

# St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish



# The Seton Sentinel

*The Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time*

August 24, 2014

Swoyersville, PA

**FESTIVAL WORKERS' PARTY**

Let's get together! No matter how you've helped in this year's Fantastic Festival, Thank You! We want to throw a little appreciation party for you. Join us on **Sunday, September 7th from 3pm to 6pm in the parish hall.** Sign-up sheets are at the entrance of the church or call the rectory with your reservation. Make your reservations today.! Today is the last day to sign-up.

**SEAS FESTIVAL 2014 FESTIVAL RESULTS**

INCOME: \$136,960.24

EXPENSES: \$49,973.49

**NET INCOME: \$86,986.75**

This number is very impressive! Again, our real success comes not from our profit but from everyone coming together to help! In either regard, this was one of the most successful festivals we have had in recent memory! Thank You all again, for whatever you did for the benefit of our Parish! Our people are an example for others of coming together and making things work for the good of all! God bless our parish!

**FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING**

All members of the Parish Finance Council are asked to meet on **Wednesday, August 27th at 7:00 p.m. in the rectory.** The annual report will be made available to all members as soon as possible for review. Also, property evaluations, strategic planning and upcoming projects will be discussed.

**FATHER JOE'S HOMILIES**

See and hear Father Joe's recorded "brief" Sunday Messages for the next three weeks at the website of the United States Catholic Conference of Bishops at [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org) Go to the **Daily Reflections Video** link and look for Sunday's date and click. Father Joe will appear at your desktop.

**HOLY NAME SOCIETY**

Our Holy Name Society will meet on September 7th after the 8:30am Mass in the church hall. The upcoming schedule of events will be discussed. New members are always welcome.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD**

This Advent season our parish will engage the children who attend the 10:00 a.m. Mass on Sundays in the Children's Liturgy of the Word. It brings the gospel message to their level and makes the scriptures come to life through engaging the children's imagination. A team of adults is needed to help with this project. If you are gifted with children and would like to volunteer for the variety of "jobs" there will be in the Children's Word, contact Mr. Mark Mizzer at 288-0362.

All volunteers will need background checks, which the parish will arrange, and must attend the diocesan wide **VIRTUS: Protecting God's Children** program.

**ART & ENVIRONMENT**

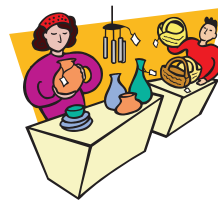
Our Art and Environment Committee will meet in the church on Tuesday, September 16th at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

Our Knights of Columbus meet every 2nd Tuesday of the month at **7pm in the church hall.** New members are always welcome.

**SOCIAL CONCERNS MEETING**

The Social Concerns Committee meets every third Thursday of the month at **7pm in the church hall.** New members are always welcome.

**SOCIAL CONCERNS CRAFT SHOW****VENDORS NEEDED**

Saturday, September 13, 9am-3pm

In our parish gym &amp; cafeteria

Over 40 vendors!

Lunch will be available

Call MaryAnn for more information; 287-3484

**COLLECTION REPORT**

AUGUST 9/10, 2014

SUNDAY: \$6673.50

DUES: \$3846.50

LOOSE: \$ 483.97

HOLY DAY: \$5.00

TOTAL: \$11,008.97

DIOCESAN: Care and Education of Priests: \$156.00

May God bless you for your generosity!

**FROM THE DESK OF THE PASTOR:**

I do not want anyone to worry about being taken care of in this parish when you pass away. Anyone who wishes the services of the church is able to receive them. The only requirement is that either the individual or the family wishes for a Church Service. No other conditions apply, even if the deceased was not Catholic but still needs someone to do a service. I would be more than happy to see to it that the person receives a proper burial. From time to time I am told stories about church dues that were not paid up-to-date and a priest refusing to bury someone. I assure you that will not happen here.

Father Joe

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS:**

Our Parish Religious Education Program will once again offer 2 sessions for grades 1-8 on either Saturday morning or Monday evening. All students who are not attending Catholic Schools should be enrolled in the parish program. This year, to simplify the registration process, we are directing everyone to our website: [setonpa.com](http://setonpa.com) where you can download the registration form and return it to the parish in the mail or drop off at the rectory, or place in the weekend collection basket. If you cannot access the parish website please contact the Religious Formation Office at 287-4587 and we will get the form to you. Classes resume, Saturday, September 20th and Monday, September 22nd.

**CCD TEACHER'S MEETING**

**Thursday, September 4th at 6:00 p.m.** all teachers in this year's program are invited to join us for a light supper and the beginning of the year meeting. Join us in the parish hall.

**THE SETON CAFÉ**

This year we would like to offer a bit of hospitality to our parents of our CCD students during religious education classes. We hope to have The Seton Café located in the school basement open during the times of our CCD Classes. The parents can gather informally to enjoy, a coffee or tea and light snack while waiting for the children upstairs. If you would like to help in the operation of the Café please contact Terry at 287-4587. Duties will be very light and it is a way you can assist with the Religious Ed Program without climbing all of the steps.



