

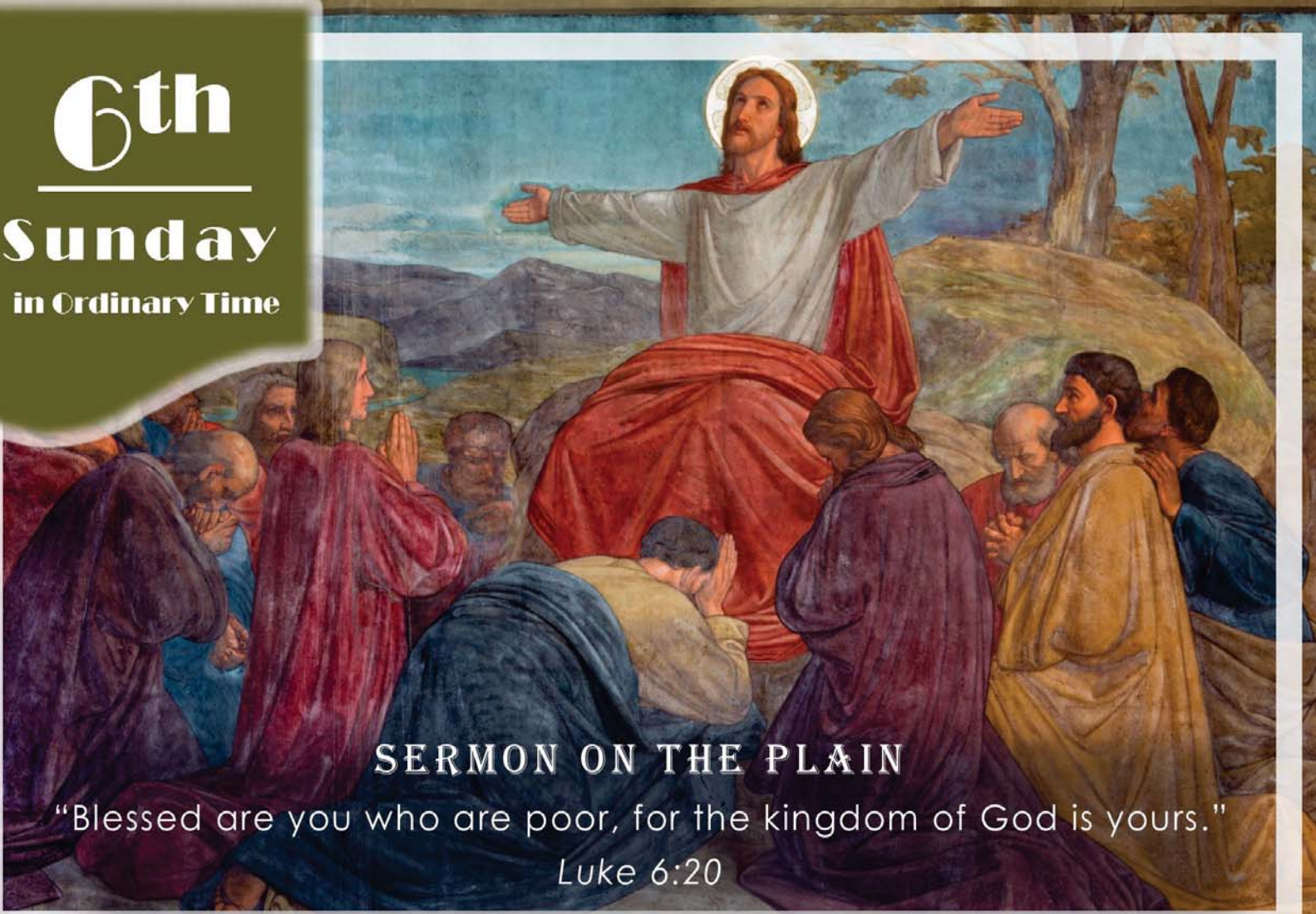
THE SETON SENTINEL

FEBRUARY 13, 2022

6th

Sunday

in Ordinary Time



SERMON ON THE PLAIN

"Blessed are you who are poor, for the kingdom of God is yours."

