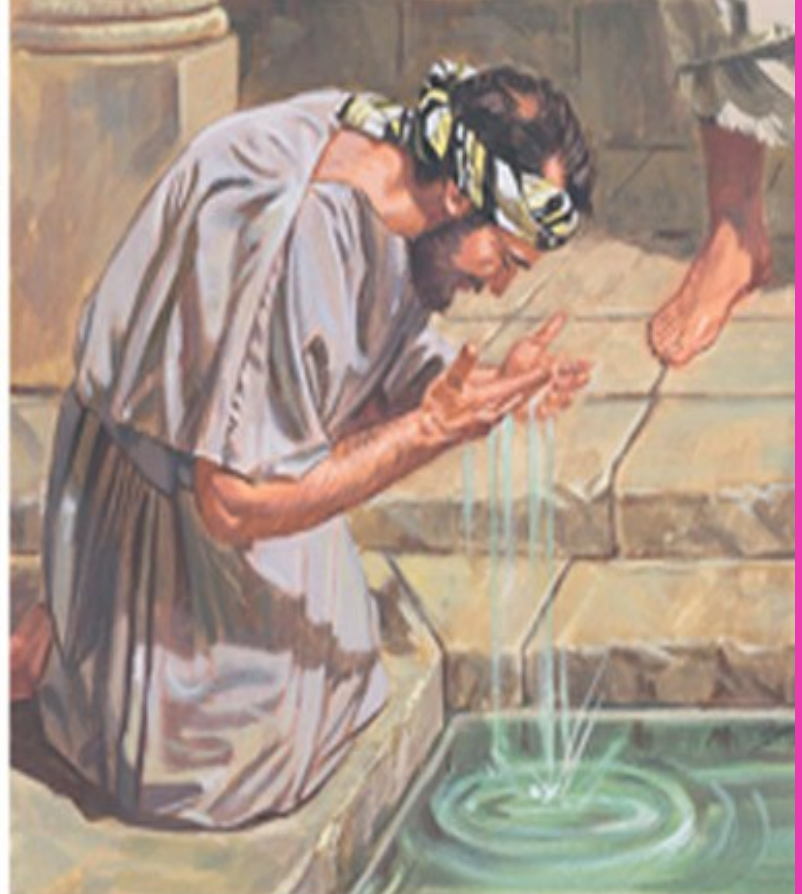
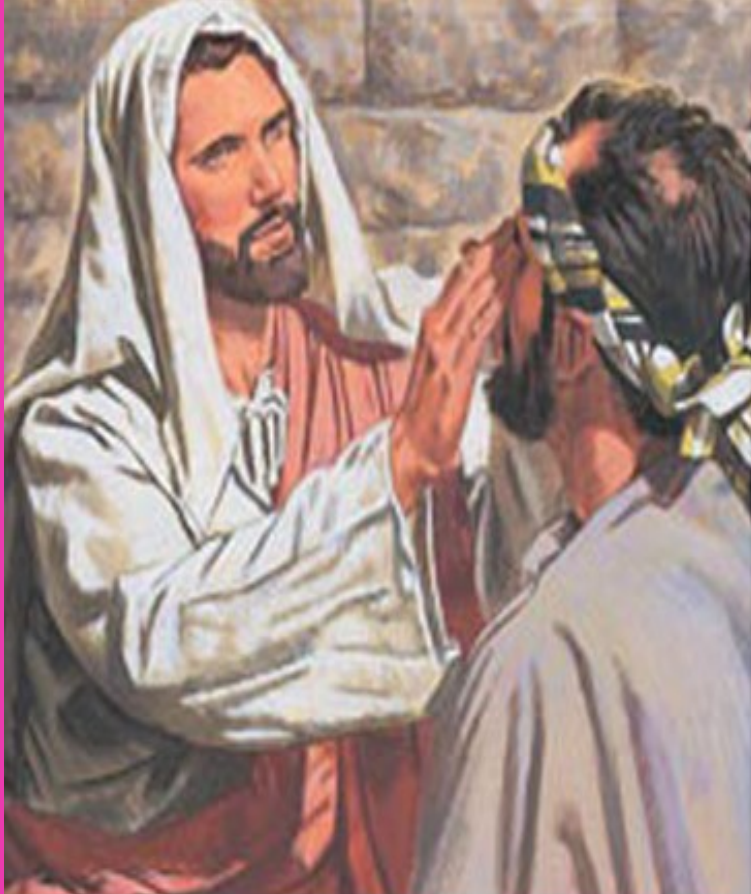


