

3rd Sunday of

Easter

April 30, 2017



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St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish

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Office Hours:

Monday– Thursday
8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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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



Confraternity of Christian Mothers Spring Rummage Sale STARTS THIS MONDAY!

Rummage Sale Days: Monday, May 1st: 9am to 5pm

Tuesday, May 2nd: 9am to 3pm (\$2/bag day)

Wednesday, May 3rd: 9am to 3pm (\$1/bag day)

There will be a Bake Sale and Refreshments for sale.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHICKEN BARBEQUE

Next Sunday, May 7th, 11am to 3pm in our school cafeteria.

Eat in or take-out. \$9.00/Dinner (includes 1/2 chicken, baked potato, cole slaw, roll, butter and dessert. Sign-up sheets are on the tables at the church entrance. This is the final weekend to sign up.



SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE

The Social Concerns Committee would like to thank all of our parishioners and friends for supporting our 3rd Annual Variety BINGO. We would also like to thank our wonderful parish staff and all of our benefactors who were so generous with prizes and food donations. Finally, we would like to thank our chairperson, Dottie Powers, and everyone who assisted in the day's preparation and games. As always, all of the profits will be given to those in need, thereby allowing us to extend the vibrancy and warmth of our parish far beyond the boundaries of Swoyersville. God bless you all!

DEFIBRILLATOR OVERVIEW on MAY 1ST

The Social Concerns is having a defibrillator overview, facilitated by Ray Elick, this Monday, May 1st, at 7pm in our church hall. **Everyone** is invited to attend to learn how easy it is to use, especially our ushers, lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, and all members of our organizations. Your attendance may one day help to save a life

Thanks to the Holy Name Society for providing the refreshments after our celebration of 1st Penance with our Religious Education Classes last Saturday. Our HNS also provided gifts for each of the students. Your generosity does not go unnoticed each time you assist us with these events! Also, our Holy Name Society will meet next Sunday, May 7th, after the 8:30am mass in our church hall. New members are most welcome!

WORK HAS BEGUN

There is a lot of activity inside and outside of our church these days. The railings on the outside staircase have begun to be replaced. While we were making some minor repairs to the steps, we found a larger problem with one of the landing areas of the steps that needed immediate attention. This was unexpected and serious and will be added to the expenses of the project. The repair of the plaster of the gallery area and minor painting of the inside of the church has begun. We are also remodeling our kitchen in the hall. Meanwhile, we are waiting to have the new parking lot paved. If you would like to do something on any of these projects, please use your Building and Maintenance Envelopes in your regular set. Even small offerings help with these expenses. Thank You.

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PRAYER CHAIN MEETING AND ROSARY WALK

Our Prayer Chain meeting will take place on Saturday, May 6th at 9am. Weather-permitting, we will have a Rosary Walk. Please join us if you can, even if only for the Rosary walk.



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

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

MOTHER'S DAY CARDS

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

CHRISTIAN MOTHERS ANNIVERSARY LUNCHEON

Our CCM Anniversary Luncheon will be held on Sunday, May 21st, at 2pm at the Avenue Diner, Wyoming Ave., Exeter. Members are free. Guests cost \$15.00. Members are asked to meet in our church hall at 11:00am wearing Medals. Everyone is asked to bring a pack of diapers for the Pro-Life Center. For reservations, call Mary Saypack at 570-881-1800 or Mary Jean Simpson at 570-288-1564. RSVP by May 12th.

NEXT WEEKEND

Will be a big weekend for our Parish Community. Our First Holy Communion Class will receive on Saturday, May 6th at 10:00 am, in our Church. Our Confirmation Class will receive on Sunday, May 7th at 4:00 pm at The Church of Ss. Peter and Paul in Plains, with Bishop James C. Timlin, And Bishop Joseph C. Bambera will be celebrating the 5:30 pm Mass at our Church next Sunday. Everyone is welcome to join us for these special celebrations. Please pray for our students who will be receiving Jesus for the first time and the Holy Spirit in a very special way next weekend. We are proud of all our students and candidates.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

CCD classes: May 1 (last class)

