

Sixteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time July 23, 2017

The Seton Sentinel



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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

FROM FATHER JOE Wow!

That's my reaction to this year's Festival. It was Our Blessed Mother smiled upon us and amazing! delivered us from all of the foul weather that was predicted. The patron came out in droves and all of our volunteers were ready for them. A recipe for great success and that it was! Although the numbers are still raw, and we are not ready to report profits and expenses at this point, we can say we had record breaking receipts for the three days. More on the financial in weeks to come. As you know, the true success of the Festival comes down to you. Teamwork and your cooperation is what really makes the difference. Even with the threat of bad weather Thursday and Friday, people wanted to be here. They know that they will be treated well and have some of the best food our area has to offer at events like these. And again, it begins and ends with our committed volunteers! I cannot thank each of you enough for your contribution to this endeavor. It's the wonderful sense of community which you achieve with every opportunity which makes our parish so special. Once again, you should be very proud (with all due theological humility) of yourselves. I know I am. As I conclude my six year term here at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton this fall, I am left with only one word to describe my reaction: Wow! With all thanks to Almighty God through which every good thing begins and continues to fulfillment. I am very grateful to be part of this community. We'll have our celebratory party with all of you in the weeks ahead and then and now we'll raise a glass to all of you and celebrate once again, an over the top year and look forward to many more to come with God's help!

Thanks for the Wows! *Father Joe*

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Parish Staff

Cora Artim *Children's Choir*

Phil Bosha Maintenance

Chris Calore Maintenance

Scott Coates Contemporary Mass Musician

Sister Jane Ellis, IHM Pastoral Care Minister

Rev. Joseph J. Pisaneschi V.F *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



CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN MOTHERS

Our Christian Mothers invite all Seniors Citizens and the public to come hear Senior Supervisory Special Agent State Attorney General Office Janene M. Holter, on Sunday, August 20, 2017, at 1:00pm in the church hall. Topics include: Senior Crime Prevention, Issues include: Sweepstakes, Power of Attorney, Checks and Money Orders, and Home Improvements and more. Light Refreshments will be served.

SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE

VENDORS WANTED: The Social Concerns Committee is seeking Homemade Craft Vendors for its Annual Fall Craft Show, scheduled for Saturday, November 4, 2017, from 9am to 3pm. Please note that this year's show will feature only homemade crafts, not commercially produced items. For further information, please speak with one of the committee members or visit: www.setonpa.com and click on the "Fall Craft Show" button to download a copy of the Vendor Contract. We kindly request that you do not call the Church for information. Thank you!

The **Holy Family Food Pantry** has requested the following items: peanut butter, jelly, small boxes of rice, & instant mashed potatoes. Collection boxes are located in the church vestibule. Thank you for your generosity!

ALTAR SERVING TRAINING

Fr. Joe will be having an Altar Server Training sometime in August. Girls and boys in 3rd grade through 12th grade are welcome to volunteer for this sacred ministry. All school students are most welcome! Parents, please call Lori at the office if your child would like to sign up for the training class or if you have any questions.

CHURCH'S ANNULMENT PROCESS

Do you want to know more about the Annulment Process? In the Diocese of Scranton, the annulment process is now more "user friendly" than you might expect, and there is no longer a processing fee. Please contact your pastor or the Diocesan Tribunal Office at 570-207-2246, to begin a conversation. It is possible to get clear answers to these questions and to renew your connection with the Church.

XLT (Exalt!)

XLT will be held Friday, July 28th, from 7-9pm at Divine Mercy Parish, 312 Davis St., Scranton. The event, co-sponsored by the Diocesan Vocation Office and Office for Parish Life, will consist of Eucharistic Adoration, praise & worship music by Francis Zelinka (from Full Armour Band), a talk by Jimmy Lipko, reconciliation, and a social. All are welcome to attend. For more information, please call 570-780-2996.

Direct Contacts

Office of Pastoral Care (Sr. Jane): 570-763-5160 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:

SUMMER ACTIVITY CAMP

Under the direction of Mr. David Coassolo, the NEPA Warriors Athletic Association will be conducting a Summer Activity Camp August 7-11 for students entering grades 3-5, from 9am to 12noon. The camp will be held here at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Gymnasium. Cost is \$100. Registration forms are on the tables at the church entrance, or contact Mr. Coassolo at 570-677-8129 or gsagym@gsa.org.

