2nd Sunday of Easter April 23, 2017

THE SETON SENTINEL

Diving Mercy Sunday



"Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."

John 20:29





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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

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Bingo!Variety Bingo Today!

Doors open 12:30 pm, Bingo starts at 1:30 pm in the school gym. Entrance Fee \$5.00 Bake Sale, Door Prizes, Lunch and Refreshments, Basket Raffle and Instant Bingo. Sponsored by our Social Concerns Committee. All are welcome! See you there!

Confraternity of Christian Mothers Spring Rummage Sale

<u>Collection Days</u> for the Spring Rummage Sale are as follows:
Monday, April 24, 9am to 5pm, Tuesday & Wednesday, April 25 &
26, from 9am to 3pm . All items must be brought to the gym. We cannot pick-up. (No TVs or encyclopedias accepted)

Rummage Sale Days: Monday, May 1st: 9am to 5pm Tuesday, May 2nd: 9am to 3pm (\$2/bag day)

Wednesday, May 3rd: 9am to 3pm (\$1/bag day)

There will be a Bake Sale and Refreshments for sale.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHICKEN BARBEQUE

Sunday, May 7th, 11am to 3pm in our school cafeteria. Eat in or takeout. \$9.00/Dinner (includes 1/2 chicken, baked potato, cole slaw, roll, butter and dessert. Tickets available at the door or sign-up in church.

SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE

The Social Concerns Committee would like to thank all of our parishioners for their continued support. Because of your generosity, we were able to purchase Easter flowers and gifts for 80 of our parishioners who are either homebound or in nursing facilities. A special thank you to Mrs. Terry Jankoviak for making the beautiful crosses included with the gifts. God bless you all!

DEFIBRILLATOR OVERVIEW on MAY 1ST

The Social Concerns is having a defibrillator overview, facilitated by Ray Elick, on Monday, May 1st, at 7pm on our church hall. **Everyone** is invited to attend to learn how easy it is to use, especially our ushers, lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, and all members of our organizations. Your attendance may one day help to save a life

Please Note: There are no Masses this Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. No priest will be available for funerals or sacraments those days.



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 Ziegler Permanent Deacon

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PRAYER CHAIN MEETING AND ROSARY WALK

Our Prayer Chain meeting will take place on Saturday, May 6th at 9am. Weather-permitting, we will have a Rosary Walk. Please join us if you can, even if only for the Rosary walk.



MOTHER'S DAY CARDS



During the month of May, seven masses will be said for the living and deceased mothers whose names are submitted on the Mother's Day envelopes found on the tables at the church entrance. If you are submitting the names of mothers who are living, please take the large

envelope which has a card enclosed that you can give to your mother. For mothers who are deceased, please take the small envelope without the card. These can be returned in the collection basket.



FIRST RECONCILIATION

CONGRATULATIONS to the students in our First Reconciliation classes who received their First Penance on Saturday, April 22nd. Please keep these children in your prayers as they continue to prepare for their First Holy Communion, which will take place on Saturday, May 6th.

Red Cross Community Blood Drive will be held on Friday, April 28th, in



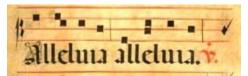
our church hall from 1pm to 6pm. You can schedule your appointment to give blood by calling 1-800-RED-CROSS or visit *redrossblood.org/RapidPass* RapidPass is a new tool that al-

lows blood donors to help save lives in less time. Using Rapid-

Pass can save you 15 minutes at the Blood Drive. Schedule your appointment today.

CEMETERY CLEAN - UP TIME

It's that time of year to clean-up the cemeteries and prepare for spring and grasscutting season. We ask that you please remove all items (this includes wreaths, any artificial flowers, statues of any kind, candles, or solar vigil lights, and theme flags) from the gravesites by April 30th. This does not include the American flag. This is not only a Diocesan Cemetery rule, but a safety issue. All Diocesan rules are posted at each cemetery. After this date, all items will be removed and discarded. Please note, we are not responsible for any items left at the gravesites after April 30th. Thank you for your cooperation.





Direct Contacts

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

Father Joe's email: fatherjoey@aol.com

Parish direct email: 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.

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RELIGIOUS ED HAPPENINGS

CCD classes: Saturday: April 29 (last Saturday class) Monday: April 24 & May 1 (last Monday class)

Confirmation practices: April 25, 6:30pm, at St. Ignatius and April 30, 4:00pm at Ss. Peter & Paul, Plains with SPONSOR

May 2nd: Practice for 1st Holy Communion, 6pm & May 4th at 6pm if needed May 6th: 1st Holy Communion at 10:00am

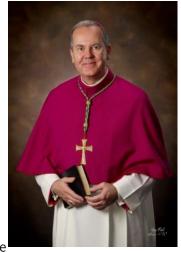
May 7th: CONFIRMATION at Ss. Peter & Paul Church, Plains, at 4pm,

May 11th: Practice for 2nd grade May Crowning at 7pm

May 14th: May Crowning at 10:00am Mass

Bishop Bambera to Visit Seton

We are very honored to have been chosen by Bishop Bambera to host the *World Day of Prayer for Vocations Mass* for the Diocese of Scranton. The mass will be celebrated at our 5:30 pm Mass on Sunday, May 7th. There will be young people from across the Diocese present at this special Eucharist to pray for Vocations. There will also be a chance for the young people to meet with the Bishop after the mass in the Parish Hall. Everyone is most welcome to attend the Mass. This is quite an honor for our parish community. Please make our Bishop feel the



warmth and vitality of Seton. And if you know of any high school or college age young man who you think may have a vocation to priesthood, please let the pastor know as soon as possible. It doesn't mean we will take them away to seminary right away. We would just like to identify the gifts that are out there.

