

# THE SETON SENTINEL

**The Parish of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton**

Swoyersville, PA

January 19, 2014

**SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**



## CONGRATULATIONS SETON!!! YOU DID IT AGAIN!

We went over the top of our Appeal Goal! Here are the numbers as of January 9, 2014:

37.07%(436 out of 1,176) gave/pledged

DAA 2013 Goal: \$45,000.00

Total Raised: \$47,450.00

**Over: \$2,450.00!!!**

A Sincere Thanks to all who helped exceed our parish goal! And from the many unseen and unheard who are helped by the Appeal each day— Thank You!

## LOW GLUTEN HOSTS

Celiac disease affects many people. People with this disease are allergic to wheat and prevents them from receiving Holy Communion. Our parish offers low gluten hosts to those who need them. To make arrangements, call the rectory and make sure the priest knows what mass you will be attending. We ask those who are to receive the gluten-free hosts to come to Communion first, so that the hands of the minister do not contaminate the special host.

## CHOIR PRACTICE FOR CONFIRMATION

Now is a great time to join our choir! We are preparing for Confirmation on Thursday, March 27th and for Lent/Holy Week and Easter. Come and be part of the fun! Learn the music, make new friends and enrich our Liturgies. Practices are held on Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. in Church. See you there!

## PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, January 22nd at 7:00 p.m. in the rectory basement.



## K OF C FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Knights of Columbus will hold a Free Throw Championship on Sunday, January 26th, at the Kingston Rec Center, 655 Third Ave., Kingston. Registration & Warm-ups are from 4:30pm to 4:45pm. Contest begins at 4:45pm. This is for Boys and Girls ages 10 to 14 years old (Age as of 1/1/14) Birth Certificate for proof of age is required. Please contact Richard Frusciante at 466-8810 for more information.

The next meeting for our **Knights of Columbus** will be held on **Tuesday, February 11th, at 7:00PM** in the church hall. New members are welcome.

## LET'S BE CAREFUL AND SAFE

Just a gentle reminder that the flu and other illnesses are on the rise this time of the year. Perhaps we should not shake hands at all until further notice. Also be cautious of the Holy Water and the doors in the Church. Antibacterial solutions are placed on the tables as you enter the church.

PASTORAL COUNCIL QUESTION: In the coming months, all parishioners will be asked to respond to this question: *"Looking to the coming years, if you could imagine or transform our parish in any way you wished, what 3 things would you do to enhance its life and vitality?"*

Next PPC Meeting, **Tuesday, January 21, 2014 at 6:30 p.m.** in the Parish Hall.

## DONATIONS APPRECIATED

"We would like to thank you for your continued donations to our food pantry. Your collections for us are very helpful to continue meeting the needs of people in need in our area. May 2014 bring all of you much joy, good health, & peace".  
~Volunteers of Holy Family Food Pantry



## HNS PANCAKE AND SAUSAGE BREAKFAST

Next Sunday, January 26th in our School Cafeteria from 9am to 1pm

Tickets will be sold after all masses this weekend and at the door

**\$6.00/adults ~ ~ \$3.00/children ages 4-12 ~ ~ Free/ages 3 and under**

## Collection Reports

The Collection Reports will be posted in next week's bulletin.

## UPCOMING PARISH FUNDRAISERS

**Friday, January 31st-Chicken Pot Pie Sale**

**Friday, February 21st-Pastie Sale**

(More information on our Lenten Sales coming)

The Chicken Pot Pies are \$6.00 each. They can be picked up in our school cafeteria between the hours of 12 noon to 2pm or 5pm to 6pm. Sign-up sheets are on the tables at the church entrance.

## PRO-LIFE BABY BOTTLES

The Pro-Life Baby Bottles are located at the church entrance. Please take one home with you and fill it with your spare change. This is the major fundraiser of the Wyoming Valley Chapter of PA for Human Life. This project keeps their center's doors open. All monies from the project is used to save lives and not one cent is used to pay salaries to our volunteers. The center is located at 31 Hanover St., Wilkes-Barre, and is open Monday-Friday from 10am to 3pm. "We meet the needs of Moms and babies of poverty level. We are a Crisis Pregnancy Center and do not get any state, federal, or diocesan funding. We earn our own funding." Please return the bottles by February 15th. May God bless you for your generosity.



## CAR NEEDED

Do you have a good-running older car that you no longer need or use? Perhaps you might want to **donate** it to a person in need. Please contact Lori at the rectory with your information.



## OFFICE CLOSED

The office will be closed on Monday, January 20th, in observance of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

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

## IMPORTANT NOTICE, PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

Please notify the **Parish Social Ministry Office at (570) 763-5160** if you would like a parish representative to visit a family member who is **hospitalized, home-bound, or in a nursing home**. In compliance with **HIPAA regulations** (Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act), health care facilities are required to protect the confidentiality and security of health data. Therefore, the only way that the parish can be informed of someone needing assistance is through notification by a family member or friend.

## THANK YOU, VOLUNTEERS!!!

A special thanks to all who helped take down the Christmas decorations last weekend. We had a great turnout which made it much quicker and more efficient to get the job done. Thanks again!

## TEEN COUNSELING PROGRAM AVAILABLE

Catholic Social Services of Wilkes-Barre provides non-medical specialized counseling to teens and their families through the Family Adolescent Services Team Program. Fees are based on a sliding scale. Call Jolette Lyons at 570-822-7118 for an appointment.

