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Mass Times

Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 4:30pm

Sunday: 8:00am, 9:30am & 11:00am

*Polish Mass: 5:00pm on the last Sunday
of each month.

Weekday Mass Schedule:

Monday to Thursday: 9:00am

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New Parishioner?

Welcome to St. Elizabeth Seton!

If you would like to register,
forms are available at the
church entrance or the parish office.

Parishioners with a change of
address, please inform the
Parish office.

Envelopes may also be
acquired at the office.

Please introduce yourself to
Fr. Roy Roberts after Mass!



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905-895-0303

St. Elizabeth Seton School

905-853-0340

Our Lady of Good Counsel

905-478-4242

Sacred Heart High School

905-895-3340

St. Elizabeth Seton Parish

Second Sunday of Advent

December 6, 2020



Pastoral Team

Fr. Roy Roberts, Pastor

Deacon Marian Pawliszko

Deacon Stephen Pitre

Parish Staff

Parish Administrator ~ Ann Lynch

Sacramental Coordinator - Grades 2 & 7 ~ Jennifer McAvoy

Rectory Administrator—Nancy Rojas

Regular Office Hours

Mon. 9:00am—4:00pm

Tues., Wed., and Thurs. 9:00am—8:00pm ~ Fri., 9am—1pm

Sat. 2:00pm—6:00pm Sun. 8:00am—1:00pm



Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday ~ 3:00 - 3:30 pm

Or By Appointment

Sacrament of Baptism or Marriage: Please contact the office.

For those interested in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults & Children
of Catechetical age please contact Fr. Roy Roberts

Mass Intentions

Monday December 7th

10am: **Brandie Shibley (I)**

Req: Carol McDermott

Tuesday December 8th

10am: **Special Intentions**

Req:

Wednesday December 9th

10am: **Carl Lasota (D)**

Req: Mary Ellen & Kids

Thursday December 10th

10am: **Joseph Chetcuti (D)**

Req: Chetcuti Family

****Please know that Fr. Roy
will continue to pray for
these intentions****

**Parish office has been
reduced to Monday and
Wednesday from 9am to
Noon for
APPOINTMENTS ONLY.**

**We can always be reached
through the parish email at
st.elizabethseton@rogers.com**

Stay safe and Stay well



Offering Envelopes

The parish offering envelopes will be available for pick up in Seton Hall starting the weekend of **November 7th/8th**. You are also welcome to pick them up during our office hours **Monday or Wednesday** between 9 am and noon, please call ahead to make arrangements for pick up. The envelopes will be in **numerical order** so please take note of **your envelope number**.

Parish Giving

Sunday November 29th

Sunday Offertory \$4,108.88

SES Building Fund \$ 320.00

Month of November PAG

(Pre-authorized Giving)

Sunday Offertory \$3,807.00

SES Building Fund \$ 272.00

ShareLife \$ 240.00

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR ONGOING
SUPPORT DURING THESE
UNPRECEDENTED TIMES. STAY
WELL AND STAY SAFE. GOD BLESS.**

Ruminations

Growing up in a household of four boys all born within four years of each other, it probably goes without saying that things could be pretty competitive. Compound that dynamic with a very sports oriented up-bringing and you have a recipe for lots of raucous and highly energized activities. Almost anything became an Olympic event. Who could climb the highest in the neighbourhood pine tree, or who could ride their bike the fastest around the block. Or who could eat supper the fastest. Well that was a survival skill, because the first one finished got first crack at second helpings, and when mom made the home made spaghetti sauce, the race was on. There was no cheating or head starts but once the grace was prayed, or more aptly raced through and the 'amen' sounded, the clock was ticking and the forks were flying. Hot dogs were another race, not so much for the meat or quasi-meat as the case may be, but because the hot dog buns were at a premium and once they were gone, the hot dogs would be wrapped in slices of bread that just never tasted as good. There was no limit to testing the various proficiencies in anything and everything. None of us are particularly sore losers, though we all hate to lose. There was a home movie of me with my cousins. I was the youngest and this was before any brothers which makes me just around 2. We were having a running race around the garage at my cousins' backyard, and racing against a 4 and 5 year old, I was smart enough to take a short cut all caught on film. What I lacked in coordination and speed, I made up for in smarts. Some may call it cheating but in reality it was just equalizing the playing field and accommodating the age difference. Either way, I was still the first to cross the finish line, and despite the protestations of those senior cousins, nothing changed the outcome because the ruling on the field was that it was cute. Well I guess there is still a competitive streak in these aching bones, and it has come to the surface once again. I had an informal bet or dare with my nephew back at the beginning of the pandemic. It was a fun challenge or gentleman's wager. I had just had my hair cut and so I somewhat jokingly remarked that I would not have my hair cut again until the pandemic was over. Who knew that it would carry on so long? In fact it has stretched out four hair cut times and soon coming up on the fifth. Even though I lived through the 70's, I don't remember my hair ever being this long. I feel like such a radical. It has become quite a conversation starter with the full gamut of likes and dislikes. Me, I rarely even notice it or give it a second thought. I long ago decided that mirrors are the enemy of self-esteem so on those occasions where I catch a glimpse, it's kind of a non-issue, though I could have auditioned for the Game of Thrones. The real problem is the refusal to give up. It is that competitive nature, and as much as I hated losing events to my brothers, I certainly find it difficult to give victory to my nephew. What kind of example would that be? So we will re-evaluate this pride thing likely after Christmas. I grew up being taught not to be a quitter. At this point it translates into not being a cutter. Time will tell.



