

# The Seton Sentinel

Corpus Christ

June 10, 2012

## Parish Staff

- Rev. Joe Pisaneschi  
Pastor
- Rev. Edward Lyman  
Senior Priest
- Rev. Mr. George  
Mochin Jr.  
Deacon
- Brian Williams  
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Minister
- Monica Salis  
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- Terry Jankoviak  
Director of Faith  
Formation
- Marge Semanak  
Director of Music
- Cora Artim  
Children's and  
Contemporary  
Groups
- Joseph Sabol  
Assistant Organist
- Phil Bosha  
Maintenance
- Chris Calore  
Maintenance

## Celebration of the Sacraments

### Baptism

Expecting parents are asked to contact the Parish Office as soon as possible to register for a short session in preparation for their child's Baptism. The Sacrament is celebrated bi-monthly after the 11:30 a.m. Mass on Sundays.

### Confirmation

The Sacrament is celebrated every two years by one of the Diocesan Bishops. Children must be consecutively registered in our Religious Education Program to be eligible to receive.

### Matrimony

Couples planning to get married are asked to contact the parish office as soon as possible to reserve a date and do the paper work necessary.

### Holy Eucharist

At the very heart of who we are as Catholic is the Sacrament of Holy Eucharist.

### MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass, Monday—Friday is at 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m.

Weekend Liturgies are Saturday at 4:00 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.

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

### Holy Orders

Any man who feels called to the ordained ministry of the Church, either priesthood or diaconate is asked to contact one of the priests or the deacon for more information.

### Penance

Is celebrated Saturday from 3:15 p.m.-3:50 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. to 5:20 p.m. Other times by request.

### Anointing of the Sick

To receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, please contact the Parish Office. Urgent Sick Calls will be attended to day or night.

If you or a relative or friend is admitted to a hospital, nursing home, or is homebound. Please contact the Parish Office for a Pastoral Visit. Holy Communion is brought to those who request it on First Fridays.

### Parish Membership

We extend a warm welcome to those who wish to join our Faith Community.

Actual Membership requires a brief phone call to the parish office to officially enroll at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish.

## Contacting Us

Parish Office Phone:  
**570-287-6624**  
570-287-2139

Fax: 570-287-4704

Parish Hall: 570-287-2684

Regional Youth Ministry Office  
570-288-6446

Faith Formation Office  
570-287-4587

Physical Address :

116 Hughes Street  
Swoyersville, PA 18704

Email:

setonpa@aol.com

Website:

**setonpa.com**

Direct email Addresses

Youth ministry email:  
SJBrian2aol.com

The Pastor:  
fatherjoey@aol.com

Office Hours:

Monday -Friday  
8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

## News from the Diocese



### Special Mass of Faith and Freedom at Saint Peter's Cathedral on July 1st

Dear Friends in Christ,

In their statement on religious freedom: "Our First, Most Cherished Liberty" the Catholic Bishops of the United States outlined their concerns over threats to religious freedom, both at home and abroad. In response, I now join my brother bishops of the United States in calling for a "Fortnight for Freedom," a 14-day period of prayer, education and action in support of religious freedom from June 21st to July 4th.

Beginning on the vigil of the Feasts of St. John Fisher and St. Thomas More and continuing until Independence Day, which highlights one of our country's most treasured freedoms: the freedom to practice one's religion without government interference, bishops in their own dioceses have dedicated this time to signify the importance of defending religious freedom. As such, during this period of time, parishes and Catholic institutions are encouraged to provide prayer opportunities and catechetical resources to the faithful entrusted to their care so that in union with Catholic churches across the United States we will engage in a great national campaign of teaching and witness for religious liberty ... working together to promote and protect religious freedom in our Country.

There are many opportunities for us to join in an expression of unity on religious freedom here in the Diocese of Scranton. Parishes have been provided with a variety of resources to

help achieve this. As parish activities are planned, they will be listed in upcoming editions of *The Catholic Light* and here on our website.

In addition, please be aware that on Sunday, July 1st, I will celebrate a special Mass of Faith and Freedom at the Cathedral of Saint Peter at 10:00 a.m. The Mass will be televised on CTV. I also encourage all churches in the Diocese of Scranton to ring their church bells at noon on July 4th in support of religious freedom.

Below this letter are links to various resources which provide information on this very important issue, including links to websites that enable you to easily contact your legislators so that you can urge them to protect religious liberty. Finally, you will see a Prayer for Religious Liberty that everyone can recite on a regular basis.

Thank you in advance for joining me in this effort to preserve and defend religious liberty.

