



Seton Sentinel

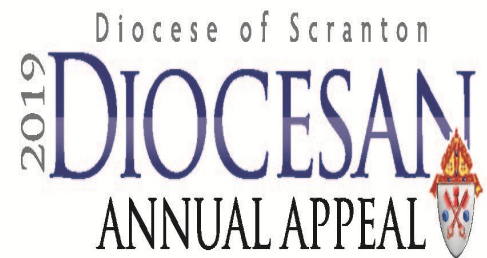
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September 15, 2019

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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My Dear Friends,

You may be aware that the 2019 Diocesan Annual Appeal has commenced. Many of you have received letters from the Bishop in the past week or so and others will soon receive them or hear about the appeal in other ways.

Our parish goal is set at \$47,000.00 the same as it has been for several years. Last year was the first year I could remember we fell short of our parish goal. It was a difficult year, to say the least for our Diocese and its' people. Many individuals chose not to participate in last year's Annual Appeal for one reason or another and I respect your decision.



This year, however, I need to ask you to reconsider that decision due to the tremendous needs of the people of our Diocese who depend on the funding of the Appeal for help. Bishop Bambera has reassured us time and time again that the money donated to the Appeal will not go to pay, in any way shape or form, for the lawsuits or other legal activities of the Diocese regarding the abuse crisis. The money parishioners donate go directly to the causes listed on the Appeal material and on the video. (You can view the video again on our website, setonpa.com, and a link is provided to make an on-line offering there as well.) This year you may also chose which ministries you wish to directly support with your donation.

I want you to know that making this request of you, my dear parishioners, is one of the hardest parts of the job. You all know that asking for financial help is against my nature as a pastor and person. That being said, when I think of the hungry who are fed by Catholic Social Services, the children who are educated in our Catholic Schools, the retired priests who served faithfully all their lives and now need help in retirement years, and the other missionary activity of this local Diocese, I am asking for your generous support this year.

If you have given in the past, thank you. If you are planning on doing it again this year, thank you. If you do not have the financial resources to contribute, thank you, please pray for the success of the appeal and the people it helps.

Finally, a thought about what it means to be Church. As Catholics, we are not insulated or confined by our parish walls or borders. To be Catholic means to be sharers and spreaders of the Good News to all people, especially those in need. The Good News to the hungry is food. The Good News to the homeless is shelter. The Good News to the hopeless is hope. You can help spread the Good News this year by your support of the Appeal.

Won't you join me and others from across the Diocese in sharing the Good News? Remember, no gift is too small or too big, all of it is appreciated by those in need. Envelopes are at the entrance of the church, respond to the Bishop's letter, or go online to setonpa.com or annualappeal.org and let's meet the challenge set before us this year.

With every warm wish and blessing for you.

Father Joe Pisaneschi
Pastor

PARISH STAFF

Pastoral Ministry

- ◆ Rev. Joseph Pisaneschi, V.F.
Pastor
- ◆ Rev. Anthony Urban
Assisting Celebrant
- ◆ Deacon John Ziegler
Permanent Deacon
- ◆ Lorraine Raymond
Pastoral Associate
- ◆ Sister Jane Ellis, IHM
Pastoral Care Minister
- ◆ Mr. John Bankus Sr.
Deacon Candidate

Finance Office

- ◆ Monica Salis
Business Manager

Religious Education

- ◆ Sister Marion Tarone, IHM
Director of Religious Education

Music Ministry

- ◆ Margaret Semanek
Director of Liturgical Music
- ◆ Joseph Sabol
Assistant Organist
- ◆ Cora Artim
Youth Choir Director
- ◆ Scott Coates
5:30 PM Mass Musician

