

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish



The Seton Sentinel

The Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 31, 2014

Swoyersville, PA



Monday, September 1st, is Labor Day. Please note that our **parish office will be closed** in observance of the Holiday. **Monday's Mass will be at 9:00 a.m.** and will be celebrated as a votive mass of St. Joseph the Worker. All those with special intentions for employment are encouraged to attend this mass. All are welcome!

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Our Fall meetings will resume on Tuesday, September 2nd at 6:30 in the rectory. This season we will be reviewing some Evangelization Material and we would like to invite all parishioners to read some of the materials that we will be studying.

The following books are available at Amazon.com, Barnes and Noble, and other websites and bookstores. Forming Intentional Disciples, Sherry A. Weddell, The Parish Guide to the New Evangelization: An Action Plan for Sharing the Faith, Fr. Robert Hater, Rebuilt: The Story of A Catholic Parish, White/Corcoran, Tools for Rebuilding, White/Corcoran. Pick up one of these books and read along with us as we look for ways to engage those who are away from the church and energize our parishioners in new and exciting ways! Be an active part of Operation Evangelization!

CHOIR NEWS

All members of the Adult Choirs are asked to meet in the church parking lot on **Wednesday, September 3rd at 5:30 p.m.** for a beginning of the season Kick-off Celebration. Regular practices resume Wed. September 9th at 6:30 p.m. downstairs in the main church for ALL adult choir members. New members are most welcome and encouraged to join us for our 1st practice of the season. This is a wonderful opportunity for those who like to sing to get involved in church. The time commitment is up to you, come to as many practices and masses that fits your schedule. The choir will sing at alternating weekend masses during the year.

ART & ENVIRONMENT

Our Art and Environment Committee will meet in the church on Tuesday, September 16th at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Our Knights of Columbus meet every 2nd Tuesday of the month at **7pm in the church hall**. New members are always welcome.

SOCIAL CONCERNS MEETING

The Social Concerns Committee meets every third Thursday of the month at **7pm in the church hall**. New members are always welcome.



SOCIAL CONCERNS CRAFT SHOW

VENDORS NEEDED

Saturday, September 13, 9am-3pm

In our parish gym & cafeteria

Over 40 vendors!

Lunch will be available

Call MaryAnn for more information; 287-3484

Also, bakers are needed. Anyone who can donate baked good items are asked to bring them to the school cafeteria on Friday, Sept. 12th from 6pm-8pm.



SOCIAL CONCERNS PRO-LIFE BABY SHOWER

From **September 13th to September 21st**, we will have a playpen placed near the Reconciliation Room for donations. The Pro-Life Center is in need of: Baby Wipes, Diapers sizes 2 & 3, New or nearly new strollers, indoor swings, baby seats for dinner table, high chairs, and Pack-n-Plays.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY

Our Holy Name Society will meet on September 7th after the 8:30am Mass in the church hall. The upcoming schedule of events will be discussed. New members are always welcome.

CCD TEACHER'S MEETING

Thursday, September 4th at 6:00 p.m. all teachers in this year's program are invited to join us for a light supper and the beginning of the year meeting. Join us in the parish hall.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS:

Our Parish Religious Education Program will once again offer 2 sessions for grades 1-8 on either Saturday morning or Monday evening. All students who are not attending Catholic Schools should be enrolled in the parish program. This year, to simplify the registration process, we are directing everyone to our website: setonpa.com where you can download the registration form and return it to the parish in the mail or drop off at the rectory, or place in the weekend collection basket. If you cannot access the parish website please contact the Religious Formation Office at 287-4587 and we will get the form to you. Classes resume, Saturday, September 20th and Monday, September 22nd.

THE SETON CAFÉ

This year we would like to offer a bit of hospitality to our parents of our CCD students during religious education classes. We hope to have The Seton Café located in the school basement open during the times of our CCD Classes. The parents can gather informally to enjoy, a coffee or tea and light snack while waiting for the children upstairs. If you would like to help in the operation of the Café please contact Terry at 287-4587. Duties will be very light and it is a way you can assist with the Religious Ed Program without climbing all of the steps.

