# Seton Sentinel NEWS

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## The Parish of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

116 Hughes Street Swoyersville, PA 18704 570-287-6624 setonpa.com





## **Eucharist**

Monday—Friday 8:00am Saturday vigil 4:00pm Sunday 8:30am, 11:00am & 5:30pm

# Office Hours

Monday through Thursday 8:30am to 3:00pm. Weekends and Evenings by appointment

# 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT



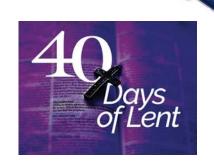
"Get away, Satan! It is written: The Lord, your God, shall you worship and him alone shall you serve." Matthew 4:10

# Special Intentions

#### SANCTUARY CANDLE INTENTIONS

~In Memory of *Dorothy Dzurisin* offered by Barbara Jo & Robert Asklar

~In Memory of *Fred Proleika* offered by Wife & Children



# Today's Music

4:00pm, 8:30am, 11:00am				5:30pm
Gathering	24 S	Beneath the Tree	22 S	Jerusalem My Destiny vs 1
Preparation	126 B	Led by the Spirit	115 B	Ashes
Communion	73 S	His Eye Is On the Sparrow	440 B	On Eagle's Wings
Sending	438 B	Be Not Afraid	447 B	Blest Be the Lord



# Daily Eucharist Intentions

<u>Intention</u>	<u>Requested By</u>
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Monday, February 27

8:00am Roman Ziegler Sr. Deacon Jack & Karen

Tuesday, February 28

8:00am Helen Licata Marge Palmer

Wednesday, March 1

8:00am Lou Michaels Michaels Family

Thursday, March 2

8:00am Elaine Smith Cousin, Christine

Friday, March 3

8:00am Leonard Kolojejchick Family

Saturday, March 4

4:00pm Michael Butchko Wife, Jean & Family

Sunday, March 5

8:30am PRO POPULO

11:00am Josephine Ritondo Daughter, Josie & Family

5:30pm Paul Endza Domenica Musto

# Our Parish Staff

Rev. Joseph J Pisaneschi x105

Pastor

Rev. Anthony Urban

**Assisting Celebrant** 

Deacon John Bankus

Deacon John (Jack) Zeigler

**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/5:30 p.m. Sunday

Pat Quinn

Office Assistant

Sacristans and Maintenance

Chris Calore

**Director of Maintenance** 

John Sartin

Trudy Brown

Pat Quinn

Betsy Evanoski

Phil Bosha

# **HOLY NAME SOCIETY**

Our HNS will meet next Sunday, March 5th, after the 8:30am Mass in our church hall. New members are welcome.

# Lenten Schedule

**Mondays** "The Light is On For You" Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and opportunity for Confession from 5:30pm to 7:00pm (This will take the place of Thursday evening adoration.)

Fridays 7:00pm "Stations of the Cross"

Alternative times and locations for Stations of the Cross on Fridays: after 12:10 pm Mass at Holy Family in Luzerne and 5:30pm at St. Ignatius in Kingston.

# Sacrament of Reconciliation

We Celebrate Confession Saturdays from 3:25pm—3:45pm before the 4:00pm Vigil Mass. Also see above for "The Light Is On For You." You may request confession at any time by calling and making an appointment in the office.

# Lenten Pirohy

We'll be making Pirohy Saturday, **March 11th** beginning at 8:00am to ball potatoes, 9:00am for everyone else. They will be on Sale on Saturday, March 18th at 11:00am, they will be available on a First Come-First Served basis, no reservations or holds. They will be sold for \$12.00 per dozen. Those who help make the pirohy will be able to buy 2 dozen each time they come to help. So make plans to help us make them so you are guaranteed a taste.

# We've Got the Spirit And Are On A Mission!

Thank you for celebrating Commitment Sunday with us this weekend. Your commitment to our parish through our "We've Got the Spirit and Are On A Mission!" 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 https://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!

# Mark your Calendars...

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish is happy to announce the dates of this year's Summer Festival! Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, July 13, 14, and 15! More information in the weeks ahead...

Save the Date! Social Concerns Committee's **BINGO IS BACK!** 

Our SCC Bingo will be held on Sunday, April 23rd, in the school gymnasium. Admission is \$25.00 and includes 15 regular games and 5 specials. More details will be announced later.