Faithfully yours in Christ,

† Joseph C. Bambera

Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L.  
Bishop of Scranton

### MASS OF FAITH AND FREEDOM

Bishop Bambera will celebrate a special Mass of Faith and Freedom on Sunday, July 1st, at the Cathedral of Saint Peter at 10:00 a.m. All are welcome. The Mass will be televised on CTV.

**Stand Up for Religious Freedom in Scranton! Stop the HHS Mandate!**

**Join the Nationwide Rally June 8th from Noon to 1:30 p.m. across from the William J. Nealon Bldg  
235 N. Washington Ave.**

**(Courthouse Square) in Scranton.**

**For more details call Mary Ann at 346-5094.**

### LINKS OF INTEREST

Litany for Liberty

Religious Liberty Prayer Cards

St. Thomas More Novena

USCCB website: <http://www.usccb.org/index.html>

Fortnight for Freedom website: <http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/religious-liberty/fortnight-for-freedom/>

Stand Up for Religious Freedom website: <http://standupforreligiousfreedom.com/locations/#cities>

Pennsylvania Catholic Conference website: <http://www.pacatholic.org/>

### Prayer for Religious Liberty

Almighty God, Father of all nations, For freedom you have set us free in Christ Jesus (Gal 5:1).

We praise and bless you for the gift of religious liberty, the foundation of human rights, justice, and the common good.

Grant to our leaders the wisdom to protect and promote our liberties; By your grace may we have the courage to defend them, for ourselves and for all those who live in this blessed land.

We ask this through the intercession of Mary Immaculate, our patroness, and in the name of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, with whom you live and reign, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

## Social Concerns Corner

Our Social Concerns Ministry is up and running! The next meeting will be on August 23rd at 7:00 p.m. to discuss the Spaghetti Dinner/Silent Auction. Make plans to attend.

From the Letters to the Editor of a local paper:

Editor:

*The volunteers of Holy Family Food Pantry in Luzerne would like to thank the following groups for their recent food collections for our pantry....[St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish] Swoyersville...We would also like to thank everyone who donated to those*

*food drives. The need continues to be great for many people in our area. The donations from group collections enable us to continue to provide extra food for families who visit our pantry. God Bless you for you support. Carol Cardoni, Holy Family Food Pantry, Luzerne.*

Please continue to drop-off your donations of canned and non-perishable foods at the entrance of the Church. There is a special need, we are told, for canned meats, (Spam, Canned Ham, Chicken, etc.) Also Macaroni

and Cheese, other Macaroni and sauces in non-breakable jars or containers. Thank you for your continued support of our mission to help feed the area's needy families.

The Social Concerns Committee

A Thank You note was received from the Pennsylvanians for Human Life, Wyoming Valley Chapter for our recent participate in the annual Carnation Drive. Our parish raised \$853.25 for the project which supports Mothers and Babies of poverty level. Thank You.

**VIDEO OF THE  
CLOSING MASS AT  
HOLY NAME-ST.  
MARY'S CHURCH  
Mr. Tom Mooney of  
Wilkes-Barre  
voluntarily video  
taped the final mass  
at Holy Name-St.  
Mary's Church for  
the parish files.**

**Copies of this DVD  
will be made  
available to anyone  
interested for a very  
nominal processing  
fee. More details on  
this when the video  
presentation is  
edited and  
completed and ready  
for distribution.**

## News

### CHURCH HOURS

The Church will be open weekdays for private prayer and meditation until 3:00 p.m. each day. This was the practice on Shoemaker Street and many parishioners from the churches made regular visits. In this day and age we cannot be too cautious of any sort of abuse or vandalism. Staff will be in and out of the church during these hours and we ask you to please report anything suspicious to the rectory at once.

### THE BELLS OF ST. MARY'S

We were able to move the chimes that play hymns from Shoemaker Street to Hughes Street. Listen for the music at 12 Noon and 6:00 p.m. during the week.

### Contemporary Choir

We would like to form a choir that leads the singing at the 11:30 a.m. mass on Sundays from the front of the Church. This group will sing in front of the church (no stairs to climb to the choir loft) and will practice just before the 11:30 a.m. mass. If you are interested in either singing or playing an instrument (guitar, flute, trumpet, etc.), contact Cora at 287-1525.

Come and Join us!

