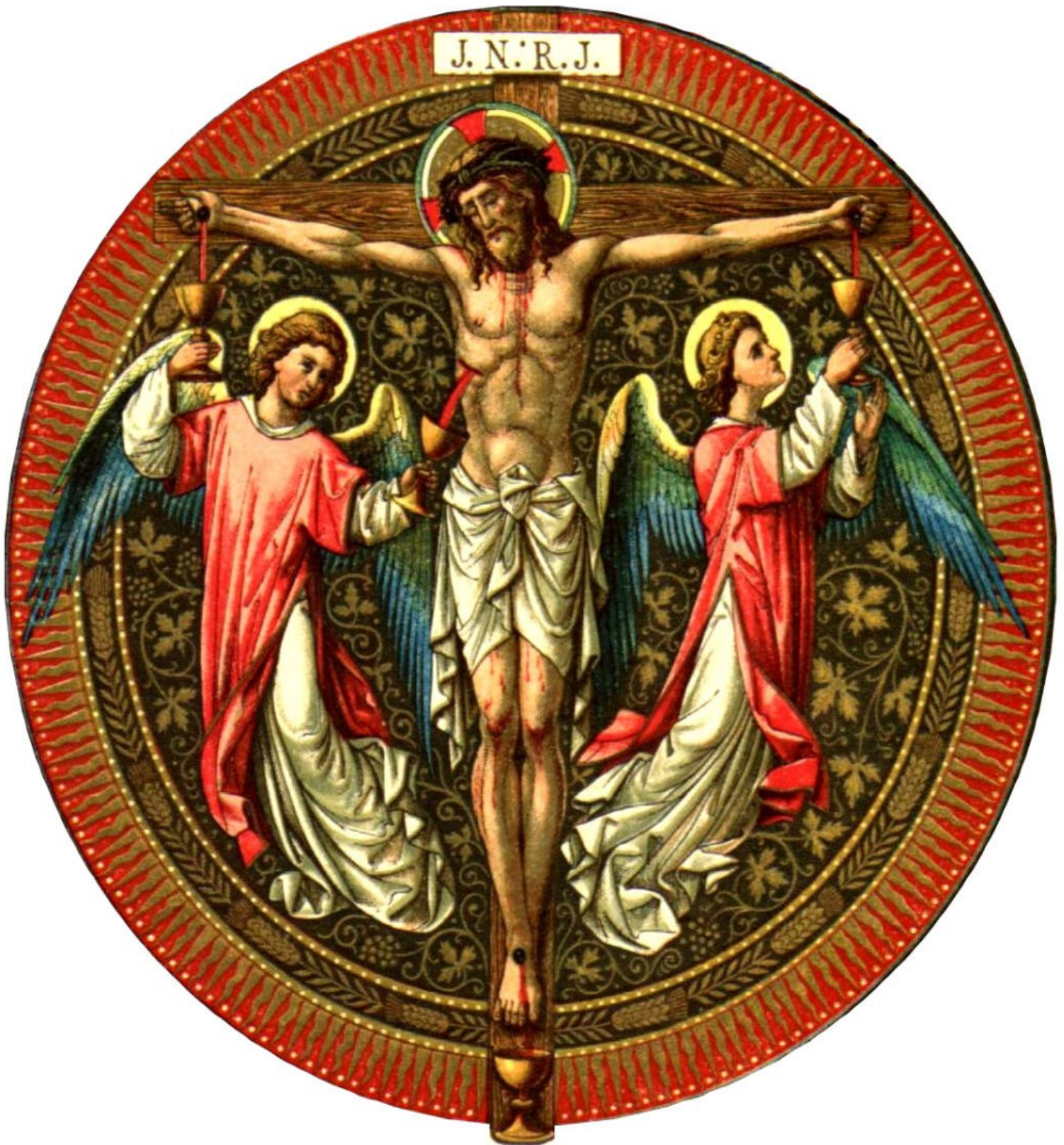


# The Seton Sentinel



The Most Holy Body and Blood of Jesus Christ

May 29, 2016

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### Office Hours:

Monday– Thursday  
8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
**Friday:**  
**8:30am to 3:00pm**

Parish Office is closed for all Holy Days of Obligation and Federal Holidays.

*Parish of the  
Diocese of Scranton*



## WELCOME TO OUR PARISH!

New to the area? Just visiting? You will find a warm welcome here! To become a registered member, please call the parish office during regular business hours.