# Religious Education for Children

Children in Grades 1-8

Saturday classes: 9:00am-10:15am Monday classes: 6:00pm-7:15pm

February classes: Monday: 27th

March classes: Saturday: 4, 11, 15, 25

Monday: 6, 13, 20, 27

**Confirmation Students:** Please hand in paperwork by March 6th. **1st Holy Communion parents**: Hand in forms as soon as possible.



# St. Patrick's Day Dispensation from Bishop Bambera

A dispensation from the Friday Lenten observance of abstaining from meat has been granted for those celebrating the Feast of Saint Patrick on Friday, March 17, 2023.

In keeping with the sacrificial nature of the Lenten season, I ask that all who receive this dispensation offer some act of charity for the well-being of God's holy people.

# Lenten Regulations

- Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years and older on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and all \*Fridays of Lent
- Fasting is to be observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by all Catholics over the age of 18 but not yet 59. Those bound by this may only take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

Catholics should not lightly excuse themselves from these prescribed minimal practices.

(Those who are ill, pregnant, on medication or special diets for health concerns, or those who work at extremely physical jobs may be exempt from these regulations)









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, gender identity or orientation, 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. We want to share our Roman Catholic way of life with you!

During this season of Lent we invite you to take a breath and a moment and keep these thoughts with you throughout the day. We'll jump start by listing the thoughts for today (Sunday). Check back for next week's thoughts for the day.

Spend a little time each day in devotion in God's unconditional love and mercy.

SUNDAY Just for today, I will strive to show compassion and share my smile.

MONDAY just for today, I will allow myself to be filled with the presence of God -- all that is good and and peaceful and joyful

TUESDAY Just for today, I will focus on forgiveness even what is unforgiveable.

WEDNESDAY Just for today, allow me to be quiet so that I may hear Your Voice O God.

THURSDAY Just for today, may I praise and adore Your Holy Name.

FRIDAY Just for today, What would You have me say? What would You have me do?

SATURDAY Just for today, let me recognize and admit my mistakes. Help me grow in humility.

#### LENTEN POTATO PANCAKE SALES AT ST. JOHN'S

St. John the Evangelist Parish, 35 William Street in Pittston, will be selling homemade Potato Pancakes on the Fridays of Lent except for St. Patrick's Day, March 17. Pancakes are 3 for \$5.00 with applesauce and sour cream available for an additional 50 cents each. Pre-orders and pre-payment only; orders must be placed by Thursday of each week by calling the parish office at 570-654-0053. Pick-up on Fridays (Feb. 24, Mar. 3, 10, 24 and 31) from 5-7 p.m. in the Pastoral Center auditorium entrance on Church Street.

#### Son of the Father - A Men's Retreat

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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. 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 -HourChild Abuse hotline (ChildLine) at 1-800-932-0313 or electronically at <a href="www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis">www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis</a>. 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 wellbeing. 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.



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# 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent

Many people make sacrifices to keep themselves in good physical condition through dieting, exercise, gym memberships and personal trainers. You can't help but marvel at the 5am jogger or the lunchtime walkers. Commitment to a physical routine helps build endurance, muscle tone and better health.

Lent is our time to get into better spiritual shape. Once we have determined the areas of our life where we need improvement, a spiritual routine will help us build spiritual endurance, resistance to sin and better spiritual health. Prayer, works of charity, practicing virtues and a personal commitment to faith are the best remedies to habitual sin, poor Christian attitude, and a failure to pray. A good Lenten practice will strengthen our awareness of God, our sense of faith and gratitude and our willingness to do good.

The decision to do something for Lent needs to be more than an endurance contest to quit something or give something up. Our focus is to grow in faith, to be better Catholics, and to practice what we believe. It is not about what we do, but who we are and what we become. What you do for Lent is answered by who you are for Easter. ~James Gaffney © Pilot Bulletins

# Collection Report

### Weekend of February 12, 2023

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**Diocesan:** Care & Educ. of Priests:

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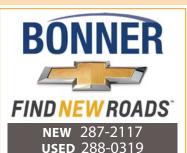




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