

The Seton Sentinel

March 18, 2018



Fifth Sunday of Lent

"The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. But it was for this purpose that I came to this hour." *John 12:23,27*

LENTEN Schedule

Monday Evening, "The Light is Still On For You in Prime Time"

The Church will be open from **7pm-8:30 pm** for Individual Confessions and Private Prayer Time before the Blessed Sacrament.

Thursday Evening, A Walk through the Sunday Gospel

All are welcome to join us in the Parish Hall for Faith Sharing around the coming Sunday's Scripture. Father Joe and Deacon Jack will be the group leaders on Thursdays at 6:30 pm.

Friday Evening, The Stations of the Cross

We will gather to pray to the last steps of Jesus at 7:00 pm Friday evenings. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament begins at 6:30 pm.



Thursday, March 29th HOLY THURSDAY AM Prayer 9:00, Confessions 9:30, Evening Mass 7:00, Visitation until 10:00, Night Prayer 10:00.

Friday, March 30th GOOD FRIDAY AM Prayer 9:00, Confessions 9:30, 2:00 Afternoon Service, Visitation until sundown.

Saturday, March 31st HOLY SATURDAY AM Prayer 9:00, Confessions 9:30, Blessing of the Baskets 2:00, and The Great Easter Vigil 8:00 with Sacraments of Initiation. (note: No 4:30 Mass today or afternoon confessions)

Sunday, April 1st EASTER SUNDAY Masses at 7:30, 9:00 and 11:00 AM, 5:30 PM.



Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence.

The norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal.

The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Latin Catholic Church from age 14 onwards.

Altar Guild Lenten Fundraiser:

Friday, March 23rd, Pirohy

Cost is \$7.00/dozen Pick up times are noon to 2pm or 5-6pm, in the school cafeteria. Sign-up sheets are on the tables at the church entrance (until we reach our quota). **We need LOTS OF HELP making the pirohy. Please come to the school cafeteria at 7:30am If you can help ball potatoes; all others come at 8:30.** Bring a friend! Lunch will be served.

This is our final Lenten fundraiser. **Thank you** to all our volunteers and to everyone who supports us!

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Office Hours: Monday–
Thursday 8:30 to 5:00

Friday 8:30 to 3:00

Weekends and Evenings by
appointment only

Parish Office is closed for all
Holy Days of Obligation and
Federal Holidays.

Reconciliation Saturdays
3:45pm to 4:15pm 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



IMPORTANT NOTICE: As we get closer to Easter our Liturgies become more crowded. First, please make as much room as possible for folks by **moving in the pews** for those who arrive later than we do. Secondly, when the pews are full downstairs and upstairs please be very careful of the surroundings especially in the balcony. Last week we had two separate incidents where one of the angels almost toppled over and again where the pipes almost fell down. **THINGS IN THE CHOIR LOFT ARE NOT SECURED**, especially the pipes and casing. Please do not lean on, hang onto, or go behind the organ pipes or casing. The last thing we want is to have someone get hurt. **Be Kind, Be Courteous and Be Careful!**

FIRST RECONCILIATION



Congratulations to the students who received the Sacrament of First Reconciliation today, March 17th: Carter Chacko, Kyle Christian, Luke Dadurka, Alexis Favata, Spencer Frusciante, Victor Harden, David Hoover, Lila Hunter, Gavin Jancouskas, Keldon Kammerer, Eric Kuzma, Avery Lee, Abigail Manfre, Mary Jane Michaels, Madelyn Miller, Max Mylet, Kendyl Onzik, Molly Pokrinchak, Jacob Ranieli, Trevor Ruddy, Madison Stanislow, Brandon Snopeck, & Cassandra Snopeck. Please keep them in your prayers, as they continue to prepare for their First Holy Communion on May 5th.



SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE 4TH ANNUAL VARIETY BINGO

The Social Concerns Committee will be hosting their 4th Annual **VARIETY BINGO** on **Sunday, April 15th**, in our school gymnasium. Doors open at 12:00pm and Bingo begins at 1:00pm. Admission is \$10, which includes 3 cards for each of 15 regular games and 10 Specials. Lunch, Bake Sale, Instant Bingo, Door Prizes, and Basket Raffles will be available. All are welcome!!

The **Social Concerns Committee** will meet on **Monday, March 19th, at 7pm** in our church hall. New members are always welcome!



BAPTISM CLASS

Expectant parents & new parents who are planning their baby's baptism, and have not previously attended a Baptism class, are invited to attend our next Baptism class, to be held on Wednesday, March 21st, at 6:30pm in our church hall. Please call Lori, Pastoral Associate, at the parish office to register for the class.

Direct Contacts

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sisterjane@setonpa.com

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sistermarion@setonpa.com

Father Joe's email: fatherjoey@aol.com



SACRIFICIAL GIVING

WEEKLY OFFERING —\$ 12,386.99

Love and generosity start here at home. We are grateful for your faithful stewardship which sustains the life of our parish, supports our outreach and ministries, as well as maintains the level of staffing needed to put our mission into action. Thank you for your gift of treasure and commitment to do God's work here at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish offered on the weekend of March 3/4, 2018.

