

# St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish

# The Seton Sentinel

*30th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

October 26, 2014

Swoyersville, PA

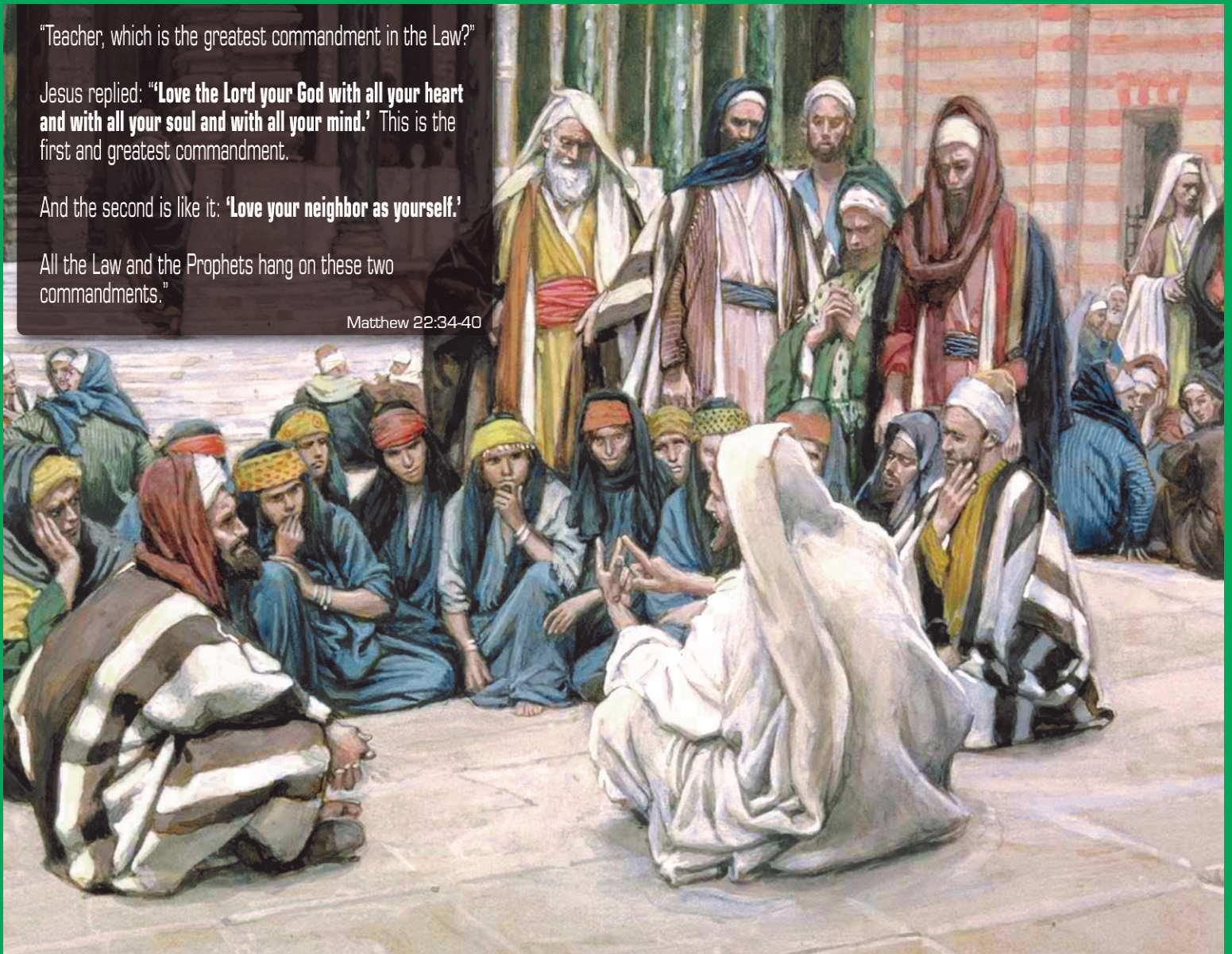
"Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?"

