October 2, 2016 Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary time

The Seton Sentinel

A publication of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish



Stir into flame the gift of God.

Guard this rich trust with the help of the Holy Spirit that dwells within us.

2 Timothy 1:6,14

"If you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you would say to this mulberry tree, Be uprooted and planted in the sea," and it would obey you. "Luke 17:6

s long as we forget that the blessed sacrament is primarily food, we will never understand what it means and we will never love it for what it is. Everything we eat is food. And therefore all of it is related, in a certain sense, to the bread and wine of the Eucharist, to the *body* of Christ and to the precious *blood*. - Ade Bethune

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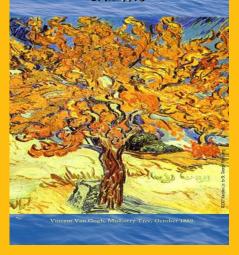


Office Hours: Monday– Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Friday 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Weekends and Evenings by appointment only

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

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Liturgy/Art and Environment Committee

There will be a meeting of the Art and Environment Committee on Monday, October 3rd at 7:00 pm in the Church. Plans for the fall and a tentative plan for Advent and Christmas will be discussed. New members are always welcome!

Parish Pastoral Council

The next meeting of the PPC is on Tuesday, October 4th at 6:30 in the rectory. All members are reminded to attend.

St. Francis Annual Blessing of the Pets



Tuesday, October 4th is the Feast Day of St. Francis. As has become our tradition, we shall once again bless the pets of all our parishioners and friends. Bring your pet along with you to the church "barking lot," at 6:00 pm on Tuesday the 4th for a special blessing. Please, remember leashes and cages when you come. Stuffed animals are also welcome!



The next Altar Guild Fundraiser is Chicken Pot Pies. Order forms are on the tables at the entrance of the Church. Pick-up on Friday, October 14th in the school cafeteria from noon –2pm or 5-6pm. Cost is \$6.00 each.



Our Christian Mothers will be accepting donations from parishioners for the upcoming Rummage Sale this week. Drop off times are:

Monday, October 3rd: 8:30am to 6pm and Tuesday, Oct. 4th: 8:30am to 3pm and Wednesday, Oct 5th: 8:30am to 4pm. Sorry, no pick-ups. These are the only times for items to be dropped off and all donations must be brought to the School Gymnasium (114 Hughes Street). Thank you for your help.



Christian Mothers Rummage Sale

The Seton Christian Mothers will host their fall Rummage Sale in the School Gymnasium on the following days:

Monday, October 10th: 9am to 6pm

Tuesday, October 11th, 9am to 3pm (\$2/bag day) Wednesday, October 12th, 9am to 3pm (\$1/bag day) (Sorry, no deliveries)

Our food menu consists of hot dogs (chili & sauerkraut), haluski, wimpies, and beverages, along with our bake sale. We ask all those who are able to please bring baked goods donations to the gym the morning of the sale. Thank you!!!



Adult Continuing Education Series

Come explore how the Bible came to be, how it was written and A Catholic Approach to Bible Study. Sessions continue October 11, 18, 25, November 8 and 15. Join us these Tuesdays at 6:30 in the Parish Hall. Bring your Bible along and a friend if possible. All are welcome to attend.

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Senior Choir practices are held on Wednesdays at 6:30 pm in the choir loft. Come join us for prayer, practicing, fellow-

Our Youth Choir practices are held on Mondays at 4:45 to 5:55pm in the church up front by the piano. Youth Choir Mass will be on the first Sunday of the month at 10:00am. All children ages 6 and older are welcome! The 5:30 Sunday Contemporary Group will practice on Monday's at 6:00 pm in the church. Musicians and singers are welcome to join us.

Appreciation Party!

The Festival Workers Appreciation Party will be held Sunday, October 16th from 1–4 in the Parish Hall. All who worked or helped in anyway are invited to attend. Food, Music, Fun!! Sign-up sheets are on the tables at the church entrance.