## 2014 WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

The faithful of the Diocese of Scranton are invited to St. Peter's Cathedral, Scranton, on **Friday, January 24, 2014 at 12:10 p.m.** for **An Ecumenical Celebration of God's Word**. The Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L., Bishop of Scranton, will preside, and Canon Maria Tjeltveit, Canon for Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations for the Episcopal Diocese of Bethlehem, will deliver the homily. Clergy and representatives from various Christian traditions and ecumenical agencies will be present. Liturgical music will be provided by students from All Saints Academy, Scranton. The public is cordially invited to attend. The service will be aired on Catholic Television (C-TV). For more information and resources for the **2014 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity**, visit the Graymoor Ecumenical and Interreligious Institute at: [www.geii.org](http://www.geii.org).

**PRESIDER'S SCHEDULE January 25-26**

4:00 p.m. Fr. Urban  
5:30 p.m. Fr. Pisaneschi  
8:30 a.m. Fr. Pisaneschi  
10:00 a.m. Fr. Urban  
11:30 a.m. Fr. Pisaneschi

**Scripture for the week of January 19, 2014**

19 **SUN** Is 49:3, 5-6/1 Cor 1:1-3/Jn 1:29-34  
20 **Mon** 1 Sm 15:16-23/Mk 2:18-22  
21 **Tue** 1 Sm 16:1-13/Mk 2:23-28  
22 **Wed** 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Mk 3:1-6  
23 **Thu** 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Mk 3:7-12  
24 **Fri** 1 Sm 24:3-21/Mk 3:13-19  
25 **Sat** Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Mk 16:15-18  
26 **SUN** Is 8:23-9:3/1 Cor 1:10-13, 17/Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17

**2013 FINANCIAL STATEMENT REQUEST**

**Please, No Phone Requests**

Please make your requests by filling out the form below or emailing the Parish Office at [seton.swoy@aol.com](mailto:seton.swoy@aol.com) by January 24. Thank you.

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*Please Print*

Envelope #: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**FEAST OF THE HOLY SPOUSES**

The Congregation of the Oblates of St. Joseph will host the annual Feast of the Holy Spouses, honoring the Blessed Virgin Mary and St. Joseph, **today, Sunday, January 19th, at 6:00PM.** All are welcome to attend, especially married couples, as a **special blessing** will be bestowed upon them at the Eucharistic Celebration. A social will follow after the Mass in the seminary community room.



**Catch Our Spirit...  
Celebrate Catholic Schools Week  
January 26 - February 2, 2014**

Celebrate Catholic Schools Week by attending a Catholic School Open House! You are invited to experience our communities of faith and academic excellence. From Pre-Kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup> grade, our students live their faith, challenge their minds, serve their communities, and build lifelong friendships. For specifics about the Open Houses or for more information about our Diocesan Catholic Schools, including tuition assistance, please visit [www.DioceaseofScranton.org/CatholicSchools](http://www.DioceaseofScranton.org/CatholicSchools).



**DIOCESAN WEDDING  
ANNIVERSARY MASS**

His Excellency, the Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L., Bishop of Scranton, and the Office for Parish Life wish to invite couples celebrating their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in 2014 to a Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on **Sunday, June 22nd.** The event includes a 2:30PM mass at St. Peter's Cathedral followed by a reception. To request an invitation, please call Lori at the office, with your name and mailing address, **before February 14th.**

**VOLUNTEER DRIVERS NEEDED**

For many cancer patients, getting to and from the doctor's office or hospital for treatment is one of the toughest challenges. By volunteering to drive just a few hours a month, you can help patients traveling on the road to recovery. Having cancer is hard. Finding a ride to treatment shouldn't be. To find out how you can help, call your American Cancer Society at 1-800-227-2345 or 570-562-9749.



# Mass Intentions

## Monday, January 20th

8:00 a.m. Frank Saypack

## Tuesday, January 21st

8:00 a.m. Kathleen Pitcavage

## St. Agnes, Virgin-Martyr

M/M Dominick Fino

## Wednesday, January 22nd

8:00 a.m. Josephine Reggie

## Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

Nephew, Felix

## Thursday, January 23rd

8:00 a.m. Carmella Kocylowski

Carl & Jennifer June

## Friday, January 24th

8:00 a.m. Robert Lampman

## St. Francis De Sales

## Saturday, January 25th

4:00 p.m. Dionna Castaldini

## (Vigil: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Joanne Armaghan

5:30 p.m. Joseph & Loretta Yatsko

Joe & Terri Burgess

## Sunday, January 26th

8:30 a.m. Dan Stefanides Sr.

## Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Family

10:00 a.m. *Pro Populo*

11:30 a.m. Ned Smith Sr.

Todd & Kristen Prutzman



### SANCTUARY LIGHT INTENTIONS

~ In Memory of Anna Kazanski offered by niece, Elaine Smith

~ In Memory of Stella A. Papciak offered by daughter, Elaine



# PRAY for the SICK

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## 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.

## Parish Staff

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|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|
| • Cora Artim                | Children's and Contemporary Groups |
| • Phil Bosh                 | 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                  |



## CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENTS

### Baptism

Expecting parents are asked to contact the Parish Office as soon as possible. The celebration of the Sacrament is held after the 11:30 a.m. Mass on Sundays.

### Confirmation

The Sacrament will be celebrated for 8th Grade Students on Thursday, March 27, 2014 by Bishop Bambera.

### Matrimony

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

### Holy Orders

Any man who feels called to Ordained Ministry of the Church, either Priesthood or Diaconate is asked to contact the Pastor.

### Penance

Saturdays 3:15-3:45, other times by appointment.

### Anointing of the Sick

To receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, please contact the Parish Priest, day or night.

### Direct Contacts

Parish Hall: 570-287-2684

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

Faith Formation Office: 570-287-4587

Father Joe's email: fatherjoey@aol.com

Bulletin Deadline: Monday, for the next week  
at 1:00 p.m.