Jesus replied: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind." This is the first and greatest commandment.

And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'

All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments."

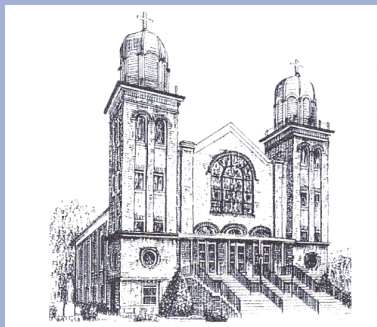
Matthew 22:34-40



# FORWARD IN FAITH

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**Office Hours:**

Monday– Friday  
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Weekends and Evenings  
by appointment only

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

**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.

**ALL SAINTS DAY**

Saturday, November 1st, is the Solemnity of All Saints. Because it falls on a Saturday this year it is not a Holy Day of Obligation. However, we will offer two masses for the Solemnity: Friday, October 31st at 4:00 p.m. (with special emphasis on the Children) and Saturday, November 1st at 8:00 a.m. Regularly scheduled Vigil Masses on Saturday evening will be the vigil mass of All Souls' Day, which falls on Sunday this year.

**ALL SAINTS VIGIL LITURGY**

On Friday, October 31st, we will have the All Saints Vigil Liturgy at 4:00 p.m. Students come dressed to Mass in appropriate costumes, followed by a Halloween Party in the church hall. A light meal will be served after mass so parents won't need to cook that night. Sign-up sheets for the party are on the tables at the church entrance.

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING**

The next PPC meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 4th at 6:30 in the rectory. All members are asked to be in attendance.

**CHURCH WORK**

In the next several weeks we will begin to do work on the inside of the church building as was previously mentioned in the *Sentinel*. New lighting will be installed which will, among other things, light up the Stations of the Cross and the crucifix and provide adequate lighting in the choir loft. The present lighting fixtures are not friendly to the new light bulbs that have replaced the traditional bulbs and just to replace the light bulbs to LED would cost about \$14,000.00. We tried doing one fixture with the LED bulbs, and it did not make a difference. Ours is one of the most spectacular church interiors in the area. The addition of state-of-the-art lighting will accent its beauty.

The carpeting has not been replaced since the mid 1990's. It is now 20 years old and showing its wear. The floor in the sanctuary is also uneven in spots. We are going to correct this by placing a hardwood and marble floor in the sanctuary with new carpeting throughout the church and tile in the votive candle areas where we seem to have some burn marks in the carpeting. We are expecting this all to take place in sections of the church at a time, so there is no need to move services during the weekday as far as we anticipate.

**MEMORIAL BRICKS /OUTSIDE PROJECT**

We hope to have the project with the corner stones, bell, and statute of Mother Seton completed very soon. The memorial/honorarium bricks are still available for purchase. One brick is \$125.00 or you can get 2 bricks for \$200.00, a \$50.00 savings. Bricks will be available until all are dedicated, so even if you don't get one right away, there should be some availability for the future.

The forms for the bricks are located on the tables at the entrance of the church. Return your completed form with payment to the rectory. There is also an opportunity to dedicate the Statue of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, (perhaps we could have several families come together to dedicate the statue). Contact Monica at the office for cost estimates. We will also have an opportunity for everyone to purchase a small replica of the statue for display in your home. More details to follow.

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



**Parish Staff**

- Cora Artim  
*Children's & 11:30 Choir*
- Phil Bosha  
*Maintenance*
- Chris Calore  
*Maintenance*
- Sister Jane Ellis, IHM  
*Parish Social Minister*
- Terry Jankoviak  
*Director of Faith Formation*
- 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**

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570-763-5160
- Faith Formation Office:  
570-287-4587
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- Parish direct email: [setonpa@aol.com](mailto:setonpa@aol.com)



**St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, pray for us!**

**FALL FUNDRAISERS—NEW PICK-UP TIME!!!  
APPLE DUMPLINGS-THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30TH**



Pick-up times for Dumplings have been changed. There will be only one pick-up time and that is from **3pm to 6pm.** Cost is \$3.50 each or 4/\$12.00.

