

Seton Sentinel

May | 14 | 2023

The Sixth Sunday of Easter



Mother's Day

Special Intentions

Sanctuary Candle Intentions:

~In Memory of **Victoria Selensky Ondish** offered by daughter, Gerry

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



BREAD & WINE OFFERING

In Loving Memory of **Vincent Krajnak** offered by his wife, Fran



Eucharist Schedule and Intentions

	<u>Intention</u>	<u>Requested By</u>
Monday, May 15		
8:00am	Mother's Day Intentions	
Tuesday, May 16		
8:00am	Jack Romanowski	Mike & Carol Romanowski
Wednesday, May 17		
8:00am	Alice Skiengel	Sister Mary Sninsky, OSF
4:00pm	James Powers	John & Judy Bankus
Thursday, May 18		
8:00am	Walter Palmer	Family
6:00pm	Dolores DeBalko	Pauline Yuhas
Friday, May 19		
8:00am	Mother's Day Intentions	
Saturday, May 20		
4:00pm	William Coniglio	Wife, Joan & Children
Sunday, May 21		
8:30am	Health & Blessings for John & Carol Hrobaski in honor of their 60th Wedding Anniversary & Corinne's 55th birthday	
11:00am	Deceased and Living Members of the Confraternity of Christian Mothers	
5:30pm	Pro Populo	



Eucharistic Adoration Thursday

Join us for Adoration on **Thursday evenings from 6:00pm to 8:00pm** in church. Come spend a few mins., or longer with The Blessed Sacrament. This Thursday, May 19th, Adoration will follow the 6:00pm Mass.

Ascension Thursday May 18th

This Thursday is the ***Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord***, 40 Days after Easter, a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses will be on Wednesday (vigil) 4:00pm, Thursday 8:00am, and 6:00pm.

In order to prevent unnecessary duplication of masses, our neighboring parishes offer masses at the following times each weekday for your convenience: St. Ignatius (7:30am) Holy Family (12:10pm). If our parish's Holy Day Schedule does not work for you, please attend mass at another parish.



Religious Education for Children

Practices for Confirmation: Wednesday, May 24th at 6pm, and Thursday, May 25th, 6pm with sponsors Sunday, May 28, 2023 Confirmation 11am Mass Confirmation Students: Please return paperwork now.

Our First Holy Communion and May Crowning held last weekend went very well, thanks to all the help Fr. Joe and I were blessed with. First, thanks to the 18 precious children and their parents for being so faithful. Thanks to Marie Stefanides (other 2nd grade teacher), and Jim and Mary McGrath (catechists), who helped with practices and the days of the events. And thank you to Trudy Brown, who helped decorate; and to Chris Calore and John Sartin, who helped get everything in place. We couldn't have done it without you! *Lori*

Pro-Life Baby Bottle Project

Baby bottles are due back this weekend. Thank you for supporting the Wilkes-Barre Pro-Life Center and the innocent lives they protect and serve.

FESTIVAL MEETING

Monday, May 15th, 7pm in the church hall. All interested parties are urged to attend. We are in particular need of people who would like to play a more active role in the Festival this year. Your help would be extremely appreciated. Come, see where you can lend a hand. Your participation is vital to the success of the Festival. More festival news in the weeks to come. Thank you!

Cemetery Clean-up

It's that time of year to clean up the cemeteries and prepare for spring and grass-cutting season. We ask that you please remove all items (this includes wreaths, any artificial flowers, statues of any kind, candles or solar lights, ant theme flags) from the grave sites by May 15th. This does not include the American Flag. This is not only a Diocesan Cemetery rule, but a safety issue. After this date, all items will be removed and discarded. Please note, we are not responsible for any items left at the grave sites after May 15th. Thank you for your cooperation.

THANK YOU FROM THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Our KofC thanks everyone who supported their Chicken BBQ dinner last weekend. The dinner was a huge success! See you in the Fall!

CATHOLIC CHORAL SOCIETY SCHEDULES SPRING CONCERTS

The annual spring concerts of the Catholic Choral Society of Scranton will be presented on Friday evening, May 19 at 7:00 PM at Mary Mother of God Parish at Holy Rosary Church at 316 William Street in Scranton and on Sunday evening, May 21 at 7:00 PM at the Church of St. Ignatius Loyola at 339 N. Maple Ave., Kingston, PA. On Friday evening, May 19, at Holy Rosary Church, the Choral Society will host the Valley View Middle School Choir. On Sunday evening, May 21, at St. Ignatius Loyola Church, the Choral Society will host the Holy Redeemer Concert Choir under the direction of Ms. Ann Manganiello. Tickets: Adults \$10.00 – Seniors and students \$8.00 – Singers and ages 12 and under free.

