

THE SETON SENTINEL

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Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time June 27, 2021



Congratulations and thank you, Sister Marion Tarone, IHM 60 Years of Service to the People of God May God Bless and Keep You!

Fall Festival.

The dates are Friday, September 17th And Saturday, September 18th.

Sweet Pepper and the Long-Hots for Friday and Hoopla Saturday!

Come to the **Planning Meeting** on **Monday**, **June 28th at 7:00 pm.** We will need folks to volunteer to "host" particular stands. Please consider getting involved as the future of our Summer Festival will depend on the response for help we get for this fall event. There is a lot to figure out and lots of work to be done in a short time, please lend a hand, come to the meeting and be counted in to help!

OFFICE HOURS CHANGING

Please note, our parish office will be open from 9:00—3:00 Monday through Friday **beginning June 28, 2021.** Father is always able to be reached after hours by calling the office and dialing x105 when prompted. Please leave a message if you happen to get the recording.

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

Please consider volunteering to bring the gifts forward during the Preparation Time at Mass on the weekends. Especially if the mass if for a family member or friend. The sign-up book is on the podium at the church entrance.

PARISH CENSUS

As you know, we have been conducting a Parish Census for the past two months and we are very pleased to announce that we have received responses from 63% of our parishioners! This remarkable return is a strong indication of the interest and cooperation of our parishioners and we are very grateful. Any parishioner who has not yet responded can obtain a census form from our parish website or pick up a form at the rectory.



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY, FATHER JOE! Wednesday, June 30th, is Father Joe's 20th Anniversary of his ordination to the Priesthood. We want to wish him a very happy and blessed anniversary! Thank you, Father Joe, for being a devoted servant who helps so many, and for being a compassionate pastor who encourages and comforts! *Congratulations, Father Joe!*

HAPPY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY!!!

Also, on Wednesday, June 30th, Deacon Jack and Karen Ziegler will celebrate their 48th Wedding Anniversary. May God bless them always!



Altar Servers

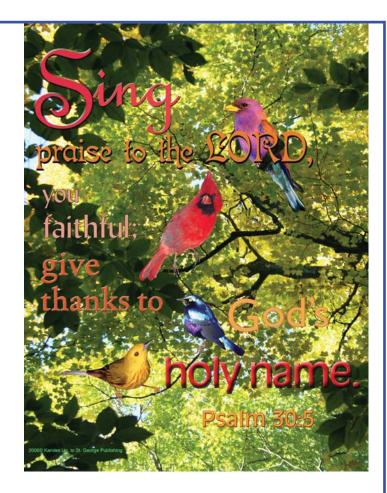
A brief meeting for altar servers who have served in the past or who would like to serve now will be held on Sunday, June 27th after the 5:30 pm Mass. Refresher course and new information will be shared.

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion

We are currently taking names of those who would like to help distribute Holy Communion at mass. Please call Lori in the office if interested.

CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN MOTHERS

The Confraternity of Christian Mothers will be resuming regular monthly meetings in June. Our June meeting will be *held today*, *Sunday*, *June 27th*, *at 3:00pm in the church hall*. Please note the meeting time of 3:00pm is only for the June meeting. Future meetings will be held on the last Sunday of the month at our usual time of 2:00pm. With some Covid restrictions being lifted, we look forward to seeing everyone again and making plans for future activities. New members are most welcome.





SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE

Pantry The Social Concerns

Committee is requesting the following items for the Holy Family Food

Pantry in Luzerne:

Canned Fruit Rice Canned Pasta Peanut butter Jelly Crackers Cereal Drop Off Boxes can be found in the church vestibule.

Thank you for your generosity!



SWOYERSVILLE KIWANIS ICE CREAM SUNDAE SUNDAY

Stop by for a tasty treat on Sunday, July 25th, for Ice Cream Sundae Sunday. Members will be serving chocolate or strawberry sundaes that will be topped with whipped cream, sprinkles, & a cherry. One scoop sundae is \$2.00,

2 scoops for \$3, Chocolate or vanilla ice cream. Join us at Roosevelt Field on the corner of Church & Tripp Streets, Swoyersville on Sunday, July 25th. Sundaes will be served 2-5 pm or while supplies last. Proceeds go to the Ronald McDonald House to assist in the operation of their house & to help them purchase any supplies needed to create that comfortable place for families to relax when in the area due to medical treatments or emergencies.

GFT Scholarships - Attention High School Seniors!

Two scholarships will be offered by the GFT Foundation to members of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish who are looking to continue their education whether it be college, technical or vocational school. The scholarships will be awarded based on merit and need. Guidelines for the scholarship and the application are on our website or can be requested by email at seton.swoy@aol.com. *The deadline is June 30, 2021 for the 2021 fall semester.*

PARISH OFFERINGS

If you can, please continue to remember your envelopes and contributions and get them to us each week we can continue OUT mission together. If you are comfortable, you may use the electronic offering option located at setonpa.com Look for the following link and follow the instructions:



Collection total for the week of June 12/13, 2021

\$10,572.75

Once again, thank you to all those who drop offerings in the church basket, mail them, slip them in the rectory door, use the electronic giving option, or get your donations to us in any other way.