Sacristans

- ◆ Christopher Calore
- ◆ Patricia Quinn
- ◆ Betsy Evanski

Maintenance and Cleaning

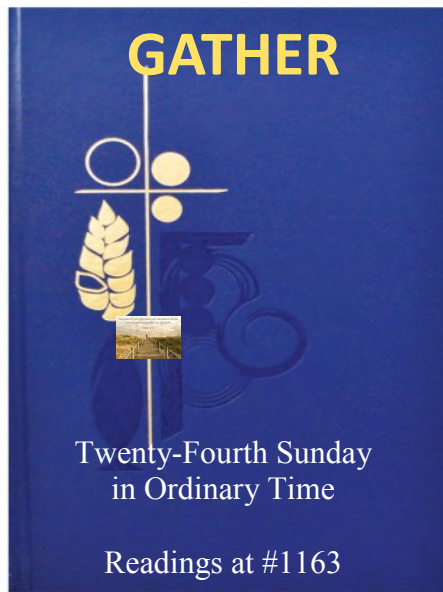
- ◆ Christopher Calore
Director of Maintenance
- ◆ Gertrude Brown
- ◆ John Sartin
- ◆ Salvatore Piccillo
Weekend Maintenance
- ◆ Phil Bosha
St. Mary's Cemetery Maintenance


Pastoral Council, Chair

- ◆ Ann Marie Aed

Finance Council, Chair

- ◆ Michael Perhach



Diocese of Scranton
2019 **DIOCESAN**
ANNUAL APPEAL 

SERVING IN *faith* WITH HOPE
AND GRATITUDE

FESTIVAL APPRECIATION PARTY NEXT SUNDAY

We would like to take the opportunity to thank all of those who helped in any way with our successful summer Festival. We will be hosting a dinner in your honor on **SUNDAY, September 22nd, at 1:30pm in our church hall.** Please join us! We do have lots to be thankful for, namely all of you, and your hard work which is always worthy of celebration. Sign-up sheets are on the tables at the church entrance. (Reservations will close Sunday, September 15th.)

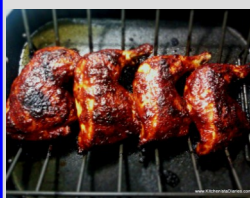
YOUTH CHOIR

All children and youth ages 5-17 are invited to participate in the Youth Choir. It is a wonderful opportunity to grow your children's confidence, poise, and public speaking and acting skills. They learn to cantor, speak publicly, embrace role and character acting, form great friendships, and act in roles of leadership. They learn voice technique and about music...all for free. They participate in an original play each year. Gift your children with this wonderful opportunity. Youth Choir will resume **Monday, September 16, 2019, in the church near the baby grand piano at 4:30 until 5:55 PM.** Masses are at 11:00am on the First Sunday of the month. Roles will be assigned in early October, so please enroll your child early.

ADULT CHOIR

"With one heart and One Voice come make some Joyful Noise to the Lord!" **ADULT CHOIR** rehearsals are held on **Wednesdays from 6:30pm to 8pm** in the **choir loft.** Come join us and bring a friend!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FALL CHICKEN BBQ



Come join us on **Sunday, September 29th,** in our school cafeteria from 11am-3pm. A half BBQ Chicken, Baked Potato, Coleslaw, and Dessert. Cost is \$9.00 per dinner. Sign-up sheets are on the tables at the church entrance. Tickets will also be available at the door while supplies last.



Faith Formation

Register today!!

GETTING READY FOR ANOTHER YEAR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION!

CCD Classes begin on **September 14th** for the Saturday classes (9am-10:15am), and **September 16th** for the Monday evening classes (6pm-7:15pm). If you have not yet registered your child/children, please do so as soon as possible. Registration forms are on the tables at the church entrance and also online at setonpa.com.

CATECHETICAL SUNDAY & BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS TODAY

Today, Sunday, **September 15th**, is **Catechetical Sunday**. All CCD teachers & students are asked to attend the 11:00am Mass. Students in all grades are asked to bring their **BACKPACKS**. Fr. Joe will have a Special Blessing for the CCD teachers, students, & backpacks.

R.C.I.A.

R.C.I.A. is a program for adults interested in becoming members of the Catholic Church, or coming into full communion with the faith community. It is especially tailored to: those who have never been baptized; those who have been baptized Catholic, but never received the sacraments of Eucharist/Confirmation; those who have no church to call their own; those who have been baptized in another Christian church and would like to come into full communion with the Catholic Church.

