

THE SETON SENTINEL

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish



“He is not the God of the dead, but of the living, for to Him all are alive”

Thirty-Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

November 10, 2013

Swoyersville, PA

Diocese of Scranton
DIOCESAN
ANNUAL APPEAL 

“Serve with Love”

Pope Francis

This is Commitment Weekend for the Appeal. We look to all those who have not yet given or pledged thus far to come forward now and do what you can to support the campaign.

Here is how our parish stands:

Our Goal: \$45,000.00

Total Raised: \$31,765.00

Under: -\$13,235.00

If you have not given or pledged to this year’s Appeal, please prayerfully consider doing so this week. Remember, no gift is too small to help those in need. If you need pledge forms or envelopes, they are available by contacting the parish office or pick one up at the entrance of the church. Packets are also available by calling the Diocesan Development Office at 570-207-2250, or online at www.DiocesefofScranton.org. Help our Diocese as it helps so many others, “Serve with Love.”



We salute and thank our U.S. Military Men and Women, past and present, for their sacrifices, dedication, and service to our country. **THANK YOU, VETS!**

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

On Friday, November 15th at 7:00PM there will be a special Mass of Remembrance for the repose of the souls of those who died throughout this year and prayers for their loved ones who grieve their loss. Their names will be called aloud and they will be remembered at this special Mass. All are invited to attend.

SOCIAL CONCERNS

The Social Concerns Committee is a program that is promoted by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and the Diocese of Scranton. There are 4 components of parish social concerns ministry, namely, prayer, education, pastoral outreach and advocacy for change. Our parish committee is currently focusing on pastoral outreach as its initial priority, since there are many needs within our parish and local community. Some services that we are attempting to provide include: supporting the Holy Family Food Pantry, providing holiday food baskets to our needy parishioners and assisting with the Christmas Giving Tree Project. Since these activities and others being considered involve expenses, periodic fundraising activities will be necessary. **Thank you to everyone who helped support our Pasta Dinner.** Anyone interested in joining the committee, please come to the next meeting.



HOLY FAMILY FOOD PANTRY

ITEMS NEEDED

Canned meats (ham, Spam, meatballs), canned spaghetti sauce, canned tuna, canned vegetables, canned ravioli, canned fruit, peanut butter, jelly, any pasta, cereal. The **donation box** is located in the church vestibule on the left side (as you enter the church) near the steps.

SAINT VINCENT de PAUL & TOYS FOR TOTS

St. Vincent de Paul Kitchen, a program of Catholic Social Services is once again teaming up with local parishes and the United States Marines “Toys for Tots” for this year’s Christmas Toy Drive. Last year, we distributed toys to over 2,000 children in the Wyoming Valley! Toys are needed and donations may be taken to St. Vincent de Paul Kitchen, 39 East Jackson St., Wilkes-Barre, 7 days a week from 7:30am to 1:00pm.

Registration for Toys and Food for Christmas will be held at Our Lady of Hope Parish, 40 Park Avenue, Wilkes-Barre.:

Monday, November 18th, 9-11am and 1-3pm

Tuesday, November 19th, 9-11am and 4-6pm.

Parents should bring the following: PHOTO ID, VERIFICATION OF INCOME, A SOCIAL SECURITY CARD FOR EVERYONE IN THE HOUSEHOLD, AND PROOF OF ADDRESS WITH A RECENT DATE. **Food Distribution** will take place at St. Vincent de Paul Kitchen, Tuesday, December 17th, 9:30am –2:30pm and 4-7pm. **Toy Distribution** will take place at Our Lady of Hope Parish, 40 Park Ave., W-B, on Tuesday, December 17th from 9am to 2pm and 4-7pm.

CHURCH PROJECTS

As you all know, when the air conditioner is used it remains extremely warm in the sanctuary while the body of the church can be very cold. There are no vents for the air to reach the altar. We are going to install two units for the sanctuary area independent of the rest of the system. This will provide air as cool as needed on the altar while the church can be warmer and more comfortable for the assembly.

