

# SETON SENTINEL

February | 1 | 2026

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time



"Jesus began to teach them, saying: 'Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.'" Matthew 5:2-3

**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

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## ***Confessions:***

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



# Worship

## Intention

## Requested by

### **Monday, February 2**

No Daily Mass

### **Tuesday, February 3**

8:00am Bill Quinn

Wife & Family

### **Wednesday, February 4**

No Daily Mass

### **Thursday, February 5**

8:00am Barbara Jasulevicz

Sister-in-law & Brother-in-law

### **Friday, February 6**

8:00am Ronald Hrubowchak

Dan & Jean Miller

### **Saturday, February 7**

4:00pm Michael Chisarick

John Goryl

### **Sunday, February 8**

8:30am Joe & Eleanor Lipinski

Son, Joe & Family

11:00am Virginia Engle

Susan Bayer

5:30pm Adolph, Mary & Anna Marie Jarensky

Beverly & Nickolas



### **ROSARY FOR VOCATIONS**



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

### **ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**



*Please join us on  
**FRIDAY MORNINGS** from  
**8:30-10:00am** in the church.*

*Come spend some quiet time with Jesus,  
adoring Him in the Blessed Sacrament.*

### **SANCTUARY CANDLE INTENTIONS**



~~In Memory of~~ **Kristy Chervy**~~ offered by  
Marijo & Mary Mack

~~In Memory of~~ **Jule & Stephen Pacovsky**~~  
offered by Jerry & Marion





## Parish Staff

Rev. John J. Chmil

**Pastor**

Rev. Anthony Urban

**Assisting Celebrant**

Deacon John Bankus

Deacon John (Jack) Ziegler

**Permanent Deacons**

Lori Raymond

**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

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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**



## Religious Education classes

**Saturday classes:** Feb: 7,21,28 (no class on Feb 14th, Presidents' Weekend)

**Monday classes:** Feb: 2,9,23 (no class on Feb. 16th, Presidents' Weekend)

## LENTEN PIROHY-MAKING DATE



We are making Lenten pirohy on Saturday, February 7th. Potato ballers come at 7am and pinchers at 8:15am. Sale dates are February 14th & 15th after all masses, while supplies last. Cost is \$12/dozen.



## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

### ASH WEDNESDAY

### RED CLAM CHOWDER SALE

Our Kof C will be having their famous Red Clam Chowder Sale on Ash Wednesday, February 18th, in our school cafeteria. Cost is \$10/quart---pay at the door. Sign up sheets are on the tables at the church hall entrance. Pick up times are after the 7:30am ashes, 11am to 1pm, & 4pm to 6pm. Or call Mark Perugino at 570-262-2896 to place your order.

BLESSED ARE THE POOR IN SPIRIT FOR THEIRS IS THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN

BLESSED ARE THEY WHO MOURN FOR THEY WILL BE COMFORTED

BLESSED ARE THE MEEK FOR THEY WILL INHERIT THE LAND

BLESSED ARE THEY WHO HUNGER AND THIRST FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS FOR THEY WILL BE SATISFIED

BLESSED ARE THE MERCIFUL FOR THEY WILL BE SHOWN MERCY

BLESSED ARE THE CLEAN OF HEART FOR THEY WILL SEE GOD

BLESSED ARE THE PEACEMAKERS FOR THEY WILL BE CALLED CHILDREN OF GOD

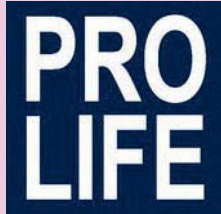
BLESSED ARE THEY WHO ARE PERSECUTED FOR THE SAKE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS FOR THEIRS IS THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN

BLESSED ARE YOU WHEN THEY INSULT YOU AND PERSECUTE YOU AND UTTER EVERY KIND OF EVIL AGAINST YOU BECAUSE OF ME REJOICE AND BE GLAD FOR YOUR REWARD WILL BE GREAT IN HEAVEN THUS THEY PERSECUTED THE PROPHETS WHO WERE BEFORE YOU



What a great day on Friday, January 9th! We really had amazing results! We are in such a critical need from the holidays and all of the snow days, that this was an incredible help to our supply.

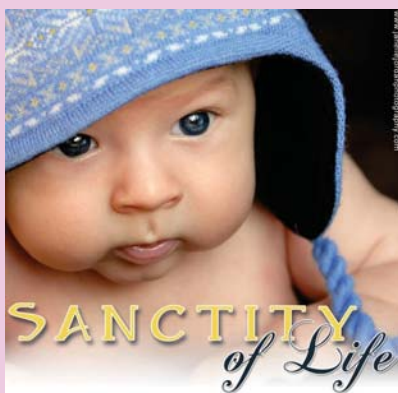
Thank you to everyone that helped make this drive possible several times a year! Here are the results from the day: 29 signed up, 26 presented, 0 potential matches identified for a sickle cell patient, one first-time donor, 4 unable to donate, one donor on power red collecting, 22 total donations collection on our goal of 20!!! Each donation can help more than one person! Our next drive is Friday, May



Our **Pro Life Ministry** meets on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7pm (currently) in the school cafeteria .