Luke 6:20

ALL ARE WELCOME IN THIS PLACE

No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church, No matter what your current family or marital situation, No matter what your current personal history, age, income, background, gender, race, ethnicity or spirituality, No matter what your own self-image or holiness or virtue - You belong to Christ and belong to us! You are invited, accepted and respected here at Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish. We welcome you.

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The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 14th Commemoration of Saints Cyril and Methodius.

Saints Cyril (825-69) and Methodius (826-84) were brothers born in Thessalonica, Greece. Cyril was sent to study in Constantinople at an early age. After being ordained he held a position at the university. Methodius became governor of one of the Slav colonies in Opsikion Province and then later became a monk. In 861, Emperor Michael III sent both brothers, who had been living in a monastery, to Russia to convert the Khazars. After learning the Khazar language they converted many people. After their return in 863, they were sent to convert the Moravians. They were

extremely successful because of their knowledge of the Slavonic language. They invented an alphabet named Glagolitic, which was the beginning of Slavonic literature, and translated liturgical books into Slavonic. Their missionary work was hampered by the German clergy and the German bishop of Passau who did not like their use of Slavonic in church services, did not like that they were from Constantinople, and refused to ordain their candidates for priesthood. Pope Nicholas I asked them to return to Rome, but while they were traveling he passed away. They were greeted instead by Pope Adrian II who received them warmly, approved the use of the Slavonic language in the liturgy, and announced that they were to be ordained bishops. Cyril died shortly after their return to Rome on February 14. Methodius returned to Moravia a bishop. At the request of the Princes of Moravia and Pannonia, the Pope formed the archdiocese of Moravia and Pannonia, independent of the German hierarchy, and made Methodius archbishop at Velehrad, Czechoslovakia. In 870, the German King Louis and the German bishops imprisoned Methodius for two years until he was released by order of Pope John VIII and forbidden to use Slavonic in the liturgy. He was summoned to Rome in 878 for using Slavonic in the liturgy. Pope John VIII was impressed by Methodius's arguments that he again permitted the use of Slavonic in the liturgy. He traveled to Constantinople to finish the translation of Scriptures that he had begun with his brother Cyril. Throughout the remainder of his life he continued to struggle with the Germans. He passed away on April 6. Cyril and Methodius are called "Apostles of the Slavs."

SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE

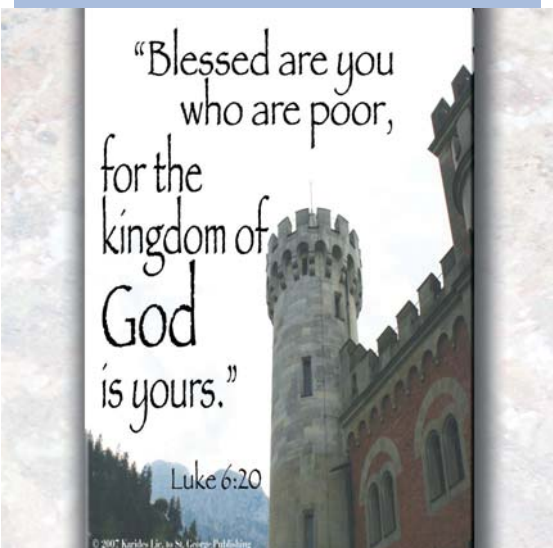
Our Social Concerns will be meeting this Wednesday, February 16th, at 6:30pm in the church hall. New members are welcome.

SOCIAL CONCERNS SPIRITUAL ADOPTION PROGRAM

The Social Concerns Committee is asking you to support the Spiritual Adoption Program. This is the last week to participate. Your prayers can save a baby from abortion. Complete a form located on the table near the elevator and place it in the basket by the Blessed Mother Statue. **YOUR PRAYERS CAN SAVE A BABY'S LIFE!**

THANK YOU, KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS!

