

The Seton Sentinel



6th Sunday of Easter

May 21, 2017



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St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish

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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



**HAPPY 75TH ANNIVERSARY
CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN MOTHERS**

Today marks the 75th anniversary of our Confraternity of Christian Mothers. Our Christian Mothers will attend the 11:30am Mass today and celebrate this event with an anniversary dinner at 2pm. Congratulations, Christian Mothers!



**CONGRATULATIONS NEW MEMBERS OF OUR
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

Welcome and congratulations to the newest members of our Knights of Columbus, who were installed on April 11th: Frank Suraci, Joseph Reggie, Charles Jones, Joseph Schwartz, Edward Sartin, Charles Jankoviak, David Miller, and Robert Urban. Anyone who missed out on our last membership drive, can still become a member soon. Another installation will take place in June. Please call Mark Perugino at 570-262-2896 for more details.



CONGRATULATIONS AND HAPPY ANNIVERSARY FATHER URBAN

Congratulations and Happy Anniversary to Father Anthony Urban, who celebrated his 44th Anniversary of his ordination to the Priesthood on May 12th, and also his 54th Anniversary to Religious Life.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY FATHER ZAVACKI

Father Richard Zavacki is celebrating the 60th Anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood on Sunday, June 18th, at 3 o'clock, at St. Ignatius Church, Kingston. An informal gathering will take place at Msgr. Conlon Hall following the Mass. All are welcome.

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD-HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Thursday, May 25th, the Ascension of the Lord, is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses are : Wednesday, May 24th, vigil mass at 5:30pm, and Thursday at 8:00 am, 12:10pm, and 6:30pm. ***Our office will be closed on Thursday in observance of the Holy Day.***

gospel focus

Paraclete

The Greek word, paraklētōs, is translated into a number of different terms in English translations of the gospel. Its technical use was for a lawyer or attorney. However, its use in scripture is like the broader meaning of advocate that we use today: someone who stands up for another; someone who speaks up for another; someone who intercedes on behalf of another. An advocate is one who lends strength and support to someone who is disempowered. That is exactly what Jesus did for many people during his ministry and it is also what the Holy Spirit is sent to do.



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

SETON'S SUMMER FESTIVAL JULY 13,14, & 15

Mark your calendars: **PIROHY-MAKING:** Mon.-Thurs., June 26th to 29th, 8:30am-1pm. (7:00am Ball Potatoes)

PIGGIE-MAKING: Mon. & Tues., July 10 & 11, 8:30am-1pm.

Festival Donations Needed: 6x6 styrofoam containers, 9x9 ***single*** compartment styrofoam containers, paper towels, napkins, ketchup, mustard, vegetable oil, butter. Also, we need bottles of whiskey, wine, brandy, & other spirits. We are also asking for small toys that can be used as prizes at the children's game stands. These can be purchased at a local dollar store, etc. They need not be expensive, but must be new. We appreciate whatever you can do!!! You may bring to the rectory office door during regular office hours. ***Thank you!***



INVITATION TO OUR 2017 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

All high school graduates from our parish are invited to participate in a Special Mass on ***Sunday, June 25th, at the 10:00am Mass.*** A gift for each student will be presented. Mass will be followed by breakfast in our church hall for the graduates and their immediate families. Please RSVP by June 15th by calling Lori at the parish office: 287-6624 or email: ***setonpa@aol.com***

SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE

Modern Catholic social teaching can be approached by studying the seven basic themes of our social tradition, beginning with the foundational concept that life is sacred and that every individual is endowed with God-given dignity.

Please consider joining us at our next Social Concerns Committee meeting. New members are always welcome!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2017

Get ready for VBS! Monday-Friday, June 26-30

Volunteers are needed with PA Clearance. Our present 6th & 7th graders should consider getting Confirmation hours. We will have more information next week.

SAINT ELIZABETH ANN SETON, PRAY FOR US!

Direct Contacts

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sisterjane@setonpa.com

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.



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:



LIGHT THE FIRE YOUTH RALLY June 28th

A high energy day filled with a variety of Workshops, Awesome Music (Full Armor Band), Emcee Will Smith, an Amazing closing mass with Bishop Bambera, Adoration, Reconciliation, new friends! June 28th, at Misericordia University. Registration (\$30) opens at 9am, closing mass at 7pm. Visit www.Light-the-Fire.org

ONLINE SURVEY FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

The young church (16-35) and those who work with them are encouraged to let their voice be heard as the Diocese of Scranton ‘partners with Francis’ in preparation for the 2018 Synod on the topic of *Young People, the Faith and Vocational Discernment*. Both those who identify as Catholic and those who do not, can complete an online survey at www.partnerwithfrancis.org. The results of this survey will not only help Pope Francis and the Bishops as they prepare for the Synod, but also help shape programming for the young church here in our Diocese. For more information, please contact Dominick Costantino, program coordinator for the Diocesan vocation office, at 570-780-2996.

UP & OVER

Registration is open for Up & Over, the diocesan middle school experience. This retreat focuses on problem solving through self-confidence and teamwork. Each student will encounter Christ in profound ways throughout the weekend and come away with a new understanding of what it means TO BE CHURCH and TO LIVE CHURCH. Up & Over Retreat, June 2-4, at Camp Orchard Hill, Dallas, PA, Grades 6-8, Cost : \$140.00. Please go to the Diocese of Scranton website to register: dioceseofscranton.org

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT LEADERSHIP

Summer I.S.L.I. Is approaching. International Student Leadership Institute, will take place June 19-22. We are finalizing the location & registration will be open soon. ISLI is the diocesan leadership experience for high school students. It is a peer lead and facilitated retreat that focuses on 5 leadership pillars of Support, Awareness, Self-Confidence, Positive Thinking, and Values. This program is absolutely essential for forming leadership qualities in the young people of our parishes and school.