We've Got the Spirit and Are On a Mission

NOTE OF GRATITUDE

God's love certainly unites us!

This is evident in the parish response to our recent annual stewardship outreach. THANK YOU! I am humbled and grateful for your commitment to St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, especially during challenging times. Through your commitment, our parish remains vibrant, engaged and Christ-centered in the Eucharist and in serving one another.

God's work is never done! Your prayerful response both materially and spiritually is setting the groundwork for a path forward as we plan for the future of our parish and continuation of critical ministries and service programs. St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish continues to grow as a strong, faith-filled stewardship community because of parishioners like you!

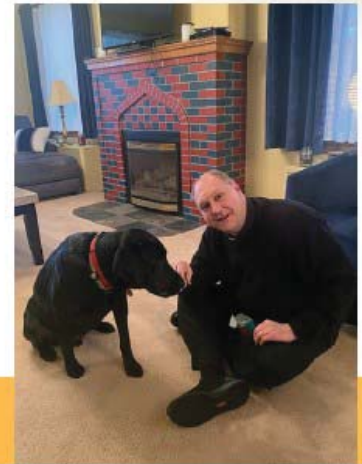
As your Pastor, I thank you for your generosity, prayers, and ongoing commitment.

Humbly Yours in Christ,



Fr. Joe
Pastor

ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON
PARISH



Highlights

\$90,594.66 **\$17,705**

in additional offertory commitments
(contributions not yet realized)

committed in one-time gifts

53%

response rate from those actively supporting the parish

6

new families welcomed into our parish community

27

additional electronic giving participants

If you have not yet renewed your commitment to our parish, please return your commitment card within the next few weeks. We are looking for 100% participation from our parish families! Each response makes a huge impact!

We Invite You To:

Love Your Parish

Joyfully worship and make the Eucharist our core and Summit

- Attend Mass
- Attend Adoration
- Actively participate in the Liturgy
- Pray with others

Love Your Savior

Develop and grow a personal relationship with Christ

- Through scripture and Bible study
- Celebrate the Sacraments
- Join a book study, small group, or class
- Pray to find Christ in everything and to grow in faith

Love Your Neighbor

God asks us to share our gifts for the good of others

- Join a parish ministry
- Volunteer to charitable causes
- Practice corporal works of mercy
- Give in faithful response as a generous steward



To the parents of young children:

Relax! God put the wiggle in children. Don't feel like you have to suppress it in God's house. Sit towards the front where it's easier for your little ones to see and hear what's going on. They tire of seeing the backs of heads. Quietly explain the parts of the service. Sing, pray, and voice responses. Children learn by copying your involvement! If you have to leave the service with your child, feel free to do so, but come back! As Jesus said, "let the little children come to me." Remember that the way we welcome children in church directly affects the way they respond to the Church, to God, and to one another. Let them know that they are at home here.

To the members of our congregation:

The presence of children is a gift to the Church and a reminder that our congregation is growing. Please welcome our children and give a smile of encouragement to their parents.

GFT Scholarship Awards 2023

We are pleased to announce the 5th annual GFT Scholarship Awards in honor of former members of the Parish. **The scholarships are open to SEAS parishioners who are graduating high school in 2023.** Two scholarships are granted for either a two or four year period, depending on the student's choice of a college or university. The scholarship amount is \$2500 for each year of study. Application instructions can be found on the SEAS website, setonpa.com, under GFT Awards. **The deadline for applications is May 22.** Award winners will be announced in late June.



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If you are currently a member at another council, & wish to transfer here to our council, you can do so by just filling out one of our forms. To sign up or more info., call/text Grand Knight Mark Perugino at 570-262-2896. Or you may contact any of our other officers: Deputy Grand Knight Chris Libus, Chancellor John Dolan, Recorder Dave Miller, Treasurer Mike Shendock, Advocate Bob Artim, Warden Al Kirchner, Inside Guard Eric Kirchner, Outside Guard John Bankus Jr., Trustees Deacon John Bankus Sr., Charley Jones, Jim LaNunziata, Financial Secretary Jim McGrath, Lector Chuck Jankoviak. We are a band of brothers, a network of men in communities around the world dedicated to doing good in the service of God and our neighbor.

