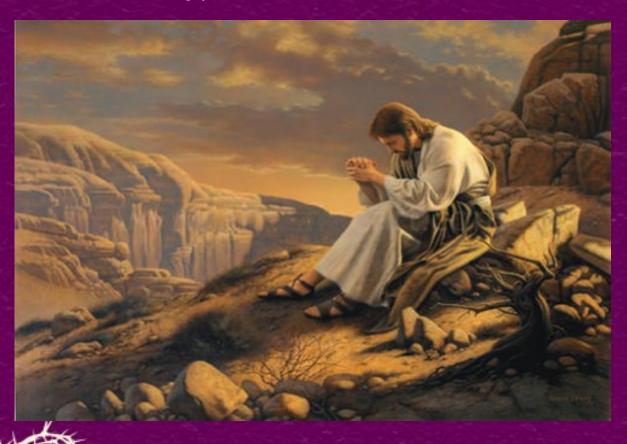


The Seton Sentinel St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish

Swoyersville, Pennsylvania

March 9, 2014

"Other spirits, lesser gods have courted me with lies. Here among you I have found a truth which bids me rise."







Every Monday evening during Lent, each parish throughout the Diocese of Scranton will have their "lights on" from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. for confession so that Catholics can come to or return to this incredible source of God's grace, mercy, and healing. At Seton Parish, we will continue to Expose the Blessed Sacrament from 5:30—7:00 pm Monday evenings. It is a time of silent prayer and meditation before our Sacred Lord in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Eucharist. The Evening will conclude with Benediction at 7:00 p.m. All are invited to spend some time before our Lord, truly present in the Eucharistic Species to behold.

LENTEN FUNDRAISERS

Friday, March 14th-PIROHY SALE, \$6.00/dozen, Sign -up sheets are on the tables at the church entrance. Friday, March 21st-SWEET PIZZA SALE Friday, March 28th-PIROHY SALE Friday, April 4th-SWEET PIZZA SALE Friday, April 11th-PIROHY SALE

We need lots of help for pirohy-making. If you can help ball potatoes, come at 7am on the Fridays that we are making pirohy. All others come at 8:30. If you are a seasoned pirohy-maker or not, come and join the fun. Everyone's help is needed.

Lunch will be served, too!

PRAYER REQUEST CARDS

Prayer request cards have been placed on a table near the confessional. All of the parish community groups will pray for your intentions. Take a moment to fill out a prayer card for you and your loved ones, and trust in the power of prayer.

Art and Environment Committee

Plans for Holy Week and Easter will be discussed on Tuesday, March 11th at 7:00 pm in the church. New members are always welcome.



We have a wonderful tradition of the church that we pray especially during Lent,—the Stations of the Cross. Join our parish family Fridays at 7:00pm to recount Jesus' steps to Calvary. One of the reasons this has remained such a strong devotion in our tradition is because we can all

identify with Jesus' passion in our own lives. Let's pray that our suffering and His suffering will come together so that His victory at Easter may be our victory, too. And Before Stations of the Cross....

It's sometimes a challenge coming up with meatless meals on Fridays, so let us help! Join us Fridays starting at 6:00 p.m. for a simple Lenten Friday meatless meal and a brief reflection, before heading up for the Stations of the Cross Devotions. We'll handle the main course, but feel free to bring a pot of meatless soup along to share, a salad, jell-o, or anything else meatless for folks to grab a fork or spoonful and enjoy! We only ask that you sign your name on the sheets at the church entrance so we know how many people to prepare for at the supper. Even if you can't make it to the dinner, you are still most welcome to join us for the Stations at 7:00 p.m. Let's make this a holy evening with prayer, faith-sharing, and fellowship all wrapped up into one! Join us and bring the family along as well!

Novena in Honor of St. Joseph

St. Joseph is the patron of the Universal Church, as such he is the patron of all of us. St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, herself, had a tremendous devotion to St.



Joseph. He is the special patron of all spiritual and temporal matters of life, workers, husbands, fathers, families, the sick, the dying, and real estate agents. Our parish will honor the Foster Father of Jesus as we will pray the Novena in Honor of St. Joseph after the 8:00 a.m. Daily Mass from March 11-19th. You are encouraged to pray the novena at home on Saturday and Sunday. Join us for this special devotion and as Sacred Scripture says: "Bring all your needs before Joseph."

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SUMMER FESTIVAL 2014

Our festival dates for this year are **July 10th, 11th, and 12th.** Just a reminder that we will be accepting donations of paper towels, napkins, paper plates, 9x9 and 3-section styrofoam containers, ketchup. It is not too early to buy these items when you see a great sale going on. We appreciate whatever you can do.

CCM ANNUAL SPRING RUMMAGE SALE -in gym

Our Confraternity of Christian Mothers will hold their Annual Spring Rummage Sale on Mon., Tues., & Wed., March 31st, April 1st and 2nd, in the SCHOOL GYM.

