



The Seton Sentinel

May 22, 2016

Holy Trinity Sunday

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Office Hours:

Monday– Thursday
8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Friday:
8:30am to 3:00pm

Parish Office is closed for all Holy Days of Obligation and Federal Holidays.

*Parish of the
Diocese of Scranton*



WELCOME TO OUR PARISH!

New to the area? Just visiting? You will find a warm welcome here! To become a registered member, please call the parish office during regular business hours.

SETON ONLINE

Stay in touch with your parish on-line by "Liking" us on Facebook, Viewing our website setonpa.com and now with your mobile device. Download the new Seton App from setonpa.com and stay in touch with your parish on the go! Worship Schedules, Facebook, The Seton Sentinel and more! Download it today on your phone or ipad! Bulletins are posted each weekend to keep up with the parish happenings if you are away or just want a sneak peek at what's coming up for our parish.



MILITARY SALUTE

We would like to pay tribute to those individuals from our parish who are presently on Active Military Duty. If you would like to include your relative in this tribute—your husband, wife, son, daughter, grandchild—please submit the following information by today, Sunday, May 22nd:

~**Photograph** of the soldier/sailor (no larger than 8"x10") preferably in uniform,
~**Name**~**Branch of the Military**~**Duty Location**~**Relationship** to you
Please submit the information in an envelope labeled "MILITARY SALUTE" or drop it in the collection basket. This activity is being sponsored by our Social Concerns Committee.



INVITATION TO 2016 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

All high school graduates from our parish are invited to participate in a Special Mass on **Sunday, June 26th, at the 10:00am Mass**. Mass will be followed by a breakfast in our church hall for the graduates and their immediate families.

Please RSVP by June 15th by calling Lori at the parish office: 570-287-6624 or email: setonpa@aol.com

HOLY NAME SOCIETY

Our HNS will meet today, Sunday, May 22nd, in our church hall after the 8:30am Mass. New members are welcome to join us!

CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN MOTHERS

Our CCM held their Mother's Day Luncheon last Sunday, and Fr. Joe installed four new members: Dolores Berda, Catherine Pavlick, Lori Raymond, and Mary Sapack. We want to thank the Gaydosh Family for donating the centerpiece flowers in memory of their mother, Helen Gaydosh, and thank you to Frank Fosko for donating the foil covers for the flowers. Thanks also to all the women who helped set up and clean up. Our next meeting is Sunday, May 29th, at 2:00pm in our church hall. Membership is open to all women. Come join us!!!

SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE

"There is no exercise better for the heart than reaching down and lifting people up."
—John Holmes, 22 year Veteran of both the US Army & the NY National Guard
Won't you come out and exercise with us? The Social Concerns Committee is always welcoming new members.

FESTIVAL HELP NEEDED

Our 2016 Festival will be held on July 14-15-16. Each year we struggle with getting our grounds prepared. We need able-bodied people to help guide our crews. We will be setting up the week of June 27th, from 9am to 3pm, and taking down the week of July 18th, from 9am to 3pm. Lunch will be served. For more information, call the parish office.

FESTIVAL DONATIONS NEEDED

We are now accepting donations of the following items for our 2016 festival: **Napkins**, **Paper towels**, 9" styrofoam plates, Styrofoam containers (9x9 one-section and 3-section), and 6x6 styrofoam containers, ketchup, vegetable oil, aluminum foil. We need bottles of whiskey, wine, brandy, & other spirits. We are also asking for small toys that can be used as prizes at the children's game stands. These can be purchased at a local dollar store, etc. They need not be expensive, but must be new. We appreciate whatever you can do!!!

Parish Staff

Cora Artim
Children's Choir
Phil Bosha
Maintenance
Chris Calore
Maintenance
Scott Coates
Contemporary Mass Musician
Sister Jane Ellis, IHM
Parish Social Minister
Margaret Loveless
Director of Religious Education
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

Direct Contacts

Office of Social Ministry (Sr. Jane): 570-763-5160
Faith Formation Office: 570-287-4587
Father Joe's email: fatherjoey@aol.com
Parish direct email: setonpa@aol.com

Bulletin deadline: Friday, one week prior to the publication week.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHICKEN BARBEQUE



TODAY, SUNDAY, MAY 22ND, 11AM TO 3PM, EAT IN OR

TAKE-OUT, \$9.00/DINNER, held in our school cafeteria.

Dinner includes 1/2 chicken, baked potato, cole slaw, roll, butter, & dessert. Tickets are available at the door.

HOLY FAMILY FOOD PANTRY

The Holy Family Food Pantry in Luzerne is in need of canned fruit, peanut butter, jelly, canned meat (Spam), and canned stews. A box for donations is located in our vestibule, on the left side as you enter the church. Thank you!