Fr. Roy

Announcements and Events...

Sacramental Corner.....

Christmas Is Coming!!!

Many calls are starting about our Christmas event. The truth is everything is up in the air. There is a pending lock down, or maybe a restricted attendance, or no change to the current practice. Your guess is as good as mine. So our very tentative schedule will look like this: December 24 at 4:30, 7:00pm & 9:00 pm, and Christmas morning at 11:00 am. This is very much subject to change any time between now and Christmas Eve. **Stay tuned.**



Knights Christmas Trees

They are here and going fast. Many of the regular lots that sell trees buy American trees that cannot cross the border so Christmas trees are the new toilet paper rush of December. Some lots sold out the first weekend because people had the fear of not being able to purchase one as there have been buying frenzies.

The Knights very much want to ensure that our parishioners get first pick and so if you are planning to wait, a word to the wise is to watch the Knights' lot as the trees get sold off. The Knights will be on the lot Monday to Friday 6pm to 8pm, Saturday and Sunday 10am to 4:30pm.



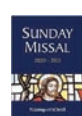
Time for New Carpeting

We need to work on getting new carpet for the church & the hall. There are many reasons none the least of which is that the Insurance Company on their annual inspections has singled it out as a priority (and I think there is an implied or else in there). The building committee has been working to get pricing and arrangements and colours and the like. The long and the short of it is that the church prices out at \$30,000 and the Hall comes in at just over \$20,000. The CWG has pledged \$5,000; the Knights have pledged \$2,000 (with more to come depending on the sale of the Christmas trees so buy a tree) and the Fish Fry has committed \$4,000.

We are almost half way there for the church. The church is the first on the priority list so as soon as we reach the magic \$30,000 we will proceed with its installation, and later if and when we can cover the cost of the hall, it too will be done.



The 2020-2021 *Living with Christ Missals* and the *Children's Missals* are now for sale. \$5.00 for the adult missal and \$7.00 for the children's missal. Please call the parish office Monday or Wednesday between 9am and noon to make arrangements for pick up.



First Communion 2020-2021



It was good to see so many parents at the Parent Information Meeting. There are a few things to emphasize from the meeting...

- *Sharing in the celebration of Sunday Mass is essential, families need to be present at the Church.
- *The Reflection forms in your child's yellow folder should be completed each Sunday.
- *Parents, please pick your child's We Prepare for Reconciliation Workbook, available over the next few weekends in the Church foyer. This is a family based program ... a wonderful journey shared together with your child!

CONFIRMATION UPDATE!!



Good news for our young people...

This Advent season marks the 'continuation of our preparations' for last year's Confirmation candidates. Parents please check your email for an important 'Confirmation letter' outlining how we will proceed. Please respond accordingly. We need to know if candidates are proceeding or deferring their Confirmation; either decision is a good one.

Registration forms for this year's Confirmation (2021) are available in the Church beginning December 6th until December 20th. If you are intending to register it is important that you are able to return to Church for Sunday Mass.

We look forward to sharing in this journey with you.

The Red Zone Update

As of Tuesday November 24, 2020, we received word that at this time we can continue with the 30% capacity, however, we have also been told that that may change to 50 people maximum at anytime. Stay tuned. Parish halls are not to be used at this time.

No meetings are to take place in any church facilities and the Parish Office will return to phase 2 of the operations, which means it is extremely limited. The Parish Office is available only two days a week for appointments which will be Monday and Wednesday from 9am to noon, and all visits must be scheduled. **There will be no walk in or spontaneous appointments.** Much of the work will be done remotely.

Let us pray for the sick...

Alana Brown-Wallace
Greg Quattrin
Tarcisia Borg
Warren Pettifer
Mary Ann Ferrer
Larry Yarush
Alain Gerais
Betty Loft
Bruce Firth
Helen Bromley
Massimo Marccone
Rosa Santos
Judy MacDermott
Kyle Elkie
Maria Cavallini
Ron English

Evelyn Walsh
Merwyn Corrae
Sebastiao P. Henriques
Molly Nabuurs
Peter Aristotle
Albina Barber
Mary MacDonald
Kathleen Todesco
Joshua Perek
Julia Purdham
Donna Stea-Cutting
Maria De La O -Mejia
Judy Campbell
Jennifer Ma
Andy Dube
Lindsay Sawyer

Zeny Jose
Irene Zbyszynski
Edward LaPenta
Adam Wood
Mayling Meuses
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