No Classes on Saturday, March 31st or Monday, April 2nd

Saturday, April 7th: Saturday CCD class & MANDATORY 8th Grade Confirmation Class Retreat at St. Ignatius Parish, Kingston, at 11:30am and 4pm Mass. Lunch will be provided

Sunday, April 8th: First Holy Communion Class Retreat 11am Mass to 4pm

FROM THE IHM SISTERS

The IHM Sisters will offer a monthly Mass for those parishes they have served with dedication and love. This commitment of love between the IHM Sisters and our community will be honored in a Mass at 8:00am on March 20, 2018, at the IHM Center Chapel, Scranton.

LENTEN BABY BOTTLE PROJECT

Baby Bottles are located at the church entrance for our **Lenten PA for Human Life Baby Bottle Project**. Please take a bottle home with you, and fill with your spare change during Lent. Please return all bottles on or before next Sunday, March 25th. All donations benefit the PA for Human Life, Wilkes-Barre. **The Babies thank you!!!**

CHRISTIAN MOTHERS' RUMMAGE SALE & OTHER NEWS

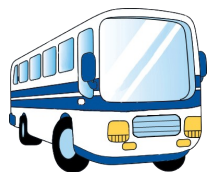
Spring is right around the corner. Get ready to do some spring cleaning and bring your unwanted items to our school gymnasium on the following dates:

COLLECTION DATES: Monday, April 16th, 9-5 and Tuesday, April 17th, 9-5

We accept clothing, shoes, purses, jewelry, household items, glassware, sports items, books, holiday decorations, toys, tools, DVDs, CDs, etc., etc., but please no TVs, outdated magazines, encyclopedias, or college textbooks. (Sorry, no pick-ups or deliveries.) The Rummage Sale will be held on Monday, April 23, 9-5 & Tuesday, April 24, 9-3. We will have a bake sale & lunch will be available, with homemade haluski & wimpies. More details to follow.

Our **next CCM meeting** will be held on **Sunday, March 25th, at 2pm** in our church hall. New members are welcome.

Reservations are now being taken for our **Mothers' Day Dinner**, to be held on **Sunday, May 20th**, at the Avenue Diner, Wyoming. Cost is free for paid-up members, and \$15 for guests. For reservations, contact Sue Bayer, 570-714-1628. Also, on **May 6th, at 1pm**, in our church hall, we will sponsor a presentation given by the State Attorney. All parishioners are invited. Light refreshments will be served.



BUS TRIP TO EMMITSBURG, MD

A bus trip is **tentatively scheduled** to Lourdes Grotto/St. Elizabeth Ann Seton National Shrine, Emmitsburg, MD, on Wednesday, April 18th. The cost of the bus trip is \$45.

Please make checks payable to : Chris Calore. You may drop the checks off at the parish office. For more information, please call Chris Calore at 570-824-5621



Parish Staff

Cora Artim
Children's Choir

Phil Bosha
Maintenance

Chris Calore
Maintenance

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Musician

Sister Jane Ellis, IHM
Pastoral Care Minister

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Pastor

Lori Raymond
Pastoral Associate

Joseph Sabol
Assistant Organist

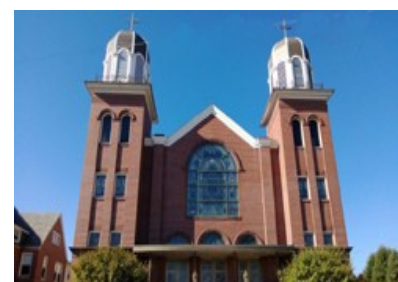
Monica Salis
Business Manager

Marge Semanek
Director of Music

Sister Marion Tarone, IHM
Director of Religious
Education

Rev. Anthony Urban
Assisting Celebrant

Deacon Jack Ziegler
Permanent Deacon





ST ELIZABETH ANN SETON KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

The nearly 2 million members of the Knights of Columbus form the largest Catholic fraternal group in existence. As

Knights, we serve our parish & community while working each day to create a better world through charity. If you are looking to live out your faith in the spirit of charity by helping others, our Knights of Columbus council welcomes you to join us. As a member of our council, you will strengthen your faith & become a better Catholic, husband, & father. Through your support of our parish & community, you will form friendships with fellow Knights that can last a lifetime.

We will be conducting an Installation Ceremony on Tuesday, April 10, 2018, at 6pm here in our church hall.

If you are currently a member at another council and wish to transfer here to our council, you can do so by just filling out one of our forms. To sign up or for more information, call or text Mark Perugino, Grand Knight, at 570-262-2896. Thank you!

CHRIST IS HERE! COME AND SEE!

