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Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 4:30pm

Sunday: 9:30am & 11:00am

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Monday to Thursday: 10:00am

All Masses are live-streamed

*Polish Mass: 5:00pm on the last Sunday
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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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905-478-4242

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St. Elizabeth Seton Parish

Fifth Sunday of Lent

March 21, 2021



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, March 22nd

10am: **Michael Ham (D)**

Req'd by: Friends

Tuesday, March 23rd

10am: **Norma Sharples (D)**

Req'd by: Maureen Delaney

Wednesday, March 24th

10am: **Toney Vigliotta (D)**

Req'd by: Ida Pelosi

Thursday, March 25th

10am: **Sabatino Russo (D)**

Req'd by: Ida Pelsoi

Offering Envelopes

We still have 385 envelopes that have not been picked up yet. If you have not yet picked up your box of envelopes, please call the Parish Office and we will be happy to help make arrangements to do so. Sorry but we cannot mail them out.



Parish Giving

March 14, 2021

Offertory	\$16,673.37
SES Building	\$ 1,210.00

Month of February PAG

(Pre-authorized Giving)

Sunday Offertory	\$3,902.00
SES Building Fund	\$ 282.00
ShareLife	\$ 340.00

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

Ruminations

As I'm getting on, I think I am developing a greater appreciation for those times when morning sleep evades me. There are occasions when four in the blessed a.m. signals the body that this is all the sleep for this night (which does not preclude an afternoon nap – a new and endeared treat). And lots of times what seals the deal is turning the radio on. CBC has a show usually broadcast earlier the day before that peaks my interest and I can lay there listening to an intriguing show. Well this morning was about "Old English" which I never knew was so fascinating until 4 am this morning. So I got up to start the day. I had to make sure the doors were open for the carpet installers. As a treat and maybe even an homage to the stillness and quiet of the morning, I decided to go to Tim Hortons and pick up a bacon and egg English muffin. I'm not sure that as a diabetic that 'treat' is the right word – perhaps indulge, cheat or foolhardiness are better words. No matter, it was my plan to bring it back and sit reading the morning paper and enjoy the puzzles. Many a time I have been up and picked up the paper as early as 3:30 am but as I was settling down with my treat, and I stepped outside into the cold darkness of 5 am, I couldn't find the paper. On occasion, when maybe the regular delivery person is sick or on vacation, I have found the paper at any of the many doors at the front, so in slippers and coatless I wandered down the sidewalk peaking in all the nooks and doorways where it could be found. Alas, it was missing in action. Somehow the English muffin didn't taste as good as I anticipated, so instead of a relaxed and leisurely breakfast, it turned into fast food. Now I was not annoyed at the missing paper but maybe a tad disappointed that the luxury of my early rising was going to lose its promise of an easing into the rest of the day. Of course there was lots to get done. I gathered up blankets and quilts to position in the chapel for morning Mass. Our first attempt at mass in there was rather echoing noticeably. Later, after this bulletin has been submitted to publication, I will know if the quilts serve to muffle the sound enough. Maybe one of the courses they should have offered at the seminary was sound engineering 101. When I think about it, back then, live streaming masses on cell phones existed only in the imagination of most astute sci-fi fans. Around 6:30 am I heard this crash at the kitchen door. I was sure that my paper had finally been delivered and I was right. I opened the kitchen door without needing to take a step outside, there was my paper safely wrapped in blue plastic. At one time a friend had asked me to save them for the old stoop and scoop, but she has since passed away. I must confess that it did cross my mind to make another trip to Tim's for another English muffin, but I took my blood sugar reading and that thoroughly determined that it was not in my best interest to over indulge, so I sat the table and read the paper. Tuesdays, like Mondays, the puzzles are on the easier side so it doesn't take long to race through the puzzles. I still had lots of time for the little tasks that needed to be done, including ruminating over the morning's adventures. The one thing that I did reflect upon was a great appreciation for the night time angel that delivers my paper, and I have never met or seen this person, but whoever it is, they are an important part of my morning and I am thankful. And a shout out to the Tim Horton ladies who must have been up earlier so I could indulge myself- every once in a while.

Fr. Roy



Announcements and Events...

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Lent Events

Stations of the Cross

Live streamed Fridays in Lent starting 7:00 pm.



Monday Morning Prayer

On Mondays during Lent we will live stream Morning Prayer starting at 9:00 am. Morning prayer, part of the Divine Office or Liturgy of the Hours is part of the Official Prayer of the Church. It is the equivalent of Vespers or Evening Prayer. Join us. It lasts about 10 - 15 minutes and we will provide everything you will need in next week's bulletin.