“A society is all the more human to the degree that it cares effectively for its most frail and suffering members, in a spirit of fraternal love. Let us strive to achieve this goal, so that no one will feel alone, excluded or abandoned.”

Pope Francis, Message for the 29th World Day of the Sick 2021 ©2020, Libreria Editrice Vaticana Used with permission. All rights reserved.



## Lenten Men's Retreat

March 13-14, 2026

Holy Transfiguration Retreat Center  
1000 Seminary Rd, Dalton, PA

Includes Mass, Adoration, and Reconciliation

\$85 meals and accommodations, \$60 commuters, \$50 students

Register online at [www.beacatholicman.com](http://www.beacatholicman.com)

Questions? Call Joe Adcroft at 570-380-5070

## DOS CATHOLIC MINISTRIES

### APPEAL 2025-2026

GOAL: \$72,234

TOTAL COMMITTED: \$48,688.16

% TO GOAL: 67.40%

BALANCE TO ACHIEVE GOAL: \$23,545.84

# OF DONORS: 282 25.18% of parishioners

## WEEKLY OFFERING

Weekend of JANUARY 17/18, 2026

REGULAR: \$8581.00 DUES: \$1935.00

Christmas (additional): \$80.00 Assessment: \$232.00

Building & Maintenance: \$1188.00

Holy Day, Solemnity of Mary: \$3.00

Diocesan: Care & Education of Priests: \$57.00

*Thank you & may God bless you abundantly!*

## Ways to Give:



Online: [www.setonpa.com](http://www.setonpa.com)

US MAIL to: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish  
116 Hughes St., Swoyersville, PA 18704

## CHORAL SOCIETY SCHEDULES LENTEN CONCERT

In a 70 year tradition of inspiring prayer and meditation through music, the Catholic Choral Society will present their annual Lenten Concert at Shavertown United Methodist Church, 163 north Pioneer Avenue, Shavertown, PA.

The concert will be held on Sunday, March 1st at 3PM. In addition to the Choral Society, the concert will feature selections by the parish choir of Shavertown Methodist Church; director Nancy Evans. Ann Manganello is music director of the Catholic Choral Society and Linda Houck is accompanist. The concerts are open to the public free of charge. There will be a good will offering.

**SCHOLARSHIP AWARD TIME** We are happy to offer our 2026 Swoyersville Kiwanis Scholarship Awards to graduating high school seniors. There will be 3 awards in the amount of \$1300 each and will be awarded to assist in furthering the education of our high school seniors. In addition to our 3 awards there will once again be an award in the amount of \$1000 given in memory of long time Swoyersville residents Gene and Eleanor Breznay. To be eligible for all awards, graduating students must reside in Swoyersville, Luzerne or Forty Fort. Applications are available by contacting S. Urzen at 570-606-1153 (call or text) or email [k-swoyer@comcast.net](mailto:k-swoyer@comcast.net). Return applications must be post-marked by March 4<sup>th</sup>. Letters will be sent to the winners by mail on March 13th. Winners are judged on financial need, community service, school involvement and studies. Scholarship Award winners and their families will be invited to a celebration dinner in their honor, details will be provided with winner notification.

### SWOYERSVILLE KIWANIS NITE AT THE RACES

SATURDAY, March 7th, at right here at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton School cafeteria, Hughes St., Swoyersville. Doors open at 6pm and post time is 7pm. Horses are \$15 which includes admission or just come on out and enjoy the night for \$10 admission. Get your horse in our program--by February 28th. Horses after the deadline may not be in program, but will be written in a race. Also, limited horses will be available at the door. The night will be full of fun & good food, refreshments, instant bingo, 50/50 drawing in between races. Proceeds benefit St. Joseph's Center, Little League team sponsorship, Feed a Friend, Valley Santa & many other youth groups, organizations & community projects. Must be at least 21 years of age. Call/text 570-762-1985 or email: [GKBreznay@comcast.net](mailto:GKBreznay@comcast.net) or [swoyk1951@comcast.net](mailto:swoyk1951@comcast.net). Talk to a member & Venmo your funds to: Swoy-Kiwanis

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-Hour Child Abuse hotline (ChildLine) at 1-800-932-0313 or electronically at [www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis](http://www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis). 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.

## 2025 FINANCIAL STATEMENT REQUEST

### PLEASE, NO PHONE CALLS

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