NEW ALTAR SERVER REGISTRATION

Father Joe will be having an Altar Server Training Class in the summer. All girls and boys, who will be in third grade and up to seniors, and have received their First Holy Communion, are welcome to join our Altar Server Ministry. Parents, please call Lori at the office to register your child or for more information.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

It's back!!! So get ready to dive into **Deep Sea Discovery**. VBS will be held Monday through Friday, June 27-July 1. Kids aged pre-school (4 years) through 4th grade are invited to join us. To volunteer, contact Margaret Loveless at 570-855-5118. Registration forms are on the tables at the church entrance.



NO PARKING, PLEASE

We kindly ask our parishioners to please not park in the parking lot of the business across the street from our church. It is a private parking lot. We have acquired the lots behind the church to alleviate parking issues. Please use these lots. Also, park only in designated parking spaces in our finished parking lots. Cars that are blocking walkways and driveways can restrict emergency vehicles. This includes the driveways. No parking in non-marked spaces. Thank you for your cooperation.

11TH ANNUAL TOUR OF HISTORICAL CHURCHES

We are opening the doors of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish the afternoon of Sunday, June 26th, for the 11th Annual Tour of Historical Churches. This tour includes a visit to the Forty Fort Meeting House, with its historic significance, the oldest existing house of worship in the Wyoming Valley. The tour is offered free of charge with the exception of the \$2.00 donation asked by the caretakers of the Forty Fort Meeting House. If you have any questions, please call Jan Lokuta, Esq., in the evening at 570-296-2181.

THANK YOU FROM PA FOR HUMAN LIFE



“Our Carnation Drive returns are in. The Drive was most successful. The returns from St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish are \$1144.00! We are grateful for every cent. This Carnation Drive helps us to keep our Center open five days a week to meet the needs of mothers & babies of poverty level. We pray that God will richly bless everyone who supported this most worthy project. Special thanks to those who coordinated each parish. We invite everyone to visit our Center and see their Christian Love in Action!!!” Gratefully, Betty Caffrey, President



But when he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth...He will glorify me, because he will take from what is mine and declare it to you. Everything that the Father has is mine; for this reason I told you that he will take from what is mine and declare it to you.

John 16:13-15

VOICES FOR VOCATIONS

Don't forget to pray for vocations each day at either 1:00 p.m. or 7:00 p.m. A simple lifting of your heart to the Father and asking for more young people to answer His call is all it takes. Or, by all means, if you know a special prayer for vocations or a decade or more of the rosary at the same time each day (doesn't necessarily have to be 1:00 or 7:00 pm) or whenever you can.

SETON PRAYER CHAIN

We have formed a Prayer Chain in our parish. We all need each other's prayers. We need volunteers who can pray for our requests. A prayer chain is a network of individuals who will receive prayer requests and thanksgivings, forward them to the next available person in the network, and will pray immediately for each request. We need volunteers who can be "prayer warriors" or "prayer partners". Once we receive a request from our parishioners and friends, we would call you with the requested intention, and then, in turn, you would call a designated fellow prayer partner with the intention, and they, in turn, would call the designated prayer partner with the intention, and so on and so forth. Gail Kimmerle has volunteered to lead our Prayer Chain. If you are able to be one of our prayer partners, please call Gail at 570-690-7520. She will then make a list of prayer partners, and will let you know who you would have to call. We ask anyone who is need of prayer, to please call Gail at the above number with your request, or call Lori at the parish office. All calls are confidential.

Church Finances

COLLECTION REPORT May 7/8, 2016

SUNDAY: \$8040.00 DUES: \$2143.00 LOOSE: \$611.36 E-GIVING: \$400.25
EASTER: \$50.00 TOTAL: \$11,244.61
Ascension Thursday: \$2005.75

Diocesan:

Catholic Home Missions Appeal—\$9.00
Catholic Communications Campaign—\$626.60
Care & Educaton of Priests (May)—\$840.00

May God bless you abundantly for your generosity!



ST. PAUL CENTER FOR BIBLICAL THEOLOGY

By Dr. Scott Hahn

Glorious Processions

The Most Holy Trinity (Cycle C) Proverbs 8:22-31 Psalms 8:4-9 Romans 5:1-5 John 16:12-15

In today's Liturgy we're swept through time in glorious procession - from before earth and sky were set in place to the coming of the Spirit upon the new creation, the Church.

We begin in the heart of the Trinity, as we listen to the testimony of Wisdom in today's First Reading. Eternally begotten, the first-born of God, He is poured forth from of old in the loving delight of the Father.

Through Him, the heavens were established, the foundations of the earth fixed. From before the beginning, He was with the Father as His "Craftsman," the artisan by which all things were made. And He took special delight, He tells us, in the crowning glory of God's handiwork - the human race, the "sons of men."

