

Jan Vermeer Van Delft, 1655

The Seton Sentinel
Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 17, 2022

*The Lord said to her
in reply, "Martha, Martha,
you are anxious and worried
about many things. There is need
of only one thing. Mary has chosen
the better part and it will not
be taken from her."*

Luke 10:41 -42

Welcome Everyone!

No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church, No matter what your current family or marital situation, No matter what your current personal history, age, income, background, gender, gender identity or orientation, race, ethnicity or spirituality, No matter what your own self-image or holiness or virtue - You belong to Christ and belong to us! You are invited, accepted and respected here at Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish. We welcome you. We want to share our Roman Catholic way of life with you!

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Assisting Celebrant

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Permanent Deacon

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Education

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Please Take a Worship Aid (song sheet) with you on the way into church while we are worshipping in the parish hall.

Step-by-Step

Masses continue to be offered in the Parish Hall until the railings are installed on the new steps. We are expecting to be back upstairs by the beginning of August, (fingers crossed and rosary prayed). The project is coming along nicely, a few unexpected glitches has put the project about \$50,000.00 over budget thus far. Thank you for your patience while the project continues. Our exile is almost at an end.

Confessions

While we are worshipping in the Parish Hall, there is not a private place for confessions before the 4:00 p.m. Mass in the basement. The upstairs church remains off limits until the project is 100% completed. If you wish to make a confession before the 4:00 pm mass, find Father and if weather permits you can walk outside and celebrate the sacrament in a quiet place OR as always, you can call and make an appointment for confession for a particular day and time.

Labor Day Drawing and Fall Fling 50/50 Tickets:

Top prize of \$5,000.00 !!!

We soon will have parishioner Raffle Tickets in envelopes arranged alphabetically on the tables in the church hall. Also included will be 50/50 tickets for both nights of the Festival. If you do not find your tickets, please sign the designated sheet to request your tickets. This Drawing was supposed to coincide with the dates of our Festival. Since the Fall Fling is moved, we will draw the winners at Labor Day Mass for the Raffle. It will be a Pre-Fling Raffle, enabling us to beat some expenses of our preparation for the Fall Fling. Thank you for Your Cooperation.

CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN MOTHERS

Our CCM will meet next Sunday, July 24th, at 2pm in the school cafeteria. Also, all Christian Mothers who worked the Rummage Sale are asked to wear their *Blue Shirts* as a picture will be taken for the newspaper.

Annual Novena in honor of St. Anne, Mother of Mary
Our Parish will pray the Novena to St. Anne for nine days before the Feast of St. Anne on July 26th after the 8:00 am Eucharist. Pamphlets will be available to pray along and to take home to pray on the weekends. Join us in this traditional prayer especially for our region.

MASS IN POLISH—ST. ANN'S NOVENA, SCRANTON St. Ann's Feast Day, Tuesday, July 26th at 1:30pm at St. Ann's Basilica, St. Ann Street, Scranton. There will be singing of Polish hymns beginning at 1:15pm.



FALL FLING!

Friday/Saturday September 16, 17 on our Parish Grounds

Traditional Foods, American Foods, Soft Ice Cream, Bake Sale, BINGO! Games, Raffle, 50/50, Plush Stand, Bountiful Baskets, Children's Games, Adult Games, Beer Tent, and Live Entertainment.

Everybody Welcome!

FESTIVAL SPONSORS: We will not be soliciting businesses on our own this year, but if you would like to contribute as a business owner/manager, please contact us or send in donations. Thank you.

FESTIVAL SUPPLIES DONATIONS NEEDED:

Paper towels
Napkins
9x9 3 -compartment Styrofoam containers
9x9 1-compartment Styrofoam containers
6x6 Styrofoam containers
9" Styrofoam Plates
Ketchup
Vegetable Oil
Donated Paper Products can be left in the church hall before, after, or in between masses.

CHILDREN'S GAMES: Small toys needed! Inexpensive as from the Dollar Stores, but must be **NEW**.

KOUNTRY KITCHEN: We have 40 buckets to fill for this stand. All we need are cleaning supplies and non-perishable food items. Just bring the items in bags, and we will fill the buckets.

THEME BASKETS: Create baskets with a value of at least \$40. Some ideas are Cooking, Baking, Car Care, Pet Supplies, School Supplies, Seasonal, etc. We will also accept monetary donations & we will put the basket together for you. Please wrap baskets ready for display with a list of the items contained in the basket. Please call Doreen Dougherty 570-696-4270 or Elaine Lipinski 570-288-9831 & let them know what basket you will be making, as soon as possible.