HOLY NAME SOCIETY 50/50 RAFFLE KICK-OFF

Once again this year the HNS will sponsor a Christmas 50/50 Raffle. Today is the kick-off with the drawing to be held on Sunday November 27th after the 8:30 am Mass. Join us after all masses today (Sunday) in our Parish Hall for Free Coffee, Juice and Doughnuts sponsored by the HNS. Raffle tickets will also be fee& available at that time. Donation is \$5.00 per ticket. Stop by and enjoy a treat and some fellowship after mass.

Social Concerns Corner



The Holiday Craft Fair is coming!!! It is scheduled for Saturday, November 5, from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm in the school gym and cafeteria. Reserve your space now! FT SHOW Great deals!! A 10 x 10 space for \$25. Call Mary Ann Martinsky at 570-287-3484 or email: seasocialconcerns@yahoo.com.



Please add one or more of these items to your weekly grocery order for the Holy Family Food Pantry:

Cereal, Peanut butter, Jelly, Rice (14 oz. size), Instant Potatoes (14 oz.), Small Canned Fruit, Canned ravioli, Canned Spaghetti and meatballs, Canned meat. (Food donated to the Pantry should be recently purchased from the stores.) Also, we received a thank you card from the Holy Family Food Pantry: ":We would like to thank all of you for your continuing support of our food pantry. Your kindness and generosity is so greatly appreciated."

In this year of political turmoil and partisanship, there may be one thing that most Americans agree upon, that being the need to eliminate poverty and hunger in our own country. For the first time in our nation's history, a majority - 51% - of public school students now live in lowincome families. Many parents daily face the painful decision of how to divide their limited earnings, leaving one in 5 children struggling with hunger. Because of this heart-rending problem, your continuing support of the Luzerne Food Pantry is truly appreciated. Please see the Social Concerns Shopping list for those items most needed at the Pantry at this time. Thank you!

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 Rev. Joseph J. Pisaneschi **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 Zeigler Permanent Deacon

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



St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Pray for Us!

Prayer Chain

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.



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Log on to setonpa.com and sign-up for electronic giving. It's a fast easy way to remember your offerings. You can chose to give weekly, monthly, pay dues, etc. Look for and click:



PRAYER GROUP

The monthly prayer group will meet on Wednesday, October 5th at 7:00pm in our church hall. Join us for a time of song, praise, scripture reading, sharing, and intercessory prayer. Contact John Witkosky at 288-4311 to confirm meeting time.

Prayer Chain

Volunteers are needed to join our Seton Prayer Chain. To become one of our prayer partners, contact Gail at 570-690-7520. Meetings are held on the 2nd Saturday of each month at 8am in our church hall. If anyone is in need of prayer, contact Gail at the above number or call Lori in our parish office. All calls are confidential.

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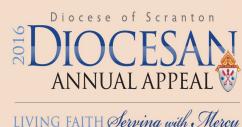
Our Knights of Columbus would like to thank everyone who came out to support their annual Chicken BBQ, making it a huge success! We hope to see you in the Spring for our next BBQ!!!

Also, the Knights are preparing for the annual Care & Share Program. The Doorknob Hangers will be placed at homes on Saturday, November 5th, and the food pick ups will take place the following Saturday, November 12rh. More details to follow....

OPEN HOUSE

Holy Redeemer High School, 159 S. Pennsylvania Blvd., Wilkes-Barre, 570-829-2424, Open House-All are welcome! Sunday, October 23rd from www.holyredeemerhs.org 1pm to 3pm. Mark your calendar: Placement/Scholarship test is December 10. Call now to register!

NIGHT AT THE RACES will be held at Holy Redeemer High School on Saturday, November 5th. Doors open at 5:45pm and post time at 7pm. All guests must be 21+ years of age. Call 570-829-2424 or email: jgkosik@comcast.net to sponsor a race (\$100), buy a horse (\$10), or make a reservation (\$10). We look forward to seeing you!



