

St. Joseph, guardian of Jesus and chaste husband of Mary, you passed your life in loving fulfillment of duty. You supported the holy family of Nazareth with the work of your hands. Kindly protect those who trustingly come to you. You know their aspirations, their hardships, their hopes. They look to you because they know you will understand and protect them. You too knew trial, labor and weariness. But amid the worries of material life your soul was full of deep peace and sang out in true joy through intimacy with God's Son entrusted to you and with Mary, his tender Mother. Assure those you protect that they do not labor alone. Teach them to find Jesus near them and to watch over him faithfully as you have done.

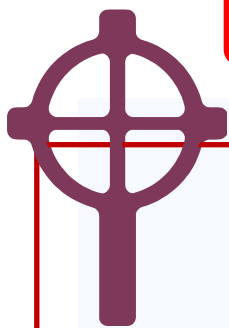
A Prayer for Fathers by Pope St. John XXIII

June 21, 2020

SETON SENTINEL

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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The Warmest of Father's Day Blessings to all Dads (grand, great, step, foster, God-Fathers, Uncles) and all who fulfill a fatherly role in our lives.

We honor the Foster Father of Jesus today and ask for his intercession for all fathers. St. Joseph is the model of Fatherly Love after the heart of God the Father himself. In some countries, Father's Day occurs on March 19th, the Solemnity of St. Joseph, so closely associated with the idea and ideals of Fatherhood. Let us ask his intercession today and everyday for our Dads.

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!



PLEASE HELP US WITH OUR STATISTICS AND DATA

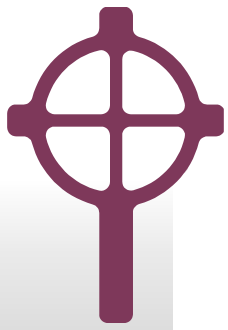
Included in this mailing is a form that we ask you to fill out and return to us as it will help us significantly update our Parish Census. We are missing lots of information on a good number of people and would like to rectify that at once. Also as the Diocese continues to develop Pastoral Plans for Parishes we need accurate numbers and stats to provide them for discernment of needs. We ask that you take a few moments and fill it out as best you can and get it back to us as soon as possible. Your personal information will kept confidential. Please do not skip the survey. It is also available to downloaded from our homepage for those who may miss the mailing and for those who wish to join or rejoin the parish at this time.

When I originally set the times for the Mass Schedule for the remainder of the corona crisis the thinking was as many masses as possible to avoid overcrowding. Thankfully, we have not had that experience so far at weekend's masses. The vast majority are staying home for now, and that is a good thing for those who are unsure, feel vulnerable because of health concerns or other reasons. I commend you. I know how much you want to be back in the pews and to receive Holy Communion once again. The time will come when that will be a reality. For now, whatever decision you make is the right decision for you. Again, the obligation to attend Eucharist remains lifted until the Bishop declares otherwise. Those of you who are coming know that we are taking extraordinary steps to keep everyone safe with social distancing, cleaning, wearing masks, and the other recommendations made by the CDC and the Diocese of Scranton. The need for the number of people who have been attending masses has been between 25-35 so we do not feel the need to take reservations for Mass at this time. The 7:00 pm Saturday Mass has the lowest attendance and seems unnecessary at this time. **We will discontinue the Saturday evening 7:00 Mass**. If need arises, we can always put it back in the schedule. For now, the **Weekend Schedule** will be: **Saturday 5:00 pm**, (Confessions at 4:30), **Sunday 7:00 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am and 5:30 pm**. It appears these masses can handle the number of people easily during this time of the pandemic. As always, keep safe and healthy. We are praying for everyone. God Bless You,

Father Joe

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Our office hours are Monday-Thursday, 8:30am-5:00pm and Friday, 8:30am- 3:00pm. Please call for an appointment if you have business to do at the rectory. Masks are required, along with proper hand sanitization. No social calls at this time, please. Essential business only. Thank you.



GFT Scholarships - Attention High School Seniors!

Two scholarships will be offered by the GFT Foundation to members of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish who are looking to continue their education whether it be college, technical or vocational school. The scholarships will be awarded based on merit and need. Guidelines for the scholarship and the application are on our website or can be requested by email at seton.swoy@aol.com. The deadline is June 30, 2020 for the 2020 fall semester.



