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November | 24 | 2024

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"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "the one who is and who was and who is to come, the almighty." Revelation 1:8



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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:



*"Bless the God of all, who has done wonders
on earth"* (Sirach 50:22)

*As we gather in gratitude this Thanksgiving, prayerfully consider
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Saturday 3:30-3:45pm or you
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Worship

Intention

Requested by

Monday, November 25

8:00am Rosemary Chimock

Children

Tuesday, November 26

8:00am John C. Romanowski Sr.

Mike & Carol Romanowski

Wednesday, November 27

No Daily Mass

Thursday, November 28 THANKSGIVING DAY

9:00am Raymond & Rosemary Chimock

Children

Friday, November 29

8:00am Leo Brandenburg Jr.

Mother, Joan

Saturday, November 30

4:00pm John Meckalavage

Wife, Jean

Sunday, December 1

8:30am Dorothy & Hawkeye Lukacinsky

Denise & Family

11:00am Mary Ellen Schell

Richard & Barbara Popovitch

5:30pm Rosemary Chimock

Gerri Hovan



ROSARY FOR VOCATIONS--The Rosary will be prayed for vocations after daily mass.

Prayer



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Please join us on

**Tuesday evenings from 5pm to 7pm
in the church. Come spend a few
minutes or longer with Jesus in the
Blessed Sacrament.**



SANCTUARY CANDLE INTENTIONS

~~In Memory of~~ **James & Lenore Parini**~~ offered by
Children

~~In Memory of~~ **Ed Brominski**~~ offered by wife, Dee &
Family

PRAY FOR ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

~~**Anthony Kuzma**~~ **Eleanor Dolan**~~ **Francis Tallerico**~~

May their souls and all the souls of the Faithful Departed, through the
Mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

BAPTISM SUNDAY



CONGRATULATIONS & God's Blessings upon

~~**Theodore Paul Clark**~~ who will be baptized after
the 11:0am mass this weekend.

Parish Staff

Rev. John J. Chmil

Pastor

Rev. Anthony Urban

Assisting Celebrant

Deacon John Bankus

Deacon John (Jack) Ziegler

Permanent Deacons

Lori Raymond

Pastoral Associate/Director of Religious Education

Sister Mary Beth Makuch, SS.C.M.

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Joseph Sabol

Accompanist

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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



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

Classes are for students in Grades 1-8. Classes are on Saturdays from 9am-10:15am and on Mondays, from 6pm-7:15pm.

Saturday Classes: Nov. 23 (no classes on Nov. 30th).

Monday Classes: Nov. 25 (No classes on Dec. 2nd).

PARENT MEETINGS FOR SACRAMENTAL GRADES:

SUNDAY, December 1st, following Sunday 5:30pm Mass. Parents & students, please attend the 5:30pm mass. Meeting in church hall after mass. Students welcome to attend the meeting. **IMPORTANT CONFIRMATION PACKETS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED AT THIS MEETING.** Letters will be mailed home to all of our 8th grade CCD parents and to our 8th grade Catholic School parents regarding this meeting.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3RD, 6:30PM, IN OUR CHURCH HALL: For parents of our First Holy Communion class. Students welcome to attend. **IMPORTANT 1ST HOLY COMMUNION PACKETS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED AT THE MEETING.** Letters will be mailed home to both the parents of our 2nd grade CCD class and our 2nd grade Catholic School parents regarding this meeting.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8TH: 7TH GRADE STUDENTS & THEIR PARENTS ARE TO ATTEND THE SUNDAY, 5:30PM MASS, FOLLOWED BY A SHORT MEETING IN THE CHURCH HALL. **Our 7th grade students will be ENROLLED in our Confirmation Program at this mass, and each student will be given their own Bible.** **IMPORTANT CONFIRMATION PACKETS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED AT THE MEETING.** Letters will be mailed home to both the parents of our 7th Grade CCD classes and to parents of our 7th Grade Catholic School students. Students are welcome to attend the meeting.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING

Please note that mass on Thanksgiving Day will be at **9:00am**. Also, our parish office will be closed on Thanksgiving, Nov. 28 and on Friday, Nov. 29th.

DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

The Appeal is in progress. Envelopes are on the tables at the church entrance, if you haven't already donated. 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. **Please see the updated report on page 5.**

ADVENT PIROHY SALE DATES

We will be selling our frozen pirohy on Saturday/Sunday, December 7th & 8th after all masses in the school cafeteria, while supplies last. Cost is \$12/dozen.

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE --THANK YOU!

We would like to thank everyone who helped with our Mass of Remembrance, including staff, lector, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, musicians, and hospitality volunteers. May God bless your kindness.



HOLY NAME SOCIETY DRAWING TODAY AFTER 8:30AM MASS

The HNS is greatly appreciative to all who purchased tickets for our annual Thanksgiving Cash Raffle. Your continued support was the key to our success. Proceeds will benefit the children's Easter Egg Hunt. Good luck ! Thank you for your kindness.

SWOYERSVILLE KIWANIS TOYS FOR TOTS COLLECTION & DINNER

Swoyersville Kiwanis is happy to be working with Rainbow Jewelers & St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church to assist the Marine Corps Reserve and the Toys for Tots Program. Collection boxes for new/unwrapped toys are at Rainbow Jewelers Kingston & St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church Hall (on the stage) through Dec. 11th. Members from all communities are also invited to join the Swoyersville Kiwanis at their Toys for Tots Dinner Meeting with Marine representatives on Wed., Dec. 11th at 6pm at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church Hall. Dinner, beverage, & dessert: \$20/adults, \$10/children 5-10. Reservations are required by Dec. 4th. Call or text 570-288-6730 or email: swoyk1951@comcast.net. Payment at the door. Don't forget to bring your toy or donation for Toys for Tots Program. We thank you in advance for your support.

"My Kingdom does not belong to this world." Help lead others to Christ and to know His merciful love. Prayerfully consider He may be calling you to serve in this world as a priest or religious brother or sister.

Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at 570-207-1452 or email: info@dioceseofscranton.org

LIFELINE SCREENING here at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church Hall

Thursday, December 12th Lifeline Screening goes beyond regular checkups to look inside your arteries for signs of plaque build-up. Call 1-800-679-5191 to make appointment.

SLOVAK HERITAGE SOCIETY of NE PA will celebrate the Feast of St. Nicholas on Sunday, December 8th, at 2pm at St. Ignatius Church, 339 North Maple Ave, Kingston The church is handicap accessible. Songs and storytelling of past Slovak Christmas traditions will take place. Refreshments followed by fellowship. Everyone is invited free of charge; a free will offering will be accepted. Call Anna Hudock for more info: 570-510-1655.

NORWEGIAN CRUISE LINE.DAWN--10 DAY CRUISE TO 8 PORTS IN IRELAND, JULY 7TH-18TH, 2025

Monsignor David L. Tressler, Pastor of St. Ignatius Loyola Parish, Kingston, & Holy Family Parish, Luzerne, will serve as Chaplain on this 10-day Ireland Cruise. The trip will depart on Monday, July 7, 2025, and return on Friday, July 18, 2025. We will have roundtrip motorcoach to & from Newark Int'l Airport. The flight will be on United Airlines nonstop to Southampton & depart from Southampton to Newark nonstop. We will visit 8 ports in Ireland which include: Waterford, Cork (Cobh), Dingle, Foynes (Limerick), Galway, Killybegs, Dublin and Belfast, Northern Ireland. The island is approximately 300 miles north to south and 175 miles east to west. Although small, it has so much to offer with its beautiful scenery, welcoming people, and many historical sites. Also included is a highlight tour of London on the 18th! The cruise includes a beverage package, specialty dining, & 150 free internet minutes, transfers & fees is priced starting at \$4495.00 /person based on double occupancy for an Oceanview stateroom. To obtain a brochure, further questions, or to make a reservation, call John Madden 570-342-5790 at Travelworld.

CHRISTMAS ORGAN CONCERT & SING-ALONG

All are invited to a Christmas Organ Concert & Sing-Along on SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15 at 2:00pm at St. John the Evangelist Church, 35 William St., Pittston. This family-friendly event with organ music and carol singing for the Advent & Christmas seasons will be led by organist Michael Sowa, director of music at St. John the Evangelist Church. A free-will offering will be accepted and refreshments will follow in the church basement.

