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Swoyersville, PA

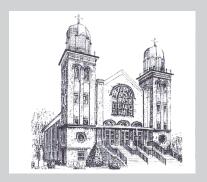


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Office Hours:

Monday- Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Weekends and Evenings by appointment only

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



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.

THIS SUNDAY

Today after the 11:30 a.m. Mass we will remove all of the remaining Christmas Decorations to transition back to Ordinary Time. It will also provide the workers a chance to begin working on the sanctuary in the church and continue with the projects that began before Christmas. We will need help taking things down after the 11:30 am Mass this Sunday. Please help us if you can.

APPLAUSE! To all who helped decorate our church this year. The comments have been outstanding! The photos on FACEBOOK drew views and comments from as far away as MEXICO. All who saw our church this season were very impressed. Thanks again for your help!

2014 DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

Seton Parish has once again reached its goal of \$47,000!!! Thank you to all who so generously contributed to this campaign!

SANCTUARY FLOOR TO BE FIXED

Soon the work on the floor of the Sanctuary will begin and the installation of hardwood will commence. Once again we will need to move our Daily Liturgy to the Church Hall while this is going on. Please watch for signs. Thank you for your cooperation while this is being done.

VOTIVE CANDLES

The votive candle racks are located in the church hall. For the time being this is where you could light candles if you wish.

COLLECTING OF LABELS, CANS, CRAYONS ETC.

All collections of the various things that we have been collecting are ended. Thank you for all of your help and support. Please bring canned goods for the food pantry only when we have an announced collection.

PLEASE DO YOUR PART

Let's keep our church clean! Please take with you any debris that is left after masses such as bulletins, flyers, tissues, etc. that may be in the pews or aisle around you. Also, please note that the only place for announcements or flyers is on the main bulletin board. The only items that are to be placed on the back tables are from St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish or the Diocese of Scranton. All else will be discarded as soon as discovered. Please do not bring in religious mail items and leave them in the church. We want to keep up our beautiful appearance at all times, especially when people walk in the church.

ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED

Any young person who has received 1st Holy Communion or older and would like to serve at mass is asked to have a parent/guardian call Lori at the office and give their name. We will train a new class of Altar Servers in the New Year.

2015 Church Calendars

Many thanks to the generosity of *WROBLEWSKI FUNERAL HOME* for sponsoring our 2015 calendars. May God bless you always!

SAINT ELIZABETH ANN SETON, PRAY FOR US!

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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 Doughtery 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.

5:30 pm Contemporary Sunday Eucharist

Beginning Sunday, February 15, 2015, our parish will offer a 5:30 pm Sunday afternoon mass each week. Although we are especially appealing to the youth of our parish (grades 7-college age), everyone is most welcome to attend, participate, and be part of the ministries of this mass.

ONLINE GIVING TO ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON PARISH

Many people find it easier to do all or most of their financial business online. Our parish accepts your contributions online now. Go to setonpa.com and follow the E-offering link. There you can set up your online support for our parish. It is easy to do and you can chose how much you would like to give and how often. Everyone's support of our parish is becoming more and more critical to our ability to continue our many ministries and meeting our weekly expenses. Thank you for your continued support either via the collection basket or your online giving!

IMPORTANT MEETING

On Thursday, January 29th, there will be an important meeting concerning **ALL FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES** in our parish. Heads of all organizations that sponsor any fundraising are asked to be in attendance. Guidelines for all such activities will be discussed and procedures put into action to ensure smooth sailing and no overlapping will be determined. If you cannot attend this meeting, it is suggested that you send a delegate from your committee to represent you at this meeting.

SEAS ALTAR GUILD PASTIE SALE

Sign-up sheets are on the tables at the church entrance for our **Pastie Sale** to be held on **Friday, January 23rd**. You can order **with or without** onions. Pick-ups are from **12noon to 2pm** or **5pm to 6pm**. Cost is \$6.00 each.

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Parish Staff

Cora Artim

Children's & 11:30 Choir

Phil Bosha

Maintenance

Chris Calore

Maintenance

Sister Jane Ellis, IHM

Parish Social Minister

Terry Jankoviak

Director of Faith Formation

Margaret Loveless

Acting Dir. Of Religious Ed.

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.



St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, pray for us!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Mrs. Terry Jankoviak, our Director of Faith Formation, has taken a necessary medical leave of absence from her position at Seton Parish. Please keep Terry in your prayers. There is so much power in prayer and we have a parish of excellent "pray-ers". Stepping in for Mrs. Jankoviak will be Mrs. Margaret Loveless, who held the position at St. Jude's Parish in Mountaintop. Please refer all matters of Religious Education to Margaret until further notice. You may reach Margaret by using the Faith Formation Office phone number, 570-287-4587 or by email at bmram@msn.com. We welcome Mrs. Loveless to our parish community and our thoughts and prayers will be with Terry during this time.

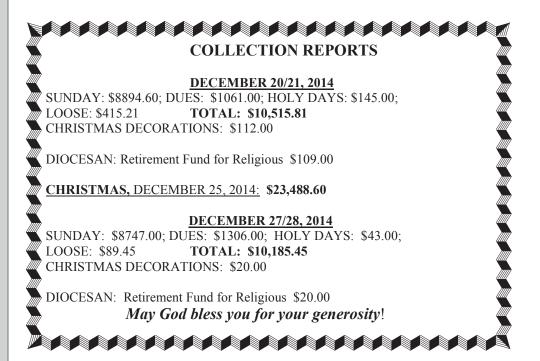
Knights of Columbus "Christ is Christmas" Poster Winners

Our Knights of Columbus is pleased to announce our winners in the "Keep Christ in Christmas" Poster Contest. Each winner will be awarded a \$25.00 Gift Card from Target. Winners are: Emma Adamchak, John Fredericks, Riley Knaub, and May Fredericks. Congratulations to all!!!

