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October | 11 | 2026

28th Sunday in
Ordinary Time

*I can do
all things
through Christ
who strengthens
me.*

Philippians 4:13

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
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appointment



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Worship

Intention

Monday, October 12 *Columbus Day*

9:00am Roman Ziegler

Tuesday, October 13

8:00am Donald Oravic

Wednesday, October 14

No Daily Mass

Thursday, October 15

8:00am Deceased Members of Jankoviak Family

Friday, October 16

8:00am Wanda Romanowski

SATURDAY, October 17

4:00pm Mary Ann Kosisher

SUNDAY, October 18

8:30am John Brown

11:00am Frank Wachala

5:30pm **Pro Populo**

Requested by

Wife, Dorothy & Family

Mother

Family

Family

Robert & Barbara Jo Asklar

Wife & Family

Rick & Diane Frusciante

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Pray for us!

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 CANDLES

~~In Memory of ~~**Rose Marie Selensky**~~ offered by sister, Gerry

~~In Memory of ~~**Rich Evanoski**~~ offered Betsy & Family

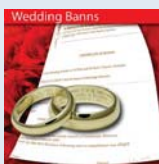
FLOWERS THIS WEEKEND

~~In Memory of ~~**Deceased Members of Jankoviak Family**~~
offered by Family

RECENTLY DEPARTED

~~**Willard "Andy" Davis**~~ **Genevieve Dotter**~~

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 & God's Blessings upon

~~**Devin Dougherty & Jillian Rogers**~~

who were married on Saturday, October 10, 2026.

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

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Joseph Sabol

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Scott Coates

Accompanist

Pat Quinn

Office Assistant

Sacristans and Maintenance

Chris Calore

Director of Maintenance

Charles Cook

Trudy Brown

Pat Quinn

Betsy Evanoski

Phil Bosh

Office Hours

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

CLOSED FRIDAY

Weekends and Evenings
by appointment.

570-287-6624



Our Religious Ed Classes have begun. Classes are held on Monday evenings from 6pm to 7:15pm. It is not too late to register. Please call Lori with any questions: 570-287-6624.

CLASSES FOR OCTOBER: 19,26

NO CLASS: 12th (Columbus Day)

7th Grade Pre-Confirmation Enrollment Mass: Students & parents attend Sunday, October 18th, 5:30pm Mass, followed by parent meeting in church hall-students welcome

8th Grade Confirmation Class: Students & Parents attend Sunday, October 25th, 5:30pm mass, followed by parent meeting in church hall-students welcome.

2nd Grade First Holy Communion Parent meeting, Thursday, November 5th, 6pm, in church hall-students welcome.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Children's Choir will begin on Monday, October 19th, from 5:15pm to 6pm in the church. All voices are welcome!!!

SAVE THE DATES! ADVENT PIROHY MAKING

We will be making pierogies on the following dates:
Saturday, October 17th and Saturday, October 31st.
Potato ballers come at 7am and pinchers at 8:15am.

Catholic Ministries Appeal 2026-27

Thank you to all parishioners who have already made a commitment to this year's Appeal. We invite all parishioners who have not yet made a gift this year to make a commitment to this year's Appeal. Commitments made now can be paid through June 30, 2027. Our goal this year is \$75,247. By supporting the Appeal, you help sustain vital ministries across the 11 counties of the Diocese of Scranton. United in faith and hope, we are able to care for the needs of our neighbors throughout Northeastern and North Central PA. Envelopes are on the tables at the church entrance.



You can now watch all St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Masses on YOUTUBE on your TV. Go to YOUTUBE on your TV and search: @SEASVideoNEPA

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC????? Or are you Catholic but need to receive 1st Eucharist or Confirmation? If you are, then let us know! St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish will be offering weekly faith formation sessions for adults & young adults who are interested in becoming Catholic, as well as Baptized Catholics who have not yet received 1st Holy Communion or Confirmation. Sessions begin in mid-September & conclude in late March. Through prayer, discussion, & study, participants deepen their understanding of the Catholic faith & prepare to receive the sacraments. If interested, please contact Lori at the Parish office: 570-287-6624. We would love to hear from you & have the opportunity to accompany you on your continuing journey of faith.

CHRISTIAN MOTHERS RUMMAGE SALE

Sale dates are: Monday, Oct 12th, 9-5, and Tuesday, Oct. 13th, 9-3. ***Don't miss it!***

BAKED GOODS NEEDED! PLEASE DROP OFF BAKED GOOD ITEMS THE MORNINGS OF THE SALE. THANK YOU!

BLUE CHIP FARM ANIMAL REFUGE COLLECTION

Our Social Concerns Committee is sponsoring a donation drive for Blue Chip Farm Animal Rescue. Please place items in the large box in the vestibule. Items needed: dishwashing liquid, simple green cleaner, latex free disposable gloves, paper towels, toilet paper, garbage bags, poop bags, blankets (no comforters or afghans), sheets, towels (new or used), Odoban, bleach, Lysol spray/wipes, sharpies, bottled water, manila folders, pill pockets, pre-paid fuel cards.

Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

DOS CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL 2026-2027

GOAL: \$75,247

TOTAL COMMITTED: \$21,995.00

% TO GOAL: 29.23%

BALANCE TO ACHIEVE GOAL: \$53,252.00

HELP US MEET OUR GOAL!

WEEKLY OFFERING

Weekend of September 26/27, 2026

REGULAR \$6887.58

DUES: \$848.00

Assessment: \$35.00

Day's Wage: \$45.00

e-offering Reg: \$103.22 Dues: \$15.00

DIOCESAN: Care & Education \$15.00

Thank you & may God bless you abundantly!

