

NOVEMBER 19, 2017
The Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Seton Sentinel

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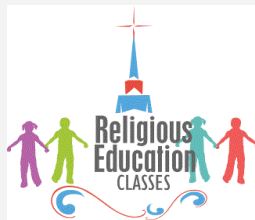




Thursday, November 23rd is Thanksgiving Day. Before your family feasts, join your parish family for the greatest act of "thanksgiving," there is...the Mass. We will gather at **9:00 a.m.** for Liturgy and will distribute fruit at the end of the mass for you to share at your table at home. *Since the Knights will be doing a Food Drive the weekend before, there is no need to bring in non-perishables to Thanksgiving Day Mass.* Just bring yourself and the family.



The Rectory office will close this Wednesday at 12:00 pm and re-open on Monday, November 27th at 8:30 am for the Thanksgiving Holiday. Only Emergency Calls will be taken during that time. Please hold all other business until Monday morning.



No CCD Classes Saturday, November 25th or Monday, November 27th due to the Thanksgiving Break.

Sunday, December 3rd, 5:30pm: 7th Grade Family Mass & 7th grade Confirmation Enrollment during mass & Confirmation class after mass in church hall

Monday, December 18th, Youth Choir Christmas Play at 6:15 in church hall

A reminder to parents in the event of inclement weather to check the message on the Religious Education Department's Direct Phone Line at 570-287-4587 to see if classes are cancelled.

Classes for December:
 Saturday: Dec. 2, 9, & 16
 Monday: Dec. 4, 11, & 18 (Christmas Play on the 18th)
No Class: Dec. 23, 25, 30 & Jan 1
Classes resume: Jan. 6 & 8

Sunday, Jan 7th, 11am: 6th Grade Family Mass followed by coffee & donuts



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 Parish

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Office Hours: Monday–
 Thursday 8:30 to 5:00

Friday 8:30 to 3:00

Weekends and Evenings by
 appointment only

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

Reconciliation Saturdays
 3:15pm to 3:45pm or by
 appointment

Mission Statement:

*"We are Called.... To act with
 Justice, To love Tenderly, To
 Serve One Another, To Walk
 Humbly with God"*

Paraphrased from Micah 6:8 by David
 Haas



WIN!!!

**Santa's New Sleigh or
 Santa's Sack of Cash!!!**

Tickets are still available for the 2018 Chevy Malibu or the \$15,000.00 in Cash Drawing to be held on Sunday, December 17th after the 5:30 pm Mass. The car is parked outside this weekend and tickets will be available before and after all masses this weekend or by calling the rectory. Each \$100.00 ticket give you a 1 in 500 Chance to be the Big Winner right before Christmas! Hurry! Tickets are going fast. We only have 192 tickets left. Get yours today!





Other News and Notes:



Bereavement Group

For those who are having a hard time with the loss of a loved one. It could be months, or even years since your beloved has gone, but the grief remains. You do not have to be alone in your pain. Call Fr. Joe for more information on this ministry which is done by a licensed Therapist for our parish.



PASTORAL COUNSELING/THERAPY

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton now has a licensed therapist on our Pastoral Staff. If you think you may benefit from this ministry, please contact Fr. Joe for a referral. All inquiries will be held in the strictest confidences. This is above and beyond what Father can do by himself in spiritual direction or advisement.

SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE

Many thanks to all who were able to donate to this year's children's clothing drive. The response was tremendous and once again demonstrates the enormous love and generosity of our great parish. May God bless you!

The Social Concerns Committee would like to invite all members of our parish's ministries and organizations to their annual Christmas Celebration on Friday, December 1st, at 7:00pm in the church hall. Please join us for a festive evening of fellowship, entertainment, & refreshments as we gather to ring in the holiday season. We hope to see you there!



Become "A Knight Before Christmas," Membership Drive. **Sign up now.** Installation ceremony will be on Dec. 12th at 6:00 pm.

Knights All-U-Can-East Breakfast Buffet will be held on **Sunday, December 3rd.** Make plans to come. Please check next week's bulletin for more details.

For more information on our Knights of Columbus, call or text Mark Perugino at (570)262-2896.

YOUR OFFERINGS for November 4/5

Thank You for Your Generosity!