~SWEET PIZZA—FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21ST

**ADVENT PIROHY SALES:** Dec. 5, 12, and 19. Due to increase in cost of ingredients, the cost will be \$7.00/dozen.

**HOLY NAME SOCIETY 50/50 RAFFLE**

Our Holy Name Society will be selling tickets for their 50/50 Raffle. Donation is \$5.00/ticket and drawing will be held on December 7th, just in time for Christmas shopping. Members will be selling tickets after weekend Masses in November (dates will be announced) or you may purchase from any HNS member. Questions: call Anna Mae 287-7655.

**SOCIAL CONCERNS PASTA DINNER**

Saturday, November 22nd, in the school cafeteria. More info to follow.

**PROPERTIES UP FOR BID**

The Finance Council of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish is offering once again, the two remaining properties from Holy Name—St. Mary's. The former convent at 14 Barber Street and the former rectory at 283 Shoemaker Street. The Finance Council will take the highest bid over \$35,000 for the Barber Street property, and the highest bid over \$200,000 for the Shoemaker Street address. **Subject to parish and diocesan approval.** The successful bidder will need to seal the bid and have it turned into the Seton Parish Rectory at 116 Hughes Street by October 31st at noon. No deposit is required but it would be expected that the highest bidder can come up with the funds in a timely fashion as agreed upon with the council. For more information or tours of the properties, contact Monica in the office.



**TO THE PARENTS OF OUR YOUNG CHILDREN, MAY WE SUGGEST...**

Relax! God put the wiggle in children, don't feel you have to suppress in God's house. All are welcome! Sit toward the front where it is easier to see and hear. Quietly explain the parts of the Mass.

Sing the hymns, pray and voice the responses. Children learn liturgical behavior by copying you. If you have to leave Mass with your child, please feel free to do so, but please come back. As Jesus said: "Let the children come to me." Remember that the way we welcome children in Church directly affects the way they respond to the Church, to God, to Christ and to one another. Let them know that they are at home in this house of worship.

**TO THE MEMBERS OF THE PARISH**

A smile of encouragement is always welcome to parents with small active children. The presence of children is a gift to the Church. They give us "A future full of hope."

**Parish Organizations:**

**Holy Name Society**

Our Holy Name Society meets on the 1st Sunday of each month after the 8:30am Mass in the church hall. New members are always welcome.

**Social Concerns Committee**

Our Social Concerns Committee meets every 3rd Thursday of the month at 7pm in the church hall. New members are always welcome.

**Knights of Columbus**

Our Knights of Columbus meet every 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7pm in the church hall. New members are always welcome.

**Youth Choir** Practice will be held at TWO different times. Practices are held on Sundays from 8:45am to 9:45am in the church hall or on Mondays from 5:00pm to 5:45pm in the Church. (Please Note: Practices are not held on the 1st Sunday of each month)

**SETON SENIOR SINGERS**

Our Seton Senior Choir, (all adult choir members) practices Wednesdays at 6:30 in the church by the baby grand piano. New Members are always welcome to join us. Come to as many practices and masses as you are able to make.

**THE SETON CAFÉ**

Open to Parents during Religious Education Instructions on Saturday morning and Monday evening. Join us for a coffee, tea and light refreshments in the school cafeteria.

**2014 DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL UPDATE:**

Latest figures from the Diocese:

19.8% of the parish has responded so far, or about 200 people. Our Goal is \$47,000.00 and we have raised \$26,105.00 so far. We are under \$29,895.00. With over 80% of the parish that we are still waiting to hear from, we should have no trouble making our goal if everyone does the best that they can for the Appeal. God’s needy people are counting on us.

