

# SETON SENTINEL

December | 31 | 2023



## The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

*"When they had fulfilled all the prescriptions of the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom, and the favor of God was upon him." (Lk 2:39-40)*

**St. Elizabeth Ann Seton**  
**116 Hughes Street**  
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### *Eucharist*

Monday-Tuesday-Thursday &  
Friday 8:00am  
No Mass on Wednesday  
Saturday 4:00pm (vigil)  
Sundays 8:30am, 11:00am &  
5:30pm

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### **Confessions:**

Saturday 3:30-3:45pm or you  
may call Fr. Chmil for an  
appointment



# Worship

## Intention

### **Monday, January 1st, Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God**

10:00am Lamont McClure

### **Tuesday, January 2**

8:00am Christmas Mass Intentions

### **Wednesday, January 3**

8:00am **No Daily Mass**

### **Thursday, January 4**

8:00am James Dougalas

### **Friday, January 5**

8:00am Joseph & Irene Gulla

### **Saturday, January 6**

4:00pm Joseph & Barbara Podskoch

### **Sunday, January 7**

8:30am Christmas Mass Intentions

11:00am Health & Blessings for Bruce & Emily Dadurka In Honor of their 50th Wedding Anniversary

5:30pm Christmas Mass Intentions

## Requested by

Deacon Jack & Karen

Wife & Family

Hilley Family

Daughter, Theresa

# Prayer

**Exposition and Adoration of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament** is held each Thursday from 6:00pm to 8:00pm. Evening Prayer and Benediction conclude the night. All are welcome to come, even just for a quick visit on Thursday evenings here in church.



## Special Intentions



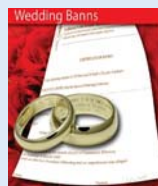
### **SANCTUARY CANDLE INTENTIONS**

~~In Memory of **Richard Selensky** offered by sister, Gerry

~~In Memory of **Fred Proleika Sr.** offered by Family

### **PRAY FOR ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED**

*May their souls and all the souls of the Faithful Departed, through the Mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*



### **SACRAMENT OF HOLY MATRIMONY**

Congratulations and God's Blessings upon

~**Gary Buczynski & Amanda Zavada**~~

who were married on Saturday, December 30th.

**Wishing all of our parishioners and friends a Holy, Happy, Healthy, & Prosperous New Year 2024!**

## Parish Staff

Rev. John J. Chmil x105

### **Pastor**

Rev. Anthony Urban

### **Assisting Celebrant**

Deacon John Bankus

Deacon John (Jack) Ziegler

### **Permanent Deacons**

Lori Raymond x100

### **Pastoral Associate/Director of Religious Education**

Sister Mary Beth Makuch, SS.C.M.

### **Pastoral Outreach Ministry**

### **Music Ministry**

Marge Semanek

### **Director of Liturgical Music**

Joseph Sabol

### **Accompanist**

Scott Coates

### **Accompanist**

Pat Quinn

### **Office Assistant**

### **Sacristans and Maintenance**

Chris Calore

### **Director of Maintenance**

John Sartin

Trudy Brown

Pat Quinn

Betsy Evanoski

Phil Bosha

## Office Hours

Monday through Thursday  
8:30am to 3:00pm

### **CLOSED FRIDAY**

Weekends and Evenings  
by appointment.

**570-287-6624**

## DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL UPDATES

If you haven't already donated, the Diocesan Annual Appeal envelopes are on the tables at the church entrance. If you already received a letter in the mail, please respond. Gifts of any size are welcome and participation is important. God bless you for your kindness and generosity.

DAA goal: \$44,000.00

Total raised: - \$39,892.52

over/under: - \$ 4,107.48

We have reached 90.66% of our goal.

Number of donors: 260 23.09% of our parishioners gave

## ROSARY FOR VOCATIONS

*The rosary will be prayed for vocations after daily mass.*

## 2024 NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

**New Year's Eve, Vigil** Sunday, Dec 31st: 4:00pm

**New Year's Day, Mary Mother of God**, Monday, January 1, 2024: 10:00am

## HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS

Our parish office will be closed on Monday, January 1st, in observance of the New Year's Holy Day. Emergency calls for Fr. John will be attended to as soon as possible.

