



# The Seton Sentinel

The Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time  
August 27, 2017



## THE SETON SENTINEL

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish

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### Office Hours:

Monday– Thursday  
8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Friday  
8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Weekends and Evenings by  
appointment only

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

Reconciliation  
Saturdays 3:15pm to 3:45pm  
or by appointment

Mission Statement:

"We are Called....

To act with Justice,

To love Tenderly,

To Serve One Another,

To Walk Humbly with God"

*Paraphrased from Micah 6:8 by David Haas*

## *Diocesan Annual Appeal Rebate*

*Our parish recently received a rebate check from the Diocesan Annual Appeal office for exceeding our 2016 Goal. 75% of whatever we raise above and over our parish goal comes back to us. This year's rebate amounted to \$5,263.50!!! Once again, a sincere thank you to all who made this possible.*

## **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHICKEN BAR-B-QUE**



*Our Knights of Columbus is sponsoring a Chicken Bar-B-Que on Sunday, September 10th, 11am to 3pm, in our school cafeteria. Eat in or take out. Cost is \$9.00/dinner which includes 1/2 chicken, baked potato, cole slaw, roll, butter, and dessert. Sign-up sheets are on the tables at the church entrance.*

## **FESTIVAL APPRECIATION PARTY**



The Festival Workers' Appreciation Party will be held Sunday, September 24th, from 1-4pm in our church hall. All who worked or helped in ANY way are invited to attend. Food, Music, & Fun!! The sign-up sheets are on the tables at the church entrance.

## **PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING**

~Tuesday, August 29th, at 6:30pm in the Rectory

## **PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING**

~Wednesday, August 30th, at 7:00pm in the Rectory

## **HOLY NAME SOCIETY**

Our Holy Name Society will meet next Sunday, September 3rd, after the 8:30am Mass in our church hall. All members are asked to attend. New members are welcome!

## **CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN MOTHERS**

Our CCM will meet today, Sunday, August 27th, at 2:00pm in our church hall. New members are welcome!

**Parish Staff**

Cora Artim  
*Children's Choir*

Phil Bosha  
*Maintenance*

Chris Calore  
*Maintenance*

Scott Coates  
*Contemporary Mass Musician*

Sister Jane Ellis, IHM  
*Pastoral Care Minister*

Rev. Joseph J. Pisaneschi V.F  
**Pastor**

Lori Raymond  
*Pastoral Associate*

Joseph Sabol  
*Assistant Organist*

Monica Salis  
*Business Manager*

Marge Semanek  
*Director of Music*

Sister Marion Tarone, IHM  
*Director of Religious Education*

Rev. Anthony Urban  
*Weekend Celebrant*

Deacon Jack Ziegler  
*Permanent Deacon*



**SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE—Fall Craft Show**

**VENDORS WANTED:** The Social Concerns Committee is seeking Homemade Craft Vendors for its Annual Fall Craft Show, scheduled for Saturday, November 4, 2017, from 9am to 3pm. Please note that this year's show will feature only homemade crafts, not commercially produced items. For further information, please speak with one of the committee members or visit: [www.setonpa.com](http://www.setonpa.com) and click on the "Fall Craft Show" button to download a copy of the Vendor Contract. We kindly request that you do not call the Church for information. Thank you!

**SOCIAL CONCERNS ANNUAL BABY SHOWER**

**This is the last weekend for the Social Concerns Committee's Annual Baby Shower, which supports the Pro-Life Center in Wilkes-Barre. The Center is particularly in need of diapers (Size Newborn to 2) and Onesies. A playpen is placed near the Reconciliation Room to receive your donations. Thank you.**

Also, last week, members of the Social Concerns delivered pizza to our shut-ins. And, because of your generosity, the Social Concerns Committee was able to support the St. Vincent DePaul Soup Kitchen and its request for children's back-to-school needs. Thank you!

**2017 Festival Report**

GROSS INCOME: \$154,472.00\*

EXPENSES: -63,624.00

This year's PROFIT: \$90,848.00

(Last year's profit: \$82,437.00)

Once again, a tremendous THANK YOU to ALL who made these fantastic numbers possible. From this year's Festival Profit, we already paid our insurance bill (that came in on July 1st) of \$37,906.00.

**\*INCOME BREAKDOWN:**

FOOD: \$81,544.00

GAMES: \$31,745.00

RAFFLE: \$22,264.00

50/50: \$10,826.00

DONATIONS: \$4440.00

STAND SPONSORS: \$3653.00

### Direct Contacts

Office of Pastoral Care (Sr. Jane):  
570-763-5160  
sisterjane@setonpa.com

Faith Formation Office (Sr. Marion):  
570-287-4587  
sistermarion@setonpa.com

Father Joe's email:  
fatherjoey@aol.com

Parish direct email: [setonpa@aol.com](mailto:setonpa@aol.com)

Bulletin deadline: Friday, one week prior to the publication week.

