

THE SETON SENTINEL

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish

Then Jesus declared, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."



EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 2, 2015

Swoyersville, PA

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Office Hours:

Monday– Thursday
8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Friday:
8:30am to 3:00pm

Weekends and Evenings
by appointment only

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

Forward
in **FAITH**

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.



BAPTISM PREPARATION

Our next Baptism class will be held on Tuesday, August 25th, at 6:30pm in the church hall. Parents who are planning their baby's Baptism and have not previously attended a class session on the Sacrament. Expectant parents are most welcome to join us!

SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE FOOD COLLECTION

Our Social Concerns Committee will be collecting food for the Holy Family Food Pantry this weekend, **August 1st & 2nd and next weekend, August 8th and 9th.** Donations can be placed in the yellow box in the back of the church. Any groceries will be accepted, but those that are most needed are: Cheerios, Honey Nut Cheerios, canned fruit, canned spaghetti or ravioli with meatballs, instant mashed potatoes, strawberry jelly, 1 lb. white rice.

SCHEDULING CALENDARS READY

All heads of organizations or groups who use our buildings/facilities can now come to the parish office to pick up your 2015-2016 calendars. Any questions, please call our business manager, Monica, at 287-6624.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION PICTURES/DVD'S

We still have 5 Confirmation photo packages and 9 First Holy Communion photos/DVDs not yet picked up. Please come to the parish office during normal office hours to pick up.

FESTIVAL WRAP-UP

As you are aware it takes some time to come up with the final tally of the numbers from the Festival. We are working hard to come up with the end result and will publish it in the Sentinel as soon as we have it all together with all the bills and expenses paid. Needless to say, we did very, very well! Thanks to all of you. An appreciation party is also in the works. More on that too, as we finalize the plan. In the meantime, A hearty **Thank You** to all who were involved.

MISSION APPEAL

Next weekend our parish will conduct its Annual Mission Appeal at all masses. Deacon Edward T. Kelly from the Diocese of Scranton, you may be familiar with his articles on the Missions in the Catholic Light, will make the appeal at each of the masses. Please give him a warm Seton welcome!

ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Saturday, August 15th is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Because this particular Holy Day falls on a Saturday this year it is not an obligation to attend mass. However, because this is such a beloved celebration of our Blessed Mother by so many, we will offer two masses for the Solemnity: A vigil mass, Friday, August 14th at 4:00 pm, and on Saturday, August, 15th at 12:00 Noon. All scheduled weekend Masses will be that of the 20th Sunday of Ordinary Time. If you attend a mass for the Assumption you still must fulfill your weekend obligation by attending one of the regularly scheduled Sunday or Saturday vigil masses.

THE SACRAMENTS

Baptism

Expecting or new parents are asked to contact the Parish Office as soon as possible to make the arrangements and if necessary, attend the Pre-Baptismal Session. The celebration of the Sacrament is usually held after the 11:30 a.m. Mass on Sundays.

Confirmation

The Sacrament is celebrated for 8th grade students each spring semester. This year Bishop Dougherty will be here on Wednesday, May 6, 2015. Students must be consecutively enrolled in our Parish Religious Education Program or in Catholic Schools to be eligible.

Matrimony

Couples planning to get married are asked to contact the parish office as soon as possible (no less than 6 months prior) to reserve a date and begin the necessary paper work. The dates at the Church are not guaranteed until an actual meeting with the pastor takes place.

Reconciliation

Saturdays: 3:15 p.m.-3:45 p.m.
or anytime by request

Anointing of the Sick

To receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, please contact the parish Priest, day or night. When someone is very ill please do not wait to call the priest. It is better to have the sacrament of the sick sooner rather than at the last minute.

For ordinary sick calls

(Non-Emergency):

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, 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 of friend.

EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION:

Some parishioners have inquired about becoming an EOMOHC, (Extra Ordinary Minister of Holy Communion). We will begin to gather some names and form a class of EOMOHC sometime in the fall. Please give your name to Lori in the office if you are interested. The pastor will select those who will then be invited to this participate in this ministry. Note the name of the ministry is not "Eucharistic Ministers." EOMOHC is the correct name for this ministry because the only "Eucharistic Ministers," are Bishops, Priests and Deacons. All others are Extra ordinary Ministers of the sacrament. We use this term to indicate that there are not enough "Eucharistic Ministers," so we need help from extra ordinary ministers. When you see the term in the bulletin from now on, you will know what it means.

