

The Seton Sentinel



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Happy Mother's Day !

THE SETON SENTINEL

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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*

Happy Mother's Day

Blessings on all Mothers, living and deceased, and all who fulfill a motherly role in our lives!



MOTHER'S DAY CARNATION SALE

This weekend, before and after all masses, we will sponsor a PRO-LIFE CARNATION SALE, which benefits the PA for Human Life, Wilkes-Barre Chapter. Suggested offering is \$1.00.

Mother's Day Cards

During the month of May, seven masses will be said for the living & deceased mothers whose names are submitted on the Mother's Day envelopes found on the tables at the church entrance. If you are submitting the names of mothers who are living, please take the large envelope, which has a card enclosed that you can give to your mother. For mothers who are deceased, please take the small envelope without the card. These can be returned in the collection basket.

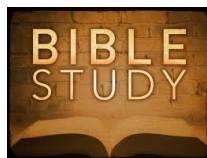
Today is the 7th Sunday of Easter

Next Sunday is Pentecost Sunday, the conclusion of the Easter Season. Wear something red to mass to celebrate the day.



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY, FATHER URBAN!

We want to wish Father Anthony Urban a very Happy, Blessed 45th Anniversary to the Priesthood (May 12th) and Happy 55th Anniversary to Religious Life (He was a Brother for 10 years prior to becoming a priest). Also, Happy Belated Birthday Greetings to Fr. Urban, as he celebrated his 75th birthday on April 13th. May God bless you always, Father, and thank you for all you do for us!



Weekly Bible Study

"The Great Adventure—A Journey Through the Bible," program hosted by St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, 116 Hughes St., Swoyersville; this program is offered every Friday evening from 6pm-7pm in the church hall (began May 11th) Presentations include the history of Biblical stories; 12 major time periods of the Bible; and a practical plan for reading the 14 narrative books of the Bible. This is a 50-minute DVD presentation and is not a traditional "reading/sharing" Bible Study. **Come every week, or just whenever you can.** All are welcome!



Social Concerns Committee

The Social Concerns Committee is requesting the following items for the Holy Family Food Pantry: canned fruit, pasta sauce, boxed pasta (any type), canned peas, and chicken noodle soup. Drop-off boxes can be found in the church vestibule. Thank you for your generosity!

“The environment is God’s gift to everyone, and in our use of it we have a responsibility towards the poor, towards future generations, and towards humanity as a whole.” *Pope Benedict XVI, Caritas in Veritate*



INVITATION TO OUR 2018 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

All high school graduates from our parish are invited to participate in a Special Mass on Sunday, June 24th, at the 11:00am Mass. A gift for

each student will be presented. Mass will be followed by breakfast in our church hall for the graduates and their immediate families. Please RSVP by June 18th by calling Lori at the parish office: 570-287-6624 or email: setonpa@aol.com



Knights of Columbus Chicken Barbeque Next Sunday

Our Knights of Columbus will have their Spring Chicken BBQ next **Sunday, May 20th** in the school cafeteria, from 11am –3pm. Cost is \$9.00. Eat-in or take-out. Dinner includes 1/2 chicken, baked potato, cole slaw, roll, butter, & dessert. Sign-up sheets are on the tables at the church entrance.



2018 ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD

On Saturday, June 9, 2018, at 10:00am, in Saint Peter’s Cathedral, Scranton, the Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L., Bishop of Scranton, will ordain **Reverend Mr. Edward J. Casey and Reverend Mr. Ryan P. Glenn** to the Order of the Priesthood.

All of the faithful in the Diocese of Scranton are invited and encouraged to participate in this solemn Mass. Please pray for Deacon Edward J. Casey and Deacon Ryan P. Glenn as they prepare for their Priestly Ordination.

Parish Staff

Cora Artim
Children’s Choir

Phil Bosha
Maintenance

Chris Calore
Maintenance

Scott Coates
Contemporary Mass Musician

Sister Jane Ellis, IHM
Pastoral Care Minister

Rev. Joseph J. Pisaneschi V.F.
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

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Father Joe’s email:
fatherjoey@aol.com

Parish direct email:
setonpa@aol.com

Religious Education News

Sunday, May 13th: May Crowning 11:00am Mass

Tuesday, May 15th: Confirmation practice STUDENTS & SPONSORS— 7pm at St. Ignatius Church

Saturday, May 19th: Confirmation 11:00AM at St. Ignatius Church



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Splash Canyon June 25-29, 2018

Registration forms are on the tables at the church entrance. Forms should be completed by June

1st, so we can plan for the event. **VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED...adult as well as student volunteers. Adults must have all PA Clearances.** Please call Sister Marion if you can help that week at 570-287-6624. VBS is for children Pre-K 4 yr. olds (with group experience) through Grade 4.

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2019

World Youth Day will be held in Panama City, Panama, from January 22-27, 2019. World Youth Day is an initiative from St. John Paul II to gather Young Catholics of the world every two to three years in a celebration of faith and culture. The World Youth Day events gather millions, including Pope Francis, young Catholics, clergy, and religious brothers and sisters.

The Diocese of Scranton is sponsoring two separate pilgrimage packages for young adults ages 18-35. If you or a young adult you may know, are interested in learning more about the World Youth Day Pilgrimage, contact Shannon Kowalski, Coordinator for Youth & Young Adult Ministry at 570-207-2213, ext 1155, or email: Shannon-Kowalski@dioceseofscranton.org

UP & OVER MIDDLE SCHOOL RETREAT
JUNE 1-3, 2018, GRADES 6-8, CAMP ORCHARD HILL, DALLAS, PA. A team-building & problem-solving retreat. A weekend of fun, friendship, & faith. Spend time outdoors, meet new friends, & learn how your God-given gifts can be used when you work with others as a team. Deepen your faith, fun activities, movie, free time, outdoor obstacle course! Call 570-207-2213 x1155 or register online: dioceseofscranton.org



SETON'S SUMMER FESTIVAL 2018

JULY 12th, 13th, & 14th

Details to follow in upcoming bulletins.

