review this newsletter and prayerfully consider how you and your family can help St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish by renewing your annual commitment to financially **support our ministries, further our mission, and reinforce our future.**

We ask that all faithful parishioners complete a Commitment Card. A card will be included along with the newsletter for you to:

- mail to the church using the pre-addressed envelope included in this mailing.
- or bring your card to Mass next Sunday.
- or you may visit our parish website at www.setonpa.com and complete an electronic Commitment Card.

The back of the Commitment Card has a place for you to include any prayer intentions you wish to share. We welcome all intentions and they will be prayed for collectively over the next few weeks. If you would like to speak to a priest, please indicate so on your card and we will be in contact with you.

Our goal is 100% participation! Thank you for your generosity and support of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish!

ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON, PRAY FOR US!!!

Religious Education

CLASSES FOR JANUARY/FEBRUARY:

SATURDAYS: FEBRUARY 3, 10, & 24 (No Class on Feb. 17th (Presidents' Weekend))

MONDAYS: JANUARY 29, FEBRUARY 5, 12, & 26 (No Class on Feb. 19th (Presidents' Weekend))

Lenten Mission Envelopes 2024

Before Lent, our students will receive an envelope for their Lenten sacrifice. All of our students' Lenten offerings will be sent to our very own, Father John Ostrowski, who has worked with the Missions in El Salvador for many years.

ROSARY FOR VOCATIONS

The rosary will be prayed for vocations after daily mass.

VOCATIONS

"I will raise up for them a prophet like you." If you think that you may be set apart by the Lord to serve Him as a priest or a consecrated sister or brother, talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at 570-207-1452 or email: info@dioceseofscranton.org

WORD OF LIFE

Many people are unaware that someone they know personally is silently suffering from participation in abortion. If a friend confided in you tomorrow that she had an abortion, would you be able to respond in a way that brings her closer to healing? Learn how in "How to Talk to a Friend Who's Had an Abortion":

<http://bit.ly/friend-had-abortion>

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Sponsored by the Diocesan Offices for Parish Life and Vocations



Thursday,
February 1st

7:00 PM

St. Maria Goretti Church
42 Redwood Drive - Laflin

SPEAKER, RECONCILIATION,
AND SOCIAL.

LIVE MUSIC BY JOEL KANKIEWICZ



SCAN TO REGISTER
College Age +

EZRA 10:4

A RETREAT FOR MEN DISCERNING THE
PRIESTHOOD

Rev. Alex Roche



Holy Family Spiritual Renewal Center, Nanticoke

Hosted by the Diocese of Scranton Vocations Office

MARCH 1-2, 2024

REGISTER AT DIOCESEOFSCRANTON.ORG/VOCATIONS



SPIRITUAL ADOPTION

We would like to announce that we are joining many other Catholic parishes across the United States that are taking part in the Spiritual Adoption Program.



The Social Concerns Committee urges everyone--students and adults--to join our **3rd Spiritual Adoption Program**. This simple, powerful program costs you **only a minute** of your time every day, but can save the lives of the innocent unborn, by praying for him or her daily for the next nine months.

Choose a Name for this child, and write it on the bottom of this form. Tear it off and place it in the basket by the statue of the Blessed Mother near the elevator. You may adopt more than one baby if you wish.

The **PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL ADOPTION** prayer (below) is for you to keep. Take it home and pray for the safety of this child every day in the quiet of your own time. After nine months, we will celebrate this child's birth by having our **Pro-Life Baby Shower**.

TAKE A HOLY CARD (available on the tables at the church entrance) to remind you of your commitment to this child.

Throughout your lifetime on Earth, this child will be known only to God, but we believe that in the world to come, you will meet with him or her eternally in Heaven and what a joyful meeting that will be!!!

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL ADOPTION

Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, I love you very much.

I beg you to spare the life of the unborn baby that

I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion.

"When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the Infant leapt in her womb."