### SETON ONLINE

Stay in touch with your parish on-line by "Liking" us on Facebook, Viewing our website [setonpa.com](http://setonpa.com) and now with your mobile device. Download the new Seton App from [setonpa.com](http://setonpa.com) and stay in touch with your parish on the go! Worship Schedules, Facebook, The Seton Sentinel and more! Download it today on your phone or ipad! Bulletins are posted each weekend to keep up with the parish happenings if you are away or just want a sneak peek at what's coming up for our parish.



## Memorial Day Weekend

Wishing all of you a Happy Memorial Day Weekend! And let us remember those who gave up their lives so that we might live free. Mass on Monday is at 9:00 am. Join us for this Liturgy if you are able.

### OFFICE CLOSED

Our parish office will be closed on Monday, May 30th, in observance of Memorial Day.

### CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN MOTHERS

Our CCM will meet today, Sunday, May 29th, at 2:00pm in our church hall. Membership is open to all women. Come join us!!!

### SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE

In *Evangelii Gaudium*, Pope Francis states that "an authentic faith...always involves a deep desire to change the world, to transmit values, to leave this earth somewhat better than we found it. We love this magnificent planet on which God has put us, and we love the human family which dwells here, with all its tragedies and struggles, its hopes and aspirations, its strengths and weaknesses." Come and help the Social Concerns Committee as we strive to change life in our community and 'leave this earth somewhat better than we found it.'

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Our Knights of Columbus want to thank each and everyone who helped in any way with the Chicken Barbeque last Sunday. Thanks to all who cooked, set up, cleaned up, sent baked goods, and to everyone who came and purchased the dinners. The Barbeque was a huge success thanks to everyone's help!!! See you in the fall!



### INVITATION TO 2016 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

All high school graduates from our parish are invited to participate in a Special Mass on **Sunday, June 26th, at the 10:00am Mass**. Mass will be followed by a breakfast, sponsored by our Holy Name Society, in our church hall for the graduates and their immediate families. Please RSVP by June 15th by calling Lori at the parish office: 570-287-6624 or email: [setonpa@aol.com](mailto:setonpa@aol.com)

### FESTIVAL HELP NEEDED

Our 2016 Festival will be held on July 14-15-16. Each year we struggle with getting our grounds prepared. We need able-bodied people to help guide our crews. We will be setting up the week of June 27th, from 9am to 3pm, and taking down the week of July 18th, from 9am to 3pm. Lunch will be served. For more information, call the parish office.

### FESTIVAL DONATIONS NEEDED

We are now accepting donations of the following items for our 2016 festival: **Napkins, Paper towels, 9" styrofoam plates, Styrofoam containers (9x9 one-section and 3-section), and 6x6 styrofoam containers, ketchup, vegetable oil, aluminum foil.** We need bottles of whiskey, wine, brandy, & other spirits. We are also asking for small toys that can be used as prizes at the children's game stands. These can be purchased at a local dollar store, etc. They need not be expensive, but must be new. We appreciate whatever you can do!!! **NOTE:** We are also in need of powdered laundry detergent.



## Parish Staff

Cora Artim  
*Children's Choir*  
Phil Bosha  
*Maintenance*  
Chris Calore  
*Maintenance*  
Scott Coates  
*Contemporary Mass Musician*  
Sister Jane Ellis, IHM  
*Parish Social Minister*  
Margaret Loveless  
*Director of Religious Education*  
Rev. Joseph J. Pisaneschi  
**Pastor**  
Lori Raymond  
*Pastoral Associate*  
Joseph Sabol  
*Assistant Organist*  
Monica Salis  
*Business Manager*  
Marge Semanek  
*Director of Music*  
Rev. Anthony Urban  
*Weekend Celebrant*

### Direct Contacts

Office of Social Ministry (Sr. Jane): 570-763-5160  
Faith Formation Office: 570-287-4587  
Father Joe's email: [fatherjoey@aol.com](mailto:fatherjoey@aol.com)  
Parish direct email: [setonpa@aol.com](mailto:setonpa@aol.com)

Bulletin deadline: Friday, one week prior to the publication week.

## HOLY FAMILY FOOD PANTRY

The Holy Family Food Pantry in Luzerne is in need of canned fruit, peanut butter, jelly, canned meat (Spam), and canned stews. A box for donations is located in our vestibule, on the left side as you enter the church. Thank you!

## NEW ALTAR SERVER REGISTRATION

Father Joe will be having an Altar Server Training Class in the summer. All girls and boys, who will be in third grade and up to seniors, and have received their First Holy Communion, are welcome to join our Altar Server Ministry. Parents, please call Lori at the office to register your child or for more information.