### Prayer Chain

Our Prayer Chain meets on the 2nd Saturday of each month at 9am in our church hall. Volunteers are needed to join in the Seton Prayer Chain. To become one of our prayer partners contact Gail at 570-690-7520. If anyone is in need of prayer, contact Gail at that number or call Lori in the parish office. All calls are confidential.



Log on to [setonpa.com](http://setonpa.com) and sign-up

for Electronic Giving. It is the easy, safe, fast way to remember your offerings. Even if you are away from home or cannot make it to our church every week. This is a way to keep up with your sacrificial offerings.

You may choose to give weekly or monthly, pay dues, or other offerings.



Look for the link and click:

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

August has arrived, and it is time to begin thinking about our Religious Education Program. Once again we will offer a choice of two sessions for Grades 1-7, and all 8th Grade classes will be held on Monday evenings. Monday sessions are 6:00pm to 7:15 pm, and Saturday sessions are 9:00am to 10:15am. You may pick one of the days to send your student (s). Classes resume Saturday, September 16th, and Monday, September 18th. Registration forms are now available on the tables at the church entrance, and also online at [setonpa.com](http://setonpa.com) under Religious Education, and also on our mobile App .

### CCD TEACHER MEETING

~Wednesday, September 6th, at 7pm in the church hall.

### ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER

The Oblates of St. Joseph will hold the annual Triduum & Feast of St. Joseph the Worker. The Triduum (3 days of prayers) will be held on September 1-2-3, Laflin, with a Mass at 7:00pm, followed by special prayers to St. Joseph. Confessions & the Holy Rosary will precede the Mass. The Feast will be celebrated on Labor Day, Monday, September 4th, with a Solemn Mass at 11:00am.

### SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS FOR AUGUST 12/13

Sunday: \$7514.00  
Loose: \$487.10  
**TOTAL: \$9253.83**

Dues: \$1014.00  
E-Giving: \$238.73

*"Give to the Most High God, as God has given to you, generously, according to your means, for the Lord is one who always repays, and God will give back to you sevenfold."*

### DIOCESAN:

Catholic Relief Services: \$10.00

***May God Reward Your Tremendous Generosity to our Parish Community***

**CELEBRATION OF THE 100<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA**

Organizers of the Our Lady of Fatima Blessed Grotto, North Street, Wilkes-Barre, will celebrate Our Lady of Fatima's 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on **Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017**. Opening Prayers will be offered at **5:00 pm**, King's College, at the Chapel of Christ the King, Jackson and N. Franklin Streets, Wilkes-Barre. A Procession to the Our Lady of Fatima Grotto, North Street, will begin at 5:30 pm. Mr. Walter Camier will speak on "How Devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary is Crucial Today" at 6:00 pm at the Grotto. Refreshments will be served, followed by the 15 decade Rosary at 7:00 pm. All are welcome.

**MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR ABORTED CHILDREN AT MT. OLIVET CEMETERY-TOMB OF THE UNBORN**

On Saturday, September 9th, pro-life Americans throughout the country will gather at the gravesites of aborted babies and other memorial sites dedicated in their honor for the 5th Annual National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children. Solemn vigils will be held at these sites to commemorate the more than 55 million children who have lost their lives to legal abortion since 1973, and to remind our society of the humanity of the unborn child. Please join us for the memorial service in our community on **Saturday, September 9th, at 11:00am**, at Mt. Olivet Cemetery, 612 Mt. Olivet Rd., Carverton, held at the Wyo. Valley Knights of Columbus Tomb for the Unborn, located at the top of the hill of the cemetery. All faithful are invited. Together let us remember the victims of abortion. We will pray 5 decades of the rosary for a final end to this injustice in our land during National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children.

**Swoyersville Kiwanis Golf Tournament**

The Swoyersville Kiwanis Club is sponsoring a Scholarship Open on **Sunday, September 17th, 1:00 PM** at Wilkes-Barre Golf Club, Wilkes-Barre, PA. The format is captain and crew with a 1:00 PM shotgun start. Cost is \$80/golfer and includes green fees, cart, dinner, prizes and refreshments. There will be a longest drive hole and 50-50 hole. Proceeds will benefit Youth Academic Scholarships. To register call Gene at 570-283-1677 or Barb at 570-287-8783. Deadline to register is September 12.

