

September 5 2021



THE DIOCESE OF SCRANTON PENNSYLVANIA

# Parish of St. Barbara

## Our Worship Sites Saint Anthony of Padua Saint Cecilia

### Parish Information

**Weekend Mass**  
**Saturday**  
 4:00 p.m. St. Anthony  
**Sunday**  
 8:00 a.m. St. Cecilia  
 10:30 a.m. St. Anthony  
**Weekdays**  
 Monday 12:10 p.m.  
 Tuesday 8:00 a.m.  
 Wednesday 7:00 a.m.  
 Thursday 8:00 a.m.  
 Friday 8:00 a.m.

**Confessions**  
 Beginning on June 5th, confessions will be heard each Saturday from 3:00 - 3:40 pm in the Church. Father is also available for the sacrament by appointment.

### Parish Staff

Fr. Michael E. Finn	Pastor
Rev. Mr. Walter Janoski	Deacon
Rev. Mr. William Dervinis	Deacon Emeritus
Anne Maurizi	Secretary
Maureen Capitano	Secretary
Sylvia Appel	Secretary
Loretta Semenza	Director of Religious Ed.
Christine Katsock	Director of Music/Choir
Robert Borzell	Property Manager

### Contact Information

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### Office Hours

(Week of Sept. 6, 2021 - Sept. 10, 2021)

<b>Monday: Office Closed</b>	<b>Tuesday: 9am - 3pm</b>
<b>Wednesday: 9am - 3pm</b>	<b>Thursday: 9am - 3pm</b>
<b>Friday: 9am - 3pm</b>	

### Sacramental Information

**Baptism:** is celebrated after the 10:30 Mass on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month. Arrangements must be made with the office.

**Weddings:** must be booked six months in advance so that we can take care of the paperwork and pre-Cana.

**Anointing of the Sick:** is celebrated any time it is needed. If you are having surgery or going into the hospital just stop and see Father after Sunday Mass or call the Parish Office to let him know.

**Sponsor Card:** will be provided for registered parishioners who attend Mass on a regular basis - ONLY.

**Pastoral Appointments:** Father Finn books his own appointments so call the office to connect with him. Sometimes it may take several calls.

### Weekend Music

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#### Entrance Hymn

#786 W&S "Praise to the Lord"

#### Preparation Hymn

#807 W&S "For the Fruits of All Creation"

#### Communion Hymn

#733 W&S "On Eagles Wings"

#### Recessional Hymn

#838 W&S "America, the Beautiful"

### Social Concerns & Outreach

Contact Josephine Hatrak at 570-693-0826 or the Parish Office at 570-654-2103.



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## Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Times

“Lord, send out Your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.”



### MASS INTENTIONS

September 5, 2021 to September 12, 2021



#### ~ Sunday, Sept. 5

**8:00AM** (SC) - Edward Benish

by Anna Mae & John Bodosky

**10:30AM** (SA) - All Parishioners

#### ~ Monday, Sept. 6

**10:00 AM** - Deceased Members of the DeAngelo Family  
by Family

#### ~ Tuesday, Sept. 7

**8:00AM** - Joseph F. Coyne

by Carlos & Barbara Velazquez

#### ~ Wednesday, Sept. 8

**7:00AM** - Beatrice Galli by Rick & Karen Switzer

#### ~ Thursday, Sept. 9 ~

**8:00AM** - Daniel Pace by Joseph Pellegrini

#### ~ Friday, Sept. 10

**8:00AM** - Edward J. Farrell by Bob & Carol Reedy

#### ~ Saturday, Sept. 11 ~

**4:00PM** (SA) - All Parishioners

#### ~ Sunday, Sept. 12 ~

**8:00AM** (SC) - Margaret Uporsky by Joan Yonki

**10:30AM** (SA) - Edward Slavinski by Family



### Liturgy Schedule

#### Lectors

Sept. 11 **4:00 PM** - Mary Jo Anzalone  
Cookie Trzcinski

Sept. 12 **8:00 AM** - Ray Pasavage  
**10:30 AM** - Charlotte Naples  
Kevin Kratzer