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

It's almost time for us to dive into *Deep Sea Discovery* adventure. Vacation Bible School 2016 will be held Monday, June 27th through Friday, July 1 from 9:00 AM until 12:00 PM. Students age Pre-K (age 4) through 4th grade are invited to join us as we discover that **God is with me wherever I go**. There will be lots of fun and faith filled activities including music, games, Bible stories, crafts and snacks. The registration deadline is Wednesday, June 1st. Registration forms are available on the tables at the church entrance or online at [setonpa.com](http://setonpa.com) - just click on the link for VBS on the homepage. We need lots of adult and student volunteers to make our Vacation Bible School successful. Volunteer forms are also available at the back of the church. Help is needed both during the week of VBS as well as creating artwork/decorations and set up the week of June 20th - June 24th in the evening. If you have any questions or need more information, please contact Margaret Loveless at 570-855-5118.

## NO PARKING, PLEASE



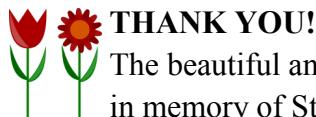
We kindly ask our parishioners to please not park in the parking lot of the business across the street from our church. It is a private parking lot. We have acquired the lots behind the church to alleviate parking issues. Please use these lots. Also, park only in designated parking spaces in our finished parking lots. Cars that are blocking walkways and driveways can restrict emergency vehicles. This includes the driveways. No parking in non-marked spaces. Thank you for your cooperation.

## 11TH ANNUAL TOUR OF HISTORICAL CHURCHES

We are opening the doors of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish the afternoon of Sunday, June 26th, for the 11th Annual Tour of Historical Churches. This tour includes a visit to the Forty Fort Meeting House, with its historic significance, the oldest existing house of worship in the Wyoming Valley. The tour is offered free of charge with the exception of the \$2.00 donation asked by the caretakers of the Forty Fort Meeting House. If you have any questions, please call Jan Lokuta, Esq., in the evening at 570-296-2181.

## FATHER'S DAY CARDS

During the month of June, seven masses will be said for the living & deceased fathers whose names are submitted on the Father's Day envelopes found on the tables at the church entrance. If you are submitting the names of fathers who are living, please take the large envelope which has a card enclosed that you can give to your father; for fathers who are deceased, please take the small envelope without the card. These can be returned in the collection basket.



## THANK YOU!

The beautiful annual flowers that have been planted around the church, rectory, & garage have been donated in memory of Stephen & Helen Gaydos, offered by their children. Thank you and may God bless you.

### VOICES FOR VOCATIONS

Don't forget to pray for vocations each day at either 1:00 p.m. or 7:00 p.m. A simple lifting of your heart to the Father and asking for more young people to answer His call is all it takes. Or, by all means, if you know a special prayer for vocations or a decade or more of the rosary at the same time each day (doesn't necessarily have to be 1:00 or 7:00 pm) or whenever you can.

### SETON PRAYER CHAIN

We have formed a Prayer Chain in our parish. We all need each other's prayers. We need volunteers who can pray for our requests. A prayer chain is a network of individuals who will receive prayer requests and thanksgivings, forward them to the next available person in the network, and will pray immediately for each request. We need volunteers who can be "prayer warriors" or "prayer partners". Once we receive a request from our parishioners and friends, we would call you with the requested intention, and then, in turn, you would call a designated fellow prayer partner with the intention, and they, in turn, would call the designated prayer partner with the intention, and so on and so forth. Gail Kimmerle has volunteered to lead our Prayer Chain. If you are able to be one of our prayer partners, please call Gail at 570-690-7520. She will then make a list of prayer partners, and will let you know who you would

## Church Finances

### COLLECTION REPORT May 14/15, 2016

SUNDAY: \$6270.00 DUES: \$777.00 LOOSE: \$475.27 E-GIVING: \$292.55  
HOLY DAY (Ascension): \$43.00 TOTAL: \$7857.82

### DIOCESAN:

Care & Education of Priests (May): \$305.00 ; Catholic Home Missions: \$20.00  
Catholic Communications Campaign: \$19.00

Society's Special Envelopes for May benefit our Knights of Columbus. For June, our Altar Guild.

**May God bless you for your generosity!**



### ST. PAUL CENTER FOR BIBLICAL THEOLOGY

By Dr. Scott Hahn

#### Blessed and Given

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Cycle C)

Genesis 14:18-20; Psalm 110:1-41 ; Corinthians 11:23-26; Luke 9:11-17

At the dawn of salvation history, God revealed our future in figures. That's what's going on in today's First Reading: A king and high priest comes from Jerusalem (see Psalm 76:3), offering bread and wine to celebrate the victory of God's beloved servant, Abram, over his foes.

