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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

Catholic Community Services

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

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St. Elizabeth Seton School

905-853-0340

Our Lady of Good Counsel

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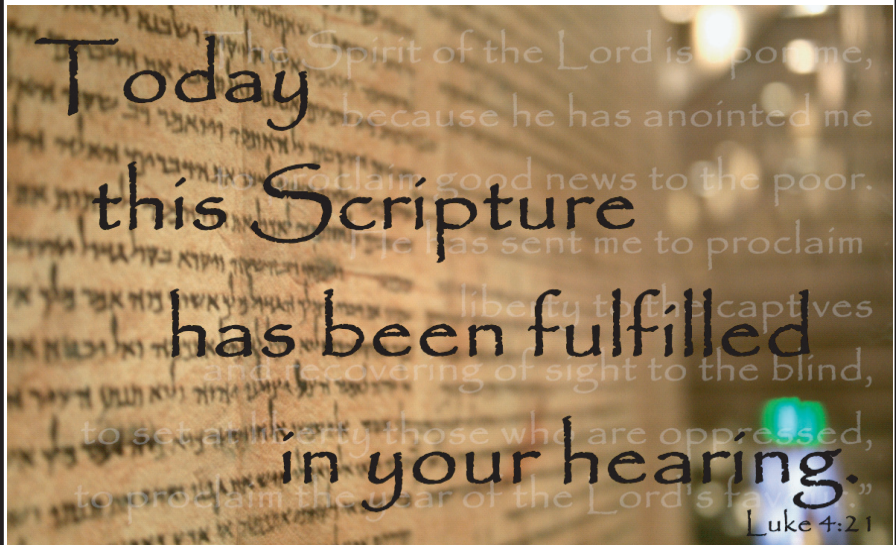
Sacred Heart High School

905-895-3340

# St. Elizabeth Seton Parish

Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time

January 30, 2022



## 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, January 31st

10am: Paul Boroevich  
Req. by: Mary MacDonald

### Tuesday, February 1st

10am: Warren Pettifer  
Req. by: Steve & Lisa Stokl

### Wednesday, February 2nd

10am: Gerald Hearty  
Req. by: Martina MacKenzie

### Thursday, February 3rd

10am: Paul Boroevich  
Req. by: Roberta Nepean



### 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

#### January 23rd

Offertory                   \$3,173.00  
SES Building               \$ 35.00

#### Month of January PAG

(Pre-authorized Giving)

Sunday Offertory       \$4,372.00  
SES Building Fund     \$ 322.00  
ShareLife                 \$ 465.00

## Ruminations ....

It is hard to believe that we just celebrated the fifth anniversary of mom being moved to the long term care facility. It was a Thursday morning, and my brother and mom's good friend had accepted the challenge of moving mom in. Early in the morning they picked mom up and went to Tim Horton's, and then off to her new digs. It was hard to know what mom had figured out. It wasn't until we were clearing the house to sell it that we discovered mom knew she was declining. She had several books on Dementia and preventing it and living with it. One of mom's greatest fears was that she would come down with this disease, and after experiencing dad's death at home, (and this anniversary is in a couple of weeks), mom really hoped that she too would die at home, maybe even while watching 'Whose Line is it Anyway' like dad did. Alas, none of it was to be. While she was living with me, there were many signs that this dementia was robbing her of the story of her life, and as gradual as it may have seen, she was plummeting. When she started wondering down the street, I knew it was impossible to keep her safe anymore and the inevitable time had arrived. So as mom was being dropped off, her final words of freedom were 'Well, if my family thinks this is the best for me, then so be it.' Within 15 minutes, she had settled in and resigned herself to her new life. They tell us the dementia decline is a serious of plateaus and then quick deterioration, and then a plateau. For the most part, mom seemed oblivious to the depth of her loss. Quickly we saw that she was unable to use the phone or the new television that we got her. Then there was the day she introduced me to my new brother, a doll that she cared everywhere named 'Baby'. I had to inform her that 'Baby' was not being included in her will. She had developed a friendship with another resident who also had dementia. They would chat away to each other, neither listening to the other, and neither of them making any sense. There were also the two escapes from the locked down units. She was going to show her new friend her car in the parking lot. FYI, she didn't have a car in the parking lot. So now, there is no recognition of any of us, and the pictures in her room of her grandchildren are strangers. But all that, as tragic as it is for us to watch, even the health care workers acknowledge that she seems content and comfortable. She has lost the ability to be mobile, but she hums and sings to herself. She will burst into laughter at some joke only known to her, but she can't engage with anyone. Wherever she is, she seems at home. It has taken a long time for us to become comfortable with this new reality. Even though those wonderful workers have no idea of mom's story, or who she was in her other life, we remember on her behalf, and yes we must resign ourselves that she is healthy as can be, she is safe, and she is well taken care of, and she is still with us. Not sure if we would describe it as a happy anniversary. Miss you mom.