12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

A German proverb says that fear makes the wolf bigger than it is. When we are afraid, our imagination can run wild, we feel helpless and trapped and we fail to act. Just ask any kid who hides under the bed when he hears a scary noise in the middle of the night! The only sound he wants to hear is the reassuring voice of

his mom or dad.

Faith leads us to the battle of life and death as we struggle with sin and grace. There may be moments when we are afraid, pinned down by sin, failure and the constant temptations to abandon the good fight. Overcoming fear means we rely on God, calling on His grace and strength to help us in moments of weakness and fear. God's Word and Sacrament reassure us that we have all we need and should not be afraid.

Fear can hold us back from practicing our faith. We are afraid of what others might think, or that our efforts will be rejected or may not be good enough. Let God worry about that. Do what you know is right, what God wants you to do. Your fears will disappear in the light of faith.

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Weekend Eucharist

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I cannot express my gratitude to all those who continually support our parish in the midst of this pandemic and crisis. Your generosity has been overwhelming! We are so fortunate to have such kind parishioners who are thinking about our parish and meeting the challenges of our weekly needs. You have shown that you truly love our community and church and you believe in the mission of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish.

As some of you are making your way to church, and others are not ready at this point, we appreciate the efforts you make to continue to contribute to the needs of the church. Whether it be in the basket, the mail, through the door slot, on-line, or any other way. We thank you for getting it to us.

We have not been reporting the weekly collection as it does not come in all at one time, but in the variety of ways mentioned and throughout the weeks. We hope to be reporting the weekly totals as we slowly come back to church.

If you are considering e-giving, you may log on to setonpa.com and use the electronic giving option. Scroll down and look for this link and follow the instructions:



Thank you for your past kindness and any consideration of this request..

If you are not able to contribute at this time, know that your prayers are just as important for our parish. We need you help, both spiritually and financially. If you find that you are in need during this time, please contact me as we are here to do whatever we can to assist you in procuring needed resources.

Father Joe

THE BLACK MADONNA AND RACIAL TENSION



While praying before mass one day during the protest and riots that have been occurring around the world recently, I looked over and saw the window taken from St. Mary's of Czestochowa Church when we combined. It is of course, the icon of the Black Madonna. One of the patronesses of our community and has been for so long of a time. I believe this icon, as well as the miraculous story that goes along with it, teaches us a very important fact: God is neither black, brown, yellow, or white. God is neither male or female. God is beyond all our categories, yet we are all made in God's image and likeness. Every culture, every age, pictures God, Jesus, Mary and the Saints, just like themselves. That's good thing, because God is all of these things and so much more. Let us turn to St. Mary of Czestochowa during these difficult days and ask for her intercession for our country and the world, that racial and ethnic tensions will cease, and we can all live in the life of freedom, justice and equality our God intends and demands for all God's children.

Our Lady of Czestochowa, pray for us, now more than ever!



Monday, June 22

6:30 am Father's Day Intentions

Tuesday, June 23

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Wednesday, June 24

6:30 am Joseph Barnoski Sonya Ciotola

Thursday, June 25

6:30 am Father's Day Intentions

Friday, June 26

6:30 am Mary Yencha Sister, Irene Kaschak

Saturday, June 27

5:00 pm Paul & James Monahan Sharon Monahan

Sunday, June 28

7:00 am *Pro Populo*

9:00 am Frank & Catherine Mucha Rick & Diane Frusciante

11:00 am Nicholas Barto Jackie & Bill Savage & Family

5:30 pm Robert Crofchick M/M Tony Spitale

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2. In Memory of Louis Michaels offered by Family

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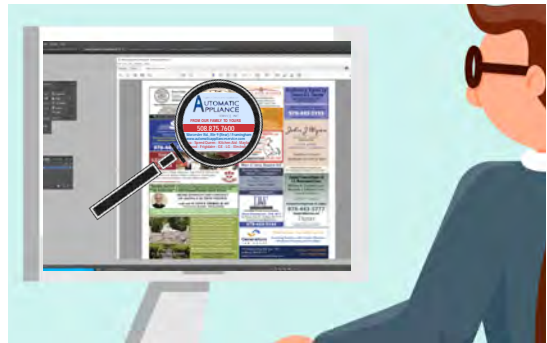
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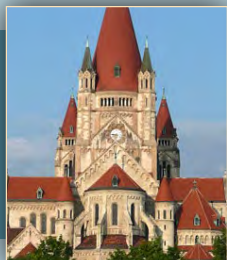


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