There is no Saturday sale this year. Items for sale may be brought to the SCHOOL GYM (use side door-signs will be posted) from 8am-6pm on Mon., Tues., & Wed., March 24th, 25th, and 26th: Clean, usable clothing, small appliances in working condition (NO TV'S, please), household items, toys, books, magazines, CD's, DVD's, tapes, religious items, jewelry, shoes in GOOD condition, holiday items, purses, & cosmetics. Questions: Call 288-3073.

PRAYER GROUP

The Catholic Charismatic Prayer Group will meet on Wednesday, March 12th, at 7PM in the church. It is a time for praise and worship, singing, scripture reading and sharing. We gather as a community to praise God as the Holy Spirit moves us. All are welcome. Contact John Witkosky at 288-4311. For more information about the Catholic Charismatic Renewal of the Diocese of Scranton, visit us on Facebook, www.ccrscranton.org, and ccrenewal@comcast.net.

HOLY TRINITY CEMETERY CHAPEL/MAUSOLEUM

A meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 11th, at 6:30pm in the church hall to discuss the construction of a chapel/mausoleum at Holy Trinity Cemetery. Anyone interested, please come to the meeting. Any questions, please call Mike Perhach at 814-6454.

DRIVER NEEDED

Seeking driver (paid position) for couple who needs help going to the doctors' visits, hairdresser, etc., Please call 287-4010 for details.

Meetings:

- ~Finance Council: Tuesday, March 18th at 7pm in the rectory.
- <u>~Social Concerns:</u> Thursday, March 20th, at 7pm in the church hall
- ~Confraternity of Christian Mothers: Sunday, March 23rd at 2:00pm in the church hall.

Collection Report February 22/23, 2014

Sunday: \$6716.00 Dues; \$1165.00

Loose: \$493.65 **TOTAL:** \$8374.65

Thank you for your generosity!

HOLY NAME SOCIETY EASTER EGG

HUNT

Sign-up sheets for the children of SEAS Parish, ages 1 thru 8, will be on the tables at the entrance of the



church **next weekend** for the Easter Egg Hunt, sponsored by our **Holy Name Society**, on **April 5th**, in the **church hall** at **1:00pm**, **Rain or Shine**.

MARCH NPM MEETING

March 25th, Scranton Diocesan chapter of the National Association of Pastoral Musicians workshop on Skills for Ministry & Certification at Gate of Heaven Parish, Dallas, Dinner at 6PM, workshops 7PM. RSVP by March 19 to Mark Ignatovich by calling 823-4168 ext 130.

SOCIAL CONCERNS COOKBOOK

The parish cookbooks will soon be shipped to the publisher for printing. The committee needs help in determining the number of books that are needed. If you have not already reserved your books, please submit your name and quantity of books requested on the form below. Place in the collection basket next week. The cost is \$10.00 each, and payment is due when you receive the book.

Please reserve	cookbook(s) for me.
Name	

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Oblates Novena to St. Joseph

The Oblates of St. Joseph Fathers will host their Annual Novena in Honor of St. Joseph beginning this Monday, March 10th and continuing until the Feast, March 19th. Masses will be held daily at 11:00am and 7:00pm in the Oblates of St. Joseph Seminary Chapel, Route 315, Laflin. Following the Masses, novena prayers will be offered to St. Joseph with the blessing of the first class relic of Saint Joseph Marello, Founder of the Oblate Congregation.

THE SHROUD OF TURIN

You are invited to an exhibit of an official replica of the Shroud of Turin on March 16-29, at St. Vladimir Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church, 70 Zerby Ave., Edwardsville. Exhibit opens Sunday, March 16th at 2pm. St. Vladimir Church will be open daily from 10am-7pm. Free admission. Photography permitted. Handicap accessible. Call 287-9718 for more information.

DINNER THEATRE BUS TRIP APRIL 24TH

On Thursday, April 24th, Mary's Ministry, St. Ignatius Parish, is hosting a trip to Pines dinner Theatre in Allentown for the musical show, "Suds". Limited seating. Call Elaine Whipple at 288 -3564 ASAP for reservations or more information. Cost is \$80.00 and will also be sold at the door.

YOU ARE INVITED to the LIVING CHRIST RETREAT at St.

Ignatius Parish Parish Hall, Kingston, on Thurs., Fri., & Sat., March 27, 28, & 29. Together we will enjoy meals, meet one another & have an opportunity to find God within us. Thurs. & Fri. evenings from 6-10pm, starting with a light supper, and Sat. morning, 8am-noon, starting with breakfast. Call 288-6446 to sign up. Bring a friend or neighbor with you.