*Fr. Ray*



## Announcements and Events...

Love to Cook? Want to Make a Difference?

### **Community Bread Needs You**

For the past 19 years, every Monday Night, the parishes of St. John's & St. Elizabeth Seton have worked together for Community Bread and have provided healthy meals to the homeless or food insecure members of our community. During Covid, these meals are take-away to keep our clients and volunteers safe. **This program is crucial to our Community. WE NEED YOUR HELP if it is to continue. SO MANY depend on this program.**

Two (2) of our 5 rotating teams of dedicated volunteers are each in **DESPERATE NEED** of a cook to organize and supervise the practical aspects of making a meal (ie planning, shopping, etc...). Without 2 more cooks, we cannot continue.

To volunteer, please contact the office at St. John's at 905-898-4137 or email [communitybread@stjohnsnewmarket.ca](mailto:communitybread@stjohnsnewmarket.ca).



### **What is Community Bread?**

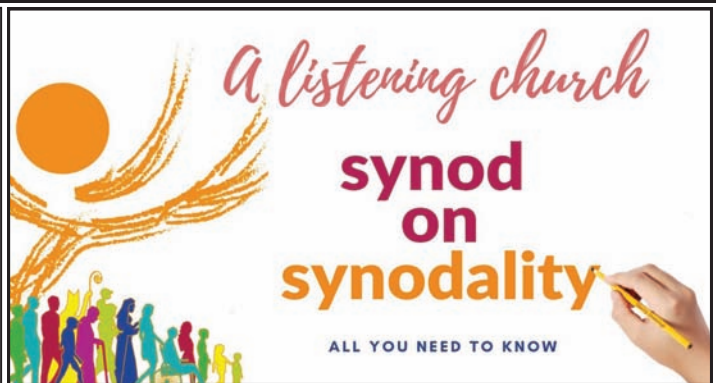
March 2003, the two Newmarket Parishes, St. John's and St. Elizabeth Seton, have together provided a much needed service of providing a warm and nutritious meal for the homeless or people with food insecurities. Pre-Covid they were serving between 70—100 meals each Monday in downtown Newmarket in the St. John's Parish Hall.

Community Bread consists of 5 teams that rotate throughout the year preparing and serving (and cleaning up following the meal) each Monday evening, holidays included. The teams are made up of volunteers from each Parish and it is a shining example of how the Parish can reach out into the community and also stand as a great witness to Christian fellowship and Catholic Co-operation.

Community Bread is funded by the parishioners of the two parishes, and you can contribute any time.

**“For everyone born, a place at the Table”**

## Announcements and Events.....



**Pope Francis** has invited the whole world to have a say in the life of the Church as we grow into the future. This is an important exercise in a new and empowering vision of the Church. You have something important to say. On our website, there is a link that will allow you to contribute your voice, whether you are young or old, practicing, not practicing, tepid practicing. Here is an informative video to help explain what is going on. Have a look. [Synod on Synodality- All You Need to Know \(through Sketches and images\) || Rahai - YouTube](#) (Ignore the ads)

**Dr. Massimo Faggioli**, noted Church expert, who spoke in our parish a few years ago, will be part of a free Webinar sponsored by Novalis Publishing. The same company that gives us the Sunday Missal. You can sign up for free. The Webinar is Wednesday, February 16, starting at 11:00 am. Go to our New Website (where this bulletin is stored) for more info and to Register.

FREE Online Event | Feb 16, 2022 - 11 am EST

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Dr. Moira McQueen | Dr. Massimo Faggioli | Christopher White (moderator)

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### Let us pray for the sick...

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 Kathleen Todesco  
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 Donna Stea-Cutting  
 Andy Dube  
 Elizabeth Ryan  
 John O'Rourke  
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 Wanda Tolazzi  
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 Corey Price  
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**\*\*If you have a loved one you would like on our Sick List please call the parish office or email us. We will keep your loved on our list for 4 weeks. Thank you. \*\***

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