



Domenico Ghirlandaio, 1481

©2008 Karides Lic. to St. George Publishing

The Seton Sentinel

Twenty-Third Sunday of Ordinary Time

September 8, 2013

Swoyersville, PA

PARISH (Mission) RETREAT

You may remember in times gone by, perhaps it has been way too long, that Parishes would host a special priest who would offer a series of talks to the parish, a retreat, or sometimes it was called a parish mission. St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish is delighted to welcome Father Angelus Shaughnessy, O.F.M., for a Parish Retreat this week. Fr. Angelus is the head of the Confraternity of Christian Women in Pittsburgh and has been on television for a number of years. The retreat will begin with the weekend liturgies today and will continue with the following special masses and services:

Monday and Tuesday

Mass at 11:30 a.m.

Confessions at 3:00 p.m.

Evening Prayer, Exposition and Benediction and Father's Reflections at 7:00 p.m.

The Retreat will conclude Wednesday morning with 8:00 a.m. mass. We encourage you to attend as many of the services that you are able. For those who have been away from the Sacrament of Confession for a while, take advantage of the 3:00 p.m. opportunities on Monday and Tuesday. Let's all enter this special time of prayer together as a Parish Family.

HOLY NAME-ST. MARY'S BUILDING

This week was the razing of the former Church structure. There is no question about the sadness and sorrow that are felt at seeing the building come down. However, Holy Name-St. Mary's Church and Parish were dissolved last June and the building would never again be used for Catholic Worship, the only purpose for which it was built. Better to see it leveled than watch it turn into a beer-garden (or possibly something worse!)

SIDEWALK TALK

Portions of the sidewalk around the church, rectory and school will be replaced this week or next. Please use caution when the workers are on site and while the concrete is drying. This is to improve the safety of all who use our campus. Thank you for your cooperation.

WELCOME SISTER JANE ELLIS, IHM!

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish welcomes Sr. Jane Ellis, of the Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary as our Parish Social Minister. Sister will be working with our Social Concerns Committee as well as visiting the shut-ins and working on other issues of social justice. We are working on **Sisters' direct office phone number** so you may reach her directly. For now, you may use the office phone number to reach her. We are excited about this new and much needed ministry to our parish! Here is a little more about Sister in her own words:

I am very happy to announce that I will be joining the staff as Parish Social Minister, effective September 9. I have served in that same ministry for the past eight years at St. Sebastian Parish in the North Hills of Pittsburgh, where I quickly became an avid Steelers fan!

During this past summer, I relocated to Scranton and began my search for a new position. Ironically, my last position in the Scranton Diocese was at St. Cecilia School in Exeter, just "up the road a piece." Since that time, I have enjoyed serving in eight different dioceses in the Northeast, in the fields of Catholic education as well as social ministry.

I am originally from Brooklyn, New York, where I had the Immaculate Heart of Mary Sisters in grade school. Their dedication and wonderful spirit inspired me to respond to God's call to join the IHMs and dedicate my life to the service of the Church.

I sincerely look forward to meeting you and working with you, as we reach out to the needs of our parishioners through social service and regular visitation to local personal care facilities. The Parish Social Ministry Office is located on the second floor of the school. Please feel free to stop in at any time!

Sincerely,

Sister Jane Ellis, IHM

BAKERS NEEDED FOR CRAFT SHOW

We need volunteers to bake for our Bake Sale at the Craft Show. If you are able to bake, we kindly request that you bring the items to the cafeteria on Friday, Sept. 13th, from 4pm to 8pm, if possible.

Thank You!!

Due to the Labor Day holiday, the Collections Report will be posted next week.

IMPORTANT NOTICE, PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

Please notify the **Parish Social Ministry Office** if you would like a parish representative to visit a family member who is **hospitalized, homebound, 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.

Social Concerns Craft Show

Saturday, September 14th, 9am-3pm

in our parish gym & cafeteria

Over 40 Vendors!

Lunch will be available

(Note: there will be a crafter present who will fix broken rosary beads for a donation)

Adult Education (Enrichment) Series

We are pleased to announce the Fall Adult Education Series will be *Catholicism*, a series by Father Robert Barron. This is a chance to see it all and have a brief discussion about the presentations. Invite all of your friends (from our parish and other parishes as well) to join us **Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall** beginning **September 19th through Thursday, December 5th**. Come to all the sessions or just a few, but come and discover more about our Catholic Faith. Light refreshments will be served. Mark your calendars.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY will meet this **Sunday, September 8th, after the 8:30am Mass** in the church hall. New members are always welcome.

ART AND ENVIRONMENT

The Church Decorating Committee will meet **Monday, September 16th at 7:00 p.m. in the church** to discuss the Environment for the coming seasons....(notice we didn't say Christmas!) But that too will be discussed. All are welcome to join us.

FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING

Members are asked to come to the **rectory** on **Wednesday, September 18th at 7:00 p.m.**

An Interactive Workshop for Church Musicians

Saturday, September 21st from 9:30AM to 1:00PM

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish

"Transitioning from Piano to Organ" with Dr. Ina Grapenthin, Professor of Music, Kutztown University

If you've ever wondered about playing the organ, selecting the right sounds, playing with your feet, using all the buttons, how to make the most of your practice time, finding the right literature for church, then this workshop is for you! Bring your questions & join us!

Registration fee is \$20.00 (includes materials, handouts, & light refreshments) Subjects include Registration, playing techniques on manuals & pedals, & presentation of literature incorporating techniques presented. Space is limited, so make your reservation now by calling Don McFarland at 215-991-0830 or email: don@cunninghampiano.com Payment can be made in advance via credit card or by cash/check at the door.

LEAVING THINGS IN CHURCH

The tables located at the entrance of the church are not to be used for anything except the Bread and Wine to be carried up at Mass and printed materials from the Diocese of Scranton and the Parish of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton. Anything else placed on those tables will be thrown out including prayers, pamphlets or magazines. Thank you for your kind attention to this matter and your cooperation.

BULLETINS are to be taken home and read. Do not leave bulletins in the pew after mass. Should this notice be ignored, the bulletins will be kept in the sacristy until the end of mass and be passed out as you are leaving mass.

SENIOR CHOIR REHEARSAL

Our Senior Choir rehearsal will begin on **Wednesday, September 11th at 6:30PM.**

YOUTH CHOIR

Our Youth Choir will be resuming practice on **Sunday, September 15 in the church hall from 8:45am until 9:45am.**

CONTEMPORARY CHOIR

Our Contemporary Choir will resume practice on **Tuesday, September 17th, at 6PM in the church.**

CCD REGISTRATION

Parents of **first grade students or new students** who have not previously attended CCD here at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish are asked to call **Mrs. Terry Jankoviak, at the CCD office: 287-4587**. You may download the registration form online at:

setonpa.com Registration forms have been mailed to those students who have already attended here.

CCD CLASSES BEGIN on Saturday, September 21st or Monday, September 23! *THANK YOU* to all those families who have already sent in their registration(s). If you have not yet done so, please register as soon as possible.

Exciting News for the Teens and Young Adults of our Parish

There is a new choir forming for ages 15 through 25. Young musicians are invited to participate. If you play a guitar, trumpet, flute, violin, or another instrument come and join us. If you are looking to meet other young people in our parish come and join us. The music will be uplifting and inspiring.....so come and join in this wonderful experience beginning Monday evening at 7:00 PM, September 16th in the Church.

UPCOMING FUNDRAISERS

Friday, September 27th, Pizza (sign-up sheets are on the tables at the church entrance)

Friday, October 18th, Pasties

Friday, November 8th, Apple Dumplings

HOLY COMMUNION IN THE BALCONY

Please note: An Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion will be assigned to the balcony **only** at the mass that the Senior Choir is singing. They are being sent to the balcony for **the Choir**. If you happen to be seated in the balcony at that mass you may approach the minister **after the choir has received**. For all other masses communion will be distributed downstairs only. It is our hope that everyone would be seated downstairs for mass. We do realize that at some masses the balcony is needed but please fill the downstairs first. Questions about this procedure should be directed to Father Joe.

Diocese of Scranton **DIOCESAN** ANNUAL APPEAL

Next weekend, the 2013 Diocesan Annual Appeal will begin across our Diocese. This year's theme is "Serve One Another." *1Peter4:10* Our Holy Father Francis has continually cited this passage in the few months he has been our Pope. It is Papa Francis' prayer and earnest desire that we return to our roots as *The Servant Church*. Bishop Bambera shares the Holy Father's vision and his own Pastoral Letter, written a few years ago focuses on *Servant Leadership*. To truly be "Catholic," means to be Universal, extending our best to everyone, everywhere. We are more than just a parish, we are part of a Diocese. People in our Diocese need our support with our prayers and our financial resources. Our parish goal this year is \$45,000.00. I have every confidence in the good-will of the people of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish that this goal can be reached, as it was over the top last year. Please respond to the Bishop's letter and mailing as you receive it at your homes. For more information and to watch the video of this year's appeal, go to: annualappeal.org or dioceseofscranton.org Let's all do our part for the benefit of our Diocese and those who depend on our help each year.