**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](mailto:religiouseducation1@yahoo.com)

**ADULT CONTINUING FAITH FORMATION**

The fall series this year will be offered at 2 times, Tuesday mornings after the 8:00 a.m. Mass and Thursday evening at 7:00 p.m. on selected weeks. This year's theme is *Praying as Disciples: Going Deeper into our Relationship with Jesus*. We will explore the topic of personal prayer in greater detail with exercises in the Ignatian Prayer Methods. All are welcome to join us for these sessions which will be held in the Parish hall on the following dates: Tuesday, September 16, 30, October 21, November 4, 18. Thursday, September 18, October 2, 23, November 6, 20. Come to all of the sessions of just join us for one or two to deepen your prayer experience.



**CHOIR NEWS**

All members of the Adult Choirs are asked to meet in the church parking lot on **Wednesday, September 3rd at 5:30 p.m.** for a beginning of the season Kick-off Celebration. Regular practices resume Wed. September 9th at 6:30 p.m. downstairs in the main church for ALL adult choir members. New members are most welcome and encouraged to join us for our 1st practice of the season. This is a wonderful opportunity for those who like to sing to get involved in church. The time commitment is up to you, come to as many practices and masses that fits your schedule. The choir will sing at alternating weekend masses during the year.

**Celebrant's Schedule**

August 30-31

- 4:00pm Fr. Pisaneschi
- 5:30pm Fr. Urban
- 8:30am Fr. Pisaneschi
- 10:00am Fr. Pisaneschi
- 11:30am Fr. Urban

**Triduum and Feast of Saint Joseph the Worker**  
**The Oblates of St. Joseph Fathers will hold the annual**  
**Triduum and Feast of St. Joseph the Worker.**

The **Triduum** (*three days of prayers*) will be held on August 29-30-31 at the Oblates of St. Joseph Chapel, Route 315, Laflin, with a Mass at **7:00PM**, followed by special prayers to St. Joseph for workers and the unemployed. Confessions and the Holy Rosary will precede the Mass. Preaching this year's Triduum will be the permanent deacon Florian Gyza from St. Faustina Parish, Nanticoke.

The **Feast** will be celebrated on Labor Day, Monday, September 1<sup>st</sup> with a Solemn Mass at **11:00AM**.

The special intentions for the triduum celebration include: workers' thanksgiving, the unemployed and special blessings for students, teachers and administrators as they are entering a new school year. Everyone is invited to attend.

**St. Nicholas Byzantine Catholic Church, Swoyersville,**  
**Rummage & Bake Sale**

August 28 (9-6), August 29 (9-2), & Aug 30 (9-12)  
 Friday is \$2/bag day & Saturday is \$1/bag day  
 Refreshments available & Raffle tickets on sale

**COME TO THE 38TH ANNUAL ROSARY RALLY**

"The combined Knights of Columbus Councils of Wyoming Valley will sponsor their 38th annual Rosary Rally on **Sunday, September 28th, at Saint Leo's / Holy Rosary Parish, 33 Manhattan Street, Ashley.** A Procession from the Church through the streets will begin at 2:00 pm. At 3:00 pm Devotions will take place in the Church followed by the celebration of Mass. This Mass will satisfy Sunday obligation. Parking is available behind the Church, from N. Main St. off W. Hartford Street. The faithful are welcome."

**ST. FAUSTINA FEAST DAY BUS PILGRIMAGE**

A bus pilgrimage to the National Shrine of Divine Mercy, Stockbridge, MA, will be celebrating the Feast Day of St. Faustina, observed on Sat., October 4th. Bus leaves at 7am from the Oblates of St. Joseph, Pittston. All events will be at Mother of Mercy Outdoor Shrine. Departure from Shrine for dinner at Michael's Restaurant. Cost is \$60/person which includes bus trip, entrance fee to Shrine, full course dinner at restaurant, and bus driver tip. Call Cathy Mack for reservations at 654-6063.

***SAINT ELIZABETH ANN SETON,***  
***PRAY FOR US!***

**Oblates of St. Joseph Vocation Retreat**

The Oblates of St. Joseph will be having an overnight vocation discernment retreat on September 6th & 7th. This retreat experience is for men 18 years and older who desire to spend some time in prayer asking the Lord what His will is for their lives. The retreat will take place at the Oblates of St. Joseph Seminary, 1880 Highway 315, Laflin, PA. For more information, or to register, please contact Fr. John Shearer, OSJ, (570) 654-6902 or [jshearer@osjusa.org](mailto:jshearer@osjusa.org).

**GREAT VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY**

St. Vincent de Paul's Kitchen, Wilkes-Barre, needs volunteers for the food bank on Tuesdays, 5-6pm for filling & stocking shelves & food distribution. Please call Mike for more info. at 829-7796.