(Luke 1:41)

~~~~~ here ~~~~~

### SPIRITUAL ADOPTION PLEDGE

I promise to spiritually adopt an unknown baby in danger of abortion  
by praying 9 months for the life of this child:

**Name of your adopted child:** \_\_\_\_\_

(please place in basket by the Blessed Mother statue near the elevator)

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS UPCOMING RED CLAM CHOWDER SALE

Our KofC will be having their famous Red Clam Chowder Sale on Ash Wednesday, February 14th. Cost is \$10/quart-pay at the door. Sign up sheets are on the tables at the church entrance. Pick up times are after 7:30am ashes, 11am-1pm, & 4pm-6pm. Or Call Mark Perugino at 570-262-2896 to order.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:** New members are welcome. Please call Mark Perugino at 570-262-2896.

**HOLY NAME SOCIETY:** Our HNS will meet next Sunday, February 4th, after the 8:30am mass in our church hall. New members are welcome.

**SAVE THE DATE!!!!** The Social Concerns Cash Bingo will be held on Sunday, April 14th, 2024, in our school gym. Details to follow.....

**WYOMING AREA CATHOLIC SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE TODAY, JANUARY 28th:** 1690 Wyoming Ave., Exeter, 570-654-7982, Open House today from noon to 2pm, Register Pre-K through 8th grades.

**HOLY REDEEMER HIGH SCHOOL INCOMING FRESHMEN:** Appointments for class scheduling for new students for the 2024-2025 school year will be held on February 6, 7 and 8 from 3:00 to 5:45 PM. Call Holy Redeemer High School's Guidance Department at 570-829-2424 to set an appointment.

**St. Maria Goretti Pasta Dinner:** Laflin Road in Laflin. Sunday, February 4th, 12-3pm, dine in. Donation is \$15. Tickets at the door. Includes salad, dinner roll & dessert.



### OFFERINGS

#### Weekend of January 13/14, 2024

REGULAR: \$ 9195.70

DUES: \$ 2687.00

ASSESSMENT: \$624.00

#### DIOCESAN:

CARE & EDUCATION OF PRIESTS: \$619.00

### Ways to Give:



Online @ [setonpa.com](http://setonpa.com)



U.S. Mail to: 116 Hughes Street  
Swoyersville, PA 18704

*St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish*

[www.setonpa.com](http://www.setonpa.com)



**NATIONAL**  
— DEBT RELIEF —

# BECOME DEBT FREE IN AS LITTLE AS 24-48 MONTHS

If you owe more than \$10,000 in credit card or other unsecured debt, see how National Debt Relief can help resolve your debt for a fraction of what you owe.

Call today:

+1 (866) 605-1934



You can have goals...  
and pizza

Get started  
with 3 months

free\*



weightwatchersoffer.com/53

**WeightWatchers**

\*With select plan purchase. Restrictions apply.

## A Help Button Should Go Where You Go!

To be truly independent, your personal emergency device needs to work on the go.

MobileHelp® allows you to summon emergency help 24 hours a day, 7 days a week by simply pressing your personal help button. Unlike traditional systems that only work inside your home, a MobileHelp medical alert system extends help beyond the home. Now you can participate in all your favorite activities such as gardening, taking walks, shopping and traveling all with the peace of mind of having a personal alert system with you. MobileHelp, the "on-the-go" help button, is powered by one of the nation's largest cellular networks, so there's virtually no limit to your help button's range.

**No landline? No problem!** While traditional alert systems require a landline, with the MobileHelp system, a landline is not necessary. Whether you are home or away from home, a simple press of your help button activates your system, providing the central station with your information and location. Our trained emergency operators will know who you are and where you are located. If you're one of the millions of people that have waited for an alert service because it didn't fit your lifestyle, or settled for a traditional system even though it only worked in the home, then we welcome you to try MobileHelp. Experience peace of mind in the home or on the go.

### GET OUR SPECIAL OFFER NOW:

- ✓ **FREE EXPEDITED SHIPPING\***