We want to thank our Knights of Columbus for donating the money (\$480.00) for the Michael Mootz Christmas chocolate pops that Santa distributed to our children on Christmas Eve, and were also given to our Religious Education students. We appreciate your generosity!



This winter is proving to be particularly challenging for us. The continuation of the COVID Virus and cold and slippery weather conditions have limited both attendance at mass and our offertory collections. The collection count is up and down for the most part. This makes our operations difficult as we attempt to stay in the black. Our parish depends on your continued generosity allows us to further our parish's mission and ministry in addition to keeping our doors open and taking care of our responsibilities. We have not had a parish fundraiser in some time now and the lack of income from that is also being felt in our budget. If you can remember to regularly send it and drop off your offerings it would help us a great deal. Whether you use electronic giving, slide your offering through the office door, place in collection or mail, we appreciate all your efforts to support and strengthen our parish community. Thank you for all you do for our parish!

Collection Totals

Jan. 29/30, 2022 Regular: \$6340.48

You may also use a plain envelope for your donations in the meantime. Indicate your name and *envelope number* (if known) so you can receive proper credit. Online Giving is available at setonpa.com follow the link.



Eucharistic Adoration on Thursday

Our church is opened on Thursdays From 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm for some quite time of prayer and reflection. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is available for any length of time at any time during those 2 hours. Stop in at any time at your convenience and stay as long or as little as you would like.



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NOBODY CARES WHAT I THINK.



"Why are you
downcast,
my soul? ...
Wait for God."
Psalms 42

#SYNOD2022

We are #ALLEARS

WE DO! WE DO!

If you've been away from the Church, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish especially wants to hear from you as we journey through our Synod 2022-23 process! Please share your candid thoughts with us at our upcoming in-person **all-listening** sessions.

WHAT: Pizza for Your Perspective

WHEN: 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Thursday Feb. 17 and Thursday March 3. (Drop in at any point; leave at any point.)

WHERE: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish Hall, 116 Hughes St., Swoyersville

Open to the public.

Pressure-free! Judgment-free!

No RSVP necessary. Come as you are!



Help us help Pope Francis reach everyone! There are several ways you can help. First Log on to: dioceseofscranton.org to participate in the 2021-2023 Synodal Church Survey yourself. Then invite family and friends, especially those who do not come to church to take the survey. It is anonymous, however, they do ask for the parish. List St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Swoyersville, not matter where the individual lives if they wish. Another way is to attend our In-Person-Listening Sessions. Details to the left of this article. Again, everyone is welcome to come. You may also write Father Joe a letter with your opinions about the Church as a whole, again it can be anonymous. Emails are welcome too. We have cards that we ask you to take and give anyone you know who may not be involved with Church to summarize all of this. Please pass them out for us. Pope Francis wishes to hear from ALL CATHOLICS, no matter what their present status in the Church is currently.



Today's Music

4:00, 5:30, 7:00, 9:00 & 11:00 am

Gath: 683 G Be Not Afraid, vs 3
Prep: 68 S The God of Abraham Praise
Com: 130 S Servant Song
Send: 181 S Go Be Justice

5:30pm Sunday

Gath: 103 S All are Welcome (All Belong)
Prep: 52 S I Am the Resurrection
Comm: 105 S We Will Follow
Send: 178 S Lead Me Lord

Subject to change

Masks must continue to be worn and no child with **any** symptoms or positive test results from covid will be admitted to class.

8th Grade & 2nd Grade ONLY: Saturday: Classes on Feb. 26

8th Grade & 2nd Grade ONLY: Monday: Classes on Feb. 14, & 28

(There are no Religious Ed. Classes on Saturday, Feb. 19th and Monday, February 21st, in observance of President's Day).

Then **All** CCD classes will resume again on Saturday, March 5th & Monday, March 7th. 7th Grade Extra Class on Sunday, Feb. 13th, has been cancelled.