PLEASE NOTE: For your convenience, we have a big box placed in the back of the church hall marked "**FESTIVAL DONATIONS**". You may drop off children's toys, non-perishable food items and cleaning supplies for the buckets here. You may also bring items to the rectory office during normal office hours. Please do not place items for the Holy Family Food Pantry in this box. That designated box is located near the elevator.

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Friday—*Closed*

Evening and Weekends by appointment

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

Our Parish warmly welcomes those who are with us each weekend, occasionally, and all who are looking for a spiritual home. Actual membership begins by filling out a Census Form at setonpa.com on the link at the top of the page. Once completed, send it to the office and we'll get you on "the official books," as soon as possible.

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

Baptisms are usually scheduled after the 11:00 a.m. Eucharist on Sunday. 1st time parents are asked to attend a brief instruction class on Baptism. You can contact Lori directly for information.

Weddings are usually celebrated Saturday at 1:00 pm or on Friday afternoon or evening. Contact Father as soon as possible to reserve the date and complete the necessary paperwork.

Eucharistic Adoration

Join us Thursday evenings from 6-8 in the church for quiet prayer and Adoration. Stop in at anytime for any length of time. You are welcome here!

Offerings

Weekend of July 2/3, 2022

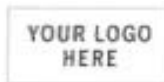
Regular: \$12,101.96

"Give to God as you have Received"

New Fiscal Year Realities

As of July 1st, our parish must pay \$20,550 each month (or \$5,137.50 each week) to our Diocesan Schools and Assessments. At the start of this new fiscal year, we are running in the red.

Here is a copy of the monthly bill for July 2022:



INVOICE

Diocese of Scranton

INVOICE #: INV005785
DATE: 07/01/2022

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| REFERENCE # | SHIPPING METHOD | PAYMENT TERMS | DUE DATE |
|-------------|-----------------|----------------|------------|
| | | Due on receipt | 07/31/2022 |

| ITEM # | DESCRIPTION | UNIT | QTY | UNIT PRICE | AMOUNT |
|-----------------|------------------------|------|-----|------------|--------------------|
| GP01 | PARISH ASSESSMENT | Each | 1 | \$4,392.00 | \$4,392.00 |
| GP02 | P/R Process Assessment | Each | 1 | \$65.00 | \$65.00 |
| GP03 | Clergy Care/Wellness | Each | 1 | \$1,168.00 | \$1,168.00 |
| GP06 | Post Retirement | Each | 1 | \$433.00 | \$433.00 |
| GP08 | Clergy Blue Cross | Each | 1 | \$1,534.00 | \$1,534.00 |
| GP09 | Clergy Pension | Each | 1 | \$620.00 | \$620.00 |
| GP04 | Self Insurance | Each | 1 | \$3,842.00 | \$3,842.00 |
| GP05 | School Assessment | Each | 1 | \$8,496.00 | \$8,496.00 |
| SUBTOTAL | | | | | \$20,550.00 |
| TOTAL | | | | | \$20,550.00 |

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION PICTURES

If you forgot to pick up your photos on June 20th, we still have the photos in the rectory office. There are 8 First Holy Communion, 3 Confirmation pics from this year, and even 8 Confirmation pics from 2021. Please call Lori at 570-287-6624, extension 100, to make arrangements for pick up.

ST. IGNATIUS/HOLY FAMILY MASS TIME CHANGES As of this weekend, July 16th there is a new mass schedule for the parishes of St. Ignatius, Kingston and Holy Family, Luzerne as they will now share pastoral leadership. Our parishioners visit these two parishes when it is more convenient to attend there especially during the week. **Here is the new Mass Schedule:**

Daily Mass (Mon-Friday) 7:30 AM (SI) 12:10 PM (HF)

Saturday (vigil) 4:00 PM (SI) 5:15 (HF)

Sunday 7:00 AM (SI) 9:00 am (HF) 10:30 AM (SI)

St. Ignatius Loyola VBS is back! "God's Wonder Lab!", Monday-Friday, August 1st -5th, 9:30am-noon, for those who have completed one year of pre-school through those who have completed Grade 5. \$10/child. Registration: call 570-287-3682 or email: religiouseducation1@yahoo.com

SACRED HEART POLISH PICNIC IN DUPONT.....215 Lackawanna Ave., Dupont. August 5th & 6th, from 5-10pm. Delicious homemade ethnic foods, pierogi, golombki, placki, halushki, theme baskets, games of chance, beer tent, & music.