THE 4TH ANNUAL DIOCESE OF SCRANTON "BE A MAN: CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE" Saturday, May 5, 2018, from 8am to 3pm in the King's College gym on North Main St., Wilkes-Barre. Three nationally-known presenters will highlight various aspects of the **Real Presence of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist**: Tom Peterson-founder of *Catholics Come Home, Inc.*, Fr. Michael Gaitley, MIC—Divine Mercy priest & author of *33 Days to Morning Glory*, and Jesse Romero—a fiery **Catholic Lay Evangelist**, radio host & author. Bishop Joseph Bambera will celebrate the closing Mass. Cost: \$35 (\$30 early bird by April 16); \$15/students. Register online at www.BeAManConference.com or call 570-207-2213 (Diocesan Pastoral Center) or mail the completed conference brochure application with your check to: Office for Parish Life, 330 Wyoming Ave., Scranton, PA 18503 Attn: Men's Conference St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish Captain: Chris Calore 570-824-5621

8th ANNUAL HAM BINGO

St. Nicholas Byzantine Catholic Church, 320 Vine St., Old Forge. **Today, Sunday, March 18th.** Kitchen opens at 11am, Regular Games begin at 1pm. Food, beverages, bake sale, basket raffle, door prizes. Cash raffle & Bingo Specials. Admission is \$3.00.



The Feast of Saint Joseph

The Feast of St. Joseph will be celebrated at the Oblates of St. Joseph Chapel, located on Route 315 in Laflin on Monday, March 19th, with a solemn Mass at 11:00am with His Excellency, Bishop Joseph C. Bambera, as principal celebrant and homilist. The Oblate priests and Diocesan clergy will concelebrate. Liturgical music will be by the Queen of the Apostles Parish Choir of Avoca. At the conclusion of the Holy Mass, St. Joseph's Bookmarks will be blessed and distributed. There also will be a Holy Mass at 7pm. Everyone is welcome to participate and offer prayers to Saint Joseph for personal intentions, for our families and for our country. For more information, contact the OSJ seminary at 570-654-7542.

SPRING INTO ACTION WITH SWOYERSVILLE KIWANIS

March is the month for changes—the time to change our clocks along with changing weather & flowers that will be in bloom. It is also time to spring into action to help & serve others. Come & have some fun by becoming part of the Kiwanis Family. Residents from all local communities are invited to be our guest at a dinner meeting on March 28th and learn all you need to know about becoming a Kiwanian. A little of your time goes a long way. Come be with us when we offer assistance to Feed a Friend, local food pantries, local children's sports organizations, St. Joseph's Center & many more. Not all work—enjoy our Family Picnic, Family Bowling, & Christmas Party. For reservations, call 570-283-1677 or email: swoyk1951@comcast.net

PASSION PLAY 2018

New Easter Play: **RELICS OF THE PASSION.** St. John the Baptist Church, 126 Nesbitt St., Larksville. Friday, March 23rd at 7:30pm. Inspired by true story of St. Helena finding Jesus' Cross. The Rev. Gerald J. Gurka directs his new original script. Open to the Public. Refreshments & Fellowship in church hall after Play.

TWELFTH ANNUAL REGIONAL DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY—

St. Ignatius Loyola Parish, 339 N. Maple Ave., Kingston, will host the 12th Annual Celebration of **Divine Mercy Sunday** on **April 8th.** Itinerary is as follows: 1:00pm Sacrament of Reconciliation & Holy Rosary, 2:00pm Blessing of the Image of Divine Mercy followed by Holy Mass, 3:00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, The Divine Mercy Chaplet in song, & Benediction & Blessing with the First Class Relics of St. Faustina. This year's theme is "Prayer for Peace and Conversion of the Whole World. All are welcome to attend! Contact Cathy Mack at 570-654-6063 for more information.

REFRESH YOUR FAITH

The First Annual Catholic Women's Conference of the Scranton Diocese will be held on Saturday, June 23rd, 8am to 4pm. Byron Complex, University of Scranton. Featuring Fr. Richard McAlear & Judy Landrieu Klein. Mass celebrated by Most Reverend Joseph Bambera. For information or to register go to: dioceseofscranton.org/catholic-womens-conference

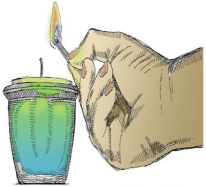
**SAINT ELIZABETH ANN SETON,
PRAY FOR US!**

Mass Intentions

Offered for:

Requested by:

Monday	March 19	12:10pm	Health & Blessings for Bernice Buchkowski	Jackloski Family
Tuesday	March 20	12:10 pm	Anna Wayslow	Elsie & Jack Harvilla
Wednesday	March 21	12:10 pm	Carol Lewis	American Legion Post 644 Ladies Auxiliary
Thursday	March 22	12:10 pm	Frieda Gurick	Daughter, Regina
Friday	March 23	12:10 pm	Special Intention	Jim & Mary Beth Siracuse
Saturday	March 24	4:30 pm	Marie Shampack	Husband, Michael
Sunday	March 25	8:30 am	Joseph John Esposito	Barbara & David Miller
Sunday	March 25	11:00 am	Stephen F. Smith Sr.	Sisters, Pam & Sheila
Sunday	March 25	5:30 pm	<i>Pro Populo</i>	



Sanctuary Candles

~In Memory of **Frank & Anna Duzen** offered by daughters, Paula Matthews & Donna Gustave
 ~In Memory of **Edward Evelock** offered by Family



Funeral Rites were recently offered in our parish for:
 ~~**William McGough**~~**Theresa Kolesar**~~May their souls and all the souls of the Faithful Departed, through the Mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