R.C.I.C.

The R.C.I.C. program is similar to RCIA, but geared toward children. Please call Father Joe or Lori Raymond for more information.

Parents Please NOTE: If any family is not able to afford the fee(s) associated with CCD, please see Sr. Marion or Father Joe. No one should be deprived of Religious Education over a silly thing like money. Our children's souls are worth more than any dollar amount.

CCD SCHEDULE

Classes in September:

Saturday: 14th, 21st, 28th
Monday: 16th, 23rd, 30th

Classes in October:

Saturdays: 5th, 19th, 26th
Mondays: 7th, 21st, 28th
No Class: 12th or 14th (Columbus Day)

October 5th: ALL 7th grade Confirmation students—Retreat @St. Ignatius Parish, Kingston 9:30am-noon

FAMILY MASS: Sunday, **Oct. 6th**, 11:00am mass **ALL GRADES**, followed by social in church hall



WANTED
Arts & Crafts
Vendors

SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE ANNUAL CRAFT SHOW VENDORS WANTED!

The Social Concerns Committee is seeking Homemade Craft Vendors for their Annual Fall Craft Show, scheduled for **Saturday, November 2, 2019, from 9am to 3pm**. Please note this show features only homemade crafts, not commercially-produced items. For further information, please speak with one of the committee members or visit www.setonpa.com and click on the "Fall Craft Show" button to download a copy of the Vendor Contract. For more info., contact Mary Ann Martinsky at 570-287-3484. We kindly request that you do not call the church for information. Thank you!

SETON VITALS

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Web: setonpa.com

Extension Numbers:

Ext. 2 Mass Schedule

Ext. 3 Religious Ed

Ext. 100 Lori Raymond
setonpa@aol.com

Ext. 105 Fr. Joe
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Ext. 113 Monica Salis
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Ext. 116 Sister Marion
sistermarion@setonpa.com

Ext. 117 Sister Jane
sisterjane@setonpa.com

Ext. 130 Deacon Jack

Ext. 133 Chris Calore

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday –Thursday 8:30am-5:00pm

Friday 8:30am-3:00pm

Weekend and evenings by appointment

The parish offices are closed on all Holy Days of Obligation and Federal Holidays.

RECONCILIATION:

Saturdays

3:45pm-4:15pm or by appointment

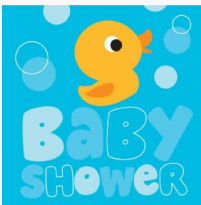
OTHER COLLECTIONS:

August 24-25, 2019

Parish Groups Collection-

Christian Mothers: \$638.00

SOCIAL CONCERNS PRO-LIFE BABY SHOWER



On the consecutive weekends of **September 14th & 15th, and September 21st & 22nd**, the Social Concerns Committee will be sponsoring its annual **Baby Shower** to support the Pro-Life Center in Wilkes-Barre. This year, the Center is in need of diapers- sizes Newborn to size 2, Baby Wipes, and new or gently used infant clothing. These supplies mean a great deal to those families who may be struggling to provide for their newborn child. A playpen will be placed at the church entrance (near the Reconciliation Room) to receive your donations. Thank you and God bless you for your generosity!

UPCOMING FUNDRAISERS



Friday, October 4th—**Chicken Pot Pies**

Cost is \$6.00 each. Pick-up times are noon to 2pm or 5-6pm in the school cafeteria. Sign up sheets are on the tables at the church entrance.