# THE SETON SENTINEL

ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON PARISH



John 9: Jesus heals man born blind

*Laetare Sunday*

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 26, 2017

## THE SETON SENTINEL

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### Office Hours:

Monday– Thursday

8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Friday

8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

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*

## Daily Mass Time

The 8:00 am Daily Mass will resume on **Monday, April 3, 2017**. Hopefully by this date, Old Man Winter will have left town and we will be in the clear as far as snow and ice in the morning hours. Please make a note of the date and time change.



Monday evenings “**The Light is On For You,**” in our Church. Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Thursday Evening join us for Interfaith Sharing and a light Lenten meal.

“**Faith- Fellowship- Friendship,**” our *final session* is this Thursday March 30th at 6:00 pm with soup and sandwiches and then a presentation by Rabbi Kaplan. We will have a simple meal of Soup and Sandwiches and then listen to our featured presenter with time for questions at the end. March 30:

**Knights** Soup and Set-up **Lectors** Sandwiches and Clean-up. **Please note:** other parish organizations or individuals are invited to help provide the Soups and Sandwiches for this Thursday. Just bring them ahead of time to the Church Hall. Thank you for your help and participation.

On Fridays during Lent join us for **Stations of the Cross** at 7:00pm. The Eucharist will be exposed from 6:30 pm until Benediction after Stations.

## ALTAR GUILD FUNDRAISERS

### *Upcoming Lenten fundraisers:*

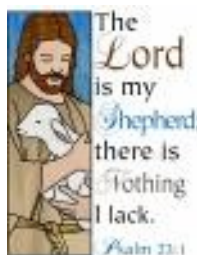
**Friday, March 31st:** Sweet Pizza

**Friday, April 7th:** Pirohy

Sign-up sheets are on the tables at the church entrance for our **SWEET PIZZA** sale to be held this Friday, March 31st. You may pick up your order in our school cafeteria from noon to 2pm or 5pm to 6pm. Cost is \$12.00 per tray of 12 cuts.

## MARY AND JOSEPH HAVE RETURNED

Our statues of Mary and Joseph have been cleaned and restored to their full beauty. We kindly ask that you do not touch the statues, in order to maintain their aesthetics. Thank you for your cooperation.



## Parish Staff

Cora Artim  
*Children's Choir*

Phil Boshia  
*Maintenance*

Chris Calore  
*Maintenance*

Scott Coates  
*Contemporary Mass Musician*

Sister Jane Ellis, IHM  
*Parish Social Minister*

Rev. Joseph J. Pisaneschi  
**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*



## HOLY NAME SOCIETY EASTER EGG HUNT

Sign-up sheets are on the tables at the church entrance for our HNS Easter Egg Hunt to be held *next* Saturday, April 1st, at 1pm, for our parish children ages 1-8.

## THANK YOU HOLY NAME SOCIETY



Thank you to the members of our Holy Name Society who have donated a First Aid Kit and a Spill Kit to our parish. The kits are located in our church vestibule on a stand beneath where our collection baskets are hung. (There is also a First Aid kit located on the wall of our church hall kitchen.)

## SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE



"Learn to love without condition, talk without bad intention, give without any reason, and most of all, care for people without any expectation."-Mother Teresa --If you are interested in learning about the Social Concerns Committee, please join us at our next meeting on April 20th.

## SOCIAL CONCERNS BINGO PLANNING MEETING

Our SCC Bingo Planning Committee will meet this Tuesday, March 28th, at 7pm in our church hall.



## CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN MOTHERS

**Collection days** for the Spring Rummage Sale are Monday, April 24, 9am to 5pm, and Tuesday & Wednesday, April 25 & 26, from 9am to 3pm. Our Rummage Sale dates are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, May 1, 2, & 3rd. More details to follow.....

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

### FIRST RECONCILIATION RESCHEDULED

Due to the forecast of additional snow for Friday night into Saturday, we postponed our First Reconciliation on Saturday, March 18th. First Reconciliation has been rescheduled to Saturday, April 22nd, at 10:00am. We apologize for any inconvenience!

