

# THE SETON SENTINEL

FEBRUARY 20, 2022

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## BLACK CATHOLIC HISTORY



Mural painted by Chloe Becker at Magnificat High School, Rocky River, Ohio. Photograph by Daniela DiSanto.

*Celebrating the rich contributions and proud heritage  
of Africans and African Americans in the Catholic Church*

## ALL ARE WELCOME IN THIS PLACE

No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church, No matter what your current family or marital situation, No matter what your current personal history, age, income, background, gender, race, ethnicity or spirituality, No matter what your own self-image or holiness or virtue - You belong to Christ and belong to us! You are invited, accepted and respected here at Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish. We welcome you.

We want to share our Roman Catholic way of life with you!

### Pirohy Meeting Outcome...

#### Pastoral Ministry

Rev. Joseph J Pisaneschi x105

#### Pastor

Rev. Anthony Urban

#### Assisting Celebrant

Deacon John (Jack) Zeigler x130

#### Permanent Deacon

Lori Raymond x100

#### Pastoral Associate/Dir. of Religious Education

Sister Mary Beth Makuch, SS.C.M.

#### Pastoral Outreach Ministry

Mr. John Bankus

#### Permanent Deacon Candidate

#### Music Ministry

Marge Semanek

#### Director of Liturgical Music

Joseph Sabol

#### Accompanist

Scott Coates

#### Accompanist/5:30 p.m. Sunday

#### Finance Office

Christine Osmanski

#### Finance Office Secretary

Pat Quinn

#### Office Assistant

#### Sacristans and Maintenance

Chris Calore x133

#### Director of Maintenance

John Sartin

Gertude Brown

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Phil Bosha

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The result of the meeting last week concerning Pirohy making is this: We would like to see who is available and when to help with the Pirohy. Our goal is to have 2 different days where we can make them. During the week it would be Wednesday morning and on the weekends, Saturday mornings to give those who work or are in school a chance to help and learn how to do it. There is a sign up sheet in the back of the church if you can help us Wednesday or Saturday or both days, please indicate that and your name and phone number so we can be in touch once we set a practice date. Your help is appreciated and needed. We also want to stress, we have no sales scheduled at this point. It will take us a while to get a system in place. **I also wish to acknowledge and thank from the bottom of my heart and in your name too, Rick Nemetz, who had been heading up the kitchen in our parish for many, many years. Rick has decided to retire now. We wish him the best and every blessing as he has provided us with his knowledge and leadership over the years! Boh je s vami, Zdra Boh! Rick.** We must go forward now, with your help we can continue to offer our famous food to the masses, making people happy and providing the needed extra income for our parish.

#### LENT SCHEDULE

**Ash Wednesday is March 2nd.** We will have the distribution of ashes at all of the following times:

**ASH WEDNESDAY**  
7:00 am Eucharist  
12:10 pm Liturgy of the Word  
3:30 pm Liturgy of the Word  
4:45 pm Liturgy of the Word  
7:00 pm Liturgy of the Word

**Thursday, March 3rd and Each Thursday of Lent** — Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

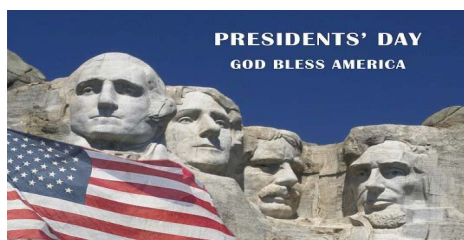
**Friday March 4th and Each Friday of Lent**—Stations of the Cross 7:00 p.m.

**Monday, March 7th and Each Monday of Lent** — The Light is On For You, Silent Prayer, Exposition, Confessions available 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

**Monday—Friday Eucharist 8:00 a.m.**



The parish office will be closed on Monday, February 21st in observance of Presidents' Day.





This winter is proving to be particularly challenging for us. The continuation of the COVID Virus and cold and slippery weather conditions have limited both attendance at mass and our offertory collections. The collection count is up and down for the most part. This makes our operations difficult as we attempt to stay in the black. Our parish depends on your continued generosity allows us to further our parish's mission and ministry in addition to keeping our doors open and taking care of our responsibilities. We have not had a parish fundraiser in some time now and do not expect any in the near future. The lack of income from that is also being felt in our budget. If you can remember to regularly send your offering or drop it off it would help us a great deal. Whether you use electronic giving, slide your offering through the office door, place in collection or mail, we appreciate all your efforts to support and strengthen our parish community. Thank you for all you do for our parish!

**Collection Totals**

February 5/6, 2022 Regular: \$12,022.70

You may also use a plain envelope for your donations in the meantime. Indicate your name and *envelope number* (if known) so you can receive proper credit. Online Giving is available at [setonpa.com](http://setonpa.com) follow the link.