Sacrificial Offerings for April 8/9

"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." Sirach 35: 9-10 Sunday: \$8614.04 Ash Wednesday; \$15.00 E-Giving: \$225.15 **Total: \$11,508.19** Dues: \$1878.00 Loose: \$756.00 Holy Day: \$20.00

Diocesan Care & Education of Priests: \$877.00

May God Reward Your Tremendous Generosity to our Parish Community!

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Log on to 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 chose to give weekly or monthly, pay dues, or other offerings. Look for the link and click:



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THIRD ANNUAL CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

...entitled : "Be A Man: Mary's Call to BATTLE", will be held on May 6, 2017, at King's College, Scandlon Physical Ed Center, 149 North Main St., Wilkes-Barre. Experience a prayerful, spirit-filled, life-changing day. The Most Reverend Bishop Joseph Bambera will celebrate the closing Mass. Register online at www.beamanconference.com or call 570-207-2213.

PRO-LIFE FLEA MARKET: to be held THIS Friday, April 28th, 2-6pm, and Saturday, April 29th, 8am–4pm, (Saturday \$5/bag from 2-4pm) at Wyoming Valley Presbyterian Hall, 2 Lockhart St., South Wilkes-Barre. There are plenty of clean & useful items for everyone. All proceeds benefit the Pro-Life Center in Wilkes-Barre.

SWOYERSVILLE KIWANIS AMBA BLOOD TESTING PROGRAM

Testing will take place on Saturday, April 29th, at the Swoyersville American Legion, Shoemaker St., from 6am to 10am. Over 35 tests will be done to assist in early detection of conditions such as coronary, kidney, liver diseases, anemia, & diabetes. A complete panel is done for \$40. Checks or money orders will be accepted for testing & made payable to AMBA Wellness Program. A \$5 handling fee is payable to Swoyersville Kiwanis. For an

appointment & more information, call 1-800-234-8888, M-F, 8;30am to 5pm.



SWOYERSVILLE KIWANIS 2017 SCHOLARSHIP AWARD PROGRAM

The Swoyersville Kiwanis once again is offering 3 scholarship awards in the

amount of \$1000 each to local high school seniors. In addition to the 3 Kiwanis \$1000 Scholarships, there is an additional \$1000 scholarship awarded in memory of Eugene & Eleanor Breznay. High school seniors who reside in Swoyersville, Luzerne, & Forty Fort are eligible. Applications are available by contacting S. Williams at 570-606-1153 or email: *kswoyer@comcast.net* Return applications must be postmarked by May 18th. Letters will be sent to the winners by mail on May 26th, & will be invited to be our guests along with their families to a Scholarship Awards Dinner Meeting. Winners will be judged on financial need, community service, school involvement, & studies.

XLT (Exalt!)

XLT (Exalt!) will be held Friday, April 28 from 7-9pm at Divine Mercy Parish, 312 Davis Street, Scranton. The event, co-sponsored by the Diocesan Vocation Office and Office for Parish Life, will consist of Eucharistic Adoration, praise & worship music by Francis Zelinka (from Full Armor Band), a talk by seminarian Ryan Glenn, reconciliation, and a social. All are welcome to attend. For more information, please contact Dominick Costantino at 570-780-2996.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY TODAY

St. Maria Goretti Church, Laflin, will host the 11th Annual celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday, today, April 23rd. Rev. Thomas Petro, JCL, pastor of Sacred Heart Church, Dupont, is principal celebrant & homilist. Itinerary is as follows: 1:00pm Sacrament of Reconciliation and Holy Rosary; 2:00pm Blessing of Image of Divine Mercy followed by Holy Mass; 3:00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Divine Mercy Chaplet in song, Benediction & blessing with first class relics of St. Faustina. All are welcome to attend!



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Mass Intentions for the 2nd Week of Easter

Monday, April 24 Priests' Schedule 8:00 AM **Easter Intentions** There are no Weekday Masses Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday this week. Saturday, April 29 Friday, April 28 4:00 PM Fr. Joe 5;30 PM Fr. Urban Mother 8:00 AM Joseph Tarreto vigil: The Third Sunday of Easter Saturday, April 29 Sunday, April 30 8:30 AM Fr. Joe 4:00 PM Easter Intentions 10:00 AM Fr. Urban Ronald O'Neill 5:30 PM Robert & Barbara Bobeck 11:30 Am Fr. Joe 5:30 PM Fr. Joe Sunday, April 30 The Third Sunday of Easter 8:30 AM Trevor Wetherall Family Frank Kiwak Sr. & Frank Kiwak Jr. Irene Galletti 10:00 AM 11:30 AM Helen Saren Family 5:30 PM Pro Populo

Sanctuary Candles

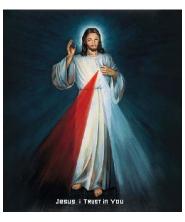
~~In Memory of Anna & Joseph Barnoski offered by daughter, Rosemary & Family

~~In Memory of Luzetsky Family offered by Daughter

Baptism Sunday

Congratulations and God's Blessings upon~~Grayson Michael Grega~~Ryan Carter Hardiman~~Jane Kelsey Hannon~~ and their families. These children will be reborn by water and the Holy Spirit today.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY For the sake of His Sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.







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