## Offertory Report

HNSM 6-3

Regular: \$4,633.00

Loose: \$320.00

Holy Days \$33.00

Dues \$230.00

Other: \$59.00

Holy Trinity (5-27)

Regular: \$3,151.55

Dues: \$285.00

Fuel: \$985.00

Ascension: \$88.00

Other: \$131.25

Catholic Communications:

\$45.00

Holy Trinity (6-3)

Regular:\$3,716.62

C&E of Priests: 815.00

Dues: \$2098.00

Ascension \$146.00

Fuel: \$157.00

Other: \$286.00

Thank You for Your Support!

### The Shoemaker Street Property

People have been asking what will happen to the Church, Rectory, former Convent and House. The short answer is that the property is for sale. However, we must proceed with caution making sure we follow the guidelines set forth by the Diocese. If anyone has any interest in the property they are asked to contact the rectory as soon as possible. We are also following the guidelines of the Diocese in looking for a new place of Catholic worship for the religious items in the building. This is a long process, and we all need to be patient.

In the meantime, we are responsible for the upkeep of the property and buildings. Paying taxes, and all other maintenance on the properties. Pray to St. Joseph that the buildings are sold quickly and to someone who will respect the historical and religious significance of them.

## Welcome to St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish!

### NEW OFFICE

#### HOURS:

**All business will be conducted at 116 Hughes Street beginning this Monday.**

**Office Hours are Monday-Friday 8:30 to 4:00**

We've made it! After years of planning and months of hard work, the Swoyersville Roman Catholic Community is now united at one altar. Thank you to everyone who had a part in the planning and executing of the final masses of the former parishes and the Inaugural Mass of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton. A special thanks to those who prepared the reception last weekend after the procession and benediction. What a wonderful show of welcome! These beautiful

celebrations are an important part of our past and our future. We hope you will join us for this afternoon's Barbeque on the parish grounds between 2-5. It is another opportunity for us to get to know one another. There is still much work to be done. Compromising, Cooperation, Welcoming, Getting used to one another. Is going to take some time. But I encourage you to keep up the good work and remember UNITY above all else.  
*Fr. Joe*

**Be Sure to check us out on the web at [setonpa.com](http://setonpa.com) Bulletins, Calendars, Photos, and more. "Like" us on Facebook too.**

## What's New in the Pew

You will notice that there are now hard covered Hymnals in the pews. *Gather* from GIA Publications offers the very latest and up-to-date music and mass settings to go along with the new translation of the Roman Missal. The books, as well as being sturdy, worthy, and attractive they are costly. We kindly ask that you take good care of them for they need to last for at least the next 10 years. Avoid letting children play

with them and tear pages from them. And please do not remove these Hymnals from the Church. Thank You. If you would like to memorialize a hymnal to a loved one or donated in honor of someone. Please see the form in today's Sentinel. The cost is \$25.00 per book and your name and the name of your loved one will appear in the front inside cover of the book.

### GATHER HYMNAL

#### DONOR PLATE

Circle One

In memory –or- (in honor) of

\_\_\_\_\_

By

\_\_\_\_\_

\$25.00 Enclosed

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

## Festival 2012 News

July 12, 13, 14  
5:00 p.m.—11:00 p.m.  
Games, Prizes,  
Refreshments  
**ETHNIC FOODS**  
Live Entertainment  
Thursday—John Stevens  
& Doubleshot  
Friday— Sweet Pepper  
and the Long Hots  
Saturday— George  
Tarasek and the Polka  
Partners  
Raffle Saturday!

This year's Festival is quickly approaching, just about a month away!

- ◆ Please make your raffle and 50/50 ticket returns as soon as possible.
- ◆ Also, return your volunteer sheet if you are able to help out working at the Festival.

- ◆ We are still in need of items for the festival

paper towels, napkins, ketchup, butter, margarine, take-out containers, (9x9, single and 3 sections) Please drop off at the rectory or Church Hall.

We are also beginning to collect the following items at the rectory:

- Theme Baskets
- Bottles of Cheer
- Larger Ticket Items (prizes for the stand)
- Children's toy prizes
- Cleaning buckets

More information has been mailed to all parishioners along with the raffle tickets. Please help us where you can!

## Parish News

### FATHERS DAY CARDS

Cards for Father's Day are located at the front entrance of the Church. Take a large envelope if you wish to give the card to someone and fill out the intention and bring it back to church, or use the small envelope to have your father remembered at masses.

### MINISTRY SCHEDULES

Ministry Schedules for June, July and August have been sent home. Any minister who did not receive a schedule should contact the rectory as soon as possible. We are still working out the kinks to our new scheduling system. If you have been scheduled at a time you did not request, please let us know.

### OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Envelopes for St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish will be mailed home to all registered parishioners every two months. The first set should arrive in your mailbox this month. Please use them for the offertory collections as soon as you receive them.

Please remember:

**WE CANNOT CASH CHECKS MADE TO PARISHES OR CHURCHS OTHER THAN ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON PARISH.** Please be sure all correspondences, checks, etc. are made out to St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish. Thank You.

## Communion Procedure

The following will be the procedure for distribution and reception of Holy Communion at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton.

2 Ministers of Holy Communion at the front to take care of the front section of the church. Those on either side of the main isle are asked to wait until the two main sections return from communion before processing up the middle. Handicapped in the front pew will be served 1st in this section.

2 Ministers of Holy Communion in the middle of the Church where the break in the pews are. These two will take care of the 2nd part of the Church. Both main and side pews. Handicapped individuals will be served communion after the rest of the church in this section of the church.

The Balcony:

We strongly encourage you to find a seat downstairs in the main church. If there is

not room, please note that Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion do not go to the balcony unless the choir is singing. If you chose to sit in the balcony, you will have to come down to receive Holy Communion. There are no collectors in the balcony area. Please put your envelopes in the baskets in the rear of the church before mass to receive credit.

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish will be held June 18-22.

There is still time to sign-up! See the forms at the entrance of the Church or stop by the rectory to register.

## Youth Ministry

If you are reading this on Saturday, don't forget the School's Out Dance, Tonight in St. Elizabeth Ann Seton's Gym! For Grades 6-9 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 with one of Jumpin' Jeff's DJ's. Bring your friends!

## Altar Servers

There will be a brief meeting for ALL Altar Servers, this Wednesday, June 13th at 7:00 p.m. in the Church. It is an important meeting discussing the procedure we will follow from now on for serving masses. If you cannot be present at this meeting, please let Father Joe know by calling the rectory. Thank You.

A new class of servers will begin soon. Consider this ministry if you have received 1st Holy Communion this year or are older. Watch the bulletin for the times and dates of new altar servers training. We are in need of more servers as well as other ministries given the number of masses we have each weekend.



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**Presider's Schedule**

**Week of June 11-17**

- 8:00 a.m. Monday-Friday  
Fr. Lyman
- 9:00 a.m. Monday- Friday  
Fr. Joe
- 4:00 p.m. Saturday  
Fr. Lyman
- 5:30 p.m. Saturday  
Fr. Joe
- 8:30 a.m. Sunday  
Fr. Lyman
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday  
Fr. Joe
- 11:30 a.m. Sunday  
Fr. Joe

**Liturgical Schedule**

	Intention	Requested By
<b>Monday, June 11th</b>		
8:00 a.m.	Richard Ackourey	Wife and children
9:00 a.m.	Infants Julianna Hartly and George	Matthew Armstrong Great Grandmother Theresa Yurko and Aunt Susan
<b>Tuesday, June 12th</b>		
8:00 a.m.	Special Intention	
9:00 a.m.	Kathleen A. Fedastion	Pierce and Judy Hooper
<b>Wednesday, June 13th</b>		
8:00 a.m.	Bernadine Ritsick	Husband, George
9:00 a.m.	Foster Ritchie	Carol Mellezzo
<b>Thursday, June 14th</b>		
8:00 a.m.	Catherine Calore	Janice Quinn and Family
9:00 a.m.	Michael N. Repak	Marcinko-Shaulis Families
<b>Friday, June 15th</b>		
8:00 a.m.	Frank Matushek	M/M Allan Molotsky
9:00 a.m.	Albert J. Semanek	Josie and Art Raebuck
<b>Saturday, June 16th (11th Sunday in Ordinary Time)</b>		
4:00 p.m.	Joe Gula	Johanna
5:30 p.m.	Father's Day Intentions	
<b>Sunday, June 17 (Father's Day) 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>		
8:30 a.m.	Father's Day Intentions	
10:00 a.m.	Ronald & Elaine Bryan	Daughter and Son-in-law
11:30 a.m.	<i>Pro Populo</i>	

**Sanctuary Candles and Altar Flowers**

To arrange memorial lighting of the Sanctuary Candles or Altar Flowers, please contact Lori at the Parish Office. There are many dates still available for the present year.

Remember all those who have asked for our special prayers. Those sick, in hospitals, nursing facilities, or at home.

**NOVENA PRAYER to ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON**

O God, our Father, glorify here upon earth your servant, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, by manifesting the power of her intercession through the favors I now implore: (intentions) We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

*St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Pray for Us!*