**Finance and Pastoral Council Openings:**

We have a few spots open on both the Finance Council and Pastoral Council. These are advisory councils but are necessary for our smooth running. People who would fill these roles need to be discreet when handling sensitive information and in the case of the Finance Council, have some sort of finance or business background. Pastoral Council Members help with Pastoral Planning and Visioning what our parish looks like in the future in conjunction with other parishes in the Diocese. If you know anyone who fits the bill for either of these councils please let Father Joe know with a phone call or email, [fatherjoey@aol.com](mailto:fatherjoey@aol.com). The new members suggested by you would then be carefully looked at and chosen if approved to serve at this time. In the case of too many nominees, a lottery drawing will be held. Please do not nominate yourself. Thanks!



**Eucharistic Adoration on Thursday**

Our church is opened on Thursdays From 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm for some quite time of prayer and reflection. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is available for any length of time at any time during those 2 hours. Stop in at any time at your convenience and stay as long or as little as you would like.



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Masks must continue to be worn and no child with **any** symptoms or positive test results from covid will be admitted to class.

8th Grade & 2nd Grade ONLY: Saturday: Classes on Feb. 26

8th Grade & 2nd Grade ONLY: Monday: Classes on Feb. 28

(There are no Religious Ed. Classes on Saturday, Feb. 19th and Monday, February 21st, in observance of President's Day).

Then **All CCD classes** will resume again on Saturday, March 5th & Monday, March 7th.

**8th Grade Confirmation Class:** Paperwork for all 8th graders is due in March: Baptismal certificate (if not baptized from Holy Trinity or Holy Name/St. Mary's), saint report, service hours, confirmation name, sponsor name, & sponsor card if not from this parish.

**8th Grade Confirmation Class:** Students must attend the Confirmation Retreat on Saturday, April 2nd, at St. Ignatius, Kingston, from 11am-3:30pm, followed by 4pm Mass at St. Ignatius

**FAMILY MASS:** Sunday, March 6th, 11:00am Mass—4th and 5th Grades

**FAMILY MASS:** Sunday, April 3rd, 11:00am Mass—2nd and 3rd Grades

**7th Grade Confirmation Prep Class: Extra Class:** Sunday, March 13th, after the 5:30pm mass in the church hall

**2nd Grade Communion Class:** Retreat is Sunday, March 27th. Please attend the 11:00am Mass, then we will go downstairs to church hall until 3pm

**2nd Grade First Penance:** Saturday, April 2nd @ 10:30am. (Saturday students will attend 9am class, and then we will head over to the church with the teacher and join the other students and parents)

More information to follow.

### HOLY REDEEMER ANNOUNCES ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

The administration of Holy Redeemer High School is pleased to announce the 2022 Academic Scholarship recipients who merited top, exemplary, and high scores on the Holy Redeemer Entrance & Scholarship exam. Students will receive these academic scholarships for each of their four years at Holy Redeemer High School. Many have received the awards. Listed below are students who are members of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish: **Marquis Scholars** recognized for exemplary placement scores: Mia Correa (Wyoming Area Catholic); John Fredericks (Good Shepherd Academy); Gianna Welby (Wyoming Area Catholic). Registration is underway for the 2022-2023 academic year! Go to [www.HolyRedeemerHS.org](http://www.HolyRedeemerHS.org) and click on the New Family Registration link. For questions or to set up a Shadow Day, call 570-829-2424.

### Today's Music

**4:00, 5:30, 7:00, 9:00 & 11:00 am**

Gath: 72 S Praise to the Lord

Prep: 740 G The Kingdom of God-

Com: 126 S Ubi Caritas

Send: 88 S The King of Kings

**Sunday 5:30pm**

Gath: 103 S All are Welcome (All Belong)

Prep: 178 S Lead Me Lord

Comm: 33 S As I Have Done for You

Send: 188 S Go Out Go Out

*Subject to change*

### SWOYERSVILLE KIWANIS NITE AT THE RACES

The Swoyersville Kiwanis Club is sponsoring a Nite at the Races on Saturday, March 5th at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton School Cafeteria, Hughes St., Swoyersville. Doors open at 6pm and post time is 7pm. Horses are \$10 and includes free admission. Without purchasing a horse, admission is \$5. There will be food, refreshments, instant bingo, 50/50 drawing & raffles in between races. This is a great way to get out, shake off the winter blues, and enjoy yourself while supporting our organization. Proceeds benefit Youth Scholarships, St. Joseph's Center, Little League team sponsorship, Feed a Friend, Valley Santa & many other youth group or community projects. To get your special horse in the program, email us at [swoyk1951@comcast.net](mailto:swoyk1951@comcast.net), call 570-283-1677, or just talk to any Kiwanis member. Program deadline for horses is February 26. Must be 21 or older to attend. Masks are recommended but not required depending on vaccination status. Don't forget to check us out on Facebook and Instagram. See you at the races!

# St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Synod Survey

In preparation for the upcoming Synod, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton is gathering parishioners' thoughts on the church. However, this survey is also part of our larger gathering as a parish and church community. We welcome your thoughts and reflections.