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Synod Survey

In preparation for the upcoming Synod, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton is gathering parishioners' thoughts on the church. However, this survey is also part of our larger gathering as a parish and church community. We welcome your thoughts and reflections.

We will read all of your answers with a view toward sharing your main messages and ideas with the Diocese of Scranton. Eventually, our views will make their way throughout the universal church.

Please note that providing your name and email are optional. All responses will be represented anonymously in any document or report provided to the Diocese.

Please answer any or all of the following questions no later than March 5th. Hand written or typed responses are fine.

If you have questions, please feel free to email fatherjoey@aol.com

Thank you for participating and please feel free to pass this survey on to others!

Name (optional)

Email (optional)

- How are you invited to be engaged in the Church and is there anything that hinders you from being active in this parish?

- What space is there for the Church to listen to the voices on the peripheries, especially cultural groups, women, people with disabilities, those who experience poverty, marginalization, or social exclusion?

- How does your prayer life and celebration of the Mass inspire and inform your personal decisions and decisions in the parish community?

- Is there anything else you'd like to share with us today?

Have you heard?
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REG ORY, SET, COOK!

PREMIERING FAT TUESDAY!

Fr. Pisaneschi is one of 25+ "pastor chefs" suiting up to take part in a tasty virtual showdown unlike any you've seen before!
STAY TUNED FOR FULL DETAILS on this joint fundraiser to benefit Catholic Social Services AND our parish!

You can fight local hunger AND benefit St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish by casting your vote!

Remembering at Eucharist

Monday, February 14

8:00 a.m. Ray Gustave Wife, Donna & daughters, Hilary & Ashley

Tuesday, February 15

8:00 a.m. Vernon Monte David, Mandy, & Samuel Stiles

Wednesday, February 16

8:00 a.m. Helen Ciali Family

Thursday, February 17

8:00 a.m. Sylvester & Margaret Nenichka Mark & Sharon Nenichka

Friday, February 18

8:00 a.m. Joan Stefanides Husband, Bob & daughter, Lisa

Saturday, February 19

4:00 p.m. Bill Schaeffer Wife, Theresa

5:30 p.m. Joseph "Bud" Crossin Family

Sunday, February 20

7:00 a.m. **Pro Populo**

9:00 a.m. Josephine Homnick Marlene Lukacinsky

11:00 a.m. Edward Mizenko Mike & Maureen McAuvic

5:30 p.m. Joseph & Loretta Keating-Yatsko Joe & Terri Burgess

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Monday—Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Friday—Closed

Evening and Weekends by appointment

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

Our Parish warmly welcomes those who are with us each weekend, occasionally, and all who are looking for a spiritual home. Actual membership begins by filling out a Census Form at setonpa.com on the link at the top of the page. Once completed, send it to the office and we'll get you on "the official books," as soon as possible.

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

Baptisms are usually scheduled after the 11:00 a.m. Eucharist on Sunday. 1st time parents are asked to attend a brief instruction class on Baptism. You can contact Lori directly for information.

Reconciliation is available on Saturday beginning at 3:30 until 3:50 p.m. just prior to the 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass. Other times at your request. Just ask Father.

Weddings are usually celebrated Saturday at 1:00 pm or on Friday afternoon or evening. Contact Father as soon as possible to reserve the date and complete the necessary paperwork.

Special Intentions This Week



This Week's Sanctuary Candles

~~In Memory of **Mary Ann Timek** offered by cousin, Gerry

~~In Memory of **Helen Ciali** offered by Family



Resting in the Peace of Christ, the Recently Departed

~Carol Leoni~Bonnie Wallace~



ALTAR FLOWERS THIS WEEKEND:

~~In Memory of **Helen Ciali** offered by Family

~~In Memory of **Larry, Florence, & Christopher Bonin & Louise Asklar** offered by Rich Bonin & Annette Picollo



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