LIFE LINE SCREENING will be here at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish on <u>Thursday, July 27</u>, offering safe, painless, non-invasive preventive health screenings that are typically not a part of a routine physical. The first 7 people to pre-register on the sign up sheet located in the Parish Office will receive a \$25 discount off any package priced at \$139 or more! Learn your risk of having stroke or vascular disease. There is no time like the present to take action.

.GOOD SHEPHERD ACADEMY INAUGURAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Monday, August 14, 2017, at Mount Airy Resort. Breakfast 7:30-8:15am, Shotgun start at 8:30am. Lunch buffet 1-2:30pm. \$100/golfer before July 15, \$125/golfer after July 15th. Hole sponsors: Platinum\$1000; Gold \$500; Silver\$250; Bronze \$100. Call Ann Marie at 570-479-7583 or email: skud22@verizon.net (Some forms are also available right here at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton parish office.)

ST. ANN'S SOLEMN NOVENA

St. Aloysius Church, St. Robert Bellarmine Parish, corner of Barney & Division Sts., Wilkes-Barre, will be hosting St. Ann's Solemn Novena, **July 18 to July 26 at 7pm nightly**. Father Richard Naleppa, C.P., from St. Paul of the Cross Provence Passionist Monastery, will be conducting this nightly Novena to St. Ann. All are welcome to join us in this 9 day Novena. The church is Handicap Accessible and Air Conditioned.

SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS FOR JULY 8/9

"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."

Sunday: \$6805.00 Loose: \$561.07 Holy Day: \$15.00 **TOTAL:** \$9563.97 Dues: \$1809.00 E-Giving: \$388.90

DIOCESAN: Peter's Pence: \$10.00 Care & Education of Priests (July): \$831.00

May God Reward Your Tremendous Generosity to our Parish Community

SWOYERSVILLE COMMUNITY AMBULANCE

Chicken Barbeque, Car, & Bike Show Vendor Fair will take place on **Saturday, August 19th**, from 11am to 5pm, at 99 Scott St., Swoyersville. Cars & Bikes: \$10, Vendors: \$25. Contact 570-287-8360 or *spcaa579* @*hotmail.com* PRIZES, RAFFLES, 50/50, GREAT FOOD, FREE ADMISSION!

SACRED HEART POLISH PICNIC IN DUPONT

Fr. Petro and the parishioners of Sacred Heart Church invite you to attend their annual picnic on the church grounds, 215 Lackawanna Ave., Dupont. It will be held August 3, 4, & 5. Times: Thursday & Friday 6 to 11pm and Saturday from 5 to 11pm. The food offerings include: pierogi, golombki (pigs in the blanket), halushki, kielbasa, and placki (potato pancakes). Pizza, hot dogs, & sausage are also part of the venue. The men and women of the parish prepare the food. This picnic offers delicious ethnic foods, theme baskets, games of chance, a beer tent, and great polka music nightly.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST PARISH ANNUAL 18TH BAZAAR

August 10th to August 12th on the church grounds on William St., Pittston. Nightly entertainment! Ethnic foods & baked goods, booths, raffles, children's games, Bingo, & a HUGE flea market.

ST. MICHAEL'S BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

205 N. Main St., Pittston, is having their 21st Annual Flea Market & Ziti Dinner on **August 5th & 6th**. Flea Market hours are Sat. 9am to 4pm, and Sunday 9am to 3pm. The Ziti Dinner will be Saturday 12pm to 4pm and Sunday 10am to 3pm. Take-outs are available. The cost of the Dinner is \$10/Adults and \$6/Children. We will also have a Bake Sale, Ethnic Foods, Lunch items, & Refreshments. All are welcome! We are in need of items for our Flea Market. If anyone has any items (large or small) they want to donate, please call Mike at 570-704-6520 or Linda 570-905-7387.

Little Sisters of the Poor Present "Nunsense II: The Second Coming"

Saturday, August 5th at 7pm & Sunday, August 6th at 2pm, at Holy Family Residence, 2500 Adams Ave., Scranton. Tickets for the show are \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door and available at ourcabaret.com, or by calling 1-800-838-3006. Seating is limited, so advance tickets are recommended.