We will read all of your answers with a view toward sharing your main messages and ideas with the Diocese of Scranton. Eventually, our views will make their way throughout the universal church.

Please note that providing your name and email are optional. All responses will be represented anonymously in any document or report provided to the Diocese.

Please answer any or all of the following questions no later than March 5th. Hand written or typed responses are fine.

If you have questions, please feel free to email [fatherjoey@aol.com](mailto:fatherjoey@aol.com)

Thank you for participating and please feel free to pass this survey on to others!

Name (optional)

Email (optional)

- How are you invited to be engaged in the Church and is there anything that hinders you from being active in this parish?

- What space is there for the Church to listen to the voices on the peripheries, especially cultural groups, women, people with disabilities, those who experience poverty, marginalization, or social exclusion?

- How does your prayer life and celebration of the Mass inspire and inform your personal decisions and decisions in the parish community?

- Is there anything else you'd like to share with us today?

Have you heard?  
Something **CHARITABLY DELICIOUS**  
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**PREMIERING FAT TUESDAY!**

Fr. Pisaneschi is one of 25+ "pastor chefs" suiting up to take part in a tasty virtual showdown unlike any you've seen before!  
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# Remembering at Eucharist

## Monday, February 21

8:00 a.m. Roman Ziegler Sr. Deacon Jack & Karen

## Tuesday, February 22

8:00 a.m. Ronald J. Yakupcin Ralph & Barbara Romanowski

## Wednesday, February 23

8:00 a.m. John & Alice Matukonis Ed Matukonis

## Thursday, February 24

8:00 a.m. Jean Pisaneschi Rich & Betsy Evanoski & Family

## Friday, February 25

8:00 a.m. Geraldine Skolnick Husband

## Saturday, February 26

4:00 p.m. Michael Butchko Wife, Jean & Family

5:30 p.m. Gary Quinn Joe & Terri Burgess

## Sunday, February 27

7:00 a.m. **Pro Populo**

9:00 a.m. William & Marita Keating Mary Keating

11:00 a.m. Lil Royal Barb, David, Sarah, & Liv

5:30 p.m. Rose A. & Frank L. Walsh Children

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### OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Friday—Closed

Evening and Weekends by appointment

### PARISH MEMBERSHIP

Our Parish warmly welcomes those who are with us each weekend, occasionally, and all who are looking for a spiritual home. Actual membership begins by filling out a Census Form at setonpa.com on the link at the top of the page. Once completed, send it to the office and we'll get you on "the official books," as soon as possible.

### SACRAMENTAL LIFE

Baptisms are usually scheduled after the 11:00 a.m. Eucharist on Sunday. 1st time parents are asked to attend a brief instruction class on Baptism. You can contact Lori directly for information.

Reconciliation is available on Saturday beginning at 3:30 until 3:50 p.m. just prior to the 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass. Other times at your request. Just ask Father.

Weddings are usually celebrated Saturday at 1:00 pm or on Friday afternoon or evening. Contact Father as soon as possible to reserve the date and complete the necessary paperwork.

## Special Intentions This Week



### This Week's Sanctuary Candles

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

~~In Memory of **Ronald J. Yakupcin** offered by Ralph & Barbara Romanowski



### Resting in the Peace of Christ, the Recently Departed

~Betty Karosa~~Theresa Clark~~

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Ann Seton,  
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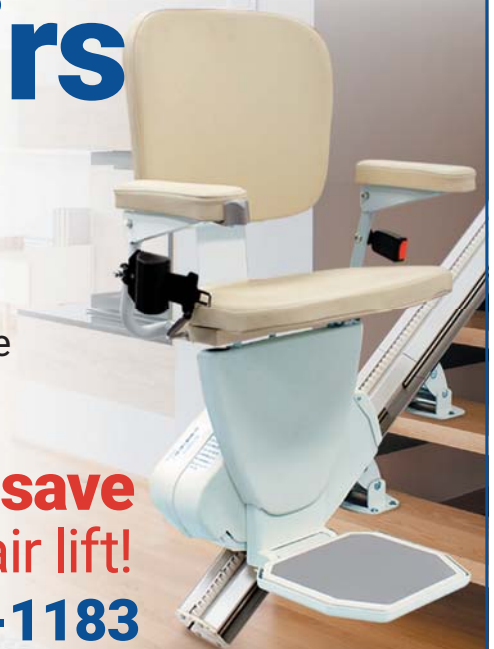
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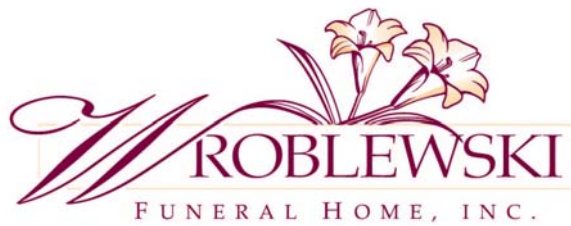
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