INTENTIONAL DISCIPLESHIP

The Diocesan Office for Parish Life is preparing a series of Regional Days of Renewal in Lent 2014. The format for this day, which will be repeated on 4 consecutive Saturdays in each of the Pastoral Regions of the Diocese, integrates the elements of Word, Worship, Service, & Community for all who participate. The General Format is:

12:30pm-Gathering Prayer

12:45 to 3:45) Choose one: Catechists, Liturgy Planners, SIntensive Skills Workshops (no charge for workshops) Concerns Planners, Community Builders, Pastoral Care Volunteers

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4:00pm Mass

5:30pm Community Meal (free will offering)

7:30pm *Godspell* by Sweet Charity Players (tickets \$15)

Host sites are:

March 15th, Most Precious Blood, Hazleton
March 22nd, St. Maria Goretti, Laflin
March 29th St. Boniface, Williamsport
April 5th, Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Dunmore
You can participate in all of the renewal, or just a part
of it. Pamphlets with Registration forms and more
details are located on the tables at the church entrance or call Lori at the parish office: 287-6624. Or
go online: www.dioceseofscranton.org

PART-TIME JOB OPPORTUNITY—Coordinator of delivery volunteers & meal recipients. MEALS ON WHEELS of Wyoming Valley (Kingston) seeks a personable self-starter who will coordinate deliverers & billing/collections for clients. Some computer knowledge helpful. Hours are 7:30am to 12:30pm, Mon-Fri, \$10/hour. Call 288-1023 if interested.

Lenten Regulations

- Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years and older on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and all Fridays* of Lent
- **Fasting** is to be observed on **Ash Wednesday** and **Good Friday** by all Catholics over the age of 18 but not yet 59. Those bound by this may only take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

Catholics should not lightly excuse themselves from these prescribed minimal practices.

(Those who are ill, pregnant, on medication or special diets for health concerns, or those who work at extremely physical jobs are exempt from these regulations)

*In the United States, the bishops have asked Catholics over the age of 14 to abstain from meat on all Fridays of Lent.

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Monday, March 10

8:00 a.m. Benjamin & Wanda Czarnecki Daughter, Caroline Magistro & Family

Tuesday, March 11

8:00 a.m. Anna Kazamski Daughter, Beverly

Wednesday, March 12

8:00 a.m. Thomas Curran Don & Barbara Stevens

Thursday, March 13

8:00 a.m. Mary Husovsky Dan & Betsy

Friday, March 14

8:00 a.m. Susan Cardoni Mary Ann Suda

Saturday, March 15 (Vigil: Second Sunday of Lent)

4:00 p.m. Christine Klug Felix Wawer, Sr. & Son

5:30 p.m. Mary Roccograndi Family

Sunday, March 16 Second Sunday of Lent

8:30 a.m. *Pro Populo*

10:00 a.m. Andre R. Sanchez M/M Robert Kandrac & Family

11:30 a.m. Anthony Strish M/M Edward Chacko



SANCTUARY LIGHT INTENTIONS

- ~ In Memory of Louis Hovanec offered by Family
- ~God's Blessings upon our students in the First Penance class



ALTAR FLOWERS *LAST* WEEKEND

~In Memory of Russell W. Jones (10th Anniversary of Passing) offered by Wife & Children



Eternal Rest Grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them......

~~ Eleanor Emershaw ~ May her soul, and the souls of all the Faithful Departed Rest in Peace. Amen.

Celebrant's Schedule March 15-16

4:00 p.m. Fr. Urban 5:30 p.m. Fr. Pisaneschi 8:30 a.m. Fr. Pisaneschi 10:00 a.m. Fr. Urban 11:30 a.m. Fr. Pisaneschi

Scripture for the week of March 9, 2014

9 SUN Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12,

17-19/Mt 4:1-11

10 Mon Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/ Mt 25:31-46

11 Tue Is 55:10-11/Mt 6:7-15 **12 Wed** Jon 3:1-10/Lk 11:29-32

13 Thu Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Mt 7:7-12

14 Fri Ez 18:21-28/Mt 5:20-26 **15 Sat** Dt 26:16-19/Mt 5:43-48

16 SUN Gn 12:1-4a/2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9

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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.

Parish Staff

Children's and Contemporary Groups • Cora Artim

• 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

Director of Music • Marge Semanek

• Rev. Anthony Urban Weekend Celebrant

IMPORTANT NOTICE, PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

Please notify the Parish Social Ministry Office at (570) **763-5160** if you would like a parish representative to visit a family member who is hospitalized, homebound, or in a nursing home. In compliance with HIPAA regulations (Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act), health care facilities are required to protect the confidentiality and security of health data. Therefore, the only way that the parish can be informed of someone needing assistance is through notification by a family member or friend.

CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENTS

Baptism

Expecting parents are asked to contact the Parish Office as soon as possible. The celebration of the Sacrament is held after the 11:30 a.m. Mass on Sundays.

Confirmation

The Sacrament will be celebrated for 8th Grade Students on Thursday, March 27, 2014 by Bishop Bambera.

<u>Matrimon</u>y

Couples planning to get married are asked to contact the parish office as soon as possible to reserve a date and begin the necessary paper work.

Holy Orders

Any man who feels called to Ordained Ministry of the Church, either Priesthood or Diaconate is asked to contact the Pastor.

Penance

Mondays: 5:30-7:00 p.m. during Lent Saturdays 3:15-3:45, other times by appointment.

Anointing of the Sick

To receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, please contact the Parish Priest, day or night.

Direct Contacts

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

Faith Formation Office: 570-287-4587

Father Joe's email: fatherjoey@aol.com

Bulletin Deadline: Friday, for the next week 's publication.



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