## HOLY NAME SOCIETY

*Our HNS will meet next Sunday, January 7th, after the 8:30am mass in our church hall. New members are welcome.*

## VOCATIONS

*"I am a shield to you; Your reward shall be very great." If you feel God is offering you the gift of a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life as a sister, brother, or consecrated virgin, talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at 570-207-1452 or email: [info@dioceseofscranton.org](mailto:info@dioceseofscranton.org)*

## WORD OF LIFE

*"Dearest St. Joseph...Help us to faithfully commit ourselves to the service & defense of human life--especially where it is vulnerable or threatened. Obtain for us the grace to do the will of God in all things."*

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

## Christmas Flowers Offerings

Dr. & Mrs. Charles Carpenter	Mary Ann Romanowski	Mrs. Gertrude Brown
Mrs. Wanda Chirkot	Mr. & Mrs. Paul Radzavicz	Mrs. Carol Budnovitch
Mr. Frank Colonna	Mr. & Mrs. Geno Raymond	Mrs. Martha Calabrese
Mrs. Joan Coniglio	Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Recek	Mr. Edward Chacko
Mr. & Mrs. James Conmy	Mr. & Mrs. Benjamin Remakus	Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Cipriani
Mrs. Patricia Conniff	Mrs. Gerry Rish	Mrs. Patricia Conniff
Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Costello	Mrs. Patricia Robinson	Mr. & Mrs. Frank Crofchick
Ms. Tara Cywinski	Mr. & Mrs. Robert Roccograndi	Atty. Mary Cummings
Mr. & Mrs. Frank Czock	Mrs. Valeria Warman	Mr. & Mrs. Frank Czock
Mr. & Mrs. Gabriel Dalessandro	Mrs. Barbara Wasilewski	Mr. Mrs. Joseph D'Agostino
Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Gushka	Mrs. Lucille Watlack	Mr. & Mrs. Gabriel Dalessandro
Mrs. Donna Gustave	Mrs. Judy Williams	Nors Devine
Mrs. Evelyn Hagen	Mrs. Erwin Wolfe	Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Dvornicky
Mr & Mrs. Donald Halliday	Charles Wolinsky	Mrs. Jane Evelock
Miss June Harkins	Mr. & Mrs. Charles Workman	Karyn Evelock
Mrs. John Harvilla	Mr. & Mrs. James Yozviak	Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Fraley
Mr. & Mrs. Christopher Hospodar		Mrs. Maria Fratarcangeli
Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Hovanec	Mrs. Gwen Michaels	Mr. & Mrs. Gar Fronzoni
Ms. Susan Hritzak	Mr. & Mrs. Frank Aritz, Sr.	Mrs. Mary Gaiteri
Miss Corine Hrobaski	Frank Aritz Jr.	Mr. Michael Gavlick
Mr. & Mrs. John Hrobaski	Mr. & Mrs. Robert Asklar	Mrs. Peggy Gavlick
Ms. Mary Lou Lucchino	Mr. & Mrs. Francis Baker	Alice Hornick
Mr. & Mrs. John Madar	Mrs. Susan Bayer	Mrs. Geraldine Hovan
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Mahavits	Mrs. Nancy Bednar	Ms. Susan Hritzak
Mrs. Patricia Malyndziak	Miss Barbara Beggs	Mr. & Mrs. Robert Kandrac
Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Marianacci	Mrs. Arlene Belza	Miss Beverly Kazamski
Mrs. Colleen Mattey	Mr. & Mrs. Robert Beretski	Mr. & Mrs. Stanley Kopec, Jr.
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Mrs. Jean Meckalavage	Mr. William Bogutzki Jr.	Mr. Jacob Kozak
Mr. & Mrs. Edward Michaels	Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Bojarcik	Mrs. Carol Krull

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

### DECEMBER CLASSES:

Saturdays: Classes will resume on January 6th

Mondays: (No classes January 1st Christmas Holiday) Classes will resume on January 8th

### **Give Blood. Help Save Lives.**

Community Blood Drive here at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church Hall, 116, Hughes St., Swoyersville, on Friday, January 12, 2024, 12:30 to 5pm. Please call 1-800-RED-CROSS 1-800-733-2767) OR visit RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass to complete your pre-donation reading and health history questions on the day of your appointment.



### **Lifeline Screening here at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church Hall, FRIDAY, January 19, 2024**

Life Line Screening goes beyond regular checkups to look inside your arteries for signs of plaque build-up. All 4 screenings for \$149: Carotid Artery Disease, Peripheral Arterial Disease, Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm, & Atrial Fibrillation. Call 1-800-679-5191, online: LLSA.SOCIAL/HC, or text the word circle to 216-279-1607

### **HOLY FAMILY FOOD PANTRY ITEMS NEEDED:**

~~Soups w/meat (Chunky soups)``Canned pasta (ravioli)~~Canned fruit~~Jelly

**BROWN WOODEN ROSARY :** A small brown wooden rosary was found in the church, and then was tacked onto the vestibule bulletin board near our Rosary Flyer. If you happened to take the rosary from the bulletin board (perhaps thinking it was one of our free rosary beads), if you could kindly return it, we would appreciate it. God Bless!