Sunday:	\$ 7494.15
Dues:	\$ 3174.00
Loose	\$ 576.30
E-Giving:	\$ 349.45
Total:	\$11,593.90

Holy Day-All Saints' Day:
\$2108.80



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2017 Diocese of Scranton **DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL**

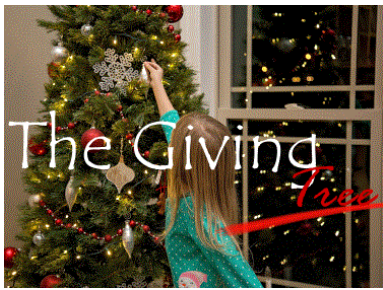
WALK TOGETHER IN THE *Light of Christ*

UPDATE:

Our Parish Goal: \$47,000.00
Total Raised: \$42,345.00
Under: \$4655.00

The Diocese has asked us to make a special appeal to all parishioners to please respond to the Appeal this week. Thank you to all who have contributed thus far. We still need your help. If you have never given or

haven't given in a while, please prayerfully consider doing so now. Our Diocese is dependent on all of our generosity to maintain vital programs and offices. Even a small gift helps those in need and our Parish reach its goal. Envelopes are located at the Church Entrances or go online: www.annualappeal.org to make an online contribution to the Appeal. Once again, Thank You.



Each year our parish reaches out to members of our community who are in need of help for the holidays and presents for children. If you or someone you know is struggling, please contact Lori at the office. All calls are confidential. Soon we will be posting ornaments on our **Christmas Giving Tree** for both the needy children in our area and the elderly. We thank you for your help and participation in this project each year.

CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN MOTHERS

The Christian Mothers are taking reservations for their Christmas Party to be held on Sunday, December 10th, at 2:00pm at the Avenue Diner in Wyoming. Cost is \$15.00 for guests. RSVP December 1st by calling Sue Bayer at 570-714-1628.

Also, our Christian Mothers will meet next **Sunday, November 26th, at 2pm** in our church hall. New members are welcome.



Masses for the Christmas Obligation:

Christmas Eve, 4:00, 6:00 and 10:00pm

No Midnight Mass this year.

Christmas Day, 8:30 and 11:00 am.

BAPTISM CLASS

Expectant parents & new parents who are planning their baby's baptism and have not previously attended a Baptismal Class, are invited to attend our next Baptism class, to be held on **Tuesday, November 28th, at 6:00pm in our church hall.** Please call Lori, Pastoral Associate, at the parish office to register for the class and to schedule the baby's baptism.

ALTAR GUILD ADVENT PIROHY SALES FRIDAY, December 1st.

Cost is \$7.00/dozen. Pick up in school cafeteria from 12 noon to 2pm or 5pm to 6pm. Sign-up sheets are on the tables at the church entrance. ***We will need lots of help making the pirohy!*** Come to the school cafeteria on Friday, Dec. 1st, at 7am if you can help ball potatoes. All others come at 8:30am. Bring a friend along. Lunch will be served! Additional pirohy sales on Friday, Dec. 8th, and Friday, December 15th. **ORDER EARLY! ABSOLUTELY NO PHONE ORDERS WILL BE TAKEN AT THE RECTORY.**



Parish Staff

Cora Artim
Children's Choir

Phil Bosha
Maintenance

Chris Calore
Maintenance

Scott Coates
Contemporary Mass
Musician

Sister Jane Ellis, IHM
Pastoral Care Minister

Rev. Joseph J. Pisaneschi V.F
Pastor

Lori Raymond
Pastoral Associate

Joseph Sabol
Assistant Organist

Monica Salis
Business Manager

Marge Semanek
Director of Music

Sister Marion Tarone, IHM
Director of Religious
Education

Rev. Anthony Urban
Weekend Celebrant

Deacon Jack Ziegler
Permanent Deacon



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#GIVING TUESDAY

#GivingTuesday is a movement which celebrates and supports giving back to charities and non-profits. November 28th is the official **#GivingTuesday**. Kindly consider donating to one of our schools with an end of the year gift. At each one of our 20 schools, there is a gift opportunity for a unique project the school would like to have funded. For more info., or to make a gift to a specific school, please visit:

<https://www.crowdrise.com/DOSCatholicSchoolsGivingTuesday2017>

HOLY REDEEMER HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL

The Sound of Music, Friday & Saturday, December 1 and 2, at 7pm. Reserved seating. Adults/\$10, Seniors/\$9, Students/\$8. All are welcome! Call to pick up pre-sale tickets; 570-829-2424.

SLOVAK HERITAGE SOCIETY OF NEPA

Come & join us for a wonderful afternoon of singing Slovak Christmas Carols & sharing Christmas memories. Slovak hospitality to follow. You are cordially invited to celebrate *"The Feast of St. Nicholas"*, on Sunday, December 3, at 2pm, at Our Lady of Fatima Parish Center, St. Mary's Church, 134 S. Washington St., Wilkes-Barre.