**RED CROSS APPRECIATION**

The American Red Cross thanks everyone who came out to donate blood here at SEAS on August 11th. The total units of blood donated was 27. Thank you for helping to save lives!

**VIRTUS: Protecting God's Children Program**

This training session is required for all adult volunteers who work a minimum of 20 hours or more per year with children. During the 3-hour training, a facilitator will incorporate techniques in a discussion format to help you recognize the warning signs of child sexual abuse and how to respond to it appropriately and effectively. Please consider joining your community on Thursday, Sept 18th, from 6:30 to 9:30PM, at St. Faustina Kowalska Parish, Nanticoke, or Thursday, October 9th, from 6:30-9:30PM, at Holy Rosary School, Duryea. Contact Peggie Jimcoski to register: 735-4833 or [hthc@comcast.net](mailto:hthc@comcast.net)



## Liturgical Schedule and Intentions

### Twenty-first Week in Ordinary Time

**Monday, August 25**

8:00 a.m. Gladys Shumack

**Tuesday, August 26**

8:00 a.m. Helen Stanishefski Children

**Wednesday, August 27 St. Monica**

8:00 a.m. Eugene Petroski Wife

**Thursday, August 28 St. Augustine**

8:00 a.m. Joan Dougherty Margaret Palmer

**Friday, August 29 Death of John the Baptist**

8:00 a.m. In Honor of the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Patrick & Sandie Charney

**Saturday, August 30 (vigil: Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time)**

4:00 p.m. Jacob Latoski Parents & Sister

5:30 p.m. *Pro Populo*

**Sunday, August 31 Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:30 a.m. Joseph McCabe Sr. Family

10:00 a.m. Joseph & Eleanor Lipinski Son, Joe & Wife

11:30 a.m. John & Catherine Biely Ed Biely



**BAPTISM SUNDAY** Congratulations and God's blessings upon the family of *Memphis Andrew Reisinger*, who will be reborn by water and the Holy Spirit after the 11:30am Mass today.



### **SANCTUARY LIGHT INTENTIONS**

~In Memory of Sister M. Agnes Zwolenick offered by Vince & Fran Krajnak  
 ~Wedding Blessings for Sam & Jess Siracuse offered by Parents, Jim & Mary Beth Siracuse



### **ALTAR FLOWERS THIS WEEKEND**

~In Memory of Parents & brother, Floyd, offered by Irene Regeski Gulla



### **UPCOMING WEDDING**

Saturday, August 30, 2014, 1:00PM:~~*Michael G. Johnson & Kimberly A. Krofchick*



**IN MEMORIAM** Eternal Rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let Perpetual Light Shine upon them~~*Richard Polinsky*~~*Joan Blockus Plava*~~*Ann McNulty*~~*Anna E. Hawley*~~*Stephen Furmanski*~~May their souls and the souls of all the Faithful Departed rest in peace. Amen.



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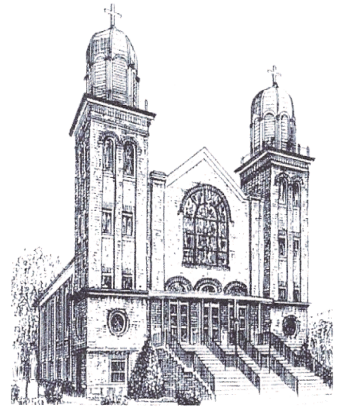
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## TO THE PARENTS OF OUR YOUNG CHILDREN, MAY WE SUGGEST ...

Relax! God put the wiggle in children, don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house. All are welcome!

Sit toward the front where it is easier for your little ones to see and hear what's going on at the altar. They tire seeing the backs of others' heads.

Quietly explain the parts of the Mass and actions of the priest, altar servers, choir etc.

Sing the hymns, pray and voice the responses. Children learn liturgical behavior by copying you.

If you have to leave the Mass with your child, feel free to do so, but please come back. As Jesus said, "Let the children come to me."

Remember that the way we welcome children in church directly affects the way they respond to the Church, to God, and to one another. Let them know that they are at home in this house of worship.

## TO THE MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH

The presence of children is a gift to the Church and they are a reminder that our church is growing.

Please welcome our children and give a smile of encouragement to their parents.

## 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.

## Reconciliation

Saturdays: 3:15 p.m.-3:45 p.m.

or anytime by request.

## Parish Staff

- Cora Artim Children's/ 11:30 a.m. Choir Director
- Phil Bosha Maintenance
- Chris Calore Maintenance
- Sister Jane Ellis, IHM Parish Social Minister
- Terry Jankoviak Director of Faith Formation
- 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

### Welcome to our Parish!

Actual Parish Membership begins by contacting the parish office.

### Direct Contacts

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

Faith Formation Office: 570-287-4587

Father Joe's email: fatherjoe@aol.com