ST. IGNATIUS CHURCH-GRANDMA'S ATTIC

Grandma's Attic is quickly approaching. Don't forget to drop off your donations at CONLAN HALL on Monday, July 24, from 8am-1pm, & 5:30-7:30pm, and Tuesday, July 25, from 8am-1pm. Please do NOT include clothing, bedding, computer monitors, TVs, or furniture in your donations. Household items of all kinds, dishes, books, CDs, toys, games, small appliances, jewelry, purses, shoes, etc will be gratefully accepted. Sale begins in Conlan Hall on Thursday, July 27th from 8am to 1pm & 6 to 8pm. Friday, July 28th from 8am to 1pm, & Saturday, July 29th (Bag Day) from 8am to noon. Bake Sale & lunch items available. Anyone who can donate baked goods is asked to drop them off on Thursday & Friday during sale hours. Thank you for your support.

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH BINGO

Holy Family Church, Bennett St., Luzerne, is sponsoring a BINGO on Sunday, August 6th, at 2:00pm. Doors open at noon. Admission is \$2.00. There will be a Bake Sale, food & refreshments, door prizes, and Basket Raffle.

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-HourChild 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).

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Announced Masses for the Week

Monday, July 24St. Sharbel Makhluf8:00 a.m.James DougalasWife & Family

Tuesday July25St. James8:00 a.m.Robert Brennan

Aunt, Irene Gulla

Wednesday July 26Ss. Joachim and Anne8:00 a.m.Dolores YanchickLee & Norma Zurner

Thursday July 27 8:00 a.m. Health & Blessings for Deacon Jack & Karen Ziegler

Friday July 28 8:00 a.m. Health & Blessings for Linda Smihura Toohey

JoAnn Stoico

Social Concerns Committee

Saturday July 29Vigil 17th Sunday of Ordinary Time4:00 p.m.John M. LudwikowskiMark & Jane5;30 p.m.John R. HovanWife & Family

Sunday July	30 Set	venteenth Sunday o	f Ordinary Time
8:30 a.m.	Felix Wawer		Son, Felix
10:00 a.m.	Bernard Chipego	Sr.	Wife, Violet
11:30 a.m.	John J. Vanyo		Jim & Mary Beth Siracuse
5:30 p.m.	Pro Populo		-

RECENTLY DEPARTED

~~*Margaret Sieminski*~~May her soul and all the souls of the Faithful Departed through the Mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

SANCTUARY CANDLES

~~In Memory of Chester Kuzma offered by brother, Charles Kuzma ~~Special Intention

BAPTISM SUNDAY

CONGRATULATIONS and God's Blessings upon ~~*Avery Grace Davis*~~and her family. She will be reborn by water and the Holy Spirit today after the 11:30am Mass.

PRAYER TO ST. ANN, MOTHER OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

With a heart full of sincere and filial veneration, I prostrate myself before You, O Blessed Saint Ann. You are that beloved and privileged creature who, because of your extraordinary virtue and sanctity did deserve of God that chief of graces, of giving life to the treasury of grace, the Blessed among women, the Mother of the Incarnate Lord, the Blessed Virgin Mary. Ah, In consideration of such exalted favors, please O most tender saint, receive me among the number of your truly devoted servants, for such I profess to be and wish to remain for the rest of my life. Surround me with your efficacious patronage and obtain for me a knowledge of my sins and sorrow for them, an ardent love of Jesus and Mary, and a faithful and constant observance of the duties of my state in life. Save me from all dangers in life and assist me at the hour of my death that I may safely reach Paradise, there to praise with you, most happy Mother, the Word of God made man in the womb of your most pure daughter, the Blessed Virgin Mary. Amen. Priest's Schedule <u>Saturday, July 22</u> 4:00 pm—Fr. Urban 5:30 pm Fr. Pisaneschi <u>Sunday, July 23</u> 8:30 am—Fr. Ray 10:00 am—Fr. Pisaneschi 11:30 am-Fr. Urban 5;30 pm—Fr. Ray

SAINT ELIZABETH ANN SETON, PRAY FOR US!

