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Mass Times During
The Pandemic:

Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 4:30pm

Sunday: 9:30am & 11:00am

All will be lived streamed.

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

St. Vincent de Paul Society:

905-898-4264

Website: sjcses.blogspot.com

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of York Region: 905-770-7040

Catholic Cemeteries: 905-889-7467

St. John's Cemetery

905-898-4137 ext. 226

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

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

The Baptism of the Lord

January 9, 2022



Pastoral Team

Fr. Roy Roberts, Pastor

Deacon Marian Pawlitzko

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, January 10th

10am: Giovanni Lastoria/
Pasqualina LaCasi
Req. by:

Tuesday, January 11th

10am: Gerry Hearty
Req. by: Barb & Kerry Vincent

Wednesday, January 12th

10am: Marg Ross
Req. by: Friends

Thursday, January 13th

10am: Benito Zeppieri
Req. by: Friends



Wanted Old Christmas Cards

Wondering what to do with your old Christmas Cards after Christmas? The Gift Wrapping Stations at the Mall make tags out of recycled Christmas cards. The profits go to support Community Living Newmarket and Aurora District. There will be a box in the foyer of the church. During Covid times please call ahead and let us know when you would like to drop off your cards.



Your Cancelled Stamps are Valuable

Your cancelled stamps can make a difference. Christmas cards may soon be arriving! Please donate your stamps in the box located in the foyer of the church or by dropping them by the parish office. The money raised from the sale of the postage stamps goes to the Canadian Food for Children Mission Fund.

St. Vincent de Paul

You can donate online to the Newmarket conference:
<https://sjcses.blogspot.com/p/donate.html>
Tax receipts for one-time donations will be emailed immediately.

Parish Giving

December 25th

Christmas \$17,614.90

Month of December PAG

(Pre-authorized Giving)

Sunday Offertory \$4,144.72
SES Building Fund \$ 282.00
ShareLife \$ 440.00

Ruminations

As deadlines go, the last few bulletins needed to be submitted to the service before Christmas. Even the Epiphany bulletin was completed the week before Christmas, so although there was a Bulletin dated in the New Year, this is the first Ruminations created in 2022. Prior to Christmas, the real stress was the anticipation of the first Mass of Christmas Eve. The 4:30 pm Mass is by far the busiest of the whole year. Under normal circumstances, that 'getter done' Mass was beyond standing room only. So in the buildup during a pandemic, a lot of energy was spent worrying about the crowds, the limits, locking doors early and turning people away. I was truly hoping for the churches to be closed just for that weekend. As it turned out, common sense and precautions won the day and a very manageable and sane amount of people showed up. After the numbers were tallied, just over 100 people came in person, and a huge burden was lifted. The rest of Christmas was a piece of cake. I think that nervous anxiety took a bit of a toll and the week afterwards was a bit exhausting rife with power naps galore. It could be too that I was on hospital beeper and it did go off on Christmas morning around 5:00 am. As I dragged myself downstairs, I checked to make sure that Santa had already arrived and seeing the coal in my stocking, I knew he had done his business. The person did pass away shortly after I had visited him in ICU, and it was fun talking to the nurses who were soon finishing their shifts and heading home to young children who were also awake waiting for mom to come home and discover Santa's deliveries. Plans for Christmas day were curtailed as Covid was running rampant through my brother's house so I was just as glad to remain at home and just veg out. I was overdosing on binge watching 'Blue Bloods' which seemed to be on 24 hours a day. When it came to for my Christmas dinner, I opted not to order my typical Chinese food. I had a fancy for fried egg sandwiches. I made my way to the kitchen and as I opened the fridge, I saw bacon and cheese, so I made a light garlic butter for the toast, fried up the eggs and layered them on the bread with the cheese and bacon, toasted Christmas with a big glass of diet Cranberry juice, and polished the meal off with peach yogurt with added peach slices. It tasted unbelievable and I would have chosen that over turkey dinner anytime, though I must confess I did miss dressing so for the next time grocery shopping I picked up a box of Stovetop Dressing – it was on sale. It certainly did not taste anything near as good as mom's, and it really didn't quench the itch of dressing. Nothing ventured, nothing gained. After that royal feast, I sat down with a cup of hot chocolate and instead of calling my brothers I opted to text them best wishes and saved the phone call for New Year's Day. It is funny how quickly the poinsettias and trees lose their magic. And just like that Christmas has come and gone for another year.