In today's Psalm, He comes down from heaven, is made a little lower than the angels, comes among us as "the Son of Man" (see Hebrews 2:6-10).

All things are put under His feet so that He can restore to humanity the glory for which we were made from the beginning, the glory lost by sin. He tasted death that we might be raised to life in the Trinity, that His name might be made glorious over all the earth.

Through the Son, we have gained grace and access in the Spirit to the Father, as Paul boasts in today's Epistle (see Ephesians 2:18). The Spirit, the Love of God, has been poured out into our hearts - a Spirit of adoption, making us children of the Father once more (see Romans 8:14-16).

This is the Spirit that Jesus promises in today's Gospel. His Spirit comes as divine gift and anointing (see 1 John 2:27), to guide us to all truth, to show us "the things that are coming," the things that were meant to be from before all ages - that we will find peace and union in God, will share the life of the Trinity, dwell in God as He dwells in us (see John 14:23; 17:21).

A service of the St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology

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Notice Regarding Reporting Sexual Abuse of a Minor

It is the policy of the Diocese of Scranton to report any allegation of sexual abuse of a minor to law enforcement. If you are a victim of sexual abuse committed by a priest, deacon, religious or lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton, you are encouraged to immediately report the matter to law enforcement. If any priest, deacon, religious, lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton has cause or reason to suspect that a minor has been subjected to any form of abuse, including child sexual abuse, the matter will be reported to law enforcement. In accordance with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Child Protective Services Laws, reports of suspected child abuse should also be made immediately by phone to the 24-Hour Child Abuse hotline (ChildLine) at 1-800-932-0313 or electronically at www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis

It is also the policy of the Diocese to adhere to all civil and state regulations. To this end, the Diocese is equally committed to adhering to the norms of the Code of Canon Law and to upholding the tenets of the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, which includes supporting victims of sexual abuse in their pursuit of emotional and spiritual well-being. As such, information regarding an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor should also be reported to the Victim Assistance Coordinator, Joseph DeVizia at (570-862-7551) or to Diocesan officials, including the Vicar General, Monsignor Thomas M. Muldowney, V.G., at (570-207-2269).

HEALING MASS CELEBRATION

Today, Sunday, May 22, a Healing Mass will be celebrated at the Oblates of St. Joseph Chapel, 1880 Highway 315, Laflin (Pittston). The Eucharistic Liturgy of Healing will begin at 3:00 p.m., celebrated by Fr. Joseph Sibilano, OSJ. The sacrament of reconciliation (Confessions) will start at 2:30 p.m. The vision we have for this Healing Mass is to begin with uplifting, inspirational, up-tempo music praising and glorifying God with a healing theme. We would like to convey a message that no matter what is happening in our life, we need to keep praying and praising God. The music will be provided by Jennifer Michel with her choir. **YOU** are invited to attend.

Triduum and Feast of Saint Joseph Marelo

The Oblate of St. Joseph Fathers will hold the annual Triduum and Feast of their Founder. **The Triduum** (*three days of prayers*) will be held on May 27–28–29 at the Oblates of St. Joseph Chapel, Route 315, with a Holy Mass at 11:00AM and 7:00PM. Novena prayers and blessing with the St. Joseph Marelo Relic will conclude each Mass. **The Feast** will be celebrated on Monday, Memorial Day, May 30th with a Solemn Mass at 7:00 PM. Serving as celebrant and homilist will be Bishop James Timlin, D.D. retired Bishop of Scranton. Concelebrants will be the local Oblate Fathers. The music will be provided by the Knights of Columbus Choir under the direction of David Tighe. Following the Holy Mass, an outdoor reception will be held for everyone on the seminary grounds hosted by the members of the Josephite-Marellian Lay Association of Pennsylvania. **YOU** are invited. Offer your personal petitions to St. Joseph Marelo on his feast day.

INVITATION TO ALL

Fr. Joseph Adonizio invites all to a Solemn Concelebrated Mass of Thanksgiving in honor of his 60th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood. Date: Sunday, June 5, 2016 at 2:00pm. Place: St. Joseph Marelo Parish, 237 William St., Pittston. You are invited to a reception, without a program, which will follow the Mass in the adjoining parish hall. You are kindly asked to call Lori at our parish rectory (570-287-6624) if you plan to attend. RSVP by May 28th.