DESIGNER PURSE BINGO

St. Maria Goretti Church, 42 Redwood Dr., Laflin.
Saturday, August 14, 2021. Bingo from 1pm to 4pm. Presales \$20. At the door, \$25. Includes 20 games of Bingo (extra games may be purchased). Food & beverages available for purchase. Basket raffle, door prize, bake sale. For tickets, call parish office at 570-655-8956, Monday-Friday 9am to 2pm.

HELP WANTED

Mount Olivet Cemetery is looking to immediately fill a **full-time laborer position**. Job duties include handling of funerals, grass cutting/trimming, installing markers & foundations, snow removal, & general maintenance. Hours are Monday thru Friday, 7:30am to 4:00pm, & Saturdays 8am to 12pm. Starting rate is \$15.00/hour, and package includes a **comprehensive benefit package** including medical insurance, paid vacation, sick time, personal time, & 15+ holidays. Please contact Mount Olivet at 570-696-3636 or email us at olivet-cem@dioceseofscranton.org

The 4:00pm Saturday Mass is livestreamed on Facebook.com/setonpa or available anytime there after and on our website: setonpa.com



By Dr. Scott Hahn Arise!

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Cycle B) Wisdom 1:13-15, 2:23-24 Psalm 30:2, 4-6, 11-13 2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15 Mark 5:21-24, 35-43

God, who formed us in His imperishable image, did not intend for us to die, we hear in today's First Reading. Death entered the world through the devil's envy and Adam and Eve's sin; as a result, we are all bound to die.

But in the moving story in today's Gospel, we see Jesus liberate a little girl from the possession of death.

On one level, Mark is recounting an event that led the disciples to understand Jesus' authority and power over even the final enemy, death (see 1 Corinthians 15:26). On another level, however, this episode is written to strengthen our hope that we too will be raised from the dead, along with all our loved ones who sleep in Christ (see 1 Corinthians 15:18).

Jesus commands the girl to "Arise!" - using the same Greek word used to describe His own resurrection (see Mark 16:6). And the consoling message of today's Gospel is that Jesus is the resurrection and the life. If we believe in Him, even though we die, we will live (see John 15:25-26).

We are called to have the same faith as the parents in the Gospel today - praying for our loved ones, trusting in Jesus' promise that even death cannot keep us apart. Notice the parents follow Him even though those in their own house tell them there is no hope, and even though others ridicule Jesus' claim that the dead have only fallen asleep (see 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18).

Already in baptism, we've been raised to new life in Christ. And the Eucharist, like the food given to the little girl today, is the pledge that He will raise us on the last day.

We should rejoice, as we sing in today's Psalm, that He has brought us up from the netherworld, the pit of death. And, as Paul exhorts in today's Epistle, we should offer our lives in thanksgiving for this gracious act, imitating Christ in our love and generosity for others.

A service of the St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology www.SalvationHistory.com

EUCHARIST SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Monday, June 28

6:30am Mary Ann Paulus Lori Lamoureux

Tuesday, June 29

8:00am Alberta Wawer Son, Felix

Wednesday, June 30

8:00am Intention of Presider

Thursday, July 1

6:30am Bernadine Heiser Mary Ann Romanowski

Friday, July 2

6:30am James McKenzie James O'Brien & Family

Saturday, July 3

4:00pm Robert Coniglio M/M David Passeri

5:30pm John Gibbons Wife & Sons

Sunday, July 4

7:00 am Pro Populo

9:00 am Bill & Mary Sheehan Daughter, Mary

11:00 am Ray Gustave Phil & Mary Lou Bosha

5:30 pm George Yurko Wife, Theresa, & daughter, Susan



This Week's Sanctuary Candles

- 1. In Memory of Josephine Condon offered by daughter, Jane & Family
- 2. In Memory of John Gibbons offered by Wife & Sons



ALTAR FLOWERS THIS WEEKEND

~In Memory of Josephine Condon offered by daughter, Jane



WEDDING BLESSINGS

~Congratulations and God's Blessings upon Robert Panowicz & Arielle Orsulak who were married on Friday, June 25th.

UPCOMING WEDDING

~~Saturday, July 3, 2021, 1:00pm: John Patrick Aquilina & Shaina Dougherty

BAPTISM SUNDAY

This weekend our parish celebrates the Baptism of:

~~Raiden Kevin Senchak~

Raiden will be baptized by water and the Holy Spirit after the 11:00am Mass today.

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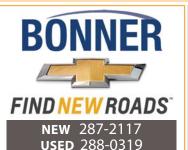
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