Confirmation practice: April 30, 4:00pm at Ss. Peter & Paul, Plains with SPONSOR

May 2nd: Practice for 1st Holy Communion, 6pm & May 4th at 6pm if needed

May 6th: 1st Holy Communion at 10:00am

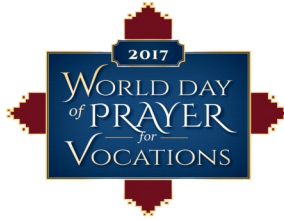
May 7th: CONFIRMATION at Ss. Peter & Paul Church, Plains, at 4pm,

CEMETERY CLEAN-UP TIME

It's that time of year to clean-up the cemeteries and prepare for spring and grass-cutting season. We ask that you please remove all items (this includes wreaths, any artificial flowers, statues of any kind, candles, or solar vigil lights, and theme flags) from the gravesites by April 30th. This does not include the American flag. This is not only a Diocesan Cemetery rule, but a safety issue. All Diocesan rules are posted at each cemetery. After this date, all items will be removed and discarded. Please note, we are not responsible for any items left at the gravesites after April 30th. Thank you for your cooperation.

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Bishop Bambera to Visit Seton



All are encouraged and welcome to attend the Diocesan Celebration for **World Day of Prayer for Vocations** here at our parish on **Sunday, May 7 at the 5:30pm Mass**. Bishop Joseph C. Bambera will be the principal celebrant. High school students, college students, and young adults from throughout the Diocese of Scranton will be in

attendance. A combined music ministry will feature our 5:30 p.m. contemporary ensemble and guests from a variety of parishes and schools. Following the mass, all are invited to a light reception on our parish grounds to meet Bishop Bambera and Vocation Directors from Religious Communities serving in our Diocese.

#partnerwithfrancis, gathering the voices of the young church in the Diocese of Scranton in preparation for Pope Francis' 2018 Synod on **Young People, the Faith and Vocation Discernment**, will launch with Bishop Bambera in our parish hall following the reception. High school students, college students, and young adults through age 35 interested in sharing their insights and input are encouraged to register prior to May 7 by calling/texting 570-780-2996.

This is quite an honor for our parish community. Please make our Bishop feel the warmth and vitality of Seton.



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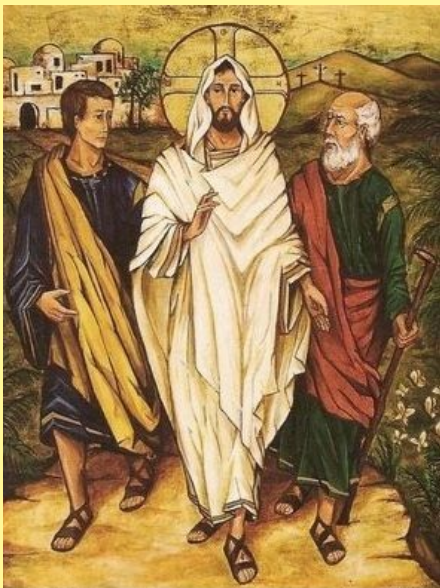
Father Joe's email:
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Bulletin deadline: Friday, one week prior to the publication week.

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.



Sacrificial Offerings for April 15/16

Sunday: \$5639.18 Dues: \$984.00 Ash Wednesday: \$15.00
Loose: \$1755.91 E-Giving: \$517.84 **TOTAL: \$8911.93**
EASTER: \$16,652.00 Easter Flowers: \$3223.00
April Building & Maintenance: \$943.00

Diocesan: Holy Thursday (Soup Kitchen): \$1539.00
Good Friday (Holy Land): \$1700.00
Rice Bowl: \$329.00 April Care & Education of Priests: \$88.00

May God Reward Your Tremendous Generosity to our Parish Community!

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Log on to setonpa.com and sign-up



for Electronic Giving. It is the easy, safe, fast way to remember your offerings. Even if you are away from home or cannot make it to our church every week. This is a way to keep up with your sacrificial offerings.

You may chose to give weekly or monthly, pay dues, or other offerings. Look for the link and click:



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. The Most Reverend Bishop Joseph Bambera will celebrate the closing Mass. Register online at www.beamanconference.com or call 570-207-2213.

BINGO: St. Robert Bellarmine Parish, 143 W. Division St., Wilkes-Barre, this Sunday, April 30th, from 1pm to 4pm in Padden Hall (cafeteria). \$10/person. Food & beverages for purchase.