### 7th GRADE CONFIRMATION CLASS RESCHEDULED

We also cancelled Sunday evening, March 19th, 7th Grade Confirmation class due to the impending forecast. This class has been rescheduled to Sunday, April 9th, after the 5:30pm mass. Again, we apologize for any inconvenience!

**PLEASE CHECK OUR WEBSITE**, setonpa.com, our Facebook page, or call Sister Marion's office phone (570-287-4587) for updates on cancellations/postponements whenever there is inclement weather or the forecast of inclement weather (snow, ice, freezing rain).

**CONFIRMATION RETREAT**—Saturday, April 1st, 11am to 4pm Mass, at St. Ignatius, Kingston

**FAMILY MASS:** Next Sunday, April 2nd, 10:00am, 3rd & 4th grade classes. Please stop in our church hall after mass for light refreshments hosted by these classes.



## Direct Contacts

Office of Social Ministry (Sr. Jane):  
570-763-5160  
sisterjane@setonpa.com

Faith Formation Office (Sr. Marion):  
570-287-4587  
sistermarion@setonpa.com

Father Joe's email:  
fatherjoey@aol.com

Parish direct email: setonpa@aol.com

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

## 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 calls are confidential.



## HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

**PALM SUNDAY:** Regular Mass Schedule for the Weekend

**HOLY THURSDAY:**  
9:00 am Morning Prayer  
9:30 pm Confessions

**7:00 pm MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

Church open for prayer until 10:00 pm for private silent prayer and devotion. Night Prayer at 10:00 pm

**GOOD FRIDAY:** 9:00 am Morning Prayer, 9:30 am Confessions  
2:00 pm MASS OF THE PRE-SANCTIFIED church open until sunset for private silent prayer and devotion.

**HOLY SATURDAY:** 9:00 am Morning prayer  
9:30 am Confessions and Church decorating  
2:00 pm Blessing of the Baskets (gym)

**8:00 PM THE GREAT EASTER VIGIL**

**EASTER SUNDAY:** Mass of the Resurrection at 7, 8:30, 10 & 11:30 am and 5:30 pm.



Log on to setonpa.com and sign-up for electronic giving. It's a fast, easy way to remember your offerings. You can choose to give weekly, monthly, pay dues, etc. Look for and click:



*"Give to the Most High God, as God has given to you, generously, according to your means, for the Lord is one who always repays, and God will give back to you sevenfold." Sirach 35: 9-10*

**March 11/12, 2017**

SUNDAY: \$7541.03  
LOOSE: \$687.21  
Ash Wednesday: \$85.00

DUES: \$1937.00  
E-GIVING: \$300.44  
TOTAL: \$10,550.68

**Diocesan: Care & Education of Priests (March): \$940.00**

**May God Bless You for your Generosity!**

## THIRD ANNUAL CATHOLIC MEN ' S CONFERENCE

...entitled : "Be A Man: Mary's Call to BATTLE", will be held on May 6, 2017, at King's College, Scandlon Physical Ed Center, 149 North Main St., Wilkes-Barre. Experience a prayerful, spirit-filled, life-changing day featuring Father Andrew Apostoli, CFR, of the Franciscan friars of the Renewal, EWTN host, & Fatima expert, Steven Ray, a Catholic speaker, film producer & pilgrimage leader, featured on EWTN, and Matt Fradd, Catholic apologist & author. The Most Reverend Bishop Joseph Bambera will celebrate the closing Mass. Eucharistic Adoration 6:00am, Registration/Continental Breakfast at 7am, with main Conference & Mass from 8am to 2:45pm. Cost is \$35, (\$30 early bird, \$15/students, Priests & Deacons are free. Register online at [www.beamanconference.com](http://www.beamanconference.com) or call Diocesan Pastoral center at 570-207-2213.

**Wyoming Area Catholic School** is still enrolling for the 2017-2018 school year in Pre-K through Grade 8. Tuition Assistance is available. Please call the school (570-654-7982) for more information and to set up a tour. You can also visit our website ([wachs.com](http://wachs.com)). We look forward to meeting you.

### New Easter Play: Angels in Portraits of the Passion: Passion Play 2017

Friday, April 7th, 7:30pm, St. John the Baptist Church, Larksville  
An art exhibit & a meditative journey of Angels in Jesus' Passion is threatened by two thieves. The Rev. Gerald J. Gurka directs his new original script. Open to the public. Refreshments and fellowship in the church hall afterwards.