37th Annual Knights of Columbus Rosary Rally

The Knights of Columbus, combined Councils of the Wyoming Valley, will host their **37th Annual Rosary Rally, Sunday, September 29th**, to be held at **Our Lady of Fatima Parish (St. Mary's Church) 134 South Washington St., Wilkes-Barre**. Everyone is invited to partake in this prayerful event. A rosary procession, with the **Pilgrim Virgin Fatima Statue**, will **begin at 2:00PM** from Holy Redeemer High School parking area, 150 South Penna. Blvd., Wilkes-Barre. The faithful will continue in procession, praying the rosary, over East South St., up South Main St., to Public Square, continuing over East Market St., & down S. Washington St. to St. Mary's Church. Those who will not be in the procession are invited to go directly to the church by 3:00PM. Marian Devotions will take place in the church at 3:00pm followed by Holy Mass at 3:20PM. Following Mass, refreshments will be served in the parish hall.

Rummage & Bake Sale, Sept. 19-21, at St. Nicholas Byzantine Catholic Church, 271 Tripp St., Swoyersville.

THIS WEEK'S LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Monday, September 9 St. Peter Claver

8:00 a.m. Jean A. Brennan Mark, Sandra, & Kristin Kalish
11:30 a.m. James & Lenore Parini Children
3:00 p.m. CONFESSIONS
7:00 p.m. EVENING PRAYER OF THE CHURCH, EXPOSITION AND BENEDICTION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Tuesday, September 10

8:00 a.m. Benjamin & Wanda Czarnecki Daughter, Caroline Magistro & Family
11:30 a.m. Irene Delescavage Husband, John J. Delescavage, Sr. & Family
3:00 p.m. CONFESSIONS
7:00 p.m. EVENING PRAYER OF THE CHURCH, EXPOSITION AND BENEDICTION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Wednesday, September 11

8:00 a.m. Robert Kelly Kelly Family

Thursday, September 12 The Most Holy Name of Mary

8:00 a.m. Angelo & Margaret Grezano Family

Friday, September 13 St. John Chrysostom

8:00 a.m. Macij Siedlecki Parents

Saturday, September 14 (Vigil: TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME)

4:00 p.m. Margaret Ostroskie Husband & Children
5:30 p.m. Chet & Lottie Innamorati Daughter, Jane & Family

Sunday, September 15 TWENTY-FORTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:30 a.m. George & Madeline Stascak Daughter, Natalie Vidunas
10:00 a.m. *Pro Populo*
11:30 a.m. Bernard Kovalik Daughter, Janice & Family



CONGRATULATIONS and Wedding Blessings upon *Matthew Baloh & Jamie Helme* who were married on Saturday, September 7th.

UPCOMING WEDDING September 14, 2013, 1:00PM-Francis Hawk & Maria Rakowski

BAPTISM SUNDAY Congratulations and God's Blessings upon the family of *Russell Joshua Singer*, who will be reborn by water and the Holy Spirit after the 11:30am Mass today.

SANCTUARY LIGHT INTENTIONS ~In Memory of Teresa Gonglefski
~In Memory of Macij Siedlecki



ALTAR FLOWERS

~**Last weekend:** In Memory of Charlene M. Long offered by Bishop O'Reilly Class of 1978

~**This weekend:** In Memory of Teresa Gonglefski offered by Ralph & Barbara Romanowski, Sr. & Ralph, Laura, & David

CELEBRANTS' SCHEDULE

Saturday-Sunday, Sept14-15

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

THE SETON SENTINEL

The Parish of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

116 Hughes Street

Swoyersville, PA 18704

570-287-6624

570-287-2139

Fax: 570-287-4704

setonpa@aol.com

setonpa.com



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

- Cora Artim Children's and Contemporary Groups
- Phil Bosha Maintenance
- Chris Calore Maintenance
- Sister Jane Ellis, IHM Parish Social Minister
- Terry Jankoviak Director of Faith Formation
- Rev. Mr. George Mochin Jr. Deacon
- 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 to register for a short session in preparation for their child's Baptism. The celebration of the Sacrament is held after the 11:30 a.m. Mass on Sundays.

Confirmation

The Sacrament will be celebrated in the spring of 2014 by Bishop Bambera. Children must be consecutively registered in our Religious Education Program to be eligible to receive.

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 or the Deacon.

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 Office.

If you or a relative or friend is admitted to a hospital, nursing home, or is homebound, please contact the Parish Office for a Pastoral Visit. Holy Communion is brought to those who request it on First Fridays.

Office Hours:

Monday—Friday 8:30-4:00

Closed Holidays and Holy Days

Direct Contacts

Parish Hall: 570-287-2684

Faith Formation Office: 570-287-4587

Father Joe's email: fatherjoe@aol.com

Bulletin Deadline: Monday 1:00 p.m.