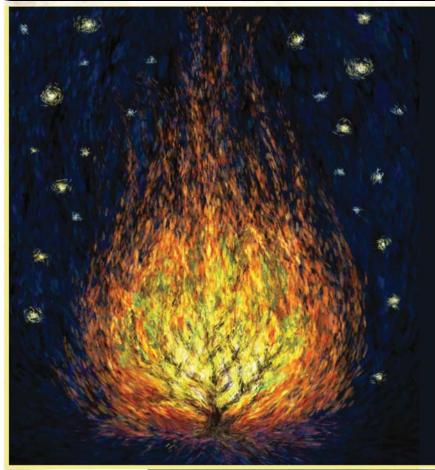
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish

Third Sunday of Lent

### March 20, 2022

# the Seton Sentinel



l am the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, the God of Jacob.

Exodus 3:8

### ALL ARE WELCOME

No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church, No matter what your current family or marital situation, No matter what your current personal history, age, income, background, gender, gender identity or orientation, race, ethnicity or spirituality, No matter what your own self-image or holiness or virtue - You belong to Christ and belong to us! You are invited, accepted and respected here at Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish. We welcome you. We want to share our Roman Catholic way of life with you!

### Music for Eucharist



### Saturday 4:00, 5:30 pm Sunday 7:00,9:00, 11:00 am

Gathering: 19 Supplement "Jesus Walked this Lonesome Valley"

Preparation: 65 Supplement "The God of Abraham Praise"

Communion: 23 Supplement "Draw Near, O Lord, Our God"

Sending Forth: 28 Supplement "These Forty Days of Lent"

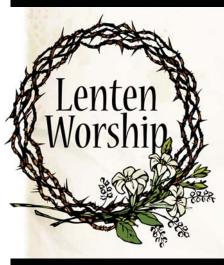
### Sunday 5:30 pm

Gathering: 24 Supplement 'Beneath the Tree of Life"

Preparation: 640 Gather Hymnal "There Is A Balm"

Communion: 962 Gather Hymnal "Ashes "

Sending Forth: 278 Gather Hymnal "Somebody's Knocking"



Monday-Friday Daily Eucharist 8:00 a.m. \*

**Each Monday of Lent** — The Light is On For You: Church is Open for Silent Prayer, Exposition, Confessions available 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Each Thursday of Lent — Adoration: Church is Open for Quiet Time before Blessed Sacrament 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Each Friday of Lent - Stations of the Cross 7:00 p.m.

\* Mass at St. Ignatius in Kingston is **7:30 a.m**. **Monday—<u>Saturday</u>** and 12:10 p.m. Mon-Fri if you need an earlier mass or later in the day.

Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word.





### 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent

During recess time at the parish grade school, one young boy was accused of cheating because he did not admit he had been tagged. A few minutes later, he tripped and scraped his knee on the pavement. As the tears welled up in his eyes, one of his companions offered a theological explanation for the painful mishap. "God made you trip because he doesn't like cheaters!" If this were indeed a doctrine of faith, we'd all be limping for life!

When bad things happen, people like to know why. The people assume that those who died in Siloam or Galilee were the worst of sinners and their sin was the cause of their suffering. Jesus refutes this notion, and reminds them that without reforming, evil will remain with them and they too will perish. But there is hope. Everyone is given another chance to reform, just like the fruitless fig tree. But without real change, there will be no life.

Lent is the time to take advantage of another chance God gives us to reform our lives. God offers everyone the chance to accept His grace, to be forgiven and to grow in holiness. No sin is too great and no person is beyond hope. Just ask, and all that you need will be given to you.

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#### Pastoral Staff

Rev. Joseph J Pisaneschi x105 Pastor

Rev. Anthony Urban Assisting Celebrant

Deacon John (Jack) Zeigler x130 Permanent Deacon

Lori Raymond x100 Pastoral Associate/Dir. of Religious Education

Sister Mary Beth Makuch, SS.C.M. Pastoral Outreach Ministry

Mr. John Bankus Permanent Deacon Candidate

Music Ministry Marge Semanek Director of Liturgical Music

Joseph Sabol Accompanist

Scott Coates Accompanist/5:30 p.m. Sunday

#### **Finance Office**

Christine Osmanski Finance Office Secretary

Pat Quinn Office Assistant

#### Sacristans and Maintenance

Chris Calore x133 Director of Maintenance

John Sartin Gertude Brown Pat Quinn Betsy Evanoski Phil Bos**h**a **Art & Environment** Meeting for Holy Week/Easter will be held on Tuesday, March 22nd at 7pm in the church proper. New members are welcome!

### **Triduum/Easter Programs**

Once again this year we will print the program for the Three Days before and Easter Sunday we will print a participation booklet. It will be used Holy Thursday through Easter night. If some one or a couple of businesses wish to sponsor the booklet, we will place your ad on the program. Call Lori for more details in the office.