**BOY SCOUT TROOP #143 CAR SHOW & FLEA MARKET**

Boy Scout Troop #143, Swoyersville, is sponsoring its 4th Annual Car Show & Flea Market, to be held on **Sunday, September 24th**, (rain date-Sunday, Oct. 1st) from **9am to 3pm** at Hugh B. Hughes Funeral Home parking lot, 1044 Wyoming Ave., Forty Fort. Please join us for a day of live entertainment, food, & raffles. Car Sponsors-\$10. Flea Market Vendors-\$15. Contact Caroline Magistro at 570-288-0294.

**WALK TO END ALZHEIMERS**

On **Saturday, October 7, 2017**, the Scranton/Wilkes-Barre Walk to End Alzheimers will take place at PNC Field with registration beginning at 9am. **Walk to End Alzheimers** brings the community together to honor and remember our loved ones with Alzheimers disease, to raise awareness and funds that provide care and support, expand education, and fund research. Registration can be done, at no cost, by visiting: [act.alz.org/SWB2017](http://act.alz.org/SWB2017) Additionally, the Alzheimers Association is available to anyone who has questions about the disease, by calling our 24/7 helpline at 800-272-3900.

**Notice Regarding Reporting Sexual Abuse of a Minor**

It is the policy of the Diocese of Scranton to report any allegation of sexual abuse of a minor to law enforcement. If you are a victim of sexual abuse committed by a priest, deacon, religious or lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton, you are encouraged to immediately report the matter to law enforcement. If any priest, deacon, religious, lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton has cause or reason to suspect that a minor has been subjected to any form of abuse, including child sexual abuse, the matter will be reported to law enforcement. In accordance with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Child Protective Services Laws, reports of suspected child abuse should also be made immediately by phone to the 24-Hour Child Abuse hotline (ChildLine) at 1-800-932-0313 or electronically at [www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis](http://www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis). It is also the policy of the Diocese to adhere to all civil and state regulations. To this end, the Diocese is equally committed to adhering to the norms of the Code of Canon Law and to upholding the tenets of the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, which includes supporting victims of sexual abuse in their pursuit of emotional and spiritual well-being. As such, information regarding an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor should also be reported to the Victim Assistance Coordinator Mary Beth Pacuska at (570-862-7551) or to Diocesan officials, including the Vicar General, Monsignor Thomas M. Muldowney, V.G., at (570-207-2269).

**Announced Masses for the Week**

**Monday, August 28**                      *St. Augustine*  
 8:00 a.m.      Raymond Szczucki                      Family

**Tuesday August 29**                      *The Passion of St. John the Baptist*  
 8:00 a.m.      William Galletti                      Wife, Irene

**Wednesday August 30**  
 8:00 a.m.      Thomas Roccograndi                      Gene & Marilyn Klein

**Thursday August 31**  
 8:00 a.m.      James Galasso                      Wife & Children

**Friday September 1**  
 8:00 a.m.      John Saypack Jr.                      Mary Ann & Ruth

**Saturday September 2**                      *Vigil: Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
 4:00 p.m.      Bernard Chipeco Jr.                      Mother, Violet  
 5:30 p.m.      Ann Marie Moyer                      Martinsky Family

**Sunday September 3**                      *Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
 8:30 a.m.      Charles & Ann Jankoviak                      Son, Charles  
 10:00 a.m.      John Matukonis                      Theresa Mihalek  
 11:30 a.m.      *Pro Populo*  
 5:30 p.m.      John Backo                      Daughter, Patty Backo Temple & husband, Ron

**SANCTUARY CANDLES**

~~In Memory of Sister M. Agnes Zwolenick offered by godchild, Fran Krajnak  
 ~~In Memory of Robert Rish offered by wife, Gerry

**BAPTISM SUNDAY**

**CONGRATULATIONS** and God's Blessings upon twin sisters  
 ~~Alexandra Irene Ruscavage~~and~~Katherine Marie Ruscavage~~  
 and their parents. Alexandra and Katherine will be reborn by water  
 and the Holy Spirit after the 11:30am Mass today.



**“He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?”  
 Simon Peter said in reply, “You are the Messiah, the Son of  
 the Living God.”**  
*Matthew 16:15-16*

**Priest's Schedule**

Saturday, September 2  
 4:00 pm—Fr. Pisaneschi  
 5:30 pm Fr. Urban  
Sunday, September 3  
 8:30 am— Fr. Pisaneschi  
 10:00 am—Fr. Pisaneschi  
 11:30 am—Fr. Urban  
 5:30 pm—Fr. Pisaneschi

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