By his offering, Melchizedek bestows God's blessings on Abram. He is showing us, too, how one day we will receive God's blessings and in turn "bless God" - how we will give thanks to Him for delivering us from our enemies, sin and death.

As Paul recalls in today's Epistle, Jesus transformed the sign of bread and wine, making it a sign of His body and blood, through which God bestows upon us the blessings of His "new covenant."

Jesus is "the priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek," that God, in today's Psalm, swears will rule from Zion, the new Jerusalem (see Hebrews 6:20-7:3). By the miracle of loaves and fishes, Jesus in today's Gospel, again prefigures the blessings of the Eucharist.

Notice that He *takes* the bread, *blesses* it, *breaks* it, and *gives* it to the Twelve. You find the precise order and words in the Last Supper (see Luke 22:19) and in His celebration of the Eucharist on the first Easter night (see Luke 24:30).

The Eucharist fulfills the offering of Melchizedek. It is the daily miracle of the heavenly high priesthood of Jesus. It is a priesthood He conferred upon the Apostles in ordering them to feed the crowd, in filling exactly twelve baskets with leftover bread - in commanding them on the night He was handed over: "Do this in remembrance of Me."

Through His priests He still feeds us in "the deserted place" of our earthly exile. And by this sign He pledges to us a glory yet to come. For as often as we share in His body and blood, we proclaim His victory over death, until He comes again to make His victory our own. *A service of the St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology*

### 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. In accordance with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Child Protective Services Laws, reports of suspected child abuse should also be made immediately by phone to the 24-Hour Child Abuse hotline (ChildLine) at 1-800-932-0313 or electronically at [www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis](http://www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis)

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 allegation of sexual abuse of a minor should also be reported to the Victim Assistance Coordinator, Joseph DeVizia at (570-862-7551) or to Diocesan officials, including the Vicar General, Monsignor Thomas M. Muldowney, V.G., at (570-207-2269).

### **Triduum and Feast of Saint Joseph Marelo**

The Oblate of St. Joseph Fathers will hold the annual Triduum and Feast of their Founder. **The Triduum** (*three days of prayers*) will be held on May 27–28–29 at the Oblates of St. Joseph Chapel, Route 315, with a Holy Mass at 11:00AM and 7:00PM. Novena prayers and blessing with the St. Joseph Marelo Relic will conclude each Mass. **The Feast** will be celebrated on Monday, Memorial Day, May 30th with a Solemn Mass at 7:00 PM. Serving as celebrant and homilist will be Bishop James Timlin, D.D. retired Bishop of Scranton. Concelebrants will be the local Oblate Fathers. The music will be provided by the Knights of Columbus Choir under the direction of David Tighe. Following the Holy Mass, an outdoor reception will be held for everyone on the seminary grounds hosted by the members of the Josephite-Marellian Lay Association of Pennsylvania. **YOU** are invited. Offer your personal petitions to St. Joseph Marelo on his feast day.

### **HEALING MASS**

A Healing Mass with Fr. Pio Mandato will be celebrated on the Vigil of the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, on Thursday, June 2nd, at 7pm, at St. Monica's Parish, West Wyoming. All are welcome to come, pray, & be healed. "Come unto Me all who are weary and heavily burdened, and I will give you rest..."

### **FIRST FRIDAY-FEAST OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS**

On Friday, June 3rd, at the St. Joseph Seminary Chapel, 1880 Highway 315, Laflin, the Blue Army will celebrate the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The Rosary will be recited at 7pm during which time confessions will be heard. Beginning at 7:30pm, music ministry will be provided by the Sacred Heart Singers, under the direction of Ernie Pappa & Jennifer Michel. At 8pm, a Holy Mass in honor of the The Sacred Heart of Jesus will be celebrated by Father Joseph Sibilano, director of the OSJ Seminary. The First Friday Reparation Vigil will include the usual devotions to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Our Lady of Fatima. Everyone is invited to attend.

**NEPA Warriors Athletic Association** will be conducting a *Summer Activity Camp* here at our gym. The camp, under the direction of Mr. David Coassolo, will run four times: Camp 1 (June 20-24), Camp 2 (July 25-29), Camp 3 (August 1-5) and Camp 4 (August 8-12). Each camp will have 2 sessions per day: 9:00 a.m. - 12 Noon for Grades 3 & 4 and 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. for Grades 5 & 6. Mr. Coassolo is a P.E. Teacher at Good Shepherd Academy. Cost for the camp is \$125.00 per week or one pre-payment of \$400.00 for all 4 weeks. For more information contact Mr. David Coassolo at (570) 677-8129 or [gsagym@gsa.org](mailto:gsagym@gsa.org) **Applications are available on the tables at the church entrance.**

