An illuminated manuscript page featuring a large, ornate initial 'P' in blue and gold, and a smaller initial 'Ω' in purple. The page is decorated with intricate silver and gold scrollwork, floral motifs, and a string of golden prayer beads. The background is a deep green with a subtle pattern of small red and gold specks.

All were amazed and asked one another, "What is this? A new teaching with authority. He commands even the unclean spirits and they obey him."

Mark 1:27 (NAB)

The Seton Sentinel

January 28, 2018

MARDI GRAS DANCE

SPONSORED BY

ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON

HOLY NAME SOCIETY

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2018

7PM-11PM IN CHURCH HALL

MUSIC BY: DJ JACK BRAVYAK

TICKETS: \$6.00 EACH

BYOB AND OWN MUNCHIES

CONTACT ANNA MAE VENETZ

FOR MORE INFO.: 570-287-7655

Bring a mask to the dance and get a chance to win a Grand Prize!



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

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Weekends and Evenings by
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Parish Office is closed for all
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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



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS

Ash Wednesday is approaching fast. This means the first day of Lent and the Knights of Columbus World Famous “**RED**” Clam Chowder Sale. Cost is \$7.00/quart. Sign-up sheets are at the back of the church.

Just a reminder, anyone wishing to join our Knights or transfer in from another Council, please call or text Mark Perugino, Grand Knight, at 570-262-2896.

SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE

The Social Concerns Committee recently met and began preparations for this year’s fundraising Bingo. If you would like to participate, please consider attending our next meeting in February and joining the Committee. Thank you!

PRAYER CHAIN MEETING



Our Prayer Chain meeting will be held on Saturday, February 10th, at 9am in our church hall. New members are always welcome. For more information, or if you or someone you know is in need of prayer, contact Gail at 570-690-7520.



ART AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

The Art and Environment Committee will meet on Tuesday, February 6th, at 7:00pm in the Church. Plans for Holy Week and Easter will be discussed.

SCOUT SUNDAY

All Boy Scouts have an opportunity to recognize their contributions to scouting by attending Mass in their uniforms on the weekend of February 3-4, 2018. Thank you. Caroline Magistro (570)288-0294.



FEBRUARY CCD DATES:

CLASSES: Saturday, Feb. 3, 10, and 24 No Class on Feb. 17th
Monday, Feb. 5, 12, and 26 No Class on Feb. 19th

FAMILY MASS: February 4th at 11:00am Mass followed by social

7th Grade Confirmation class: Feb. 25th after 5:30pm Mass

ASH WEDNESDAY EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION NEEDED

Sign up sheets are located in our SERVER SACRISTY for our EMs to volunteer to serve for our Ash Wednesday Masses/Services, February 14th. We will have Mass and Ash Distribution at 7:30am and 12:10pm, and Ashes *only* at 4pm and 6pm. If you sign up, please just come. No phone calls will be made. Thank you!

Altar Guild Winter Fundraisers:

Friday, February 2nd, Pasties. Sign-up sheets are on tables at church entrance.

Cost is \$6.00 each. Pick up in school cafeteria from noon-2pm or 5pm-6pm.

Friday, February 16th, Pirohy

Friday, February 23rd, Sweet Pizza

Friday, March 2nd, Pirohy

Friday, March 9th, Haluski

Friday, March 16th, Pirohy

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Direct Contacts

Office of Pastoral Care (Sr. Jane): 570-763-5160

sisterjane@setonpa.com

Faith Formation Office (Sr. Marion): 570-287-4587

sistermarion@setonpa.com

Father Joe's email: fatherjoey@aol.com

Parish direct email: setonpa@aol.com

YOUR OFFERINGS For JANUARY 13/14

Sunday:	\$ 6955.00
Dues:	\$ 1454.00
Holy Day:	\$ 28.00
Loose:	\$ 573.45
Christmas:	\$ 85.00
E-Giving:	\$ 306.33
TOTAL:	\$ 9401.78

DIOCESAN:

Care & Education of Priests (Jan.): \$717.00

**Thank you for
your generosity!**



It is normal to feel a huge hole inside us when we lose a loved one, and feeling that hole often remains long after everyone and everything around us seems to have moved on. For many, gathering with others who are experiencing the same feeling of being left behind as life moves on offers comfort, support, and encouragement. If you would like to join our parish Bereavement Group or to learn more about the group, call the parish office.



St. Elizabeth Ann Seton has a licensed therapist on our Pastoral Staff. If you think you may benefit from this ministry, please contact Fr. Joe for a referral. All inquiries will be held in the strictest confidences.



Prayer Chain Our Prayer Chain meets on the 2nd Saturday of each month at 9am in our church hall. Volunteers are needed to join in the Seton Prayer Chain. To become one of our prayer partners contact Gail at 570-690-7520. If anyone is in need of prayer, contact Gail at that number or call Lori in the parish office. All calls are confidential.



We invite the young people of our parish who are in high school to attend the International Student Leadership Institute (ISLI) this February 16-18, 2018, at Camp Ladore in Waymart, PA. ISLI is a faith and leadership program developed by Fr. Tom Chambers at the University of Notre Dame, which has been an effective and vibrant retreat here in the Diocese of Scranton for many years. "Faith Unsinkable" is our theme for our upcoming retreat where we will meditate on the Gospel of Matthew when Jesus calls Peter to walk on water. The beauty of our faith is that we too are all called to get out of the boat as Peter did, and to walk on water! Over the course of the weekend, students will come to discover more deeply and more fully who they are, and who they are called to be. They will be given the tools they need to more confidently be followers of Christ, and to get out of their "boats"! Register online at dioceseofscranton.org or call 570-207-2213.