NEPA Warriors Athletic Association will be conducting a *Summer Activity Camp* here at our gym. The camp, under the direction of Mr. David Coassolo, will run four times: Camp 1 (June 20-24), Camp 2 (July 25-29), Camp 3 (August 1-5) and Camp 4 (August 8-12). Each camp will have 2 sessions per day: 9:00 a.m. - 12 Noon for Grades 3 & 4 and 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. for Grades 5 & 6. Mr. Coassolo is a P.E. Teacher at Good Shepherd Academy. Cost for the camp is \$125.00 per week or one pre-payment of \$400.00 for all 4 weeks. For more information contact Mr. David Coassolo at (570) 677-8129 or gsagym@gsa.org **Applications are available on the tables at the church entrance.**

Paint N Pizza

The Kiwanis Club of Swoyersville invites the children of the local communities to take part in a fun afternoon at our Paint N Pizza program on Sunday, June 12th at St Elizabeth Ann Seton School Cafeteria, Hughes Street, Swoyerville from 1pm to 3pm. Each child will choose 1 of 3 painting to be created on their own 8x10 canvas. Maybe the relaxing Turtle, the happy Frog or the Cat gazing at the moon. All art supplies are provided. Children will be working with acrylic paint so please dress accordingly. Children will also be treated to cheese pizza and refreshments. **Children must be 5 years of age or older.** Price is \$15 per child, adult admission is free. All children must be accompanied by an adult and only children painting will be admitted. Tickets will be on sale through June 4th. Call Kathy at 570-283-1677 or email swoyk1951@comcast.net to reserve your canvas. [Space is limited so make your reservation early. All proceeds from the event will support the "WVCA" – Wyoming Valley Children's Association](#)



Northeastern PA Region of AACA Presents 55th Annual Car Show & Flea Market, Sunday, June 5, 2016, at the Wyoming Valley Airport, Wyoming Ave., Forty Fort. Gates open at 8am. Car Show is 10-3pm, with judging at noon. Awards at 3pm. 36 Classes of vehicles. Featured class this year "STREET ROD". Food, handicap parking, airplane displays, and plane rides for a fee. Spectator Admission: \$2.00/person or \$5.00/car load. For more information on vehicle entries or flea market participation, visit our website: www.nepraaca.org or call Stephanie 570-817-1899.



COMPASSIONATE CARE HOSPICE NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

"Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better. It's not." Dr. Seuss
Compassionate Care Hospice needs volunteers to visit with hospice patients in nursing homes, assisted living facilities, and in private residences. A few hours of your time means the world to our patients seeking companionship.
Contact: Sylvia Kolosinsky, Volunteer Coordinator, 570-451-1031, or email: Sylvia.kolosinsky@cch.net

SAINT ELIZABETH ANN SETON, PRAY FOR US!

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Monday, May 23

8:00 am Special Intention for Sue Bayer Friend

Tuesday, May 24

8:00 am Bryan/Ragan/Kaschak Families Family

Wednesday, May 25 *St. Bede the Venerable, St. Gregory VII, Pope, St. Mary Magdalene de Piazzi*

8:00 am In Thanksgiving John, Carol, & Corine Hrobaski

Thursday, May 26 *St. Philip Neri, Priest*

8:00 am Charlotte Romanowski Florence Balog

Friday, May 27

8:00am Andy & Dorothy Stuka Daughter, Dorothy & Family

Saturday, May 28 *Vigil: Trinity Sunday*

4:00pm Helen Gaydos Joe & Terri Burgess
5:30pm Edward Besermin Felix Wawer

Sunday, May 29 *Trinity Sunday*

8:30 am Joseph & Regina Hawk Daughter, Mary Jo Gavlick & Family
10:00 am Stanley Kudey Wife & Children
11:30 am George J. Shendock Wife, Dorothy, & son, Bob
5:30 pm *Pro Populo*

Rest in Peace

~Bernadine Smith~Bernardine Rishcoff~May their souls and all the souls of the Faithful Departed, Through the Mercy of God, Rest in Peace. Amen.

Sanctuary Candles

- In Thanksgiving offered by John, Carol, & Corine Hrobaski
- In Memory of Marie Mishkel offered by children, Carolyn, Teresa, & Ken

Flowers

- ~In Memory of Elaine Smith offered by loving husband, Richard
- ~In Thanksgiving offered by John, Carol, & Corine Hrobaski

Sacrament of Matrimony

~Congratulations and Wedding Blessings upon ~Brian Edwards & Renee Sipple, who were married on Friday, May 20th.



Celebrants for the Eucharist

MAY 28

4:00 pm Fr. Urban
5:30 pm Fr. Pisaneschi

MAY 29

8:30 am Fr. Pisaneschi
10:00 am Fr. Urban
11:30 am Fr. Greskiewicz
5:30 pm Fr. Greskiewicz



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Don't forget to check out our "rollinglibrary" of religious books & CD's located in our vestibule. For a small donation, you can find some good materials that can edify your spiritual life.

When I consider
your heavens,
the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars,
which you have set in place.

what is man that you
are mindful of him...

Psalm 8:3-4