BUS TRIP TO FATIMA SHRINE

Join us **Wednesday, June 13th**, for a bus trip to **Our Lady of Fatima Shrine, Washington, NJ**, only 90 minutes away. The bus departs from the Oblates of St. Joseph, Rt. 315, Pittston, at 8:00AM. Enjoy the beautiful, spacious, country setting of the Shrine. The day includes Confession, Rosary Walk, Guest speaker, Mass, & Adoration. Visit the Gift Shop, Rosary Garden, Stations of the Cross Way, & the Holy House. Cost is \$35/person. Dinner on the way home is at your expense. Contact John Witkosky at 570-288-4311 or 570-793-0641 for reservations & details. Sponsored by the Blue Army of the Scranton Diocese.

GIANT FLEA MARKET

St. Maria Goretti Banquet Hall

Lafin Road, Lafin

Saturday, May 19, 8am-5pm

Sunday, May 20, 8am –noon (\$1/bag or \$2/box)

The Catholic Charismatic Renewal will be celebrating a **Mass with Prayers for Healing** on Sunday, May 27, at 7pm, at St. Mary's Church, 715 Hawthorne St., Avoca. All are welcome. Hosted by the Pocono Mtn. Region Prayer Groups. Refreshments to follow.

Memorial Day Picnic

St. Frances X. Cabrini Parish will hold its annual Memorial Day Picnic on Monday, May 28 from 11am-2:30pm on the church grounds at 585 Mt. Olivet Rd., Carverton. At 11am in the church, a special Memorial Day mass in remembrance of all deceased will be celebrated by Rev. James Paisley. Featured this year, will be delicious homemade food, vendor flea market, bake sale, basket raffle, ice cream truck treats, & a 50/50 drawing. The Vendor Flea market will be open on Monday, May 28, from 8am to 2:30pm. All are welcome!

SWOYERSVILLE KIWANIS 2018 SCHOLARSHIP AWARD PROGRAM

The Swoyersville Kiwanis once again is offering 2 scholarship awards in the amount of \$1000.00 each to local high school seniors. In addition to the two Kiwanis \$1000.00 Scholarships, for the year 2018, there will be an additional \$1000.00 scholarship awarded in memory of Eugene & Eleanor Breznay. High School seniors who reside in Swoyersville, Luzerne, & Forty Fort are eligible. Applications are available by contacting S Urzen at 570-606-1153 or email: swoyer@comcast.net Return applications must be postmarked by **May 16th**. Letters will be sent to the winners by mail on May 24th & will be invited to be our guests along with their families at a Scholarship Awards Dinner Meeting. Winners will be judged on financial need, community service, school involvement, & studies.

CORPUS CHRISTI WEEKEND

*A chance to deepen your relationship with the Eucharistic Lord with the formation community of the Little Sisters of the Poor. Opens Friday, June 1st, at 5pm Closes Sunday, June 3rd, at 3pm. Program includes: Conferences, Reconciliation, Daily Eucharist & Liturgy of Hours, personal prayer time, sharing with the Little Sisters. **For single Catholic women, ages 16-36.** Call Sr. Mary Richard 718-464-4920, or email: vocationsbrooklyn@littlesistersofthepoor.org by May 25, 2018. Freewill offering.*



BEREAVEMENT
group

There is support for those who are having a hard time with the loss of a loved one. Seton's Bereavement Group will be looking to form over the next several weeks. If you think you may benefit from this experience, contact Father Joe at the office for more information. You are not alone!

Counseling Services

Our parish offers counseling services for those who are in need of someone to talk with on a one to one basis. Contact Father for a referral. There is usually no charge for these services.



Sacrificial Giving

Weekly Offering 4/29/18 – \$7,604.97

April Parish Groups Collection (Holy Name Society): \$673.00

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.

We Remember at Eucharist

Monday	May 14	8:00 am	Dolores Yanchick	Confraternity of Christian Mothers
Tuesday	May 15	8:00 am	Louis Hovanec	Family
Wed	May 16	8:00 am	Mother's Day Intentions	
Thurs	May 17	8:00 am	Mother's Day Intentions	
Friday	May 18	8:00 am	John Bob Hovan	Ruth Gassew
Saturday	May 19	4:30 pm	Frank Saypack Sr.	Sister, Theresa, & niece, Susan
Sunday	May 20	8:30 am	Health & Blessings for John, Carol, & Corine Hrobaski	
Sunday	May 20	11:00 am	Living and Deceased Members of the Confraternity of Christian Mothers	
Sunday	May 20	5:30 pm	<i>Pro Populo</i>	

Sanctuary Flowers this weekend:



~In Memory of **Louis Singer**
offered by Family

~Wedding Blessings for **Mike & Marie Stefanides**

Sanctuary Candles this Week



- In memory of **Frank & Anna Duzen** offered by daughters, Paula Matthews & Donna Gustave
- In memory of **Victoria Selensky Ondish** offered by daughter, Gerry



CONGRATULATIONS and WEDDING BLESSINGS upon ~~Michael Stefanides and Marie Viercinski~~who were married on Saturday, May 12th.

