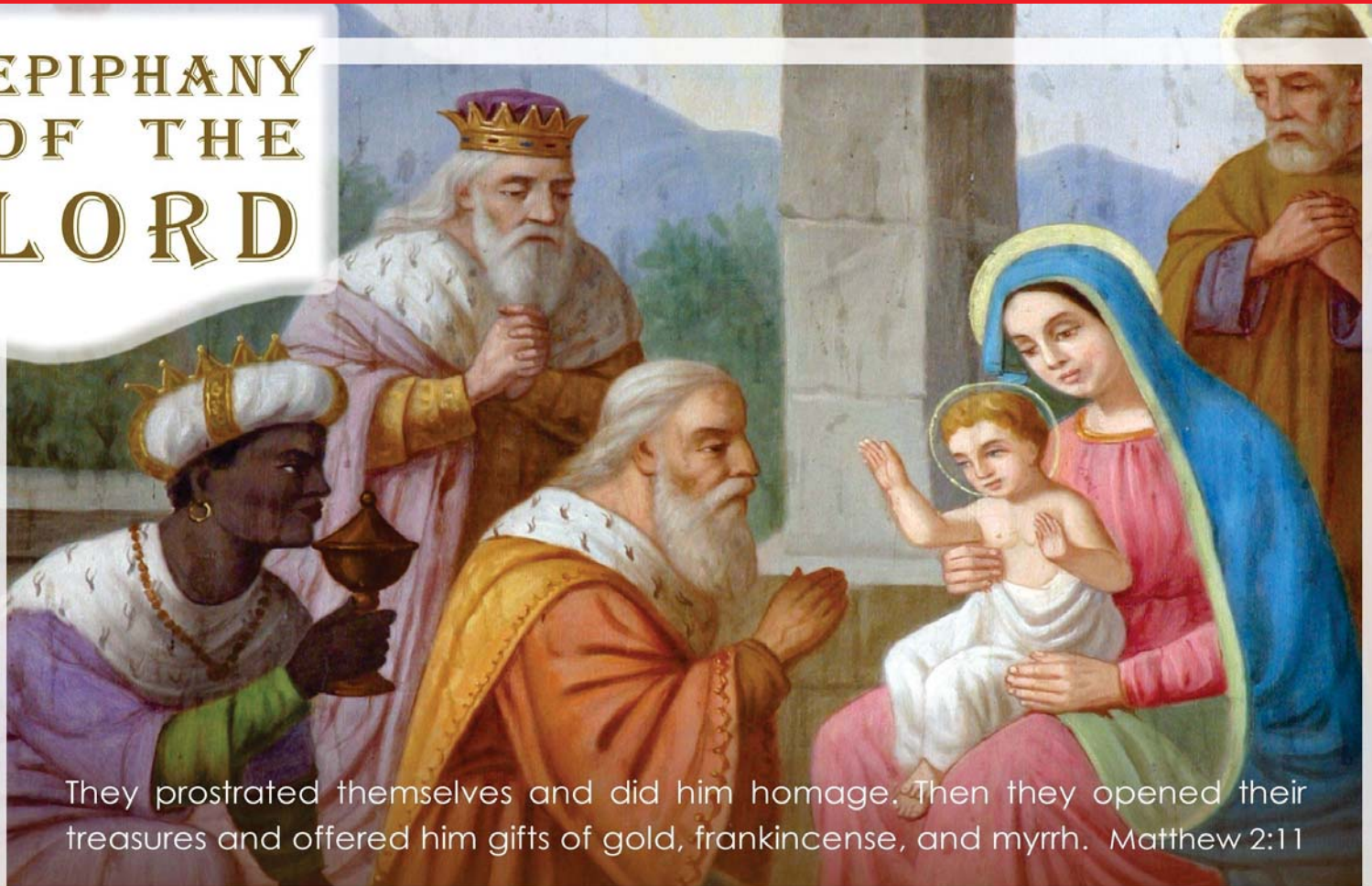


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They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. Matthew 2:11

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Happy New Year!

And so goes another year....