SAINT ELIZABETH
ANN SETON,
PRAY FOR US!



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Director of Religious
Education

Rev. Anthony Urban
Assisting Celebrant

Deacon Jack Ziegler
Permanent Deacon



HOLY REDEEMER HIGH SCHOOL

Register for the 2018-2019 school year at Holy Redeemer High School. Appointments for class scheduling are available February 8, 12, & 13 from 3pm-6pm. Call today for an appointment or to arrange for a day to shadow a student. Guidance Department at 570-829-2424.

WYOMING AREA CATHOLIC SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

Wyoming Area Catholic School will have an OPEN HOUSE today, **Sunday, January 28th from 12:00pm to 2:00pm.** We have limited openings in Grades Pre-K through 8th. Mrs. Eileen Rishcoff, Principal, and the faculty & staff invite you to come to the Open House and tour the school to see what a Catholic Education has to offer your child. Call the school office for more information: 570-654-7982. Come & "Catch our Spirit".

Wyoming Area Catholic School will hold its annual **NIGHT AT THE RACES** on Saturday, February 3rd, in the school gym. Doors open at 5:45pm, race time at 7pm. Complimentary food, snacks, & soft drinks will be provided. Horses are \$10 each—prize is \$50 if your "horse" wins. Donation is \$5.00/person (must be 21 or over to attend.) Please call the school office for more information: 570-654-7982.

CATCH OUR SPIRIT...CELEBRATE OUR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS! As families register their students for the upcoming school year, consider becoming an Academic Angel! Your contribution is an investment in a child's future..the outcomes speak for themselves. Our schools offer an instructional environment that challenges the mind, while inspiring & strengthening the spirit. Please consider supporting our students for 2018-19 school year. You can designate the gift as a memorial or as an honor for someone special: you can also select a particular school to receive your gift, or allow us to allocate it to the area with the greatest need. Contributions can be sent to: Diocese of Scranton Scholarship Foundation, 300 Wyoming Ave., Scranton, PA 18503.

CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL

The Catholic Charismatic Renewal will be celebrating a Regional Prayer Meeting on Monday, January 29th, at 7:30pm, and ALL ARE WELCOME to attend. The meeting will be held at Queen of Apostles Hall, 715 Hawthorne St., Avoca. There will be praise and worship with our combined music ministry, at witness by Tom Gentry, and a teaching by Karen McLain. The evening is being hosted by Burning Bush Prayer Group of Scranton, and refreshments will be served. Please come and join in the celebration of the Love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit!

GOOD SHEPHERD ACADEMY

Good Shepherd Academy, 316 North Maple Ave., Kingston, will have an Open House on Sunday, January 28, 2018, from 1:30-3:00pm. Come and meet our teachers and staff, tour our school, and learn how to become part of our GSA Family. Call 570-718-4724 or visit us at www.gsapa.org for more information.

MEALS ON WHEELS of Greater Pittston Area



Meals on Wheels is in desperate need of drivers and runners to deliver a hot meal and a light supper to area's elderly and physically handicapped. Meals on Wheels provides this service Monday through Friday with the delivery of meals starting between 8am and 8:30am. If you are an early riser and can spare an hour or two of your time each week, please contact Louise Smith at 570-655-0135. Thank you!

GOSPEL FOCUS

Exorcisms

This week's gospel features an exorcism by Jesus – driving an unclean spirit out of a possessed man. Some people read these acts of exorcism as being literally true. Others are keen to demonstrate that these 'possessions' described in the gospels are able to be explained by various manifestations of mental illness. The thrashing fits described in the gospels have been likened to epileptic seizures and episodes of paranoia and schizophrenia might explain the first century understanding of possession. Rather than trying to justify or explain away these events, we must seek to understand the gospel writer's purpose in including such episodes.



Mass Intentions

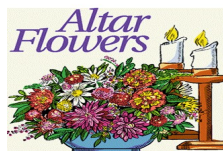
Offered for:

Requested by:

Monday	Jan. 29	12:10 pm	Mary Jane Yatsko-Cefaratti	Joe & Terri Burgess
Tuesday	Jan. 30	12:10 pm	Patricia R. O'Donnell	Ralph & Barbara Romanowski Sr.
Wednesday	Jan. 31	12:10 pm	Bill Quinn	Wife & Family
Thursday	Feb. 1	12:10 pm	Sister Danielle Jankoviak	James Jankoviak
Friday	Feb. 2	12:10 pm	Mary Harchar	Brian Strish
Saturday	Feb. 3	4:30 pm	Elaine Smith	Loving husband, Richard
Sunday	Feb. 4	8:30 am	Edward Harkins III	Chet & Bernadine Stachniewicz
Sunday	Feb. 4	11:00 am	<i>Pro Populo</i>	
Sunday	Feb. 4	5:30 pm	Joseph C. Rollman	Wife & Children



~In Memory of **Norma Zavada** offered by daughters, Colleen & Lynne
 ~In Memory of **Mary Jane Yatsko-Cefaratti** offered by Joe & Terri Burgess



~In Memory of **Steffie Rhiel** offered by daughter, Mary Ann & husband, Bob, and Children



BAPTISM SUNDAY

CONGRATULATIONS and God's Blessings upon
 ~~**Kenna Jade Smith**~~and her family.
 Kenna will be reborn by water and the Holy Spirit after the 11:00am Mass today.