BECOME A "KNIGHT" BEFORE CHRISTMAS

Our Knights of Columbus are having a MEMBERSHIP DRIVE. All men 18 years of age and older are encouraged to join. Please call/text Grand Knight, Mark Perugino, at 570-262-2896 for information.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BREAKFAST BUFFET WITH SANTA



Sunday, December 8, 2024 9am to 1pm
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church Hall, 116 Hughes St., Swoyersville
Adults: \$10 Children 12 & under: \$5
Tickets available at the door
Questions? Call Mark: 570-262-2896

THANK YOU FROM THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CARE & SHARE PROGRAM

Our Kof C wants to thank all of the volunteers who came out to support our Care & Share Program. Thank you to all who helped put the doorhangers on the homes, those who helped collect all the food from the homes, those who helped sort all the donations, and to all who so generously donated to this worthwhile cause. We collected an enormous amount of items, which will be used to feed those in need from our parish and community and to support our local Holy Family Food Pantry. May God bless your generosity of time and donations! If you or someone you know is in need of some food items, please call Lori at the office. All calls are confidential.

NOVENA PRAYER TO ST. ANDREW (START on HIS FEAST DAY , November 30th and continue to Christmas)

Hail and blessed be the hour and moment in which the Son of God was born of the Most Pure Virgin Mary at midnight in Bethlehem in piercing cold. In that hour vouchsafe, O my God, to hear my prayer and grant my desires, through the merits of our Savior Jesus Christ and of His Blessed Mother. Amen. (traditionally prayed 15x per day)

DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL REPORT 11/09/2024

DAA 2024 Goal: \$55,801.00

% to Goal: 57.62%

Total Committed: \$32,152.00

Balance to Achieve Goal: \$23,649.00

WEEKLY OFFERINGS

WEEKEND OF November 9/10, 2024

REGULAR: \$8092.05 DUES: \$1134.00

ALL SAINTS: \$45.00 ASSESSMENT: \$469.00

DIOCESAN:

Care & Education of Priests: \$660.00

MAY GOD BLESS YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

Ways to Give:



Online: www.setonpa.com



Mail to: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish
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St. Elizabeth Ann Seton ,

Pray for us!

THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE

Each year our parish reaches out to members of our parish and community who are in need of help for the holidays. If you, or someone you know is struggling, please contact Lori, Pastoral Associate, in our parish office, 570-287-6624. All calls are confidential.



For Thanksgiving, if you are able, we are asking for grocery store Gift Cards from Gerrity's or Price Chopper. Please put in an envelope, and mark "THANKSGIVING". You may drop in collection basket, office door brass mail slot, mail, or bring to the rectory.



For Christmas, we are having our "**CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE**", with the gift tags for the needy children and families, and our parishioners who are in nursing homes or homebound. By the weekend of November 23/24, the Christmas Tree will be placed near the Reconciliation Room, with the gift tags attached. We are asking that the gifts (with the tags attached) be returned by December 15th. Thanks so much for whatever you can do. May God bless your generosity and kindness!

FYI: If tags are all taken this weekend, we will add tags next weekend, until all tags are placed on the tree.

PRO-LIFE CORNER

Our Pro-Life Ministry meets on the third Tuesday of each month in the church hall after Holy Hour. The rosary will be said at 6:45 in church to end abortion.



"Having received the gift of the Gospel of Life, we are the people of Life and a people for Life. It is our duty to proclaim the Gospel of Life to the world. To proclaim Jesus is to proclaim Life itself. Gratitude and joy at the incomparable dignity of the human person impel us to bring the Gospel of Life to the hearts of all people and make it penetrate every part of society."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
"The Gospel of Life: A Brief Summary"



HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

We're thankful for all of our wonderful parishioners and hope you all enjoy time with family and friends.

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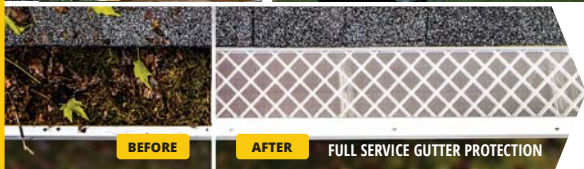
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