#### Eucharistic Ministers

Sept. 11 **4:00 PM** - Marge Paoloni

Sept. 12 **8:00 AM** - Dave Dohlon  
**10:30 AM** - Paul Naples

### WEEKLY OFFERING:

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time 2021: \$ 4,026.00

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time 2020: \$4,463.82

#### In Our Prayers



#### SYMPATHY

We offer our prayers for the soul of **Hartense Oschal** who passed away. Our sympathy to her family members and to all who grieve her loss. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord. May she rest in peace. May the angels lead her to paradise.

#### Sanctuary Light



Aug. 29, 2021 - Sept. 5, 2021

In Memory of: James Fasciana  
by Wife & Children

#### Congratulations



To **Henry Mezczyński**, son of Edmund and Taylor (Balasavage) Mezczyński who will be Baptized this Sunday. May God bless him and his family.

#### Winners of the Raffle

1st Prize \$1,000.00 — Rita Wright  
2nd Prize \$500.00 — Philip Storz  
3rd Prize \$250.00 — Lucy Butera  
4th Prize \$250.00 — Mary Dunnigan

Thank you to all who participated in the Raffle. St. Barbara's benefited \$8,714.00 from the Raffle.



### LABOR DAY

Monday, September 6th is Labor Day. Mass will be celebrated at 10:00am. We will NOT have the 12:10pm Mass this day. The church will be locked right after Mass. Also, in observance of the holiday, the parish office will be closed.

### SOCIAL CONCERNS NEWS

For the last several years, the Social Concerns Committee has prepared fruit and vegetable baskets from the local Farmers' Markets, for our 37 parishioners who are homebound. Because of the pandemic, the Committee last year thought it would be better to give each homebound parishioner a \$25 gift card for Gerrity's for fruits and vegetables of their choosing.

We send this card with our greetings and true affections and hope that they are well, safe and happy.

We are able to do this with all the many donations we receive from our well parishioners and friends.

Thanks for all your support.  
Josephine Hatrak

**Meeting Calendar  
September 2021**

Oktoberfest Meeting	9/7	7:00PM Meeting	Parish Center
Christian Women	9/14	<b>TENTATIVE</b> 6:30PM Rosary 7:00PM Meeting	Parish Center
Holy Name Society	9/16	7:00PM Meeting	Parish Center

**Ethnic Platter Dinner Sale**

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, 116 Hughes St., Swoyersville, is having an Ethnic Platter Dinner Sale (**Pick up only**) on **Sunday, September 19, from noon to 3PM.**

Pick up in our school cafeteria. Dinner consists of 3 pierogies, 2 piggies, halushki, rye roll/butter. Cost is \$12.00.

Pre-orders/pre-payment only-- **due before Sept. 6th. No phone calls, please.** Order forms are on our website: [setonpa.com](http://setonpa.com), on our Facebook page, and in our bulletin.

Or send check payable to: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, Attn: Lori, 116 Hughes St., Swoyersville, PA 18704.

**Please include your name, phone number, quantity of diners with payment.**

**“BE A CATHOLIC MAN” EVENT**

A Catholic Men’s Conference is planned for **Saturday, October 30, 2021**, at Holy Redeemer High School, 159 S. Pennsylvania Ave., Wilkes-Barre. This will be the sixth such Event. The theme is “Called to Fatherhood” under the patronage of Saint Joseph and is sponsored by ‘Be a Catholic Man.’ This event (from 8 am to 3 pm) will be blessed with nationally known Catholic Speakers: Father Glenn Sudano (Franciscan Friars of the Renewal), Jim O’Day (active in Men’s Ministries, Lacrosse Coach, and Self-Defense Instructor), and Karl Keating (Author and Catholic Apologist). All men --- single, married, and clergy, challenged to live virtuous lives in this very secular world are encouraged to attend. There will be Rosary, Eucharistic Adoration, and Sacramental Confession --- a lunch break. Mass will be offered by the Most Reverend Bishop Joseph Bambera. Register Online: (\$30 till Oct. 9<sup>th</sup>) [www.BeaCatholicMan.com](http://www.BeaCatholicMan.com) or pay that day (\$40).