Gossip is as old as the hills (or at least since the fall of our first parents), universal and apparently enjoyable. Since every action is aimed as some perceived good, let's first consider the various rewards of gossip.

For the gossiper, the delights include ego satisfactions such as: feelings of superiority, the pleasure of revenge, the undermining of a rival, admiration gained as one privy to inside information, an outlet for envy, etc.

And for the eager ear, well, let's face it, gossip can be downright interesting. "The words of a gossip are like choice morsels; they go down into the inmost parts." (Prv 18:8)

So, if gossip is both natural and enjoyable, the only hope of reducing it is to expose its downsides, and they are many. Gossip divides people and groups, stokes fear, boosts suspicion and destroys reputations. Conversely, reducing gossip increases harmony, respect, productivity and morale.

More gossip = less happiness. Less gossip = more happiness

As for a corporate strategy, it must be from the top down. Conviction, role modeling and messaging from management are essential. A bottom up approach is futile. Management should:

1. **Declare the values.** Gossip is not a topic in itself; it's a subset violation of proudly held values, particularly respect.
2. **Educate the minds.** Management must make a compelling and rational case that exposes gossip as a hobby for small minds.
3. **Inspire the hearts.** They should spice up the training and sweeten the medicine with role playing and humor.
4. **Back it up.** Challenge employees to a personal and explicit commitment to speak well of one another or not at all.

"Death and life are in the power of the tongue." (Prv 18:21)

Eucharist Schedule and Remembrances

Monday, July 18

8:00 a.m. Richard Sisko

Sister, Christine

Tuesday, July 19

8:00 a.m. Andrew & Arlene Gumba

Emily Goliash

Wednesday, July 20

8:00 a.m. Monica Skolnick

Children

Thursday, July 21

8:00a.m. John Ostrowski

Mary Ann Romanowski

Friday, July 22

8:00 a.m. Bob Sieminski

Lynn & Ella Sebia

Saturday, July 23

4:00 p.m. John Ludwikowski

Mark & Jane

5:30 p.m. Joan Snopeck

JoAnn & Laura Prushinski

Sunday, July 24

7:00 a.m. *Pro Populo*

9:00 a.m. In Honor of the Rusnak Family

11:00 a.m. Edward Proleika Jr.

Mathis & Shovlin Families

5:30 p.m. Rosa Sanchez

Daughter, Lillian & Family

Intentions and Prayers

Sanctuary Candles

~In Memory of *Samuel Yankay* offered by Grandmother

~In Memory of *Louis Michaels* offered by MichaelsFamily

RESTING IN THE PEACE of CHRIST, the Recently Departed

~~Marie Levitski~~

Congratulations and God's blessings upon

~~*Damian Pierontoni and Melanie Gavlick*~~ who were married this weekend.



The Wisdom of Our Holy Father, Pope Francis:

"No one had earned a place at that Supper. All had been invited. Or better said: all had been drawn there by the burning desire that Jesus had to eat that Passover with them."

— Pope Francis, *Desiderio desideravi* #4.

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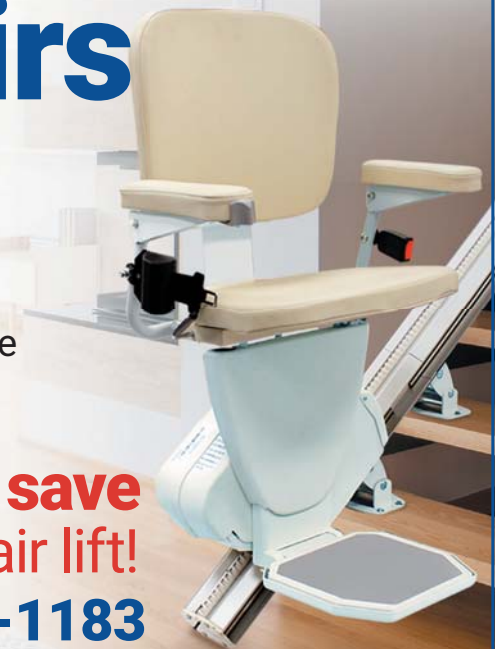
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