Knights of Columbus Meeting and Ash Wednesday Clam Chowder Sale
Our Knights of Columbus will meet on Tuesday, January 13th, at 7pm in the
church hall. Also, our Knights is sponsoring an Ash Wednesday (February
18th) Clam Chowder Sale. More details to follow...

Knights of Columbus #12976 Free Throw Contest

Our Knights of Columbus Annual Free Throw Contest will be held on Sunday, January 25, 2015, at Kingston Rec Center, Third Ave., Kingston. Boys and girls between the ages of 10 to 14 as of January 1, 2015, can participate. You must have either the original or a copy of the child's birth certificate to take part in the event. Practice will be from 4:15 to 4:30 pm. Event will start promptly at 4:30pm and end at 6pm. Any questions, please contact Rick Frusciante at 570-466-8810.



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CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS....CONT'D

Ms. Faye Beail Miss Mary Marcin Atty. & Mrs. Raymond Sobota

Mr. Martin Beail Mrs. Rose Marie Mizerak Mrs. Arlene Straub
Mr. William Bogutzki, Jr. Mr. & Mrs. Richard Nemetz Mr. & Mrs. Frank Suraci
Mr. & Mrs. Martin Burridge Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Olejnik, Jr. Mrs. Angeline Tressa

Mrs. Helen Kopetchny Miss Mia Raymond Mr. & Mrs. James Washko

Mrs. Dorothy Shendock

<u>The First Annual Catholic Men's Conference for the Diocese of Scranton</u> will be held on April 25, 2015, at King's College, Wilkes-Barre. The event will feature 2 nationally known speakers: Fr. Larry Richards, author of "Be a Man", and Damon Owens of the Theology of the Body Institute. There will be opportunities for Eucharistic Adoration, Confessions, as well as devotional prayers. Please save the date & plan to join Bishop Joseph Bambera, many clergy, & all faithful brothers who will be participating in an effort to build up the Church. For more information, contact Men's Conference co-chairs: Glenn Yanik, at gmyanik@epix.net or 570-362-0417, or Michael Kilmer at michaelkilmer71@gmail.com or 570-746-0100.

DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS & CELEBRATION

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 2015 to a diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 21, 2015. The event includes a 2:30pm Mass at St. Peter's Cathedral, Scranton, followed by a reception. Requests for an invitation should be made before March 16th, by contacting Father Joe or Lori Raymond, Pastoral Associate, at the rectory: 287-6624.

RETROUVAILLE

Know a marriage that needs help? If your marriage is tearing the two of you apart, if there is little or no meaningful communication, if you are considering separation or divorce, then the Retrouvaille Program can help. Retrouvaille is helping couples put the pieces back together and to rediscover a more loving relationship. The next local program will be February 27-March 1, 2015, at the Ramada in Clarks Summit, PA. Registration required. All calls confidential. Cost is by donation. Please call 1-800-470-2230 or visit **www.retrouvaille.org** for more information or to register.

Wyoming Area Catholic School Open House: Sunday, January 25, 2015, from 12:00pm-2:00pm. Come share in our *Passport to Learning* Open House and see what we have to offer! Tours will be given by students, parents, teachers, & administrators who will answer your questions & concerns. We hope you will join us! ☺

A <u>NIGHT AT THE RACES</u> benefiting St. Monica's Parish, Friday, February 6, 2015, at Our Lady of Sorrows Church Hall, 363 W. 8th St., West Wyoming. Doors open 6pm; Post time 7pm. Admission: \$10.00—only 175 seats will be sold. Complimentary food & beverages. Contact Tom Tomsak for more information at 237-2188.

Othat grace water has, before God and Christ, for bringing out the meaning of baptism! Christ is never unaccompanied by water. He himself is baptized in water, and when he is invited to a marriage, he uses water in making his first show of power ... His witness to baptism continues right up to his passion.

Tertullian, Third century

Holy Eucharist Schedule and Intentions for the Coming Week First Week of Ordinary Time

Monday, January 12

8:00 a.m. Gerrie A. Kovaleski Mary Ann & Marty Martinsky

Tuesday, January 13

8:00 a.m. Richard Polinsky Mary & Andy Hetro & Family

Wednesday, January 14

8:00 a.m. Stephen Emershaw Ralph & Barbara Romanowski

Thursday, January 15

8:00 a.m. Susan Zabrowski John Mandell Sr. & Jr.

Friday, January 16

8:00 a.m. Anna Novroski Brother, Tom & wife, Gerry

Saturday, January 17 (vigil: 2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time)

4:00 p.m. Aloysius Mikina Sagliocco Family

5:30 p.m. Kathy Mochin John & MaryAnn Ostrowski

Sunday, January 18 2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

8:30 a.m. Josephine Reggie Nephew, Felix

10:00 a.m Ernest & Helen Baldrica Francis

11:30 a.m. *Pro Populo*



IN MEMORIAM~Eternal Rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let Perpetual Light shine upon them~~*Albert Radzwilka*~~*Paul Leonard Sterowski*~~*Agnes Rigle*~~May their souls and all the souls of the Faithful Departed rest in peace. Amen.



SANCTUARY LIGHT INTENTIONS

- ~ In Memory of Mary Hannon offered by son, Patrick & Family
- ~Special Intention

Presider's Schedule

January 17-18

4:00 pm Fr. Pisaneschi

5:30 pm Fr. Urban

8:30 am Fr. Pisaneschi

10:00 am Fr. Pisaneschi

11:30 am Fr. Urban