### SERVICE HOURS FOR CONFIRMATION STUDENTS

Service Hours are available for our students who are still in need of hours. Please call Anna Mae Venetz at 570-287-7655 if you are available to help with the Holy Name Society Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 2nd.

### TRADITIONAL STATIONS OF THE CROSS IN SLOVAK

Sunday, March 27th at 2pm. St. Ignatius Loyola Parish, 339 N. Maple Ave., Kingston. Church is handicap accessible. Wearing masks in encouraged. Come, join us in singing the beautiful Slovak Lenten hymns.

### St. Barbara's Lenten Food Sale No Pre-orders

St. Anthony's Parish Center, Rear 212 Memorial St., Exeter Take-outs only from 3-6pm every Friday during Lent Cash Only Potato pancakes \$1.25 each; 1/2 dozen \$7.50; Dozen \$15.00 Pierogi: 1/2 dozen \$6.00 Halushki: Quart \$7.00 Good Friday: Potato pancakes only. Take-out from noon to 6pm.



#### Fasting

Ash Wednesday Good Friday

### Abstinence

Every Friday during Lent

Ages 14+

#### How do we fast?

When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal.

#### Am I excused from fasting and abstinence?

Those that are excused from fast and abstinence outside the age limits include the physically or mentally ill including individuals suffering from chronic illnesses such as diabetes. Also excluded are pregnant or nursing women.

For more information on fasting and abstinence, visit usccb.org.

**PREVENTIVE MEASURES:** MASKS--As of March 3, 2022, the Diocese of Scranton moved to a "Mask Recommended", not required, policy for Religious Ed Classes.

<u>All CCD classes have resumed on Saturdays and Mondays.</u>

Classes in March: Mondays: March 21, & 28 APRIL 4, 11, 25 May: 2 Saturdays: March 19, & 26 APRIL 2, 9, 23, 30

**8th Grade Confirmation Class:** Paperwork for all 8th graders is due in March: Baptismal certificate (if not baptized from Holy Trinity or Holy Name/St. Mary's), saint report, service hours, confirmation name, sponsor name, & sponsor card if not from this parish.

**8th Grade Confirmation Class:** Students must attend the Confirmation Retreat on Saturday, April 2nd, at St. Ignatius , Kingston, from 11am-3:30pm, followed by 4pm Mass at St. Ignatius

FAMILY MASS: Sunday, April 3rd, 11:00am Mass—2nd and 3rd Grades

**2nd Grade Communion Class**: <u>Retreat i</u>s Sunday, March 27th. Please attend the 11:00am Mass, then we will go downstairs to our church hall until 3pm. Parents, please contact Lori 9570-297-6624 ext 100) if you can <u>VOLUNTEER</u> to help us at this retreat. (First Holy Communion is Saturday, May 7, at 10am)

**2nd Grade First Penance:** Saturday, April 2nd @ 10:30am. (Saturday students will attend 9am class, and then we will head over to the church with the teacher and join the other students and parents)

More information to follow.

### Offering Totals for March 5/6, 2022

Regular: \$14, 262.00 Ash Wednesday: \$1480.00 Diocesan: Ukraine \$1522.20 Eastern Europe: \$477.00

Thank you for making this offering possible!

"Give to God as you have Received"

Holy Name Society Annual Easter Egg Hunt For the children of our parish <u>1 to 8 Years of Age</u>
Saturday, April 2, 2022 1:00 PM in church hall
Parents, please fill out the form below and return it by drop- ping it in the Rectory Mail Slot, the Church Collection Basket or calling Anna Mae @ (570) 287-7655 no later than March 27th
CHILD'S NAME:
AGE:
BOY GIRL
PHONE NUMBER:

#### St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish

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### **OFFICE HOURS**

Monday-Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Friday-Closed

Evening and Weekends by appointment

### PARISH MEMBERSHIP

Our Parish warmly welcomes those who are with us each weekend, occasionally, and all who are looking for a spiritual home. Actual membership begins by filling out a Census Form at setonpa.com on the link at the top of the page. Once completed, send it to the office and we'll get you on "the official books," as soon as possible.

### SACRAMENTAL LIFE

Baptisms are usually scheduled after the 11:00 a.m. Eucharist on Sunday. 1st time parents are asked to attend a brief instruction class on Baptism. You can contact Lori directly for information.

Reconciliation is available on Saturday beginning at 3:30 until 3:50 p.m. just prior to the 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass. Other times at your request. Just ask Father.

Weddings are usually celebrated Saturday at 1:00 pm or on Friday afternoon or evening. Contact Father as soon as possible to reserve the date and complete the necessary paperwork.



### Swoyersville Kiwanis AMBA Blood Analysis Program

April 9th at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church Hall, 116 Hughes St., Swoyersville. Testing for Coronary, Kidney, & Liver Diseases, Anemia, Diabetes, Calcium Levels & much more. 32 Tests in all at the low cost of \$42. Additional testing is offered. Appointments are required. Call 1 -800--234-8888 for your appointment and details.