Ways to Give:



Online: www.setonpa.com

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

OFFICE CLOSED

*Our parish office will closed this Monday,
October 12th, in observance of Columbus Day.
Fr. John will answer all emergency calls.*

***Please note: Daily mass on Monday will
be at 9:00am***

ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON PARISH NEEDS YOU!!!!

EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION AND ALTAR SERVERS

Our parish is need of more Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Altar Servers. If you are interested in serving our parish as an EM or Altar Server, please call Lori at the office to sign up.

Fr. John and Deacon John will have Training classes for these ministries in the near future. Students can be Altar Servers once they have received the Sacrament of First Holy Communion. You can become an Altar Server up to 12th grade.



HELP WANTED: DIOCESE OF SCRANTON PAYROLL & BENEFIT GENERALIST

This position will process designated payrolls, coordinate insurance & benefit administration, maintain time & attendance recordkeeping & provide a general level of administrative support for the office.

The successful candidate must be a team player who possesses strong communication skills with a customer service approach. Computer proficiency, attention to detail & the ability to maintain confidentiality are all required. Visit our website at : www.dioceseofscranton.org to review a more comprehensive job description. Applicants are asked to submit a cover letter with salary requirements & a complete resume with references by October 16, 2026, to: James Burke, Diocesan Secretary for Human Resources, 300 Wyoming Ave., Scranton, PA 18503 or email: jburke@dioceseofscranton.org

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Thursday, Oct. 15th-Finance Council meeting at 6:30pm in the rectory

Thursday, Oct. 15th-Social Concerns meeting at 6:30pm in the church hall

Tuesday, Oct. 20th, Knights of Columbus meeting at 7pm in the church hall

Thursday, Oct 21st, Pro-Life Ministry meeting at 7pm in the church hall

Sunday, Oct. 25th, Christian Mothers meeting at 2pm in the church hall

Sunday, Nov. 1st, Holy Name Society meeting after the 8:30am Mass in church hall

Thursday, November 5th, Art & Environment meeting at 6:30pm in the church

On Tuesday, October 27th, at 6pm, St. Monica Parish, 363W. 8th St., West Wyoming, will welcome Maryann Lawhon to speak on the story of the "Voice of John" and "John's Ongoing Ministry". All life is precious in the sight of God. This ministry reaches out with love and tenderness to all who are facing the many Life Issues of our time and will be outlined by our speaker. Light refreshments will be provided. Parking, entry and handicapped accessibility are behind the church. We hope you join us for this inspirational event.



COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish
Church Hall

Friday, October 16, 2026,
12:30pm to 5pm

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RUMMAGE SALE



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MONDAY, October 12: 9am-5pm

**TUESDAY, October 13: 9am-3pm
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HOLY NAME SOCIETY THANKSGIVING CASH RAFFLE

Get your tickets while they last! Members of our HNS will be selling their *Thanksgiving Cash Raffle tickets* before & after all masses in the church vestibule this weekend (& continuing each weekend until all tickets are sold). Tickets are \$5.00 each & all proceeds benefit the Annual Easter Egg Hunt for the children of our parish. **First Prize is \$1000.00**
2nd & 3rd prizes are \$400.00 each.

Drawing is on Sunday, November 22, 2026, after the 8:30am mass. Winner need not be present.

SWOYERSVILLE TRUNK OR TREAT

The Swoyersville Kiwanis Club, the Knights of Columbus of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, & the Swoyersville Parks & Recreation Board are coming together to create a fun afternoon on Sunday, October 25th, from 1 to 3pm at the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church & School grounds, Hughes St. Swoyersville. Local businesses, organizations, & residents are invited to take part by uniquely decorating their trunks or tailgate with tricks & treats for kids of all ages. Dressing in costume is also encouraged for all attending or displaying a vehicle. All vehicles are eligible to win "BDT" prizes--Best Dressed Trunk, which is chosen by all children attending. All vehicles must be registered, must fit into a standard parking space & must provide their own candy or prizes for the children. All treats must be in original factory packaging. NO homemade treats allowed. All children will have a chance to win prizes in the Ghou! Count Contest, and they will also have a chance to visit the "Kiwanis BOO'ks for You" table & take some reading home to enjoy. To register your vehicle or for more info, call or text Anita at 570-606-1248 or swoyk1951@comcast.net

CASH/GIFT CARD BINGO

SUNDAY, October 18th, sponsored by the Christian Women of Our Lady of Hope Parish, 40 Park Ave., Wilkes-Barre, from 1 to 4pm in Ava Maria Hall. Doors open at noon. Admission is \$20 in advance,--\$25 at the door. Come join the fun. Gift baskets, instant bingo & refreshments available. Contact Andrea at 570-606-7463 or Sue 570-852-5303 for tickets or more info.

COMMUNION OF SAINTS PARISH NOVENA TO ST. JUDE--- PATRON SAINT OF HOPELESS CASES & THINGS DESPAIRED

Monday, Oct 19 through Wednesday, October 28th. All masses & services will be held at St. Mary Help of Christians Church, 535 N. Main St., Pittston. Daily Mass at 12 noon (Mon-Sat), Sunday Mass at 8am. Sung evening prayer at 7pm (Mon-Fri), Confession Mon-Sat. at 11:30am, Rosary before each 12 noon mass. Blessing with St. Jude Relic after all masses & services. Call 570-654-0053 for more info.

SCRANTON PREP SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE: October 18th from 12noon to 4pm. Registration is required at www.scrantonprep.org/openhouse. 7th & 8th grade students & their families are encouraged to attend. Please call 570-941-PREP or email: admissions@scrantonprep.org with any questions.

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