### **Paint N Pizza**

The Kiwanis Club of Swoyersville invites the children of the local communities to take part in a fun afternoon at our Paint N Pizza program on Sunday, June 12<sup>th</sup> at St Elizabeth Ann Seton School Cafeteria, Hughes Street, Swoyerville from 1pm to 3pm. Each child will choose 1 of 3 painting to be created on their own 8x10 canvas. Maybe the relaxing Turtle, the happy Frog or the Cat gazing at the moon. All art supplies are provided. Children will be working with acrylic paint so please dress accordingly. Children will also be treated to cheese pizza and refreshments. **Children must be 5 years of age or older.** Price is \$15 per child, adult admission is free. All children must be accompanied by an adult and only children painting will be admitted. Tickets will be on sale through June 4<sup>th</sup>. Call Kathy at 570-283-1677 or email [swoyk1951@comcast.net](mailto:swoyk1951@comcast.net) to reserve your canvas. Space is limited so make your reservation early. All proceeds from the event will support the "WVCA" – Wyoming Valley Children's Association



**Northeastern PA Region of AACA** Presents 55th Annual Car Show & Flea Market, Sunday, June 5, 2016, at the Wyoming Valley Airport, Wyoming Ave., Forty Fort. Gates open at 8am. Car Show is 10-3pm, with judging at noon. Awards at 3pm. 36 Classes of vehicles. Featured class this year "STREET ROD". Food, handicap parking, airplane displays, and plane rides for a fee. Spectator Admission: \$2.00/person or \$5.00/car load. For more information on vehicle entries or flea market participation, visit our website: [www.nepraaca.org](http://www.nepraaca.org) or call Stephanie 570-817-1899.



### **COMPASSIONATE CARE HOSPICE NEEDS VOLUNTEERS**

"Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better. It's not." Dr. Seuss  
Compassionate Care Hospice needs volunteers to visit with hospice patients in nursing homes, assisted living facilities, and in private residences. A few hours of your time means the world to our patients seeking companionship.  
Contact: Sylvia Kolosinsky, Volunteer Coordinator, 570-451-1031, or email: [Sylvia.kolosinsky@cchnet.net](mailto:Sylvia.kolosinsky@cchnet.net)

***SAINT ELIZABETH ANN SETON, PRAY FOR US!***



# Mass Schedule & Intentions

**Monday, May 30** *Memorial Day*  
**9:00 am** Rose Marie Bozinko Amershek Friend, Anna Mae Venetz

**Tuesday, May 31** *The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary*  
 8:00 am For the Health of Stephanie Sweeney Mom, Dad, & Carolyn

**Wednesday, June 1** *St. Justin*  
 8:00 am Mother's Day Intentions

**Thursday, June 2** *Ss. Marcellinus & Peter*  
 8:00 am John & Julia Saypack Daughter, Rita Williamson

**Friday, June 3** *The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus*  
 8:00am John Tobias Jerry O'Donnell

**Saturday, June 4** **Vigil: 10th Sunday of the Year**  
 4:00pm Elaine Smith Joe & Terri Burgess  
 5:30pm Tony & Agatha Urban Richard Adamchik & Family

**Sunday, June 5** **10th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 8:30 am Leo Venetz Wife, Anna Mae  
 10:00 am Catherine Mucha Family  
 11:30 am Eleanor Wojnarski Children  
 5:30 pm *Pro Populo*

## Rest in Peace

~Richard G. Belza~ May his soul and all the souls of the Faithful Departed, Through the Mercy of God, Rest in Peace. Amen.

## Sanctuary Candles

- In Memory of Stanley Kudey offered by Wife & Children
- In Memory of Selensky, Ondish, & Rish Families offered by daughter, Gerry

## Flowers

~In Memory of Stanley Kudey offered by Wife & Children

## Celebrants for the Eucharist

**June 4**  
 4:00 pm Fr. Pisaneschi  
 5:30 pm Fr. Urban  
**June 5**  
 8:30 am Fr. Pisaneschi  
 10:00 am Fr. Pisaneschi  
 11:30 am Fr. Urban  
 5:30 pm Fr. Pisaneschi



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You, however, are the Body of Christ and His members. If, therefore, you are the Body of Christ and His members, your mystery is presented at the table of the Lord, you receive your mystery. To that which you are, you answer: 'Amen'; and by answering, you subscribe to it. For you hear: 'The Body of Christ!' and you answer: 'Amen!' Be a member of Christ's Body, so that your 'Amen' may be the truth.

~St. Augustine