MOTHER'S DAY PRAYER

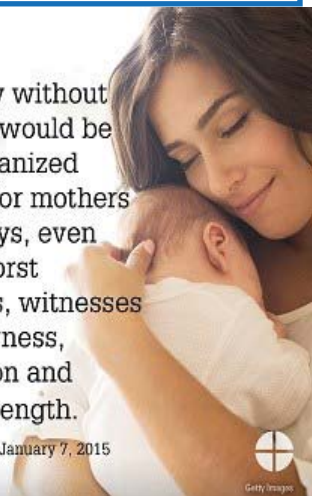
Loving God, as a mother gives life and nourishment to her children, so you watch over your Church. Bless our mother. Let the example of her faith and love shine forth. Grant that we, her family, may honor her always with a spirit of profound respect. Grant this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.



A society without mothers would be a dehumanized society, for mothers are always, even in the worst moments, witnesses of tenderness, dedication and moral strength.

—Pope Francis, January 7, 2015



Office Hours

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

CLOSED FRIDAY
Weekends and Evenings
by appointment.

Our Parish Offices will be **closed this Thursday, May 18th in observance of the Ascension of the Lord.** Please hold all unnecessary rectory business until Monday, May 22nd. Emergency calls will be attended to at any time as usual. Father's extension is 105.



Mary, mother of Jesus, pray for us.

Today's Music

4:00pm, 8:30 & 11:00am

60 S Lover of Us All
105 S Most Loving Mother
102 S No Greater Love
103 S O Mary Our Mother

5:30pm

164 B Alleluia, Love Is Alive
109 S Ave Maria
143 B As I Have Done for You
110 S I Sing A Maid

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

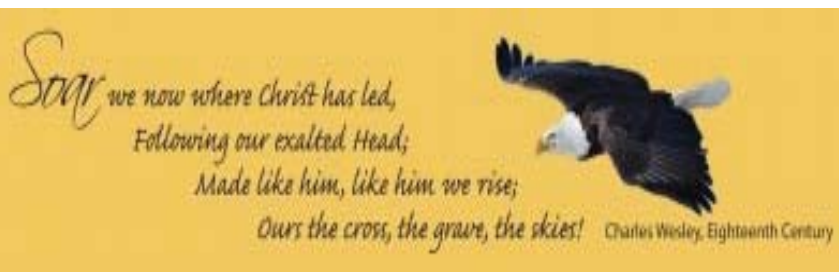
Saturday, June 10, 2023 at Marywood University
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Link for Online Giving

We have changed over to Our Sunday Visitor Envelopes and Offertory System which includes our online giving option. Unfortunately, if you give online you will need to click on the new link on our website or follow the link below and re-register. The link is: <https://www.osvhub.com/setonpa/giving/funds>

Step by step directions will follow once you register and if you need help please contact Lori in the office. Thank you for your past online giving, and we hope this is a viable option for you to try or continue in the future. Please note that on our new OSV online giving, there are two options for where you want your donation to go. Click on **CHURCH CONTRIBUTIONS** for regular Sunday offering, and click on **EXTRA CONTRIBUTIONS** for Dues.



Ways to Give:



Online @ setonpa.com



Mail to: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish
116 Hughes Street
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Weekend of April 30th

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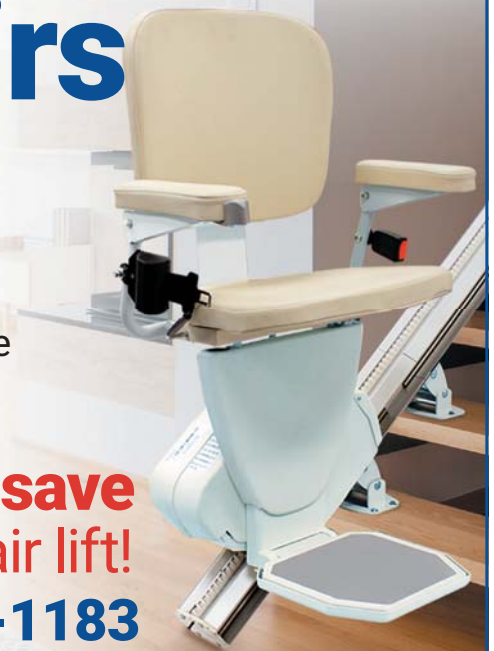
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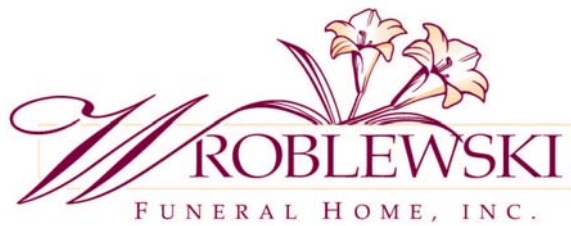
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