Friday, October 18th—Sweet Pizza

Friday, November 8th—Pasties

Friday, November 22nd—Cheesecakes, plain or raspberry topping

CHRISTIAN MOTHERS FALL RUMMAGE SALE

It's that time again to start cleaning out your closets, bedrooms, garages, kitchens, etc., and bring your unwanted items to our Rummage Sale in the School Gym on the following dates: **COLLECTION DATES: Monday, October 7th from 9am to 5pm, and Tuesday, October 8th from 9am to 3pm.** We accept clothing, shoes, purses,



household items, glassware, sports & holiday items, books, toys, tools, jewelry, DVDs, CDs, etc., etc. **Please NO TVs, encyclopedias, or text books.** SALE DATES: Monday, October 14th, 9am-6pm, and Tuesday, October 15th, 9am-5pm. Tuesday is \$2/bag day. We will have a Bake Sale, and lunch will be available with homemade haluski & wimpies. We need donations of baked goods. ***Anyone who is able to bake, please bring the items to the gym the mornings of the sale, October 14 & 15. Thanks so much!***

Weekly Offering

August 24-25, 2019 \$7931.26

August 31-Sept. 1, 2019 \$9721.25

Love and generosity start here at home. We are grateful for your faithful stewardship which sustains the life of our parish, supports our outreach and ministries, as well as maintains the level of staffing needed to put our mission into action. Thank you for your gift of treasure and commitment to do God's work here at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEMBERSHIP DRIVE—PLEASE NOTE: DATE OF INSTALLATION HAS CHANGED!!!!

“There is a call deep within each man to go deeper and reach higher to become the man God made him to be. In a world full of challenges, the Knights of Columbus equips men to answer the call to lead with faith, protect their families, serve others, and defend their values.” The nearly 2 million members of the Knights of Columbus form the largest Catholic fraternal group in existence. As Knights, we serve our parish and community while working each day to create a better world through charity. If you are looking to live out your faith in the spirit of charity by helping others, our Knights of Columbus council welcomes you to join us. As a member of our council, you will strengthen your faith & become a better Catholic, husband, & father. Through your support of our parish & community, you will form friendships with fellow Knights that can last a lifetime. ***We will be conducting an Installation ceremony, on Tuesday, September 17, 2019, at 6pm here in our church hall.*** If you are currently a member at another council & wish to transfer here to our council, you can do so by just filling out one of our forms. To sign up or for more information, ***call/text Mark Perugino, Grand Knight at 570-262-2896.***

DIOCESAN DAY OF SERVICE 2019

In response to our Holy Father’s challenge & the recommendations of members of the young church, our diocesan Offices for Parish Life & Vocations are once again sponsoring a Diocesan Day of Service for those aged 16 to 35 & adult chaperones on **Saturday, September 21, 2019**. This year, the Day of Service will follow a theme based around the World Day of Care for Creation. The Day of Care for Creation, held annually on the first Sunday in September, celebrates the natural world & encourages action to protect the environment & all creation. Many of our placements this year will focus on this theme. Online Registration (dioceseofscranton.org) will close on Monday, September 16. Once you register, you will receive an email confirmation with your exact schedule for the day. If you have any questions, call Dominick Costantino at 570-207-1452.

BUS PILGRIMAGE TO THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF THE DIVINE MERCY, STOCKBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS

Saturday, October 5th. Bus leaves at 7:00am from the Oblates of St. Joseph (Rear parking lot), 1880 Highway 315, Pittston. Estimated arrival at the shrine is 11am. All events will take place at the Mother of Mercy Outdoor Shrine. Cost is \$75 per person. Includes complimentary snack items & water, bus trip, Shrine fee, bus driver’s tip, & a full course meal at Cork ‘N Hearth Restaurant in Lee, MA. Please contact Trip Coordinator, Cathy Mack, for reservations. 570-654-6063.

BOY SCOUT 6TH ANNUAL CAR SHOW & FLEA MARKET

Boy Scout Troop #143 would like to invite you to join us for a day of fun with music. Flea market vendors, raffle baskets, & great food at our 6th Annual Car Show & Flea Market, to be held at Hugh B. Hughes Funeral Home Parking Lot, 1044 Wyoming Ave., Forty Fort, on Sunday, **September 22nd, from 9am-3pm**. Rain date is Sunday, Sept. 29. For more info., call Caroline Magistro at 570-288-0294.