FALL FUNDRAISERS

- Monday, September 15th—Pot Pies
 - Monday, October 6th,—Pasties
 - Monday, October 27th—Apple Dumplings
 - Monday, November 17th—Sweet Pizza
- (More information to follow.)*

**Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton,
Pray for us!**

ADULT CONTINUING FAITH FORMATION

The fall series this year will be offered at 2 times, Tuesday mornings after the 8:00 a.m. Mass and Thursday evening at 7:00 p.m. on selected weeks. This year's theme is *Praying as Disciples: Going Deeper into our Relationship with Jesus*. We will explore the topic of personal prayer in greater detail with exercises in the Ignatian Prayer Methods. All are welcome to join us for these sessions which will be held in the Parish hall on the following dates: Tuesday, September 16, 30, October 21, November 4, 18. Thursday, September 18, October 2, 23, November 6, 20. Come to all of the sessions or just join us for one or two to deepen your prayer experience.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

This Advent season our parish will engage the children who attend the 10:00 a.m. Mass on Sundays in the Children's Liturgy of the Word. It brings the gospel message to their level and makes the scriptures come to life through engaging the children's imagination. A team of adults is needed to help with this project. If you are gifted with children and would like to volunteer for the variety of "jobs" there will be in the Children's Word, contact Mr. Mark Mizzer at 288-0362. All volunteers will need background checks, which the parish will arrange, and must attend the diocesan wide **VIRTUS: Protecting God's Children** program.



HIGH PRAISES

To all those who attended the 4:00 p.m. Mass last Saturday afternoon you were highly praised by our visitors from the Seton Catholic High School Class of 1989. "What wonderful parishioners you have...Everyone is so friendly and welcoming at your church...Everybody sings, I've never heard that in a Catholic Church...What an absolutely beautiful church!" These were just some of the comments that were made. We thought you should know that you made such a positive impression! I would have to agree with them!

- Fr. Joe

From Bishop Bambera:

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has requested that a special collection be taken up in all parishes on the weekend of September 27-28, 2014 to support our Christian brothers and sisters and other innocent victims of the violence in the Middle East, most specifically in areas of Iraq, Gaza and Syria. All funds received from the collection will be used by Catholic Relief Services working in partnership with local Churches in the Middle East to meet urgent humanitarian needs.

AROUND THE DIOCESE:

All those in active ministries are asked to check out the diocesan website at dioceseofscranton.org for news and updates on a series of workshops on various topics that will be offered by the Diocese of Scranton this fall. See what workshops you are interested in and register. There are programs of Social Concerns Ministries, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Eucharist, Catechists, Lectors, Cantors, etc. All are welcome to attend these sessions.

COLLECTION REPORT

AUGUST 16/17, 2014

SUNDAY: \$7474.50 DUES: \$1009.00
 LOOSE: \$ 561.77
TOTAL: \$9045.27

Holy Day-Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary:
\$2098.54

May God bless you for your generosity!

COME TO THE 38TH ANNUAL ROSARY RALLY

"The combined Knights of Columbus Councils of Wyoming Valley will sponsor their 38th annual Rosary Rally on **Sunday, September 28th, at Saint Leo's / Holy Rosary Parish, 33 Manhattan Street, Ashley.** A Procession from the Church through the streets will begin at 2:00 pm. At 3:00 pm Devotions will take place in the Church followed by the celebration of Mass. This Mass will satisfy Sunday obligation. Parking is available behind the Church, from N. Main St. off W. Hartford Street. The faithful are welcome."

GREAT VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

St. Vincent de Paul's Kitchen, Wilkes-Barre, needs volunteers for the food bank on Tuesdays, 5-6pm for filling & stocking shelves & food distribution. Please call Mike for more info. at 829-7796.

VIRTUS: Protecting God's Children Program

This training session is required for all adult volunteers who work a minimum of 20 hours or more per year with children. During the 3-hour training, a facilitator will incorporate techniques in a discussion format to help you recognize the warning signs of child sexual abuse and how to respond to it appropriately and effectively. Please consider joining your community on Thursday, Sept 18th, from 6:30 to 9:30PM, at St. Faustina Kowalska Parish, Nanticoke, or Thursday, October 9th, from 6:30-9:30PM, at Holy Rosary School, Duryea. Contact Peggie Jimcoski to register: 735-4833 or hthc@comcast.net

St. Joseph Feast Day at Oblates

The Feast of St. Joseph the Worker will be celebrated on Labor Day, Monday, September 1st, at the Oblates of St. Joseph Chapel, Route 315, Laflin, with a Solemn Mass at 11:00AM. Celebrant & homilist will be Bishop John M. Dougherty, D.D. St. Joseph's Bread will be blessed & distributed following the Mass as a "symbol of the fruit of our labor". Special intentions include: workers' thanksgiving, unemployed & special blessings for students, teachers & administrators as they enter a new year. Everyone is invited to attend.