ALTAR SERVERS

Even though we just had a new class of new Altar Servers join the ranks, the invitation is still open to any boy or girl who has already received First Holy Communion to become Altar Servers. We strongly encourage those who are even a little older, junior or high school students to come forward at this time. Training is easy and it's a great way to participate in the life of the parish. Call Lori in the office for more information.

ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL and COLLEGE AGE STUDENTS

Be involved in your parish! Contact Father Joe for information about serving as a Lector for our parish. We would especially encourage you to read at the 5:30 pm Sunday Contemporary Eucharist. Consider lending your musical talents to the 5:30 pm music program as well. We are looking for singers and instrument players to join us. See Scott Coates after the 5:30 pm mass for more information.

Sister Cynthia Skiendzel, O.F.M. 60th Anniversary (Jubilee)

Next weekend, on Sunday, August 9th, at the 11:30am Mass, we will joyfully celebrate with Sr. Cynthia Skiendzel, O.F.M. on her 60th Anniversary (Jubilee) of Profession of Vows. Sister Cynthia is a former member of St. Mary's, Swoyersville, and lives at St. Thomas More, Allentown. She is a Bernardine Franciscan Sister. Congratulations, St. Cynthia, and may God continue to bless you!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR SPECIAL NEEDS CHILDREN Do you have a child with a learning disability especially-ADD, ADHD, autism, Asperger's Syndrome-or know a family of a child experiencing these disabilities? There is a regional religious education program for these children at St. Ignatius Loyola Parish, Kingston. If you would like more information or are interested in this program, please call Carmella Faust at 570-287-3682 or email: religiouseducation1@yahoo.com



*Put away
the old self*
of your former way of life,
corrupted through
deceitful desires,
and be *renewed* in the
spirit of your minds,
and put on the
new self,
created in God's way
in righteousness and
holiness of truth.
Ephesians 4:22-24

Parish Staff

Cora Artim
Children's & 11:30 Choir
 Phil Boshia
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

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 570-287-4587
 Father Joe's email: fatherjoey@aol.com
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Bulletin deadline: Friday, one week prior to the publication week.



**St. Elizabeth Ann Seton,
 pray for us!**

ASSESSMENTS

July 1st began a new fiscal year for our parish. We have received this years financial obligations from the Catholic Schools and the Diocese of Scranton. This fiscal year, July1, 2015 to June 30, 2016, our parish is responsible for contributing **\$108,869.00** to the Catholic School System. That comes to \$9,072.42 per month or \$2,268.10 per week. In addition we are obligated to the Diocese of Scranton another **\$134,000.00** for the year or \$11,105.09 each month and \$2,776.27 per week for other assessments. **The total each month is \$21,177.51** for both the schools and diocesan commitments.

2015 FESTIVAL RAFFLE WINNERS

1ST PRIZE \$2,500.00	Robert Panowicz
2ND PRIZE \$500.00	Mary Ostrowski
3RD PRIZE \$500.00	Randy Mikula
4TH PRIZE \$500.00	James Yuhas
5TH PRIZE \$500.00	Kim Popson

50/50 WINNERS

THURSDAY \$1,782.50	Diane Halliday
FRIDAY \$1,840.00	Alan Gibo
SATURDAY \$1907.50	Rita Urevitch

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR LUCKY WINNERS!!!



COLLECTIONS: July 18/19, 2015

SUNDAY: \$ 6544.00	DUES: \$1285.00
LOOSE: \$506.63	E-GIVING: \$249.37
HOLY DAYS: \$5.00	
TOTAL: \$8590.00	
BUILDING & MAINTENANCE: \$1131.00	

DIOCESAN-

July Care & Education of Priests: \$131.00

May God bless you for your generosity!

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.



Night at the RACES SAVE THE DATE!!!

Holy Redeemer
High School
Saturday

November 7, 2015

Make plans to enjoy the evening with family and friends. For more information, call Holy Redeemer HS at 570-829-2424.



ST. JOHN THE BAPIST CHURCH FAMILY PICNIC

Fr. Jerry Gurka & the Parish Family of St. John the Baptist Church, 126 Nesbitt St. Larksville, invite everyone to their Annual Parish Family Picnic to be held on the church grounds, Friday, Saturday, Sunday, August 7, 8, 9.

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH, LUZERNE, BINGO TODAY, Sunday, August 2nd, 2pm. Doors open at noon. \$2.00 admission. Bake Sale, Food, refreshments, door prizes, raffle.