Email mary-anne-malone@dioceseofscranton.org with any questions.

QUO VADIS DAYS-HIGH SCHOOL YOUNG MEN

June 25-28, Misericordia University, Dallas. The camp offers an opportunity for young men to reflect on & deepen their faith. Call the Vocations Office at 570-207-1452

Sacrificial Offerings for May 6/7

Sunday: \$6987.00 Dues: \$3015.00
Easter; \$80.00 Loose: \$703.72
E-Giving: \$493.99 **TOTAL: \$11,279.71**

DIOCESAN;
Catholic Home Missions Appeal: \$17.00

May God Reward Your Tremendous Generosity to our Parish Community!

*“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*



Are you interested in your Family History?

NEPGS shows how Genealogy Research can be both exciting and rewarding!

The Northeast Pennsylvania Genealogical Society, Inc. (NEPGS) has many available resources which can aid in your genealogical quest. From books, newspapers, magazines, manuscripts, city records, church records, cemetery records, and family histories, we have a wide range of material on various topics related to genealogy and local history. We also offer our expertise on DNA testing and analysis which can complement traditional research.

As NEPGS celebrates our 25th Anniversary Year, we invite genealogists and family historians from beginner to advanced to visit and research with us!

News Flash: Roman Catholic church records have been digitized by NEPGS!

NEPGS in partnership with the Diocese of Scranton is digitizing parish records in eleven northeastern PA counties. The project, which began in May 2016, reached a milestone in January 2017 with 100 parishes completed. It's important to know that NEPGS has a strict privacy policy for public access to the Catholic records.

- Sacramental Records relating to events 70 or more years old shall be accessible to members and patrons of NEPGS, consistent with NEPGS Library Policies.
- Sacramental Records relating to events less than 70 years old shall be sequestered and shall not be available to be accessed by members or patrons of NEPGS until such time as the record become 70 years old.
- NEPGS removes from the accessible records, all references to adoptions which occurred after January 1, 1926, which is the effective date when civil adoption records were sealed in the Commonwealth of PA
- The church records are only available on the NEPGS in-house network. The records are not available online.

ADDRESS: 689 Main Road, Hanover Township, PA 18706

Located at the caretaker's house inside the historic Hanover Green Cemetery in Luzerne County. NEPGS is an all-volunteer 501c3 nonprofit organization and is open to the public.

Hours of Operation: Every Thursday 10am-3pm, 2nd Saturday of the month, noon –4pm

SPECIAL EXTENDED SUMMER HOURS (JUNE thru SEPT): 1ST & 3RD THURS of the month, open until 8pm

When you visit the society, volunteer staff can answer questions about the use of the Digital Collections.

For those who are unable to visit in person, research services are available at reasonable rates.

Note for Visitors: Non-members are required to pay a \$10/day use fee prior to admission.

Members/patrons are required to sign the NEPGS Library Policy. Cameras and flash drives are prohibited.

Membership: Benefits include a discount on research services. An Individual Membership is \$30/year

Please check out www.nepgs.com for the latest information

Find us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/NEPGS

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-Hour Child 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).

Monday, May 22

St. Rita of Cascia

8:00 AM John Saypack Jr. Sister, Theresa, & Niece, Susan

Tuesday, May 23

8:00 AM Walter Palmer Marge

Wednesday, May 24

8:00 AM Mother's Day intentions

5:30 PM (vigil) Joseph Prushinski Josephine Rock

Thursday, May 25 *The Ascension of the Lord*

8:00 AM In Thanksgiving John, Carol, & Corine Hrobaski

12:10 PM Frank Pasquini Chris Calore

6:30 PM Margaret Yadrnak Joe Sabol

Friday, May 26 *St. Philip Neri*

8:00 AM In Thanksgiving Anna Ritsick & Family

Saturday, May 27 **vigil: The Seventh Sunday of Easter**

4:00 PM Betty Ziegler Deacon Jack & Karen Ziegler

5:30 PM Theodore Wozniak, Sr. Wozniak Family

Sunday, May 28 **The Seventh Sunday of Easter**

8:30 AM John Kolojchick Wife, Alberta, & Son, Andrew

10:00 AM Stanley Kudey Wife & Children

11:30 AM Callari Family Steve & Maria Englot

5:30 PM *Pro Populo*

Priests' Schedule

Ascension of Our Lord

Wednesday, May 24 vigil

5:30PM Fr. Pisaneschi

Thursday, May 25

8:00AM Fr. Pisaneschi

12:10PM Fr. Pisaneschi

6:30PM Fr. Urban

Saturday, May 27

4:00PM Fr. Urban

5:30PM Fr. Pisaneschi

Sunday, May 28

8:30AM Fr. Pisaneschi

10:00AM Fr. Pisaneschi

11:30AM Fr. Urban

5:30PM Fr. Pisaneschi

RECENTLY DEPARTED

~~*Dolores Yanchick*~~*John Matukonis*~~May their souls and all the souls of the Faithful Departed through the Mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

SANCTUARY CANDLES

~~In Honor of the 75th Anniversary of the Confraternity of Christian Mothers

~~For the Living and Deceased Members of the Confraternity of Christian Mothers

FLOWERS THIS WEEKEND

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BAPTISM SUNDAY

Congratulations and God's Blessings upon *~Sophia Helene McCarthy~*

*~Bryce Francis Usefara~Cassie Noelle Usefara~*who will be reborn by water and the Holy Spirit after the 11:30am Mass today.



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