### SWOYERSVILLE KIWANIS DANCE FOR BREAST CANCER Join

us at our Treasure Your Chest Dance on Saturday, April 23rd, from 7pm to 11pm here at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church Hall. Music by JK Sound Productions. Soda, water , & snacks provided. Attendees are welcome to bring along their own special beverages. Must be 21+ to attend. Tickets are \$10. Space is limited. No tickets will be sold at the door. You can come dressed & ready in your pink, black, or white Treasure Your Chest Tee Shirt for \$10. Pre-order shirt deadline is April 6th. Table reservations for groups of 8 or more. Proceeds support Candy's Place & additional breast cancer organizations. For more info., tickets, or shirts call/text 570-762-1985 or email swoyk1951@comcast.net.

### 2022 Swoyersville Kiwanis Scholarship Awards

We are happy to offer our 2022 Swoyersville Kiwanis Scholarship Awards to graduating high school seniors. There will be 3 awards in the amount of \$1000 each and are given to assist in furthering the education of our high school seniors, In additions to our 3 awards there will once again be an award given in memory of long time Swoyersville residents Gene and Eleanor Breznay. To be eligible graduating students must reside in Swoyersville, Luzerne or Forty Fort. Applications are available by contacting S. Urzen at 570-606-1153 (call or text) or email <u>k-swoyer@comcast.net</u>. Return applications must be postmarked by May 10th. Letters will be sent to the winners by mail on May 20th. Winners are judged on financial need, community service, school involvement and studies. Scholarship Award winners and their families will be invited to a celebration dinner on Wednesday, June 22th

**BE A CATHOLIC MAN:** All men are invited to a Saturday morning men's program sponsored by Holy Spirit Parish and the Be A Catholic Man Initiative (affiliated with the Scranton Diocesan Men's Conference) at St. Martha's Church, 260 Bonnieville Rd, Stillwater (Fairmount Springs) on **Saturday, April 9**. Confessions will be heard starting at 7:30 a.m. Mass, breakfast, and presentations on masculinity, brotherhood, and fatherhood will follow at 8:00. Dr. Christopher Carr, Assistant Professor of Religious Studies at Misericordia University, will give a talk titled "Why God is Referred to as He." The program will conclude at 11:30 a.m. There is no cost to attend, and all men are welcome. Pre-registration is encouraged. Please call Raphael Micca at 570-301-9253 or email <u>rdmicca@aol.com</u>.

**40 Days for Life Pro-Life Rosary Gathering:** March 2 to April 8, offered for the special intentions of ending abortion & closure of Planned Parenthood location in Wilkes-Barre. Rosary is prayed Monday-Friday at 10am in front of Planned Parenthood offices, 101 N. Main St., Wilkes-Barre, across from King's College. Pro-life campaign draws attention to the evil of abortion through prayer & fasting, constant vigil, & community outreach.

### Remembering at Eucharist



### **Holy Week Schedule:**

Holy Thursday April 14 Eucharist 7:00 p.m. 10:00 p.m. Night Prayer

Good Friday April 15 Morning Prayer 9:00 a.m. Confessions 9:30 a.m. Commemoration of the Passion and Death of Jesus 2:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross 7:00 pm

Holy Saturday April 16 Morning Prayer 9:00 a.m. Blessing of the Baskets 2:00 p.m. Easter Vigil 8:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday April 17 Eucharist 7:00, 8:30, 10:00 and 11:15 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.

Monday, March 21 8:00 a.m. Frieda Gurick **Tuesday, March 22** 8:00 a.m. Dolores Kovaleski Wednesday, March 23 8:00 a.m. Edward Brominski Sr. Thursday, March 24 8:00 a.m. Frances Stanishefski Kepich Friday, March 25 8:00 a.m. Thomas Froncek Saturday, March 26 4:00 p.m. Leona Mitchell 5:30 p.m. James Kilgallon Sunday, March 27 7:00 a.m. Pro Populo 9:00 a.m. Brandyn Dougalas 11:00 a.m. Carol Roccograndi 5:30 p.m. Torregrossa Sisters

### Daughter, Regina

Alice Skiendziel

**Bernadine Kurpis** 

Goddaughter, Valerie Stefansky

Wife & Family

Sue Sotelo & Family Michael & Diane Mey

Pat Demko & Family Jack & Linda Bravyak Steve & Maria Englot

### Intentions for This Week

### Sanctuary Candles

~~In Memory of John Ludwikowski offered by daughter, Jane & Family ~~In Memory of Nancy Levanda offered by Family

### **Baptism Sunday**

Congratulations and God's Blessings upon Nicholas Joseph Mahon and his family. Nicholas will be baptized by water and the Holy Spirit after the 11:00am mass today.



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