ROSARY RALLY

Please come to the 43rd Annual Rosary Rally on **Sunday, October 6th**, at **Our Lady of Hope Parish, 40 Park Ave., Wilkes-Barre**. Procession begins at 2:00pm. Devotions & Mass at 3:00pm. Cake & coffee reception to follow! Come and pray as Our Lady of Fatima has asked. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus.

TAKE-OUT PIGGIE DINNER

St. Michael’s Byzantine Catholic Church, 205 N. Main St., Pittston, is having a TAKE OUT PiGGIE DINNER on Thursday, September 26th, from 4-6pm. Dinner costs \$10.00. Everyone is welcome! Place your order with Linda at 570-905-7387 by Wednesday, September 25th.

RACHEL’S VINEYARD RETREAT

Abortion impacts everyone in its path. Our Father is calling you home to heal. An intimate spiritual journey for those seeking to heal the impact of abortion in their life: November 1-3, 2019. For registration information contact: Denise Mengak at 570-822-7118 ext 3333, or drowinski@csswb.org, or Susan Walters at sueqz@verizon.net

NOTICE REGARDING REPORTING SEXUAL ABUSE OF A MINOR

It is the policy of the Diocese of Scranton to report any allegation of sexual abuse of a minor to law enforcement. If you are a victim of sexual abuse committed by a priest, deacon, religious or lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton, you are encouraged to immediately report the matter to law enforcement. If any priest, deacon, religious, lay employee, or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton has cause or reason to suspect that a minor has been subjected to any form of abuse, including child sexual abuse, the matter will be reported to law enforcement. It is also the policy of the Diocese to adhere to all civil and state regulations. To this end, the Diocese is equally committed to adhering to the norms of the Code of Canon Law and to upholding the tenets of the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, which includes supporting victims of sexual abuse in their pursuit of emotional and spiritual well-being. As such, information regarding an allegations of sexual abuse of a minor should also be reported to the Victim Assistance Coordinator, Mary Beth Pacuska at 570-862-7551.

Remembering

ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON PARISH
116 Hughes Street
Swoyersville, PA 18704

Sanctuary Candles



~In Memory of Emery & Joanna Marcin offered by granddaughter, Tara

~In Memory of Lou Michaels offered by Family



ALTAR FLOWERS

~In Memory of Robert Clark offered by Wife & Family

Monday, September 16

8:00 am Carl Zukosky Mary Jean Simpson

Tuesday, September 17

8:00am John & Helen Holland Shaner Family

Wednesday, September 18

8:00am Eleanor Cheskiewicz Barbara Stevens

Thursday, September 19

8:00am Andrew Husovsky Sr. Betsy, Dan, & Families

Friday, September 20

8:00am Elaine Yurko Satkowski Mother, Theresa & sister, Susan

Saturday, September 21

4:30 pm John Reggie Nephew, Felix

Sunday, September 22

8:30 am Joseph E. Sarneski Deacon Jack & Karen

11:00 am **Pro Populo**

5:30 pm Raymond Chimock Wife & Children

Sick, Hospitalized, Homebound?

Please contact Lori at the parish office if you or someone you know is homebound, hospitalized or in a long term or short term care facility. We want to keep track of all our parishioners and minister to the sick and aging the best we can, and we need to know their location to do that. Thank You.

BAPTISM SUNDAY



This weekend our parish celebrates the Baptism of:
~~*Reagan Ann Bordy*~~

Reagan will be baptized by water and the Holy Spirit after the 11:00am Mass today.

UPCOMING WEDDING

Saturday, September 21st, 1:00pm:
~*Joseph E. Thomas & Caitlyn M. Tichy*~

We are blessed to have JMJ Catholic Radio in Northeastern Pennsylvania; the only Catholic Radio Station in the Scranton Diocese. There are four locations from which we broadcast; Wilkes-Barre/Scranton at 98.9FM & 750AM, Hazelton at 1490AM & 100.1FM and Dushore at 91.7FM. Please spread the word that we exist and broadcast 24/7. Listening is an excellent way to deepen and learn the Catholic Faith. We are an EWTN feed but also have developed local programming and also promote Parish and Diocesan events.