Please respond to the 2016 Annual Appeal by responding to Bishop Bambera's letter sent to your home, take an envelope at the church entrance or longon to www.AnnualAppeal.org THIS YEAR'S PARISH GOAL: \$47,000.00

LIVING FAITH Serving with Mercy

SUNDAY OFFERINGS

September 17/18, 2016

SUNDAY: \$6904.00 LOOSE:\$354.86 DAY'S WAGE :\$1757.00 TOTAL: \$10,378.84 Sept. Care & Education of Priests: \$103.00

DUES: \$931.00 E-GIVING: \$431.98



May God Bless You a Hundredfold for your Generosity!

Special Collection for Louisiana flood victims: \$1312.05

September's Parish Group Collection: Social Concerns

Hospital 🛨 Visitation

A reminder to all parishioners: If

you or a family or friend is admitted

to the Hospital, Physical Rehab, or a

RESPECT LIFE BANQUET

The Wyoming Valley Chapter, Pennsylvanians for Human Life's annual Respect Life Banquet will be October 10, 2016, at 6:00 pm, at Genetti's Best Western, 77 E. Market Street, Wilkesheld, Monday, Barre. For reservations please make checks (\$35.00) to 'PHL' (include a phone number) and mail in advance to: PHL, 31 Hanover Street, Wilkes-Barre, Pa. 18702. Tickets will Not be available at the door.

Life Chain: Sunday, October 2nd. Stand up for Life in center of Dallas from 2 to 3 pm. Parking available at Gate of Heaven Church parking lot, 40 Machell Ave., Dallas. Signs will be provided. Life Chain is a peaceful & prayerful public witness of Pro-Life individuals standing for 1 hour praying for our nation & for an end to abortion. For more info., please call Chris Carr at 570-550-1619. www.lifechain.net

Annual Fall Bingo

The Confraternity of Christian Women of Holy Family Church, Sugar Notch, will have their Annual Fall Bingo on Sunday, October 9th, in their church hall, 828 Main St. Doors open at noon & games begin at 1pm Refreshments, Specials, Door Prizes, & Instant Bingo. Admission is \$5. Tickets available at the door. For more info., call Mary Kay at 570-822-3483.

Thank You!

Boy Scout Troop #143 would like to thank everyone who showed their support at our 3rd annual car show. It was a very successful event- we had 62 cars registered! We would also like to thank Father Joe for the permission to use the land next to Hugh B. Hughes Funeral Home. This space was needed to accommodate all the cars that attended this event.

Healthy Eating: Loving Ourselves & Our World

Sponsored by the Social Justice Committee of St. Therese's Parish. Join us for Part One in a Coffee & Conversation series, featuring Noelle Altavilla, RD, LDN. Learn how to eat healthy in today's food environment, about vegetarian & vegan diets, about food issues affecting us today, such as the diabetes epidemic, family food concerns, & processed foods. When: Monday, October 17th, 7:00PM—Where: St. Therese's Church, Fr. Sammons Hall (church basement), 64 Davis St., Shavertown. Free & open to the public. Refreshments will be served.

Piggie Fest Time Again at St. Ignatius

The Music Ministry Piggie Fest is back. You may choose a pork chop or piggies or add a piggy to a pork chop platter for an additional charge. Dinner includes entrée, roasted garlic mashed potato, vegetable, apple sauce, rye bread & butter. Homemade desserts & beverages. Entertainment! Saturday, October 15th in Conlan Hall, serving 4pm to 7pm. Take outs available. Tickets are \$12.00, available at the rectory or call Nancy at 570-899-1867. Piggies will also be packed as 4 to go for \$9.00.

The Birth of the Messiah-A Look at the Biblical Story of Jesus' Birth at St. Ignatius, Kingston

Join Sister Marie Noel Keller, RSM, Th. D., a renowned scripture scholar as she leads us in examining the Infancy Narratives. Sister directs the Institute of Sacred Scripture at Misericordia University & regularly tours the country offering seminars on scripture. Join us at St. Ignatius Church, Kingston, at Bergen Hall (next to the rectory), on Wednesday, October 5th, from 7pm to 8pm. No registration needed, just join us!!!

