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Mass Times During

The Pandemic:

Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 4:30pm

Sunday: 9:30am & 11:00am

Weekday Mass Schedule: Monday to Thursday: 10:00am All Masses are live-streamed

*Polish Mass: 5:00pm on the last Sunday of each month except July & August

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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!



Parish Schools

Good Shepherd School 905-895-0303

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Our Lady of Good Counsel 905-478-4242

Sacred Heart High School 905-895-3340

St. Elizabeth Seton Parish

Third Sunday of Easter

April 18, 2021



Pastoral Team
Fr. Roy Roberts, Pastor
Deacon Marian Pawliszko
Deacon Stephen Pitre

Parish Staff

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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

Ruminations

Monday, April 19th

10am: Bruccio Creag (D) Req. by: Cupe 1571

Tuesday, April 20th

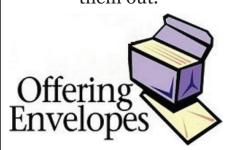
10am: Eugenia Brelik (D) Req. by: Cupe 1571

Wednesday, April 21st 10am: Hugh McLean (D) Req. by: Darlene Hisko

Thursday, April 22nd 10am: Wilhelm Wilczek (D) Reg. by: Gerry & Emma Sherrer

Offering Envelopes

We still have 350 envelopes that have not bee 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.





March 11th

Offertory \$2,425.00 SES Building \$ 560.00

Month of March PAG

(Pre-authorized Giving)
Sunday Offertory \$4,025.00
SES Building Fund \$282.00
ShareLife \$340.00

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

As usual, Spring kind of teases us into our hearts. Those few days of gorgeous weather and balmy temperatures tickles our desire to get outside, especially in the throes of yet another lockdown, or should I say pseudo lockdown. In reality, this latest lockdown has little effect on my daily routine, save for having a couple of appointments cancelled. I did start with a bit of work in the garden. There are all kinds of greenery pushing their way through the soil -broad leaf, narrow leaf, some even had flowers. Unfortunately most of these were weeds and needed to be plucked before they got too big. There were many different plants peeking through the ground promising a spring and summer garden alive with colour and texture. As I spent hours in the garden, doing gardening things, like getting the hoses ready, and the over-wintered geraniums into pots, there was a pressing decision that needed to be made. Now my dad was a great tree lover. Perennials, he wasn't that keen on so our backyard had lots of different trees, some naturally there and some by design. We had a huge elm tree that hovered over the house, but it succumbed to Dutch elm disease as did the other dozen or so at the back. But dad's favorite was always the blue spruce. My grandmother had a couple in her yard that dad remembered from his childhood. He also had a special spot for white birch trees. Funny enough, dad never really wanted a blue spruce in our yard. He said that there wasn't room for them to let them grow and spread and he refused to even consider trimming them. It was rooted in a profound respect for that particular tree that could grow over 50 feet high and spread maybe 20 feet wide. That presented a bit of a conundrum because the gardens in front of the Office had two blue spruces, thick and lush, but that had been decapitated to stunt their upward growth. They were still spreading their width but they were just too big a plant for those gardens. They probably looked gorgeous as small trees, but now they were becoming destructive to the rest of the garden. We had tried trimming them, and even experimented unsuccessfully with ornamental cutting, but the writing was on the wall, at some point they would need to be removed. The possibility of lifting them and moving them to a more appropriate space was discussed, but since the lead had been cut off there was little chance of it growing to full stature. So this was going to be the spring. On that warm spring day, I took out the chain Well, being chronically un-mechanical, I could get it started. Perhaps this was a divine sign that saved the trees. No the chain saw was just a lazy-man's answer to a more primal task. I dug up a saw and activated my inner lumberjack. With each push of the blade I thought I could hear my dad groaning or rolling over in his grave. I had a sense of trepidation and kept second guessing myself. Finally the deed was done and I had felled the tree, well it was only 3 feet high so maybe felled is too strong a word. It just kind of slumped to the ground. I thanked the tree for its beauty over the years and its service to the garden, and I apologized to it and to my dad that its time had come, much like a First Nations spiritual approach to all creation, and I assured it that the garden will continue to hour Mother Earth. That being said, when I looked at the

garden in its absence, it has already opened the space up, spruced it up one might say, in a welcoming and inviting way. I did find a spruce seedling popping up and I hope to nurture it and plant it in a more appropriate place. Thank you little trees.



Fr. Roy

Announcements and Events...

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Knights of Columbus

Thank-you for your continued support of our Knights of Columbus initiatives that contribute to local charities.

Most of you will remember that we have always been involved in the Ontario K of C Car Draw which is a major fund raiser for all of Ontario with the main recipient charities being the Arthritis Society and Special Olympics. In addition, our council always receives a portion of the money raised for our own charities like SVDP, local food banks, Rose of Sharon, and Pediatric Cancer care.

This year we are participating in the Knights of Columbus on-line 50/50 draw, a draw will be held every 3 months, with the winner receiving 50% of the sales!

There will also be monthly early bird draws for more chances to win! **Draw values will be updated** regularly in the bulletin.

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C.W.G. News

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St. Elizabeth Seton CWG

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The Lock Down

For us, the lock down changes nothing. Our limit remains 100 people and going forward it will be first come first serve, and once we reach that limit the doors will be closed.

The Cardinal sent out specific instructions and one of the points he made, and I quote directly from his letter:

"The elderly, those with compromised immune systems or other health conditions should be strongly encouraged to remain home. They should not be attending church at this time. Livestreaming of services should continue where this practice is underway and the dispensation from the Sunday Eucharist remains in place."

First Communion

Emails have been sent out to all the candidates who registered for First Communion this Easter Season. Hopefully you have been given the date of your child's celebration. We are planning on a 'prayer service' with the child and parent as a means of preparation in this truncated year.

We have also invited those parents who had deferred the first communion to continue in the deferral or schedule a celebration for their child this Spring. If you haven't yet responded to the email invitation, please do so asap.

Confirmation Candidates for this Year

Planning is now underway for those young people who registered for Confirmation this Spring. We will be emailing your parents shortly with our go forward plans. Those candidates who had deferred Confirmation until better times, we have sent notice and awaiting your decision to continue to defer or to celebrate this Spring.

No Reservations for Sunday Masses

The limit of 15% and the limit of 30% happens to be the same capacity of 100 people. This is because of the 6 foot distancing criteria. For this weekend Masses, NO RESERVATION will be necessary. BUT, we are still limited to 100 people and if we find that our numbers are approaching that limit, we will need to return to a reservation system.

The 8:00 am Mass has started up again on a temporary basis. It will be driven by attendance numbers at both the 8 and 9:30 am Mass.

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 Marcone
Rosa Santos
Judy MacDermott
Kyle Elkie
Maria Cavallini

Ron English

Evelyn Walsh
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Molly Nabuurs
Peter Aristotle
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