### *Offerings*

#### **Weekend of December 16/17, 2023**

REGULAR: \$ 9250.00

DUES: \$ 999.00

BUILDING & MAINTENANCE: \$1135.00

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS: \$1559.00

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION: \$117.00

RELIGIOUS RETIREMENT: \$109.00

**Diocesan:** Care & Education for Priests: \$143.00

## *Ways to Give:*



Online @ setonpa.com



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## **St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish**

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## CHRISTMAS FLOWER OFFERINGS (CONT'D)

*Mr. & Mrs. Dan Krynak*  
*Mr. Michael Kubick*  
*Mrs. Alyce Kuzma*  
*Mrs. Gloria Linko*  
*Mr. & Mrs. Frederick Lokuta*  
*Nicole Kozak*  
*Mr. & Mrs. Frank Matthews*  
*Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Mayerski*  
*Carole Mazza*  
*Mr. Lawrence Milunic*  
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*Mr. Daniel Mulligan*  
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*Mr. Joseph Oprendick*  
*Mrs. Mary Ann Ostrowski*  
*Rosalie Brady Parsons*

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*Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Petrikonis*  
*Miss Josei Pirillo*  
*Miss Therese Pitcavage*  
*Mr. Robert Popeck*  
*Mrs. Ruth Prushinski*  
*Mr. & Mrs. Barry Przybyla*  
*Mrs. Janice Quinn*  
*Mrs. Patricia Quinn*  
*Mr. & Mrs. Benjamin Remakus*  
*Mr. John Romanchick, Jr.*  
*Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Romanowski*  
*Mrs. Theresa Schaeffer*  
*Mrs. Cheryl Sealock-Danowski*  
*Mr. & Mrs. Waldemar Siedlecki*  
*Mr. & Mrs. Russell Singer*  
*Miss Sandra Singer*  
*Mr. & Mrs. Robert Slezak*  
*Mrs. Jean Smith*  
*Tracy Ann Smith*

*Mrs. Elaine Snyder*  
*Mr. Janine Snyder*  
*Mr. & Mrs. Adam Specht*  
*Mr. & Mrs. Frank Stanchak*  
*Mr. & Mrs. Edward Stash*  
*Mrs. Lorraine Stibgen*  
*Miss Susan Stoffko*  
*Mrs. Arlene Straub*  
*Mr. & Mrs. David Stull*  
*Mr. Francis Tressa*  
*Mrs. Sandra Williams Urzen*  
*Mrs. Anna Mae Venetz*  
*Mr. Fred Walski*  
*Mrs. Barbara Wasilewski*  
*Mr. Felix Wawer, Jr.*  
*Mr. & Mrs. Charles Workman*  
*Mrs. Theresa Yurko*  
*Mr. Thomas Zabresky*

*Jesus was born in a humble stable, into a poor family.  
Simple shepherds were the first witnesses to this event.  
In this poverty heaven's glory was made manifest.  
The Church never tires of singing the glory of this night.*  
- Catechism of the Catholic Church (no 525)



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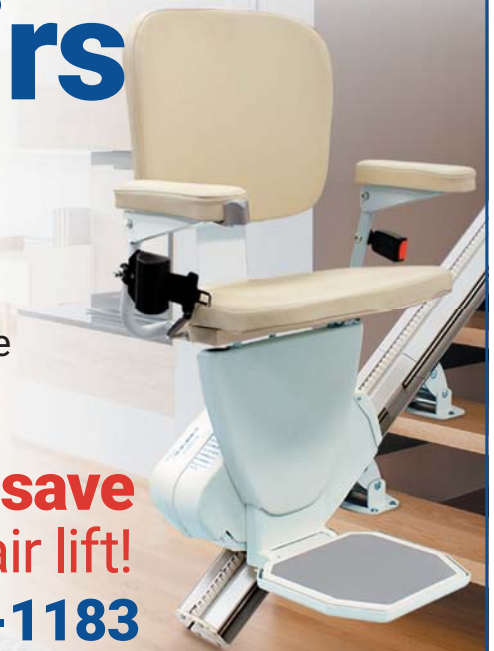
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