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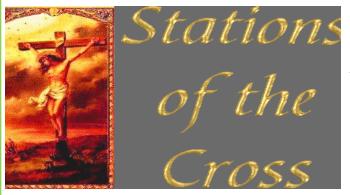
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Confessions and Eucharistic Adoration

Once again this year on Monday evenings during Lent we are leaving the "Light On For You." From 5:30 to 7:00 pm there will be the opportunity for Confessions and

Eucharistic Adoration. Please use this opportunity to get ready for Easter with the Sacrament of Reconciliation. This year **no confessions are scheduled during the Triduum**, so please make your confession early. *Please note*: Monday, March 30th there will not be Confessions or Adoration due to a scheduling conflict.



Fridays at 7:00 pm
Adoration at 6:15

Benediction following the Stations.



Beginning on Wednesday, March 4, and continuing on March 11 and 18 at 7:00 P.M.

The Series includes a mass at three churches throughout the deanery: Father Andrew Kurovsky, Pastor of Sacred Heart Parish in Peckville, will preach on <u>"Faith, Hope and Love: They're still here"</u>, at Saint Therese's, Shavertown, on Wednesday, March 4, Saint Ignatius of Loyola, Kingston, on Wednesday, March 11, and Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, Swoyersville, on Wednesday, March 18.

All are welcome to join us on the "Road to Resurrection" during the Season of Lent.

GATHER Readings at # 1016 1st Sunday of Lent Cycle A

| HYMNS | 4, 8:30 & 11 | 5:30 pm Sun |
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| Gathering | S 20 | G 480 |
| Preparation | S 17 | S 151 |
| Communion | S 21 | G 486 |
| Sending Forth | S 16 | G 492 |

PARISH STAFF

Pastoral Ministry

- ◆ Rev. Joseph Pisaneschi, V.F. Pastor
- ◆ Rev. Anthony Urban Assisting Celebrant
- ◆ Deacon John ZieglerPermanent Deacon
- ◆ Lorraine Raymond Pastoral Associate
- ◆ Sister Jane Ellis, IHM Pastoral Care Minister
- Mr. John Bankus Sr.
 Deacon Candidate

Finance Office

Monica SalisBusiness Manager

Religious Education

◆ Sister Marion Tarone, IHM Director of Religious Education

Music Ministry

- ◆ Margaret Semanek
 Director of Liturgical Music
- ♦ Joseph Sabol Assistant Organist
- ♦ Cora Artim

Youth Choir Director

◆ Scott Coates 5:30 PM Mass Musician

Sacristans

- Christopher Calore
- ♦ Patricia Quinn
- Betsy Evanoski

Maintenance and Cleaning

- ◆ Christopher Calore Director of Maintenance
- ♦ Gertrude Brown
- ♦ John Sartin
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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday –Thursday: 8:30am-5:00pm

Friday: 8:30am-3:00pm

Weekend and evenings by appoint-

ment

The parish offices are closed on all Holy Days of Obligation and Federal Holidays.

RECONCILIATION:

Saturdays 3:30 to 3:50pm or by appointment



SAVE THE DATE!

The Social Concerns Committee is planning their 6th Annual Variety Bingo which will be held on Sunday, April 26th, in the school gym. Admission is \$10.00. Doors open at 12pm and Bingo starts at 1pm. Details will be announced at a later date.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT



Sign-up sheets will be in on the tables at the church entrance <u>NEXT weekend</u> for the Holy Name Society's Annual Easter Egg Hunt for the children of our parish, ages 1 to 8. The Hunt will take place in our church hall and grounds on Saturday, March 28th at 1:00pm. Rain, Snow, or Sunshine! Any students who need service hours for Confirmation & would like to help at the Easter Egg Hunt, please contact Anna Mae Venetz at 570-287-7655.

Also, our Holy Name Society will meet today, Sunday, March 1st, after the 8:30am Mass in the church hall. New members are welcome!

LENTEN PIROHY SALE

Our first Lenten Pirohy Sale will be held on *Thursday, March 5th*. We will need lots of help making the pirohy. Please come at 7am if you can help ball potatoes. All others come at 8:30am. Bring along your friends! Lunch will be served.

PLEASE NOTE: There will be **NO** sign up sheets. Pirohy will be sold in our school cafeteria on this day (March 5th) from 5pm to 7pm on a first-come, first-served basis, while supplies last. Cost is \$8.00/dozen.

CCD SCHEDULE

Classes in March:

Mondays: 9,16,23,30 Saturdays: 7,14,21,28

FIRST PENANCE: Saturday, March 14, 2020 @ 10:30am

2nd Grade Retreat: Sunday, March 22nd—11:00am Mass then proceed to church hall for the retreat workshop ending at 3pm

7th Grade Confirmation Class—Extra class for all 7th grade Confirmation students in the church hall after 5:30pm Mass on March 29, 2020.

Stations of the Cross: Regular CCD class, but will go over to the church for this service:

Saturday, March 28th @ 9:45 in church Dismissal from Church Monday, March 30th @6:45 in Church Dismissal from Church

All paperwork for 8th Grade Confirmation due MARCH 28, 2020, and 2nd Grade Reconciliation/Eucharist class past due.

REMINDER: 8th Graders <u>MANDATORY</u> Confirmation Retreat on Saturday, April 4, 2020, 11:30 to after the 4pm Mass @ St. Ignatius, Kingston

ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON PARISH PRAYER GROUP

Our Prayer Group will meet this Wednesday, March 4th, at 7pm in our church. New members are welcome.