Fr. Roy



Announcements and Events...

Thank You for a Job Well Done

St. John's and St. Elizabeth Seton would like to extend our deepest gratitude to Mr. Don Smart who generously managed St. John's Cemetery for a number of years. He brought a great sense of professionalism and dedication to his service to the people our both parishes. Enjoy your well deserved retirement.

At the same time, the St. John's Cemetery Board would like to announce and welcome Mr. Chris West who has agreed to take on the task of managing the Cemetery business.



A Year in Review

Every year the Archdiocese asks us to assemble our sacramental statistics for the year just finished. It is rather interesting to quantify some of the activities that made up our year. We call it the hatched, matched & dispatched statistics.

Here is what happened last year.

We celebrated

64 baptisms

71 children were welcomed to the Table of the Lord for the first time.

73 young people completed their initiation into full membership through Confirmation

2 weddings took place

35 funerals were celebrated.



The Latest CoVid Protocols

The Archdiocese has sent us an update of the restrictions brought on this week as a result of the latest Government announcements.

Our numbers at worship, including Mass, baptisms, weddings, funerals and prayer services are unaffected. These have been capped at 50% capacity, but with the social distancing restrictions, we remain well under the limit, so effectively there is no change here.

Gatherings in person are once again suspended until further notice, and this includes bible study, sacraments catechesis, prayer shawl ministry and the like.

The Parish Office hours will be curtailed to in person visits.

Congregational singing is to be suspended once again.

People who are feeling unwell, part of the vulnerable sector, or who have been exposed to someone with CoVid should remain home and tune in on line. Parishioners are to be discouraged from gathering and talking before and after Mass. Contact tracing is to remain in effect, including emails for ease of contact.

Announcements and Events.....

First Communion Parents' Information Meeting



There will be an important meeting for parents of our young people preparing to celebrate their First Communion in the Easter Season.

The meetings will take place in the Church. There are two dates to choose from:

Monday, January 17 from 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

OR

Wednesday, January 19 from 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

There will be sign up sheets in the foyer starting on the weekend of January 8/9, 2022.

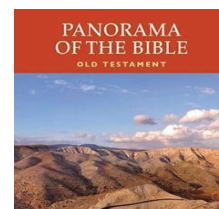
Covid Update for the Parents

meeting. The meetings will still take place in the Church. Please sign up in the front foyer or Email Jennifer

New Bible Study

The next installment of Bible Study, they will be doing "Panorama of the Old Testament" from the Little Rock Bible Study series. This program surveys the variety of books found in the Old Testament. Uncover interwoven themes, the background of familiar characters, and God's overall plan of salvation.

At the time of the publishing of this Bulletin, with the new restrictions coming into effect, we do not have all the information concerning where and when this will begin. We hope to provide more information in the next bulletin.



Let us pray for the sick...

Alana Brown-Wallace
Betty Loft
Bruce Firth
Kyle Elkie
Kathleen Todesco
Joshua Perek
Donna Stea-Cutting
Andy Dube
Elizabeth Ryan
John O'Rourke
Matteo Savella
Gerber Aparicio

E. Turnbull
Mat Hatzimalis
Paul Jennas
Rose Marie Scott
Wanda Tolazzi
Sean Coen
Cathy Murphy
Joe Legari
Chad Buckley
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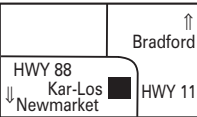
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

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