The Seton Sentinel

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish



"Peter, feed my sheep!"



Third Sunday of Easter
April 10, 2016

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.

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.





EASTER REFLECTIONS FROM FATHER JOE

Because of earlier holiday deadlines for the bulletin, this is my first chance to reflect in writing to you my reflection on our Easter Celebrations. Allow me to once again gush. As I said at the conclusion of the Eater Vigil Mass, I don't think there is any other parish that has what we have for holidays, and really, every weekend, in sights and sounds! As we entered the church on each day of the Triduum and on Easter Sunday we were transported to another place. A special place, maybe even we got a taste of heaven. That's what should happen when we come to church, this is the place where we feel loved, accepted, forgiven, exactly as we are, no matter who we are!

The Art and Environment Committee with Elaine Carpenter and the florists accomplished perhaps the most beautiful Easter display we have ever had! Thank you to all members of the committee and those who gave a hand on Easter Saturday morning getting the church ready!

Our adult choir sounded like a choir of angels for the three days. It was simply beautiful to hear the blend of voices and instruments. Marge Semanek, our director, Joseph Sabol, our accompanist, and the rest of the singers and instrumentalists deserve a big applause. Thank you all for sharing your talents with us! Special thanks to the Children's Choir who led the music at 10 am Mass on Easter and the 5:30 pm Sunday Singers. The music was extra special all around on Easter day.

Thanks also to those who served in ministries of Lector, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Servers, Ushers and ,of course, Chris and Phil for all of the behind the scenes help.

On a personal note, please accept my thanks for all of the food, candy, cards, gifts that were given or sent to the rectory. I cannot thank you all individually, but I want to express my gratitude now.

I think you will agree, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish is a magnificent house of prayer and worship because all of your participation. The only thing that is missing is more of our parishioners each week. Let's work on inviting everyone to experience the joy and beauty of our parish! God's Blessing!

Father Joe

Special Appeal from the Pastor:

We are making plans for our Annual Summer Festival. This year the dates are July 14, 15 and 16th. We would like to try something new (well actually old) this year. Making our own Potato Pancake Batter! We have an awesome recipe already. We just need some very willing volunteers to make the batter each day. I am going to be honest and tell you that this is not an easy undertaking but with a good group of 8-10 people it is very doable. Please let me know if you would be interested in helping out in this endeavor. In the past, entire families have been involved. It is a great way to be involved. I have heard some people say that they would really like to help out at the Festival but there does not seem to be a need. Well here you go. A very big need! It is not that our Potato Pancakes are not good now. That's not the case. However, our profit margin from the purchased batter is quite low. We would have to charge a lot more for each pancake to make up the difference. Let's try to do it ourselves! You help is appreciated.

ALTAR GUILD FUNDRAISER

FRIDAY, APRIL 29TH—PASTIE SALE, WITH OR WITHOUT ONIONS COST IS \$6.00 EACH. Sign up sheets are on the tables at the church entrance. Pick up times are Noon to 2pm or 5pm to 6pm. This is the last chance for PASTIES until September. Stock up! They freeze well!

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.





SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

On Tuesday, April 19th, at 5pm, Most Reverend James C. Timlin, D.D., will confer the Sacrament of Confirmation upon our 8th grade students. Please keep them in your prayers.

CEMETERY CLEAN-UP TIME

It's that time of year to clean-up the cemeteries and prepare for spring and grass-cutting season. We ask that you please remove all items (this includes wreaths, any artificial flowers, statues of any kind, candles, or solar vigil lights, and theme flags) from the grave sites by April 30th. This does not include the American flag. This is not only a Diocesan Cemetery rule, but a safety issue. All Diocesan rules are posted at each cemetery. After this date all items will be removed and discarded. Please note, we are not responsible for any items left at the grave sites after April 30th. Thank you for your cooperation.

CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN MOTHERS RUMMAGE SALE

Our CCM's Spring Rummage Sale is being held this week, Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday, in our School Gym. We ask all parishioners & friends who are able to bake or donate baked goods to bring the items in the mornings of the sale. We appreciate your help! Please refer to the flyer on page 5 for more details.

SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE VARIETY BINGO

Won't you please consider joining the Social Concerns Committee for an afternoon of fellowship at our upcoming Bingo? Great prizes, food, and fun await you on Sunday, April 17th at 2:00pm in the School Gym as the Committee sponsors its spring fundraiser. Please remember that all Committee events help not only our parish brothers and sisters but also those in need throughout the West Side community. Many have already benefitted from your generosity, including newborns, children, young adults, and the elderly. We are grateful for your continued support. Thank you!

HELP NEEDED! Mark your calendar

HELP IS REQUESTED AS WE WILL NEED MANY STRONG HANDS to *dismantle* the tables in the Gym that we will use for the Rummage Sale and Bingo, on <u>SUNDAY, APRIL</u> <u>17th</u>, at approximately <u>4:30pm</u>. Thank you!!!

BAPTISM CLASS

Our next Baptism class will be held this Wednesday, April 13th, at 6:30pm, in our church hall. Expectant or new parents who have not previously attended a baptism class and are planning on having their baby baptized are asked to call Lori at the office to schedule the baby's baptism

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

A Red Cross Community Blood Drive will be held on Friday, April 29th, in our church hall from 1pm to 6pm. You can schedule your appointment to give blood by calling 1-800-RED-CROSS or visit *redcrossblood.org* Schedule your appointment today.