Holy Week Schedule

Please note that each celebration is restricted to 100 people only. **You will need to sign up for a reservation.** Reservations will be made by calling the Parish Office on Monday, March 22 from 10:30 am until 12 noon or on Wednesday, March 24 from 10:30 am until 12 noon. We will not take reservations from emails. Any messages left on the phone will be processed after the Wednesday, March 24 deadline. Please remember that the vulnerable population should be very discerning in their desire to come.

Holy Week will be a much different experience as many of the liturgical treasures of this season will be curtailed. No typical distribution of Palms on Passion Sunday. (Please note that those who do not attend Palm Sunday can still pick up palms following the 11 am Mass until 1:00 pm.) No washing of the feet, no procession of the Eucharist on Holy Thursday; no procession of the cross as we have become accustomed to celebrating on Good Friday; no baptisms or initiations, no outside bonfire and blessing of the Paschal Candle at the Vigil.

Palm Sunday: Saturday @ 4:30 pm
Sunday @ 8:00 am, 9:30 am & 11:00 am
(Palms will be handed to you on the way out)

Thursday, April 01, 7:30 pm **Mass of the Lord's Supper**

Good Friday, April 02, 3:00 pm (there will be no veneration of the Cross and no distribution of the Eucharist)

Easter Vigil, Saturday, April 3 @ 8:00 pm (this will be about two and a half hours)

Easter Sunday, April 04: 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:00 am

CWG NEWS

All ladies of the Parish are welcome to join the St. Elizabeth Seton CWG. The Membership fees for 2021 are now due. The Renewal for current CWG members is \$10 and all New Members will be \$15 (includes a CWG pin).

Cash or cheque (Payable to: St. Elizabeth Seton CWG) can be dropped off at the church mailbox or mailed to: St. Elizabeth Seton CWG, 17955 Leslie St. Newmarket, ON L3Y 9A4

Please contact Anna Brown (CWG Communications) with any questions at: annapb64@gmail.com. We appreciate your continued support. God Bless and Stay Safe.

First Communion

Please pick up the First Eucharist Workbook in the Front Foyer. We are planning for the celebration of First Communion during the Easter Season.

Confirmation Candidates for this Year

You can pick up a package of your reflection forms at the back of the Church. Pandemic permitting we are planning on celebration confirmations in the Easter Season.

Fish Fry

Thank you for your support over the years. It has allowed us to contribute \$4,000 to the New Carpet Project. Unfortunately we will not be holding our annual Lenten Fish fries this year. In the mean time, please support our local restaurants as they can sure use the help. Remember to order early. We hope to back bigger than ever next year. On behalf on your Fish Fry Committee Happy Easter Everyone.

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
Massimo Marccone
Rosa Santos
Judy MacDermott
Kyle Elkie
Maria Cavallini
Ron English

Evelyn Walsh
Merwyn Correa
Sebastiao P. Henriques
Molly Nabuurs
Peter Aristotle
Albina Barber
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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
Frances Leggo
Russel Scott
Elizabeth Ryan
Dave Dailey
Lindsay Veltman
Elcy Cerres
Tony Vigliotta
Francie Niekamp
E. Turnbull
Amy McBride
Julitta Sookhai
Geber Aparicio

Monday Morning Prayer Fifth Week of Lent

Presider; God, come to my assistance

All: Lord make haste to help me.

Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning, is now,
and will be forever. Amen.

Opening Hymn (maybe)

Lord, do not reprove me in your anger;
Punish me not in your rage.
Have mercy on me, Lord, I have no strength;
Lord, heal me, my body is racked;
My soul is racked with pain.

But you, O Lord... how long?
Return, Lord, rescue my soul.
Save me in your merciful love,
For in death no one remembers you;
From the grave, who can give your praise?

I am exhausted with my groaning;
Every night I drench my pillow with tears;
I bedew my bed with weeping.
My eye wastes away with grief;
I have grown old surrounded by my foes.

Leave me, all you who do evil;
For the Lord has heard my weeping.
The Lord has heard my plea;
The Lord will accept my prayer.
All my foes will retire in confusion,
Foiled and suddenly confounded.

Glory to the Father and to the Son.....

Psalm Prayer

Psalm

I will praise you, Lord, with all my heart;
I will recount all your wonders.
I will rejoice in you and be glad,
and sing psalms to your name, O Most High.

See how my enemies turn back,
how they stumble and perish before you.
You upheld the justice of my cause;
you sat enthroned, judging with justice.