**ADULT CONTINUING FAITH FORMATION**

This year’s theme is Praying as Disciples: Going Deeper into our Relationship with Jesus. Join us next time on the following dates:  
 Tuesday, November 4, 18 after the 8:00 a.m. Mass  
 Thursday, November 6, 20. at 7:00 p.m.



**SETON’S KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CARE & SHARE**

**WE NEED YOUR HELP ON NOV 8TH & NOV. 15TH**

The St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Knights of Columbus will be going door-to-door on Saturday, November 8th, passing out door hangers for our Care & Share Program, a non-perishable food collection for local families in need. Look for the doorknob hangers on your front doors. The groceries will be picked up from your home on Saturday, November 15th and then will be packed & ready for our needy families for Thanksgiving & Christmas distribution. If you or someone you know in our parish or local area is in need of groceries for the holidays, please call Lori Raymond, Pastoral Associate, at the rectory. All calls are confidential. **WE NEED HELP ON SAT. NOV 8TH AT 9AM TO HELP PASS OUT THE DOOR HANGERS, AND ALSO ON SAT. NOV. 15TH AT 10AM TO HELP PICK UP THE FOOD.** Students who need service hours, parents, and all parishioners who can help, please **report to the School Cafeteria at the above dates & times.** Questions: call Mark 262-2896.

**THANK YOU!**

Our Knights of Columbus want to thank everyone who helped to make the Chicken Barbeque a huge success. Thanks to all volunteers and to everyone who came out to purchase the dinners!

**LIGHTHOUSE BOOKS & CDs**

Our “rolling library” of books & CDs has been updated with new material. Please check it out. For a small donation, you can find some good materials that can edify your spiritual life.

**COLLECTION REPORT**

OCTOBER 11/12, 2014

SUNDAY: \$6412.50	DUES: \$3565.00
DAY’S WAGE: \$15.00	LOOSE: \$477.35
<b>TOTAL: \$10,469.85</b>	

DIOCESAN:  
 CARE & EDUCATION OF PRIESTS: \$131.00  
 May God bless you for your generosity!

## THE SACRAMENTS

### Baptism

Expecting or new parents are asked to contact the Parish Office as soon as possible to make the arrangements and if necessary, attend the Pre-Baptismal Session. The celebration of the Sacrament is held after the 11:30 a.m. Mass on Sundays.

### Confirmation

The Sacrament is celebrated for 8th grade students each spring semester. Students must be consecutively enrolled in our Parish Religious Education Program or in Catholic Schools to be eligible. Students must meet all requirements set by the Diocese of Scranton and the Parish.

### Matrimony

Couples planning to get married are asked to contact the parish office as soon as possible (no less than 6 months prior) to reserve a date and begin the necessary paper work. The dates at the Church are not guaranteed until an actual meeting with the pastor takes place.

### Anointing of the Sick

To receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, please contact the parish Priest, day or night. When someone is very ill please do not wait to call the priest. It is better to have the sacrament of the sick sooner rather than at the last minute.

### For ordinary sick calls

#### (Non-Emergency):

Please notify the Parish Social Ministry Office at (570) 763-5160 if you would like a parish representative to visit a family member who is hospitalized, homebound, or in a nursing home. In compliance with HIPAA regulations (Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act), health care facilities are required to protect the confidentiality and security of health data. Therefore, the only way that the parish can be informed of someone needing assistance is through notification by a family member of friend.

### Reconciliation

Saturdays: 3:15 p.m.-3:45 p.m.  
or anytime by request



## In the Community:

Swoyersville Kiwanis Club invites all ghosts & goblins, super heroes, & princesses to come out to the 1st Swoyersville Kiwanis "Trunk or Treat" tailgate party. This free event will be held here today, Sunday, October 26th from 3 to 5pm at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church & School grounds.

The Maltby Volunteer Fire Co. will hold a Boot Drive here after all Masses on the weekend of November 15-16. Please be generous.



### K of C All You Can Eat Breakfast Today

Knights of Columbus, Council 3987, 59 Parry St., Luzerne, will have an All-You-Can Eat Breakfast today, Sunday, Oct. 26th, from 8am to noon. Cost is \$8/person and \$4/children ages 4 thru 12. Tickets are available at the door.