ADDITIONAL EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS

Mr. & Mrs. David Becker Mrs. Kathy Bennett Mr. & Mrs. Jay Bozinko Mr. & Mrs. Patrick Delbalso Mrs. Mary Gaiteri Mr. & Mrs. Robert Kandrac

Miss Ronnie Kuhar

Mr. & Mrs. John Levitski Mr. Joseph Mucha Mrs. Ronald S. Murray

Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Onzik Mrs. Robert Pepsis Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Petrikonis Mr. & Mrs. James Powers,

Mr. & Mrs. Gene Raymond

Mrs. Theresa Sabol Mrs. Dorothy Shendock Ms. Janine Snyder

Ms. Mary Ann Sullivan Mrs. Barabra Trevitz

Mrs. Erwin Wolfe Mr. & Mrs. George Zaruta, Jr.

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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. 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.

Dear Parents,

Children are at the heart of what we are all about here at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton. We encourage children of all ages and stages to attend mass with their parents each week. We expect that smaller children will, from time to time, be fussy, wiggle and make some noise. There is no need to leave mass. Again, it is expected. If you do feel the need to get up with your child, please return as soon as you are able. Training children in church early will help establish good habits in the future. We can all stand a little noise to ensure the future of our parish.

SAINT ELIZABETH ANN SETON, PRAY FOR US!





Church Finances



COLLECTION REPORT MARCH 26/27, 2016

EASTER: \$16,240.00 SUNDAY: \$5278.00 DUES: \$626.00 LOOSE: \$1657.61 OTHER: \$10.00 E-GIVING: \$242.74 TOTAL: \$24,054.35 SECOND COLLECTION: \$683.88

EASTER FLOWERS; \$2623.00

March Parish Group Collection (Altar Guild): \$609.00

Diocesan: Holy Thursday (Soup Kitchen): \$1774.55

Good Friday (Holy Land): \$1909.30

May God bless you abundantly for your generosity!

APRIL Parish Groups Envelope benefits SOCIAL CONCERNS

2016 Second Annual Catholic Men's Conference "Be A Man: Jesus Christ, The Face of True Manhood" April 23, 2016 at King's College, Scandlon Physical Education Center, 149 North Main St, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701 Experience a prayerful, spirit -filled, life-changing day featuring keynote presentations by Catholic biblical scholar, professor and conference speaker Dr. Scott Hahn from Steubenville, Ohio, well-known blogger Msgr. Charles Pope from the Archdiocese of Washington D.C., and former Notre Dame football player Michael McGlinn. Reconciliation opportunities with many priests available for confessions. The Most Reverend Bishop Joseph Bambera will celebrate the closing Mass. Eucharistic Adoration 6:00am, Registration/Continental Breakfast 7:00am, With main Conference and Mass from 8:00am to 2:45pm. Cost: \$35, \$30 early bird, \$15 for students. Register online at: www.BeAManConference.com or mail the completed conference brochure application with your check to Attn: Men's Conference, Office for Parish Life, 330 Wyoming Ave, Scranton, PA. 18503 (Mark "Men's Conference" on memo line of check). Our Parish Captain is Chris Calore (570-824-5621)

RUMMAGE



SALE



SPONSORED BY
CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN MOTHERS of

ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON PARISH 116 HUGHES STREET SWOYERSVILLE

in SCHOOL GYMNASIUM

MONDAY, April 11: 9am-6pm

TUESDAY, April 12: 9am-3pm \$2/Bag Day

<u>WEDNESDAY</u>, April 13: 9am-3pm \$1/Bag Day

BAKE SALE~~~REFRESHMENTS

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Eucharistic Schedule and Intentions for the Coming Week

Monday, April 11 St. Stanislaus

8:00 am Health & Blessings for Marie Mishkel Confraternity of Christian Mothers

Tuesday, April 12

8:00 am Health of Tom Morris Phil & Mary Lou Bosha

Wednesday, April 13 St. Martin I

8:00 am Richard & Patricia Mattie Sister & Brothers

Thursday, April 14

8:00am Sadie McGrath Rosemarie Mattie

Friday, April 15

8:00am William Kravits Matt & Toni Kravits

Saturday, April 16 Vigil: Fourth Sunday of Easter

4:00pm Carlene Chairge James Panzetta

5:30pm Frank Kiwak Sr. & Frank Kiwak Jr. Irene Galletti

Sunday, April 17 Fourth Sunday of Easter

8:30 am Richard Levenoskie Wife, Frances, & Children
10:00 am Anna & Stanley Kazamski Richard & Kathy Sisko
11:30 am Albert Kaschak Children

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PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY:

~~Edward Besermin~~

PEACE GIVE HIM ETERNAL REST, FATHER. MAY HIS SOUL AND ALL THE SOULS OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED, THROUGH THE MERCY OF GOD, REST IN PEACE. AMEN.

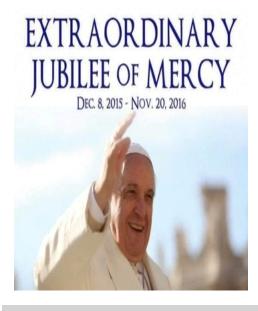


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Sanctuary Candles

~In Memory of Kelly Mizenko offered by Mother

~In Memory of Stephen Hudak offered by wife, Eleanor





Celebrants for the Eucharist

APRIL 16

4:00 pm Fr. Pisaneschi

5:30 pm Fr. Urban

APRIL 17

8:30 am Fr. Pisaneschi

10:00 am Fr. Urban

11:30 am Fr. Pisaneschi

5:30 pm Fr. Pisaneschi