KENTUCKY DERBY NIGHT AT THE RACES: Holy Family Parish, 828 Main St., Sugar Notch, in the church hall, on Saturday, May 6th. Doors open at 5pm, dinner at 5:30, and post time is 6:30. Horse sponsorship is \$10 which includes admission & a 4-star buffet dinner. Menu includes pulled pork, chicken scampi, meatballs, hot dogs, h-luski, ziti, American pierogi, baked beans, pasta & carrot salads, cole slaw, desserts, & beverages. To sponsor a horse, call the rectory at 570-822-8983.

BUS TRIP: Tuesday, June 13th, to National Blue Army Shrine, Our Lady of Fatima, Washington, New Jersey. Bus leaves Oblates of St. Joseph, Rt. 315, Pittston, at 8:30am. Bus leaves Shrine at approx. 3:45pm. Cost : \$30/person payable to The Blue Army, c/o John Witkosky, 431 Washington Ave., West Wyoming, PA 18644. Dinner on way home: paid individually. Refreshment stand & Gift Shop open. Contact: John Witkosky at 570-288-4311 or 570-793-0641.

On Mother's Day, our parish will participate in a national collection for the Trinity Dome to complete the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington DC., before its 100th anniversary. More information in next week's bulletin.

Easter Flower Donations (cont'd)

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| Mr. & Mrs. Brian Abromovage | Mrs. Audrey Lacina |
| Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Artim | Mr. & Mrs. Francis Martinsky |
| Mr. Richard Belza | Atty. & Mrs. Michael Mey |
| Mrs. Kathy Bennett | Mrs. Elaine Mikolosko |
| Mr. & Mrs. Eugene Breznay | Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Pisack |
| Mrs. Rosemary Chimock | Mr. & Mrs. David Reynolds |
| Mr. & Mrs. Charles Cywinski | Mrs. Theresa Sabol |
| Melissa Czock | Mr. & Mrs. Russell Singer |
| Mr. & Mrs. Patrick Delbalso | Dr. Carlene Siracuse |
| Mrs. Toni Griseto | |

Mr. Robert Stefanides
Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Stefanoski, Jr.
Mr. Michael Stofko
Ms. Christine Stroud
Mrs. Mary Beth Sulpy
Mr. Robert Tobias
Mrs. Angeline Tressa
Mrs. Valeria Warman
Mr. & Mrs. George Zaruta, Jr.
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Mass Intentions for the 3rd Week of Easter

Monday, May 1

St. Joseph the Worker

8:00 AM Foster Ritchie M/M Neil Opet

Tuesday, May 2

8:00 AM James S. Gibbons Daughter, Pat Quinn & Family

Wednesday, May 3

8:00 AM **Easter Mass Intentions**

Thursday, May 4

8:00 AM Michael Kayrish Mary Magni

Friday, May 5

8:00 AM Margaret Mandell Husband & Son

Saturday, May 6 **vigil: The Fourth Sunday of Easter**

10:00 AM First Holy Communion Liturgy

4:00 PM Elaine Smith Richard Sisko

5:30 PM Bernadine Klem Sister, Marcia & Tom Fostock & Family

Sunday, May 7 **The Fourth Sunday of Easter**

8:30 AM Rose Marie Bozinko Amershek Friend, Anna Mae Venetz

10:00 AM **Pro Populo**

11:30 AM Elaine Smith Husband, Richard

5:30 PM Stanley Romanowski Susan Dunsmuir



Priests' Schedule

Saturday, May 6

4:00 PM Fr. Urban

5:30 PM Fr. Pisaneschi

Sunday, May 7

8:30 AM Fr. Zavacki

10:00 AM Fr. Pisaneschi

11:30 AM Fr. Urban

5:30 PM Bishop Bambera

Sanctuary Candles

~~In Memory of Beatrice Skiengel offered by Husband & Family

~~ In Honor of the children in our First Holy Communion and Confirmation classes

Recently Departed

~~**Alexander O'Donnell**~~**Daniel Chipego**~~**John Sabadish**~~ May their souls and all the souls of the Faithful Departed through the Mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Baptism Sunday

Congratulations and God's Blessings upon~~**Kaydence Marie Hankey**~~and her family. She will be reborn by water and the Holy Spirit after the 11:30am Mass today.



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