SWOYERSVILLE SENIOR CITIZENS

The Swoyersville Senior Citizens will meet this Wednesday at 1:00 pm in our church hall. New members are welcome.

JMJ Catholic Radio

Having begun Lent, why not listen to JMJ Catholic Radio? Wilkes-Barre/Scranton at 98.9FM & 750AM, Hazleton at 1490AM & 100.1FM, and Dushore at 91.7FM. Reflect with us on the "Journey Home" with host, Marcus Grodi. It features the conversion stories of extraordinary men & women who have entered into full communion with the Catholic Church. On Fridays throughout the year at 7:00pm, pray with us a moving version of the Stations of the Cross.

THANK YOU FROM OUR KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Our Knights of Columbus want to thank everyone who supported their Ash Wednesday Red Clam Chowder Sale. It was a huge success! Also, a special thank you to our Social Concerns Committee for purchasing over 40 quarts of Clam Chowder to bring to our homebound. Hope to see you at our Chicken Barbeque in the spring!

LENTEN RETREAT

The Women's Society of Ss. Peter & Paul, Plains, invites all women to a Lenten Retreat on Saturday, March 21st, from 9am-3pm in the Parish Center. Dr. Marie Noel Keller, RSM, Director of the Institute for Sacred Scripture at Misericordia University will be the moderator. Cost is \$25/person. A continental breakfast & lunch are included. Reservations can be made with Betty Jean Hession at 570-822-9448 or Kathy Savitski at 570-824-6846 by March 15th.

FORTY DAYS FOR LIFE-PRO LIFE GATHERING

February 26-April 3rd offered for the special intention of ending abortion & closing Planned Parenthood location: Rosary is prayed Monday thru Friday at 10am in front of the offices of Planned Parenhood, 101 N. Main St., Wilkes-Barre (across from King's College). Pro-life campaign draws attention to the evil of abortion through prayer & fasting, constant vigil, & community outreach.

Diocesan Annual Appeal Update:

Goal: \$47,000 Raised: \$40,687 Under: \$6870



Other Collections:

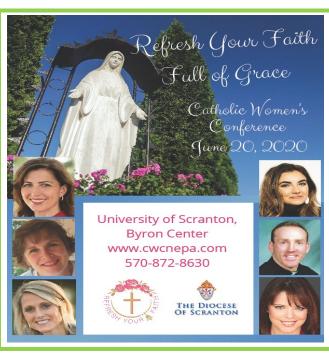
February Building & Maintainence: \$1155.75

February Care & Education of

Priests: \$733.25

Weekly Offering FEBRUARY 15/16, 2020 \$8539.75

Love and generosity start here at home. We are grateful for your faithful stewardship which sustains the life of our parish, supports our outreach and ministries, as well as maintains the level of staffing needed to put our mission into action. Thank you for your gift of treasure and commitment to do God's work here at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton.







What is FASTING?

The **limitation** of food and drink – typically to one main meal and two smaller meals, with no solid foods in between

But remember to drink enough fluids!

When do we fast? Ash Wednesday & Good Friday*

*Paschal Fast: Good Friday and Holy Saturday are days of prayer and quiet reflection. We honour the suffering and death of Jesus and prepare to share in the joy of his resurrection at Easter.

What is ABSTINENCE?

Avoiding certain kinds of food or drink, typically meat or other desirable foods

When do we abstain?

Catholics are obliged to abstain from meat every Friday throughout the year (except solemn feast days)

TIP: Instead of abstaining, you may substitute special acts of charity or piety on Fridays



Fasting & Abstinence

Why fast?
It helps us to pray better:
an empty stomach can lead
to more attentive prayer

Who has to fast? Catholics aged 18 to 60

Those with impaired health should not fast in any way.

Why abstain on Fridays?
It's the day of Christ's saving death
on the cross; we abstain to share
in His work of saving the world

Who has to abstain? Catholics aged 14 and older

During Lent, the money we save on food while fasting and abstaining should be given to others in alms

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Remembering



This week's Sanctuary Candles

~In Memory of Robert Rish offered by wife, Gerry

~In Memory of Louis Michaels offered by Family

Monday, March 2 8:30 am James Gould

Don & Barbara Stevens

Tuesday, March 3

8:30am Marie Yamrus Confraternity of Christian Mothers

Wednesday, March 4

8:30am Chester & Helen Czerniak Jerry & Marion Pacovsky

Thursday, March 5

8:30 am Angeline Tressa Swoyersville Sr. Citizens

Friday, March 6

8:30 am Bernadine Steele Helen Savinski

Saturday, March 7

4:00 pm Michael Elick Matt Engel

Sunday, March 8

8:30 am Deceased Members of Holy Name Society HNS

11:00 am Josephine Ritondo Daughter, Josie & Bob Kandrac

5:30 pm *Pro Populo*

Sick, Hospitalized, Homebound?

Please contact Lori at the parish office if you or someone you know is homebound, hospitalized or in a long term or short term care facility. We want to keep track of all our parishioners and minister to the sick and aging the best we can, and we need to know their location to do that. Thank You.

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. 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 allegations of sexual abuse of a minor should also be reported to the Victim Assistance Coordinator, Mary Beth Pacuska at 570-862-7551.