PENNSYLVANIANS FOR HUMAN LIFE

Father Frank Pavone, National Director for Priests for Life, will be the Keynote Speaker for this year's Pro-Life Banquet, Monday, October 19, 2015, at 6pm, at Genetti's Convention Center, E. Market St., Wilkes-Barre. There will be reserved seating, tables of 10. Tickets are \$35.00 and will not be sold at the door. Reservations must be confirmed by October 7th by contacting the Pro-Life Center, "PHL", 31 Hanover St., Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702 (570-826-1819) Thank you.

ST. MONICA PARISH 3RD ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

Sunday, August 23rd at Emanon Country Club in Falls, with 1pm registration and 2pm shotgun start. \$60/person or \$240/foursome includes: Dinner following the event in the church hall catered by Pasquale's. Refreshments on course & prizes. Golf limited to the first 120 golfers. Registration due before August 20th. Make checks payable to St. Monica Parish, 363 W. 8th Street, West Wyoming, PA 18644. For more info call: Howard Kelley at 570-574-1677, John Piszak at 570-313-8586, or Frank Casarella at 570-313-5515. Contributions or hole sponsors are welcome.

EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS, 420 Main Road, Hanover Twp., Buttonwood, Soup for the Souls **5th Annual Antiques, Arts & Crafts Festival** will be held Saturday, August 8th, from 10am to 4pm. New for 2015: Car Show and Book Sale. Admission is free. Food available, including our Famous Homemade Potato Pancakes, along with a bake sale. For more info call 570-592-4024 or 570-831-5593.



"Back to School" Supplies for St. Vincent de Paul Soup

Kitchen St. Vincent de Paul Soup Kitchen, 39 East Jackson St., Wilkes-Barre is now taking donations of school supplies. Items being collected are: Backpacks, Notebooks, Binders, Paper, Pens, Plastic Scissors, Pencils, Pencil Sharpeners, Markers, Erasers, Glue Sticks & Crayons. Items will be collected up until August 18th. **Bring items directly to the Soup Kitchen at above address.** Volunteers are needed for Distribution at Our Lady of Hope, 40 Park Ave., Wilkes-Barre on **WEDNESDAY, AUG.26TH**, 9-11 AM & 1-4 PM. Please call Deb at 570-822-7118, ext. 305 if you can help.

Love God, serve God; everything is in that.
- St. Clare of Assisi



LITURGICAL SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Monday, Aug 3

8:00 a.m. Lorraine Talerico

M/M Lou Michaels & Family

Tuesday, Aug 4

8:00 a.m. Theresa Rallo

St. John Vianney

Karen & Sarah Tomulaitis

Wednesday, Aug 5

8:00 a.m. Tillie & Joseph Berti

The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major

Martha Berti & Family

Thursday, Aug 6

8:00 a.m. Walter Palmer

Transfiguration of the Lord

Family

Friday, Aug 7

8:00 a.m. Adam Mihalek

St. Sixtus II, Pope, & Companions, Martyrs; St. Cajetan

Dan & Betty Levitski

Saturday, August 8 (Vigil: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

4:00 p.m. Duda & Kachurak Families

Matt Duda

5:30 p.m. Angela A. Passeri

M/M William Gill

Sunday, August 9 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 a.m. Christal Jacobs

Edward & Mary Kolessar

10:00 a.m. John A. Charney

Wife, Theresa, & Children

11:30 a.m. In Honor of the 60th Anniversary (Jubilee) of Profession of Vows for Sr. Cynthia Skiendziel, O.S.F.

5:30 p.m. **Pro Populo**



CELEBRANTS:

August 1

4PM Fr. Urban

5:30PM Fr. Joe

August 2

8:30AM Fr. Joe

10:00AM Fr. Joe

11:30AM Fr. Urban

5:30PM Fr. Joe



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY:

~~Mary Koprowski~~Kevin Mikolosko~~Paulina Roman~~

GIVE THEM ETERNAL REST, FATHER. MAY THEIR SOULS AND ALL THE SOULS OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED THROUGH GOD'S MERCY REST IN PEACE. AMEN.



CONGRATULATIONS & Wedding Blessings upon: Robert Yonick & Jennifer Swiderski~~ who were married on Saturday, August 1st.



Sanctuary Candles:

~In Memory of John A. Charney offered by Wife & Children

~In Honor of the 60th Anniversary (Jubilee) of Profession of Vows for Sr. Cynthia Skiendziel, O.S.F.



ALTAR FLOWERS:

~In Memory of Walter & Ann Levanda offered by Family