HEALING SERVICE

St. Ignatius Parish, Kingston, Tuesday, November 28th, at 7pm. Preacher: Fr. Pio Mandato. Sung Evening Prayer & Eucharistic Adoration. Jesus said: "Behold, I make all things new!" We enter into a time of worship & adoration, in a spirit of praise & thanksgiving. Come to join us! All are welcome. Bring your needs to the One who said: "Come to Me!" We will have an extended period of prayer & the the "laying on of hands" trusting in the Holy Spirit.

Friday, December 1st, 5pm, the 9th annual "Keeping Christ in Christmas" will be held with the singing of Christmas hymns by candlelight at the Nativity display on the lawn of the Luzerne County Courthouse, Wilkes-Barre. All are invited to participate. The Courthouse tree lighting ceremony follows at 5:30pm. Call Nancy for more info: 570-239-3363.

Direct Contacts

Office of Pastoral Care (Sr. Jane): 570-763-5160
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Advent Evening of REFLECTION

Advent offers us a glimpse into what is needed to accommodate the coming of God into our lives. With no room for Jesus' birth in an inn, he found warmth and shelter where there was space for him--in a manger, in the welcoming hearts of shepherds and seekers. Today, Emmanuel, God-with-us, continues to ask for room in our hearts, but now he speaks through the voice of our neighbors and through the wounds and hopes of our world.

In our time and place, how are we called to make room for the presence of Emmanuel once again? What might Advent say to us about the practice of more engaged prayer, deeper spaciousness of heart, and the justice of right relationship?

Join us in the Parish Hall, Tuesday, December 5th at 7:00 pm for our Advent Evening of Reflection with Sister Chris Koellhoffer, IHM, she is a wonderful author, in fact, we use her stations of the cross booklet for Lenten devotion.

Prayer Chain Our Prayer Chain meets on the 2nd Saturday of each month at 9am in our church hall. Volunteers are needed to join in the Seton Prayer Chain. To become one of our prayer partners contact Gail at 570-690-7520. If anyone is in need of prayer, contact Gail at that number or call Lori in the parish office. All

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Daily Eucharist
The Week of November 20-26

Offered for:



Requested by:

Monday	Nov. 20	8:00 am	Stephen & Jule Pacovsky	Marion & Jerry Pacovsky
Tuesday	Nov. 21	8:00 am	James Keating	Family
Wednesday	Nov. 22	8:00 am	Stephen & Helen Gaydos	Son, Robert & Daughter, Ann Marie & Family
Thursday	Nov. 23	9:00 am	Pro Populo	
Friday	Nov. 24	8:00 am	Catherine Drago	Joseph Sabol

Celebrant

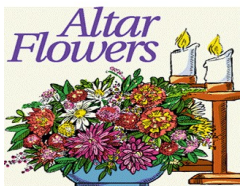
The Weekend of November 25/26 The Solemnity of Jesus Christ, the King of the Universe

Fr. Urban	Saturday 4:00 pm	In Honor of Bishop O'Reilly Class of 1987 30th Reunion	
Fr. Pisaneschi	Saturday 5:30 pm	John Meckalavage	Wife, Jean
Fr. Pisaneschi	Sunday 8:30 am	Michael & Josephine Yanek	Daughter, Mary Jo Prebish & Family
Fr. Pisaneschi	Sunday 10:00 am	Anna Wayslow	Carl & Mary Anne Granitski
Fr. Urban	Sunday 11:30 am	Pro Populo	
Fr. Pisaneschi	Sunday 5:30 pm	Raymond Chimock	Wife, Rosemary & Family

During this month of November we remember the souls of all the faithful departed in our prayers. This week we especially remember **James Ayers** whose Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated in our church this past week.



- 1.) In Memory of Helen Jenziorski offered by granddaughter, Jane & Family
- 2.) In Memory of Franklin & Edna Mae Burgess offered by son, Joseph



In Memory of Louis & Anita Hovanec offered by Family



CONGRATULATIONS and Wedding Blessings upon Jeffrey Gaughan & Kaitlyn Mullery, who were married on Saturday, November 18th.

NEW MASS TIMES

Beginning the weekend of
January 6/7, 2018

- **Saturday Vigil Mass 4:30 pm**
 - **Sunday Masses 8:30, 11:00 am and 5:30 pm.**
 - **Monday-Friday Mass 12:10 pm**
- Confessions Saturday 3:45– 4:15 pm**
Please make a note of these changes.