### HOLIDAY CRAFT/VENDOR FAIR

The Guild of St. Elizabeth of Hungary/St. Mark Parish Community will host a Craft Fair on Sunday, Nov. 9th, from 12 noon to 5pm in the parish center of St. Elizabeth Church, 5700 Bear Creek Blvd., Bear Creek. There will be Holiday Crafts along with popular vendors. Refreshments & baked goods will be sold; admission is free. Space is still available for crafters or vendors. Call 472-3061 or email: [stelimar@ptd.net](mailto:stelimar@ptd.net) for more information.

### CRAFT SHOW

Cyrenians of St. Leo's/Holy Rosary Church, 33 Manhattan St., Ashley, will hold a Craft Show in the church hall on Sunday, December 7th, from 8am to 3pm. Cost is \$25/table & chair. Call Jackie Lehman at 823-6633 for more information. Food & beverages available.

### HOLY REDEEMER HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE TODAY

Sunday, October 26th, from 1pm to 3pm.  
159 S. Pennsylvania Blvd, Wilkes-Barre

### IRISH HISTORY CONTEST

Students of Luzerne County are once again invited to submit entries to the Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians 2014-15 Irish History Contest. Contest is open to **ANY students in grades 6 thru 12**. This year's topic: The Role of the Irish People in the American Civil War. For contest rules and list of cash prizes, visit [www.ladiesaoh.com](http://www.ladiesaoh.com) or call Mary Ellen Dooley at 735-1711. Deadline is November 15, 2014.



Being Christian is like being a pumpkin. God lifts you up, takes you in and washes all the dirt off you. He opens you up, touches you deep inside and scoops out all the yucky stuff, including the seeds of doubt, the seeds of hate, the seeds of greed, etc. Then He carves you a new smiling face and puts His Light inside you to shine for all the world to see.





# Liturgical Schedule and Intentions

**Monday, October 27**

8:00 a.m. Peter Linsky Alice & Mary Mochan

**Tuesday, October 28 Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles**

8:00 a.m. John A. Charney Wife, Theresa

**Wednesday, October 29**

8:00 a.m. Joan Blockus Plava

**Thursday, October 30**

8:00 a.m. Charles Liguori Wife

**Friday, October 31**

8:00 a.m. Leo Ryan Joe & Kate

**4:00 p.m. Pro Populo**

**Saturday, November 1 (All Saints /All Souls' Vigil)**

8:00 a.m. Robert Hanley Janine & Dante Molino

4:00 p.m. Siedlecki & Frackiewicz Families Family

5:30 p.m. Catherine Duda Brother, Matt

**Sunday, November 2 All Souls' Day**

8:30 a.m. All Souls' Intentions

10:00 a.m. **Pro Populo**

11:30 a.m. All Souls' Intentions



**SANCTUARY LIGHT INTENTIONS**

~In Memory of Anna Duzen offered by daughters, Paula Matthews & Donna Gustave

~In Memory of Christopher B. Sobota offered by Parents



**ALTAR FLOWERS THIS WEEKEND**

~In Memory of George M. Shendock offered by Aunt Eleanor Hudak



**CONGRATULATIONS** and Wedding Blessings upon *Christopher E. Keating* and *Ashley M. Sobiech* who were married on Saturday, October 18th.

**UPCOMING WEDDING:** Saturday, November 1, 2014, 1:00pm—**Theodore Sherrill & Cassandra Mignot**



**BAPTISM SUNDAY** Congratulations and God's Blessings upon the family of *Audrina Ray Retzena* who will be reborn by water and the Holy Spirit after the 11:30am Mass today.

Celebrant's Schedule November 1-2	
4:00pm	Fr. Pisaneschi
5:30pm	Fr. Urban
8:30am	Fr. Pisaneschi
10:00am	Fr. Pisaneschi
11:30am	Fr. Urban