You have checked the nations, destroyed the
wicked,
you have wiped out their name for ever and
ever. The foe is destroyed, eternally ruined.
You uprooted their cities: their memory has
perished.

But the Lord sits enthroned for ever.
He has set up his throne for judgment;
he will judge the world with justice,
he will judge the peoples with his truth.

For the oppressed let the Lord be a strong-
hold,
a stronghold in times of distress.
Those who know our name will trust you:
you will never forsake those who seek you.

Glory to the Father....

Psalm

Sing psalms to the Lord who dwells in Zion.
Proclaim his mighty works among the peo-
ples; for the Avenger of blood has remem-
bered them, has not forgotten the cry of the
poor.

Have pity on me, Lord, see my suffering,
You who save me from the gates of death; that
I may recount all your praise
At the gates of the city of Zion
And rejoice in your saving help.

The nations have fallen in the pit which they
made,
their feet caught in the snare they have laid.
The Lord has revealed himself and given
judgment.
The wicked are snared in the work of their
own hands.

Let the wicked to down among the dead,
all the nations forgetful of God.
For the needy shall not always be forgotten
nor the hopes of the poor be in vain.

Arise, Lord, let men not prevail!
Let the nations be judged before you.
Lord, strike them with terror,
let the nations know they are but men.

Glory to the Father and to the Son....

Psalm Prayer

Reading

Responsory

God himself will set me free, from the
hunter's snare

- **God himself will set me free,
from the hunter's snare.**

From those who would trap me with lying
words

- **and from the hunter's snare.**

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the
Holy Spirit

- **God himself with set me free,
from the hunter's snare.**

Canticle of Zechariah (Benedictus)

(Begin with the sign of the Cross)

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel;
He has come to his people and set them free.

He has raised up for us a mighty savior,
Born of the house of his servant David

Through his holy prophets he promised of old
That he would save us from our enemies,
From the hands of all who hate us.

He promised to show mercy to our fathers
And remember his holy covenant.

This was the oath he swore to our father
Abraham:

To set us free from the hands of our enemies,
Free to worship him without fear,
Holy and righteous in his sight
All the days of our life,

You, my child shall be called the prophet of
the Most High;
For you will go before the Lord to prepare his
way,
To give his people knowledge of salvation
By the forgiveness of their sins.

In the tender compassion of our God
The dawn from on high shall break upon us,
To shine on those who dwell in darkness and
the shadow of death,
And to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Glory to the Father...

Intercessions

- **Instruct us, Lord, in the ways of
your kingdom.**

The Lord's Prayer

**Prayer
Blessing
Dismissal**

Week of Reconciliation

Each year the Archdiocese sponsors a week of Reconciliation during Advent & Lent. That rhythm, in conjunction with the seasons of preparation for Christmas & Easter is a healthy exercise of spiritual growth.



The Catechism of the Church obliges those *‘after having attained the age of discretion, each of the faithful is bound by an obligation faithfully to confess **serious sins** at least once a year’* and *“Without being strictly necessary, confession of everyday faults (venial sins) is nevertheless strongly recommended by the Church.”*

That being said, reconciliation is one of the most misconstrued sacrament we have. By and large it is ignored for two reasons; fear and misunderstanding. We think that it is an occasion of listing all the bad things we have done in the hopes that God will have pity because of our honesty. That is not what it is. Reconciliation is a reflection on what we need to be free of to live life more abundantly. It is an exercise in figuring out why we do what we do that we may gain control of our life and not be ruled by un-confronted motivations deep within ourselves. By naming them, we begin to control them rather than them controlling us – a necessary self-dialogue on the journey to freedom.

The dynamic at work is about calling to mind why we have done what we have done, but then admitting (confessing) to another person to take ownership of it – a healthy dose of reality that signals an awareness of needing God, and taking ownership for who we are – an encounter with truth. It is all very simple: think of the list of times when you did not live in this world as Christ (in relationship with self, others & God), ask yourself ‘why’ at least half a dozen times, and then admit it in a sacramental encounter. Chances are the powers that drive you in un-Christ-like living over the last week are the same as over the last decade. But it is only by God’s grace that you see it as such, and that illumination is God’s invitation to freedom and a richer life.

Maybe it is time to encounter the loving embrace of God in Reconciliation?

Here are some opportunities during Holy Week:

Monday, March 29: 10:30 am – 12:00 noon

Tuesday, March 30: 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm

Wednesday, March 31: 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Thursday, April 1: 10:30 am – 12:00 noon



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