SETON SENTINEL

February |4| 2024

5 th SUNDAY in Ordinary Time



St. Elizabeth Ann Seton 116 Hughes Street Swoyersville, PA 18704 570-287-6624

Eucharist

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

Connect with us:



Confessions:

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







Psalm 147:3

Scan to donate or visit annualappeal.org

Your gift to the *Diocesan Annual Appeal* will help Catholic Social Services establish a permanent home for Mother Teresa's Haven emergency shelter in Wilkes-Barre this year.





<u>Intention</u> <u>Requested by</u>

Monday, February 5

8:00am Ronnie Gibbons Sister, Pat Quinn & Family

Tuesday, February 6

8:00am Rosemarie Mattie Confraternity of Christian Mothers

Wednesday, February 7

8:00am No Daily Mass

Thursday, February 8

8:00am Mary & Henry Pesta Daughter, Mary & Family

Friday, February 9

8:00am Janet M. Kubicki Joe & Terri Burgess

Saturday, February 10

4:00pm Barbara Podskoch Daughter, Theresa

Sunday, February 11

8:30am Joseph & Eleanor Lipinski Son, Joe & wife, Elaine

11:00am John & Marie Levitski Son, Stephen

5:30pm *Pro Populo*

Special Intentions



SANCTUARY CANDLE INTENTIONS

~~In Memory of ~~*Chester & Helen Czerniak*~~offered by Jerry & Marion Pacovsky

~~In Memory of ~~*Frank & Anna Duzen*~~offered by daughters, Paula Matthews & Donna Gustave

Provyer 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.

PRAY FOR ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

~~John Selena~~

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



The Rosary will be prayed for vocations after daily mass.



Parish Staff

Rev. John J. Chmil x105

Pastor

Rev. Anthony Urban Assisting Celebrant

Deacon John Bankus Deacon John (Jack) Ziegler

Permanent Deacons

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Office Hours

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

CLOSED FRIDAY

Weekends and Evenings by appointment.

570-287-6624

DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL UPDATES

We are almost at our goal! 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: - \$43,350.00 over/under: - \$ 650.00

We have reached 98.52% of our goal.

Number of donors: 294 26.11% of our parishioners gave

ST. BLAISE DAY

Saturday, February 3rd, St. Blaise Day. Blessing of the Throats will take place after all masses this weekend.

"God's House, Our Home" Program

Thank you for celebrating Commitment Weekend with us! Your annual commitment to our parish through our "God's House, Our Home" renewal program will continue to bring life to our community. If completing your Commitment Card was not possible at Mass, you may visit our parish website at www.setonpa.com and complete an electronic Commitment Card or you can mail your card to the church.

Our goal is 100% participation! Thank you for your generosity and support of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish!

Seton Knights of Columbus Membership Drive

As Knights, we serve our parish and community while working each day to create a better world through charity. If you are looking to live out your faith in the spirit of charity by helping others, our Knights of Columbus council welcomes you to join us. As a member of our council, you will strengthen your faith and become a better Catholic, husband, and father. Through your support of our parish and community, you will form friendships with fellow Knights that can last a lifetime.

If you are interested in joining our Knights and participating in our next induction ceremony, please contact Mark Perugino, Grand Knight, at 570-262-2896, or Jim McGrath, Financial Secretary, at 570-574-9169.

We are truly looking forward to having you join our council. Thank you!

ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON, PRAY FOR US!!!



CLASSES FOR JANUARY/FEBRUARY:

SATURDAYS: FEBRUARY 10, & 24 (No Class on Feb. 17th (Presidents' Weekend) **MONDAYS:** FEBRUARY 5, 12, & 26 (No Class on Feb. 19th (Presidents' Weekend)

Lenten Mission Envelopes 2024

Before Lent, our students will receive an envelope for their Lenten sacrifice. All of our students' Lenten offerings will be sent to our very own, Father John Ostrowski, who has worked with the Missions in El Salvador for many years.