- ✓ **FREE ONE MONTH SERVICE\***
- ✓ **50% OFF AUTO FALL DETECT\***
- ✓ **plus FREE EQUIPMENT TO USE!**



Unlike "stay-at-home" emergency systems MobileHelp protects you:

| Places where your Help Button will work | MobileHelp | Traditional Help Buttons |
|-----------------------------------------|------------|--------------------------|
| At Home                                 | ✓          | ✓                        |
| On a Walk                               | ✓          | ✗                        |
| On Vacation                             | ✓          | ✗                        |
| At the Park                             | ✓          | ✗                        |
| Shopping                                | ✓          | ✗                        |

#### MobileHelp Features:

- Simple one-button operation
- Affordable service
- Amplified 2-way voice communication
- 24/7 access to U.S. based emergency operators
- GPS location detection
- Available Nationwide

OUR BEST OFFER EVER!  
From **\$19.95\*** /month



**MobileHelp**

1-855-444-3698



\*For a limited time - promotions available for select systems and subscription plans, please call for specific details. Offers are valid for new customers and for the first year of service and cannot be combined with any other offers. \$19.95 is the monthly subscription price for a MobileHelp Classic (at home only) system. There is a one-time \$49.95 processing fee to subscribe to the plan. Equipment shown is the MobileHelp DDD kit home and on the go system available at a higher monthly cost. Most equipment is included at no cost while actively subscribing and must be returned upon cancellation. Free one month of service offer valid with purchase of Annual plan and includes month 12 at no additional charge. Refer to terms and conditions for specific details. Depending on the promotion chosen, you may receive an additional savings of \$5.00 off the \$11 retail price of Fall Detection service. After first year, Fall Detection reverts to discounted price of \$8.25/month when combined with MobileHelp Connect Premium. Fall Detection does not detect 100% of falls. If able, users should push their help button when they need assistance. Fall detection is not intended to replace a caregiver. MobileHelp is a registered trademark, patented technology. Current GPS location may not always be available in every situation on the cellular network at all times. Expedited shipping offer is for Annual plans made prior to 3 PM EST Mon-Fri. Expedited shipping is standard 2-day - no deliveries on Saturdays/Sundays or to Hawaii or Alaska. Shipping delays may occur due to situations beyond our control. MFPH-01045 Rev. 1

## WINDOW NATION

**EXCLUSIVE MONEY SAVING OFFER**

**0 | 0 | 0%**  
DOWN | PAYMENTS | INTEREST

**FOR 2 YEARS**

AND

**BUY 2 WINDOWS  
GET 2 FREE!**

**SERVICE**  
**99.5%**  
of our windows are installed right the first time, requiring no follow-up service.

**SATISFACTION**  
**96%**  
customer satisfaction on clean up & safety in over 150,000 homes.

**SELECTION**  
**1500+**  
locally-made, custom styles and options to choose from.

**Call (855) 919-2625**

\*Offer Valid on Potomac and ComfortSmart Models. 4 Window Minimum. Cannot be combined with any other offer. Excludes labor. Based on 10 Georgetown model, Double hung/slider windows with standard installation. Subject for Credit Approval. Offer Ends 12/31/24. MA HIC #197968