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

I wish to extend a special thanks to all who have made 2021 and the Christmas Season so beautiful for our parish. First, our Parish Staff who, individually, and together go above and beyond the call of duty for us. Our volunteers...Liturgical ministers, music ministers, First Friday Visitors, ushers, all those who have come back to serve us at mass and in the community. Thank you for your commitment and down-right-bravery, this past year. Committee members of the various groups in our parish — kept the iron in the fire for us in 2021 and that was not easy with all the restrictions. I wish to thank all those who participated in anyway in getting our church ready for the celebrations and for putting up with me at a very difficult time. To all who sent or brought cards, food, candy, gifts for me and/or Sebastian — Thank you for your kindness. It greatly humbles and amazes me that you remember me at this time of year. Know that I am very appreciative. It was great to see Fr. Urban at 6:00 p.m. mass Christmas Eve, and know his prayers for all of you are offered daily as well as mine. So as we give thanks for all of our blessings over the past year, let us remember the goodness of our parishioners and friends, and despite our lives and our world being dominated with fear of Covid and other things beyond our control, God still reigns on high here at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish. May God Bless you in the New Year and Always! *Father Joe*



CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE

We want to thank our parishioners, Seton Knights of Columbus, Forty Fort Lions Club, Swoyersville Kiwanis, and friends who donated Walmart/Target/Grocery/ and other Gift Cards for our Christmas Giving Tree. Through your love, kindness, and generosity we were able to help over 60 families/children in our parish and community, over 30 families/children in our local Head Start, and over 60 families/children at St. Vincent DePaul Kitchen. The outpouring of your generosity was tremendous! The families/children were extremely appreciative. May our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ bless each and every one of you abundantly! Thank you for making this possible!



Eucharistic Adoration on Thursday

This Thursday From 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm stop in at anytime for any length of time for some quiet time before the Exposed Blessed Sacrament. The 2 hours will be **completely SILENT**. No Benediction. The Adoration will just conclude at 8:00 pm without ceremony. All are Welcome!

New Year, More Meetings:

Wednesday, January 5th 6:30 p.m. Parish Hall, Parish Council/Synod 2023 Meeting. Please be in attendance as we continue planning for immediate action of the Synod of Bishops and our parish participation which will begin early next month.

Thursday, January 6th, 7:00 p.m. Parish Hall, Parish Finance Council. All members are asked to be in attendance as we plan for future fundraising for our church and try to avoid a major parish deficit without the benefit of the 2 years of festival income and the loss other fundraising activities recently.

Collection Report December 18/19, 2021 \$9686.10

Thank you for all you do for our parish!

Should you experience a delay in receiving your envelopes, please contact the rectory. You may also use a plain envelope for your donations in the meantime. Indicate your name and *envelope number* (if known) so you can receive proper credit.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Classes will resume on Monday, January 3rd and Saturday, January 8th
1st Grade Family Mass iSunday, January 2nd, at 11:00am

LIFE LINE SCREENING

Life Line Screening, the nation's leading provider of preventive health screenings, will offer affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish Church Hall, on Thursday, January 13, 2022. A package of five screenings to identify risk for stroke, heart disease, and other chronic conditions will be offered: Carotid artery ultrasound to identify plaque buildup in the carotid arteries, a major risk factor for stroke. Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm ultrasound to identify presence of an enlargement in the largest blood vessel in the body. An EKG to identify the presence of atrial fibrillation, which increases the risk for stroke. Ultrasound of the lower legs to look for plaque buildup known as peripheral artery disease. Ultrasound of the shin bone to identify risk for osteoporosis. These 5 vital screenings are offered for only \$139, Special Package Pricing, and take 60-90 minutes to complete. To register for your appointment please call 1-888-653-6450 or visit: <https://lsa.social/HSC>

Christmas Decorations Donors cont'd from last weekend....

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Mission Appeal in Our Parish Next Weekend January 8-9

Sister Kathy Kurdziel IHM belongs to the same community as Sister Marion Tarone and Sister Jane Ellis who recently served in this parish. She works as an editor for her community and is also the Delegate for Religious in the Diocese of Scranton. On January 8 and 9, 2022, Sister will make an appeal in the parish for a small mission staffed by the IHM Sisters in the mountains of Peru. Located 11,000 feet above sea level in the beautiful southern Andes Mountains in the small city of Sicuani, the Sisters administer a parish in a poor section of the city where the paved road ends and the mountain paths begin. They do catechesis, pastoral care, sacraments, funeral services, translation, staff a library, a dormitory, and an after school program. The needs are many among the poor shepherds, artisans and subsistence farmers. The IHMs have lived among the people for more than 27 years, tending to their heartaches and celebrating their victories. The mission survives mostly on donations from mission appeals in US parishes. **A second collection will be taken next weekend at all masses for the missions.** Thank you in advance for your cooperation and generosity.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Our KofC want to thank everyone who supported our fundraising endeavors in 2020 and 2021. Here are some of the organizations/people we have helped in 2020 and 2021: PA for Human Life \$535.00; SEAS Holy Name Society for Easter Egg Hunt \$500.00; Catholic Social Service \$1000.00; Donation for Rehab Equipment \$500.00; St. Vincent DePaul Kitchen \$375.00; Halloween candy donation for children \$218.00; SEAS donation for Church building repairs, steps, air conditioning \$6000.00; JMJ Radio donation for tower lighting \$1000.00; Gerrity's Christmas gift card for parish families \$1000.00; Parish staff Christmas gift cards \$780.00; SEAS batteries for defibrillator \$314.00; Nursing home flowers \$64.00; Donation for cemetery lights \$199.00; Donation for parishioner house fire \$500.00; Lay Servants of IHM, Restoration of Grotto \$1000.00; Knights of Columbus Rosary Rally donation \$60.00; Be a Catholic Man Conference donation \$250.00; Gerrity's gift cards for Christmas for families' food \$150.00; Target gift cards for Christmas Giving Tree \$350.00; Funeral mass cards, flowers, gifts, etc \$645.00. Total: \$15,440.00 Also, over 250 new/gently used blankets collected for homeless shelters/need. This is in addition to countless Volunteer hours throughout the community. The Knights of Columbus meet every 2nd Tuesday, at 7pm in our church hall. New members are most welcome to come join us!!!