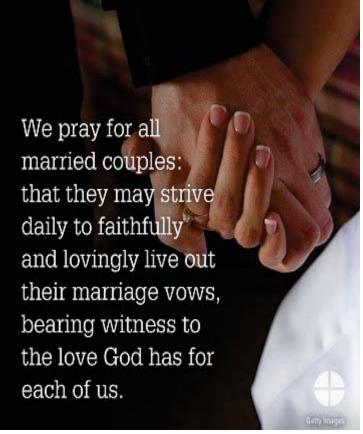
VOCATIONS

"Jesus went away to a secluded place and prayed. If you are seeking greater simplicity of life and a closer following of the Lord in prayer and action, consider that He may be calling you to the priesthood or consecrated life. Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at 570-207-1452 or email: info@dioceseofscranton.org

WORD OF LIFE

"O Blessed Mother, you received the Good News of the Incarnation of Christ, your Son, with faith and trust. Grant your protection to all pregnant mothers facing difficulties. Guide us as we strive to make our parish communities places of welcome and assistance for mothers in need. Help us become instruments of God's love and compassion. " USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "A Prayer for Pregnant Mothers"





SPIRITUAL ADOPTION

We would like to announce that we are joining many other Catholic parishes across the United States that are taking part in the Spiritual Adoption Program.



The Social Concerns Committee urges everyone--students and adults--to join our **3rd Spiritual Adoption Program.** This simple, powerful program costs you **only a minute** of your time every day, but can save the lives of the innocent unborn, by praying for him or her daily for the next nine months.

Choose a Name for this child, and write it on the bottom of this form. Tear it off and place it in the basket by the statue of the Blessed Mother near the elevator. You may adopt more than one baby if you wish.

The **PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL ADOPTION** prayer (below) is for you to keep. Take it home and pray for the safety of this child every day in the quiet of your own time. After nine months, we will celebrate this child's birth by having our **Pro-Life Baby Shower**.

TAKE A HOLY CARD (available on the tables at the church entrance) to remind you of your commitment to this child.

Throughout your lifetime on Earth, this child will be known only to God, but we believe that in the world to come, you will meet with him or her eternally in Heaven and what a joyful meeting that will be!!!

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL ADOPTION

Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, I love you very much.

I beg you to spare the life of the unborn baby that
I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion.

"When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the Infant leapt in her womb."

(Luke 1:41)

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#### SPIRITUAL ADOPTION PLEDGE

I promise to spiritually adopt an unknown baby in danger of abortion by praying 9 months for the life of this child:

Name of your a	dopted child:	
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(please place in basket by the Blessed Mother statue near the elevator)

#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS UPCOMING RED CLAM CHOWDER SALE

Our KofC will be having their famous Red Clam Chowder Sale on Ash Wednesday, February 14th. Cost is \$10/quart-pay at the door. Sign up sheets are on the tables at the church entrance. Pick up times are after 7:30am ashes, 11am-1pm, & 4pm-6pm. Or Call Mark Perugino at 570-262-2896 to order.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY: Our HNS will meet today, Sunday, February 4th, after the 8:30am mass in our church hall. New members are welcome.

SAVE THE DATE!!!! The Social Concerns Cash Bingo will be held on Sunday, April 14th, 2024, in our school gym. Details to follow......

HOLY REDEEMER HIGH SCHOOL INCOMING FRESHMEN: Appointments for class scheduling for new students for the 2024-2025 school year will be held on February 6, 7 and 8 from 3:00 to 5:45 PM. Call Holy Redeemer High School's Guidance Department at 570-829-2424 to set an appointment.

**St. Maria Goretti Pasta Dinner:** Laflin Road in Laflin. Sunday, February 4th, 12-3pm, dine in. Donation is \$15. Tickets at the door. Includes salad, dinner roll & dessert.

MARDI GRAS PARTY......St. Robert Bellarmine, in St. Aloysius Church Hall, on Sat. Feb. 10th, 6-10pm \$25/person. For tickets, call 570-823-3791 ext 2, or email: <a href="mailto:stalschurch@staloysiuswb.com">stalschurch@staloysiuswb.com</a> Cut off for ticket sales is Feb. 5th. There will be no tickets sold at the door.



#### Weekend of January 20/21, 2024

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