Aaron W. Pietryka, *Licensed Supervisor - Parishioner*  
 Thomas B. Wiedlich, *Licensed Director - Parishioner*

570-287-8541 | 1442 Wyoming Avenue, Forty Fort, PA  
[www.wroblewskifuneralhome.com](http://www.wroblewskifuneralhome.com)

**BONNER**  
  
**FIND NEW ROADS™**  
 NEW 287-2117  
 USED 288-0319  
 694 Wyoming Ave., Kingston, PA  
[www.bonnerchevrolet.com](http://www.bonnerchevrolet.com)

*Holy Trinity*  
 Off of Warsaw Street  
 &  
*St. Mary's*  
 Off of Brook Street  
**Cemeteries**  
 †  
 Lots Available  
 Interest Free  
 payment plans

Please call the Parish Office for more information at 287-6624

**B** *Bednarski*  
**Funeral Home**  
 168 Wyoming Ave.  
 Wyoming, PA  
**570-693-3851**  
*Funeral Directors*  
 Joseph Bednarski  
 Jacqueline Bednarski

**HUGH B. HUGHES & SON, INC.**  
*Funeral Home*  
 Michael W. Harrison,  
 Supervisor / President  
 Daniel R. Harrison,  
 Funeral Director  
**Traditional, Cremation &  
 Pre-arranged Funerals**  
 570-288-9341  
 1044 Wyoming Ave.  
 Forty Fort, PA  
 Visit our website at [hughbhughes.com](http://hughbhughes.com) • Online condolences now available

**WHEELS THAT HEAL!**

Donate your car & make a positive difference  
 in the lives of those affected by breast cancer.

- 24-hour free pick up
- 7 days a week
- Maximum tax deduction
- Running or not
- Se habla espanol

**AD SPACE AVAILABLE**  
 617-779-3771

**First Catholic Slovak Union**  
*FCSU Financial®*  
**NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!**  
 Annuities • Life Insurance • IRAs  
 Wealth Transfer  
 Get \$10,000 term life insurance for \$14  
 Find the rate that is right for you!

- 8 Year Flex Annuity or IRA **4.75%**
- 6 Year Fixed Annuity or IRA **5.00%**
- 2 Year Annuity **4.50%**

[www.fcsu.com](http://www.fcsu.com)  
 Martha Zavada: (570) 954-3771

841 Main Street  
 Tewksbury, MA 01876  
 (978) 851-9103

**Rosaries from Flowers**  
*"Handmade from the Flowers  
 of your Loved One"*  
[www.rosariesfromflowers.com](http://www.rosariesfromflowers.com)

**UNITED BREAST CANCER FOUNDATION**  
 Call now  
**888-412-5794**

*Frank* **Grontkowski Monuments Inc.**  
 Established in 1942  
 Family owned & operated

DEDICATED TO MEETING YOUR MONUMENT NEEDS  
**570-822-5574**  
[grontkowskimonuments.com](http://grontkowskimonuments.com)

**Andy Peruginos**  
 FINE ITALIAN CUISINE  
 Dinner to Pick-up Catering & Private Party Rooms  
 Seating to 400

**Early Dinners**  
 Tue-Thurs 4pm-6pm  
 Open Tues-Saturday

- Family Atmosphere
- Made from Scratch Menu
- Reasonable Prices
- Large Portions!

258 Charles St. Luzerne, PA  
[www.andyperuginos.com](http://www.andyperuginos.com)  
**570-288-5337**

**DENTAL Insurance**  
 Get help paying big dental bills

Get your **FREE** Information Kit  
 from Physicians Mutual Insurance Company.

**1-888-404-1939**  
[Dental50Plus.com/Seton](http://Dental50Plus.com/Seton)

Product not available in all states. Contact us to see the coverage and offer available in your state. Contact us for complete details about this insurance solicitation including costs and limitations. This specific offer is not available in CO. Call 1-800-969-4781 or respond for a similar offer. In WV: To find a provider in the network visit us at <https://www.physiciansmutual.com/web/dental/find-dentist>. Certificate C250A (ID: C250E); Insurance Policy P150; Rider Kinds B438/B439. In CA, CO, ID, KY, ME, MD, MA, MI, MO, NV, NJ, NC, ND, VA: Includes Participating Providers and Preventive Benefits Rider. Certificate C254/B465 (PA: C254PA); Insurance Policy P154/B469 (GA: P154GA; OK: P154OK; TN: P154TN). 6323

*Memorial Ads Available* **617-779-3771**