Liturgical Schedule and Intentions

Monday, Sept 1	<i>Votive Mass of St. Joseph the Worker</i>	
9:00 a.m.	Joseph M. Podczaski	Jerome Lock
Tuesday, Sept 2		
8:00 a.m.	Ryan/Durkin Families	Joe & Kate Ryan
Wednesday, Sept 3	<i>St. Gregory the Great</i>	
8:00 a.m.	Charles Heiser	Wife & Children
Thursday, Sept 4		
8:00 a.m.	Mikulka & Friedman Families	Grandchildren
Friday, Sept 5		
8:00 a.m.	In Honor of the 55th Wedding Anniversary of M/M Thomas Lally	
Saturday, Sept 6	<i>(vigil: Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time)</i>	
4:00 p.m.	Margaret Ostroskie	Husband & Children
5:30 p.m.	Clement Asklar	Daughter, Wanda Andrews & husband, Joseph
Sunday, Sept 7	<i>Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	
8:30 a.m.	John Butchko & Carl Stravinski	John & Christine
10:00 a.m.	<i>Pro Populo</i>	
11:30 a.m.	Robert Billett	Walter & Shirley Gavlick

SANCTUARY LIGHT INTENTIONS



- ~In Memory of Genevieve Tibus offered by Ray & Joan Sherrill
- ~In Honor of the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Pat & Sandie Charney



ALTAR FLOWERS THIS WEEKEND

- ~In Memory of John & Mary Marcin offered by Children
- ~In Memory of Jacob Latoski & In Honor of Olivia Latoski offered by Parents



Congratulations & Wedding Blessings upon *Michael G. Johnson & Kimberly A. Crofchick*, who were married on Saturday, August 30th.

UPCOMING WEDDING

Saturday, September 6, 2014, 1:00pm: ~~ *William Lewis & Roseann Gorey*

REST IN PEACE

IN MEMORIAM Eternal Rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let Perpetual Light Shine upon them~~*John Hrivnak*~~*Barbara Shampack*~~*Dorothy Loyack*~~May their souls and the souls of all the Faithful Departed rest in peace. Amen.

Celebrant's Schedule

	Sept 6-7	
4:00pm	Fr. Urban	
5:30pm	Fr. Pisaneschi	
8:30am	Fr. Pisaneschi	
10:00am	Fr. Urban	
11:30am	Fr. Pisaneschi	





THE SETON SENTINEL

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish

116 Hughes Street

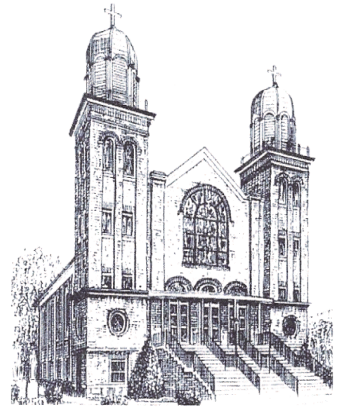
Swoyersville, PA 18704

Phone 570-287-6624

Fax 570-287-4704

Email: setonpa@aol.com

setonpa.com



TO THE PARENTS OF OUR YOUNG CHILDREN, MAY WE SUGGEST ...

Relax! God put the wiggle in children, don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house. All are welcome!

Sit toward the front where it is easier for your little ones to see and hear what's going on at the altar. They tire seeing the backs of others' heads.

Quietly explain the parts of the Mass and actions of the priest, altar servers, choir etc.

Sing the hymns, pray and voice the responses. Children learn liturgical behavior by copying you.

If you have to leave the Mass with your child, feel free to do so, but please come back. As Jesus said, "Let the children come to me."

Remember that the way we welcome children in church directly affects the way they respond to the Church, to God, and to one another. Let them know that they are at home in this house of worship.

TO THE MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH

The presence of children is a gift to the Church and they are a reminder that our church is growing.

Please welcome our children and give a smile of encouragement to their parents.

Weekend Eucharist

Saturday 4:00 and 5:30 p.m.

Sunday 8:30, 10:00, and 11:30 a.m.

Weekday Eucharist

8:00 a.m.

Reconciliation

Saturdays: 3:15 p.m.-3:45 p.m.

or anytime by request.

Parish Staff

- Cora Artim Children's/ 11:30 a.m. Choir Director
- Phil Bosha Maintenance
- Chris Calore Maintenance
- Sister Jane Ellis, IHM Parish Social Minister
- Terry Jankoviak Director of Faith Formation
- Rev. Joseph J. Pisaneschi Pastor
- Lori Raymond Pastoral Associate
- Joseph Sabol Assistant Organist
- Monica Salis Business Manager
- Marge Semanek Director of Music
- Rev. Anthony Urban Weekend Celebrant

Welcome to our Parish!

Actual Parish Membership begins by contacting the parish office.

Direct Contacts

Office of Social Ministry (Sr. Jane) 570-763-5160

Faith Formation Office: 570-287-4587

Father Joe's email: fatherjoe@aol.com