### Ladies of Charity Invitation

The Ladies of Charity of the Diocese of Scranton cordially invites the ladies of this Parish to join us as we celebrate this wonderful milestone of 400 years of service, as we serve those in need of material & spiritual assistance. Just one hour a month can make a big difference in the lives of so many and you will find great satisfaction in doing God's Will. Our Ladies serve in their Parishes & their Community and they choose their own works of charity. Please join with us and enjoy the fellowship and many spiritual blessings throughout the year. It would be our pleasure to welcome you. We are planning our Day of Enrollment on April 22, with the Liturgy and a Solemn Investiture for new members. For more information, call Evelyn at 570-474-5192.

### HOLY ROSARY SCHOOL, DURYEA, DODGEBALL

Friday, April 28th, 5pm-10pm & Saturday, April 29th, 9am-3pm & Sunday, April 30th, 1pm-7pm. \$10/person. Questions-Rules-Registration visit [www.raceroster.com](http://www.raceroster.com), search Duryea, PA, select Holy Rosary Dodgeball Tournament.

## Hospital Visitation

A reminder to all parishioners: If you or a family or friend is admitted to the Hospital, Physical Rehab, or a Nursing Home, please contact Sister Jane at 570-763-5160 to inform the parish. We try to visit everyone we know is hospitalized or in a facility for any length of time but we need your help. Hospitals do not release patient information to the parish any longer due to privacy regulations. For emergency Anointing of the Sick, call anytime, day or night the main rectory number for assistance. Note that priests are assigned to hospital emergency calls on a rotating basis so ask the nurses station to call the priest on duty in the event of an emergency.

### LEARN MORE ABOUT YOUR FAITH WITH Lighthouse Books/CDs



Did you check out our "rolling library" of religious books & CDs located in our vestibule? For a small donation, you can find some good materials that can edify your spiritual life.

### Lenten Regulations

- **Abstinence** from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years and older on **Ash Wednesday**, **Good Friday**, and all **\*Fridays** of Lent
- **Fasting** is to be observed on **Ash Wednesday** and **Good Friday** by all Catholics over the age of 18 but not yet 59. Those bound by this may only take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

**Catholics should not lightly excuse themselves from these prescribed minimal practices.**

(Those who are ill, pregnant, on medication or special diets for health concerns, or those who work at extremely physical jobs may be exempt from these regulations)

\*In the United States, the bishops have asked Catholics over the age of 14 to abstain from meat on all Fridays of Lent.

## Daily Mass Schedule and Intentions for the Fourth Week of Lent

### Monday, March 27

12:10 pm Eleanor Mandycz Sister, Gerry

### Tuesday, March 28

12:10 pm James Newell Ronald Markovitz

### Wednesday, March 29

12:10 pm Joseph S. Prushinski Brother, Bob, & Jean

### Thursday, March 30

12:10 pm Romaine Nenichka Family

### Friday, March 31

12:10 pm Joseph "Bud" Crossin Crossin Family

### Saturday, April 1

### Vigil: Fifth Sunday of Lent

4:00 pm Nancy Michaels Knaub Family  
5:30 pm Patricia Kane Kopicki Family

### Sunday, April 2

### Fifth Sunday of Lent

8:30 am Daniel Grycko Grycko Family  
10:00 am **Pro Populo**  
11:30 am Edward Bieley Ed & Karen Tomaszewski  
5:30 pm John Tobias Social Concerns Committee

### Sanctuary Candles

- In Memory of Stephen Hudak offered by wife, Eleanor
- In Memory of Beatrice Skiengel offered by Husband & Family

### QUIZ

Can you choose the correct endings?

1. From the sons of Jesse, Samuel chose:  
(a) the eldest (b) the youngest (c) several?
2. The Lord sent Samuel to Jesse to anoint:  
(a) him (b) the future king (c) all of his sons?
3. There was a time when you were darkness, but now you are:  
(a) awake (b) in daylight (c) light in the Lord?
4. Jesus cured a man who had been blind:  
(a) from birth (b) because of his sins (c) for a long time?
5. Jesus cured the blind man:  
(a) one day (b) on a sabbath (c) in Nazareth?

### ANSWERS

The correct answers are: 1(b); 2(b); 3(c); 4(a); 5(b)

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### Priest's Schedule

#### Saturday, April 1

4:00 pm Fr. Pisaneschi  
5:30 pm Fr. Urban

#### Sunday, April 2

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



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