Questions, please contact Michael Kilmer 570-746-0100 or [michaelkilmer71@gmail.com](mailto:michaelkilmer71@gmail.com).

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS**

Religious education for Elementary grades (1st through 6th) will begin on Sunday, September 12<sup>th</sup> from 9:00AM until 10:15AM. The 7th & 8th grade ( Confirmation candidates) will meet on Sunday, September 26<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 to 7:30PM. For your convenience, the class schedule is on the Parish website, [www.stbarbaraexeter.com](http://www.stbarbaraexeter.com), under Faith Formation.

The students will receive a calendar during their first class.

Registration forms are available at the back of the churches and on our web site. Please complete one and submit online or return it in the collection basket or to the parish office by September 12, 2021. The parents of **ALL** students (new or returning), including

**Oktoberfest**

The Parish is having Oktoberfest on Sunday, September 26, 2021 from 11:30am to 5:30pm at their Biergarten (pavilion) on Erie street in Exeter.

The Menu items will include homemade German foods such as Bratwurst, Spaetzle (butter Noodles), Schnitzel, Frikadellen (specially made meat patties), German pretzels, French Fries, Hot Dogs. The Menu items will be sold as a platter and we will have picnic tables setup for your dining pleasure. Takeout will be available for those wanting to enjoy the German fare at home.

We are asking for donations to help defray costs of the event. We are asking for take home containers (3 compartment trays), condiments, such as small packets of mustard, honey mustard or brown mustard, and bottles of ketchup and mustard and butter. Large aluminum pans, parchment paper, flour, salt/pepper shakers and wax paper for food prep. Cleaning supplies, hand sanitizer and large contractor garbage bags.

**OKTOBERFEST BASKET RAFFLE:** Donations needed for the Basket Raffle are baskets, Gift Cards or money may be dropped off at the Rectory Office between the hours of 9:00 am to 3:00pm Monday thru Friday until September 20, 2021. Oktoberfest Board:

Chairman: Jamie Shimko, & Co-chair: Walter Janoski, Jr.  
Basket Chairman: Marilyn Jacobs and Basket Co-chair: Eileen Slavinski.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, September 7th at 7pm. All are invited to attend.

**Stories for All Seasons**

**23rd Sunday: Jesus Heals Deaf and Dumb Man**

*Theme: Jesus may heal us slowly to elicit our faithful cooperation*

The need to be listened to is great. The chaplain at a state mental hospital told of the sad case of a Greek man in an institution who was thought to be a hopeless schizophrenic. The man had been vegetating in the hospital for years. No one knew much about him, where he had come from, but all agreed he was a hopeless case. The chaplain asked the Greek Orthodox priest in the community to pay the man a visit, just to give the poor fellow a chance to speak in his native tongue as much as for any pastoral reasons. He hadn't had a chance to do this for years. The Greek orthodox priest returned from the visit and asked the chaplain: “What in the world is that fellow doing there? He’s as healthy as you and I.” Bit by bit the tragic story unfolded.

The Greek had jumped ship long ago in a nearby port. Speaking no English, he had gotten into some sort of trouble and as mistakes sometimes happen, he was locked up in a mental institution. There he slowly learned English, but he learned his English from schizophrenic patients.

Certain language misuse is characteristic of the mental dysfunction, and the poor Greek fellow managed to learn totally schizophrenic English. To all English personnel he sounded schizophrenic and as removed from reality as his fellow patients. The priest, however, conversed with him in Greek, the first time anyone had done that in the hospital, and the man spoke perfectly correct Greek. The hospital staff were humbled and were taught a lesson by experience.

**Application: Spending time to understand others can go a long way toward healing them —and us. Do we try to understand the viewpoint and feelings of others?**