We are also aware the kneelers in the pew are in rough shape. They will be replaced with all new parts as soon as possible. Adjustments are planned for easier accessibility to kneel straight up in the pews. This is not an option right now in some of the pews.

PASTORAL COUNCIL

At the November 4th Pastoral Council meeting, we established that the council will: 1.) Take a careful look at our present situation of parish & community life 2.) Assess the implications of present realities and trends for the future. 3.) Develop a vision and pastoral plan that will enable us to be the Church which God calls us to be and wisely use the gifts & resources we have been given. In the coming months, all parishioners will be asked to respond to this question: "Looking to the coming years, if you could imagine or transform our parish in any way you wished, what 3 things would you do to enhance its life and vitality?"

Check out our newly reconstructed website: setonpa.com It is a work in progress....
Like us on Facebook, too!

LECTOR WORKBOOKS FOR 2014

All lectors are asked to pick up their 2014 Lector Workbook, located in the Server's Sacristy. Readings begin for December 1, 2013, the First Sunday of Advent. Thank you.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING

Tuesday, November 12th at 7PM in the church hall

CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN MOTHERS

will meet next Sunday, November 17th, at 2:00PM in the church hall.



COLLECTIONS REPORT FOR NOVEMBER 2/3

Sunday: \$9324.75	Dues: \$1136.00
Loose: \$437.07	Day's Wage: \$25.00
TOTAL: \$10,922.82	All Saints: \$1648.24
<i>Diocesan:</i> Mission Sunday: \$102.00	
Care & Education of Priests: \$831.00	

PLEASE NOTE: Effective immediately, unless otherwise announced from the altar, there will only be one (1) collection taken at all masses. **Please place all of your envelopes in the first basket.**

Sign-up Sheets for Advent Adoration

Next weekend you may begin signing up for Advent Eucharistic Adoration on Monday nights. Exposition will begin at 5:30 p.m. and continue until Benediction at 6:45. We will need someone to be signed for each 15 minute increments. **The Sacrament of Reconciliation** will be celebrated each Monday from 5:30-6:45 p.m. Please use these times as your opportunity for your Christmas confession since our parish will not have a formal Penance Service. Confessions are also heard on Saturday afternoons from 3:15-3:45 or call Father Joe for an appointment.

ADULT EDUCATION (ENRICHMENT) SERIES

Our fall series continues *Thursday evenings* at 7:00pm in the church hall and continues through Thursday, December 5th. We are studying *Catholicism*, a video series by Fr. Robert Barron. This is a beautifully produced video program filmed all over the Catholic world and features beautiful music. We also hold a discussion session on the episodes. All are welcome to join us Thursday evenings. Come and discover more about what makes us Catholic. Light refreshments to follow.

THANKSGIVING MASS

Thursday, November 28th at 9:00 a.m. There will be no 8:00 a.m. mass on Thanksgiving Day.

HOLY REDEEMER HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL
ANYTHING GOES

FRIDAY, NOV. 15 & SATURDAY, NOV. 16,
7:00pm RESERVED SEATING

ADULTS \$7~~SENIORS \$6~~STUDENTS \$5

All are welcome! CALL FOR TICKETS 829-2424

HOLY REDEEMER HIGH SCHOOL
PLACEMENT/SCHOLARSHIP TEST

For interested public & private school 8th Graders
Saturday, December 14, 8:30AM

Call the Guidance Office to register for the test:
829-2424

CATCH OUR SPIRIT!!!

Wyoming Area Catholic School, Exeter

"WHERE WE LIVE, LOVE, & LEARN BY FAITH"

Tuition Assistance available for Grades Pre-K to 8th

For information: www.wacsh.com or 570.654.7982

LADIES ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIANS

Middle or high school students of Luzerne County are invited to submit entries to the Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians 2013-2014 Irish History Writing Contest. The contest is open to any students of grades 6 through 12. For complete contest rules and list of cash prizes, please visit

www.ladiesaoh.com or call Mary Ellen Dooley at 735-1711. Deadline for entries is January 15, 2014.

CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES PROUDLY PRESENTS:

Rhythm & Wine~Friday, November 22nd from 6:30 to 9:30 PM at Bartolai Winery, Route 92, Harding. Wine tasting! Food & desserts by Dente~Piano music by Paul Oschal \$50.00 per person. Call Kelli at 822-7118, ext 357 for reservations.

"A Great Evening for an Even Better Cause!"

ST. FAUSTINA KOWALSKA PARISH BINGO

Sunday, December 1st

St. Mary School Hall, 1010 Hanover St, Nanticoke

Doors open: 12:30pm Early Birds: 1:45pm

Regular Games: 2:00pm

Cash prizes—Door Prizes—Refreshments

Parking & Entrance at rear of building

Tune in to Jesus!

JMJ Catholic Radio

broadcasts on

750am and 98.9 FM

(FM 24 hours a day!)



MALTBY VOLUNTEER FIRE CO. BOOT DRIVE

Will be held here the weekend of November 16-17. Donations will be accepted before and after Masses. Please do what you can to support our local fire company so that they will be ready if and when we and our neighbors need them.



VETERANS' DAY CONCERT

Sunday, November 10th, 7:00PM

Shavertown United Methodist Church

163 N. Pioneer Ave., Shavertown

Co-sponsored by SUMC Fine Arts Committee and the Back Mountain Men's Ecumenical Group. Proceeds from this concert

will benefit the 1st Lt. Michael J. Cleary Memorial Fund which supports Veterans and their families. Come and be filled with this patriotic music while you are supporting our men and women who sacrifice in so many ways for our freedom. Tickets: \$5.00

TRUE or FALSE ?

1. Five brothers were arrested with their mother.
2. The brothers were tortured with whips and scourges.
3. They were punished for eating forbidden food.
4. The brothers were ready to die rather than transgress the laws of their ancestors.
5. They expected God to raise them to life after they had died.
6. God has loved us but we are still waiting for his encouragement and hope.
7. The Lord is faithful, and he will strengthen us and guard us from the evil one.
8. The Sadducees believed in the resurrection.
9. Those deemed worthy of the resurrection neither marry nor are given in marriage.
10. God is the God of the dead as much as of the living.

ANSWERS 6 true, 7 false, 8 true, 9 true, 10 false, 1 false, 2 true, 3 false, 4 true, 5 true,

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THIS WEEK'S LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Monday, November 11

St. Martin of Tours

8:00 a.m. Elizabeth Farber

Sharon & Martin Aiken

Tuesday, November 12

St. Josephat

8:00 a.m. All Souls' Day Intentions

Wednesday, November 13

St. Frances X Cabrini

8:00 a.m. Joseph & Catherine Calore Confraternity of Christian Mothers

Thursday, November 14

8:00 a.m. John Brdaric, Jr.

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish Community

Friday, November 15

St. Albert the Great

8:00 a.m. Leo Venetz

Wife, Anna Mae

7:00PM Mass of Remembrance

Saturday, November 16 (Vigil: THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME)

4:00 p.m. In Honor of the 40th Wedding Anniversaries of Frank & Paula Matthews and Raymond & Donna Gustave

5:30 p.m. All Souls' Day Intentions

Sunday, November 17 THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

8:30 a.m. All Souls' Day Intentions

10:00 a.m. *Pro Populo*

11:30 a.m. Joseph C. Rollman Wife & Family



SANCTUARY LIGHT INTENTIONS

~ In Honor of the 40th Wedding Anniversary of Raymond & Donna Gustave

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May our
Lord Jesus Christ

himself and God our Father,
who has loved us and given us
everlasting encouragement and
good hope through his grace,
encourage your hearts
and strengthen them in every
good deed and word.

🕊 2 Thessalonians 2:16-17 🕊

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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.

CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENTS

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

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 Bambara. 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

Direct Contacts

Parish Hall: 570-287-2684

Office of Social Ministry (Sr. Jane) 570-763-5160

Faith Formation Office: 570-287-4587

Father Joe's email: fatherjoey@aol.com

Bulletin Deadline: Monday 1:00 p.m.