SWOYERSVILLE KIWANIS HEART CAKE POP SALE

The Swoyersville Kiwanis Club is currently conducting a Heart Cake Pop Sale now through January 27, 2022. Delicious and decorated these Heart Shaped Pops, your choice 3 chocolate and 3 white or all white or all chocolate will be in a gift box ready for that someone special for Valentine's Day. Pops are \$15 per order but quantities are limited so place your order early. Pop orders can be taken by any Kiwanis members or call or text Paula at 570-288-6730 or email swoyk1951@comcast.net. All orders must be placed and paid in full by January 27th. Orders will be available for pick up on Thursday, February 10th from 4 pm to 6:30pm and Saturday, February 12th from 10 am to noon at 6 Ave B, Swoyersville. Delivery is available on orders of 6 or more to one location or talk to any Kiwanis member for assistance. Proceeds benefit community projects and Make A Wish. For more details on Kiwanis check us out on Facebook or Instagram.

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Remembering at Eucharist



Monday, January 3

8:00 a.m. Anne Gibbons Daughter, Pat Quinn & Family

Tuesday, January 4

8:00 a.m. James Douglas Wife & Family

Wednesday, January 5

8:00 a.m. Christmas Mass Intentions

Thursday, January 6

8:00 a.m. Thomas Wozniak Rich & Betsy Evanoski

Friday, January 7

8:00 a.m. Francis Roccograndi Sr. Eugene & Marilyn Klein

Saturday, January 8

4:00 p.m. Edward Evelock Ed, Jane, & Family

5:30 p.m. Peter Cwalina Paul & Kathy Radzavicz

Sunday, January 9

7:00 a.m. **Pro Populo**

9:00 a.m. Mary Ann Kudasik Rick, Carol, & Kristen Mazar

11:00 a.m. Emily Stasik Emily Ann & Gary Lewis

5:30 p.m. Judith Kopec Michael Kopec & Family



Log on to: dioceseofscranton.org to give your opinion that will be shared with the Holy Father about the Universal Church and our diocese. Let's make positive changes so that the Church will survive in this modern world of ours. We cannot apply yesterday's answers to today's problems. Let's be open and honest led by the Holy Spirit to renew our precious Catholic Church.



Special Intentions This Week

This Week's Sanctuary Candles

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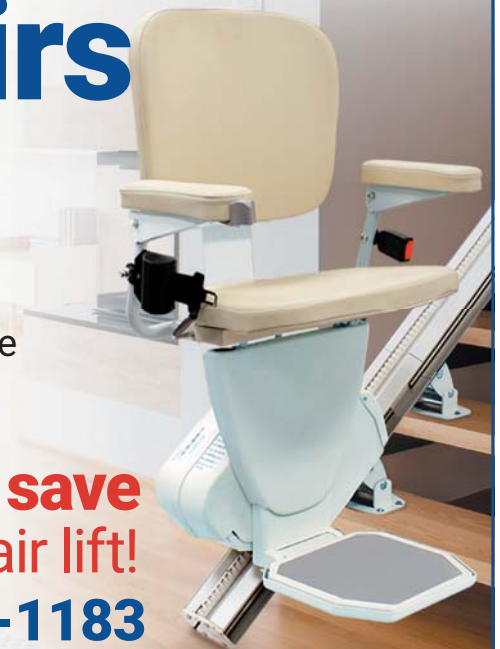
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