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-HourChild Abuse hotline (ChildLine) at 1-800-932-0313 or electronically at 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).



Nursing Home, please contact Sister Jane at *570-763-5160* to inform the parish. We try to visit everyone we know is hospitalized or in a facility for any length of time but we need your help. Hospitals do not release patient information to the parish any longer due to privacy regulations. For emergency Anointing of the Sick, call anytime, day or night the main rectory number for assistance. Note that priests are assigned to hospital emergency calls on a rotating basis so ask the nurses station to call the priest on duty in the event of an

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emergency.



Did you check out our "rolling library" of religious books & CDs located in our vestibule? For a small donation, you can find some good materials that can edify your spiritual life.

Masses for the Week

Monday, October 3 8:00 am For Health & Blessings for Terry Jankoviak Mom & Family

Tuesday, October 4Saint Francis of Assisi8:00 amChristal Jacobs

Wednesday, October 5 8:00 am Roseann Madaya

Marge Palmer

Tom & Mary Evanich

Peter Skutack

Thursday, October 6St. Bruno, Blessed Marie Rose Durocher8:00 amJohn Forgash

Friday, October 7 Our Lady of the Rosary 8:00 am David Markoch

Saturday, October 8Vigil: 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time4:00 pmMargaret RomanowskiRalph & Barbara Romanowski5:30 pmGerrie KovaleskiHusband, Children, & Grandchildren

Sunday, October 928th Sunday in Ordinary Time8:30 amFrank San FilippoLou10:00 amMichael & Margaret RepakDai11:30 amTillie KaderFar5:30 pmPro Populo

Louise Harbay Daughter, Elaine & husband, Joe Family

Ray & Jean Krakosky & Family

Sanctuary Candles

- In Memory of David Markoch offered by Mother
- In Memory of Sister Danielle Jankoviak offered by Family

Altar Flowers

- In Memory of Elaine Smith offered by Loving Husband, Richard
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The Recently Departed

• James R. Gill~ May his soul and all the souls of the Faithful Departed through the Mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Upcoming Wedding

Saturday, October 8, 2016, 1:00pm~~Joseph P. O'Brien and Joan M. Beyer

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD continues next Sunday at the 10am Mass, and runs concurrent with our CCD schedule. CLOW is for children ages 5 through 5th grade. CLOW will not take place during CCD Family Masses.



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 of seeing the backs of others' heads. Quietly explain the parts of the liturgy and actions of the pastor, reader, acolytes, choir, etc. Sing the hymns, pray, and voice the responses. Children learn liturgical behavior by copying you. If you have to leave the service with your child, feel free to do so, but please come back. As Jesus said, "Let the little 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 remind us that our church is growing. Please welcome our children and give a smile of encouragement to their parents.



Saturday, October 8	
4:00 pm	Fr. Urban
5:30 pm	Fr. Pisaneschi
Sunday, October 9	
8:30 am	Fr. Pisaneschi
10:00 am	Fr. Urban
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This Week at a Glance:

Sunday 10/2

- Family Mass and Social 10 am
- HNS 50/50 Kick off -Coffee and doughnuts after masses

Monday 10/3

- Flea Market drop off 8:30-6:00
- Youth Choir Practice 4:45pm
- Contemporary Choir 6pm
- Religious Ed (grades 1-8) 6pm
- Art & Environment 7pm

Tuesday 10/4

- Flea Market drop off 8:30-3:00
- Blessing of the Animals 6pm
- Pastoral Council 6:30pm

Wednesday 10/5

- Flea Market Drop off 8:30-4:00
- Adult Choir 6:30 pm
- Saturday 10/6
- Columbus Day Weekend NO Religious Ed Classes today.

