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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

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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

Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time

February 6, 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, February 7th

10am: Anne Stokl

Req. by: Steve & Lisa Stokl

Tuesday, February 8th

10am: Mike Dillon

Req. by: Frank & Anne Shrubsole

Wednesday, February 9th

10am: Anthony Shak Req. by: Natalie Lam

Thursday, February 10th

10am: Anthony Shak Req. by: Mary Shak

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://sicses.blogspot.com/ p/donate.html

Tax receipts for one-time donations will be emailed immediately.



January 30th

Offertory \$2,848.13 SES Building \$ 475.00

Month of January PAG

(Pre-authorized Giving)

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

Ruminations

Last week I had a bit of nervous energy. I had received an invitation from one of my old university room-mates to join two other friends from those heady days in a Facebook chat room. It is cheaper than telephone calls, and maybe part of the anxiety was that we would be seeing each other after all these years. Originally I thought it was the previous week and as I sat there waiting for instructions on how to participate, nothing came. That is when I realized it was scheduled for the following Friday, thus the week of nervous anticipation. The impetus for the call stems from the death of one of our contingent who died of pancreatic cancer, and although his journey through cancer was a bit lengthy, we had no idea and the news of his passing was unsettling to say the least. All Friday I kept looking at my watch and calculating the time remaining before this fateful event took place. Finally the Church bells chimed eight and my computer began to stir and signal that I was supposed to do something to join the conversation. I had never used this format, and I inadvertently disconnected twice. I was feeling kind of like a dunce until I found out that another guy had done the same thing three times. As we joked, a couple of old retired people trying to use this technology made for a comic episode for some sit-com. The other guy's daughter helped him finally connect and join the party. So, here we were, Toronto, Ottawa, Hearst, and Newmarket, united after forty years. There was a bit of a shock all around. We were all looking so old, except to the host who put it together – not a strand of grey hair graced his head, but the rest of us.... There was just a bit of awkwardness to start. I just assume everyone had the same opening jitters wondering how this would unfold. Well, we needed have worried because after those first hesitant works, time melted away. Other than the grey hair and wrinkles, and of course, talk of all those aches and pains, pills, and medical experiences over the years, it may as well have been yesterday timewise because the doors flooded open to memories and shared experiences. It was like we had never been separated. and as at the same time we were getting re-acquainted about the intervening years, stories and news of others who had made up our lives back then enriched the conversations. One of the guys remembered saying that some of those stories would be so great to tell our grandchildren. Two of the four of us actually have grandchildren and there was a tacit agreement that those grandchildren should never be told some of those antics, and we all agreed that it was great that there were no cell phones with cameras back then. The conversation did come around to some of our people who have died. We remembered floor mates, classmates and a professor or two, and we ended the adventure, four hours later with a toast to our comrades. They were toasted with a glass of water, a beer, a bit of wine, and the ever popular Coke Zero. We promised that we had to do this more often, not wait another forty years, and that when circumstances allowed, gather in person. The three of them are retired, I am the only one still gainfully employed, and they were unanimous and unequivocal that I should try it. I said, only 13 more years or Lotto-max, whatever comes first. It was amazing how quickly time passes and yet, how ineffective it can be in separating important things and important people, even those four hours flew by. Maybe that is a hint of eternity, in a sense, time can also stand still. The convenor wanted to post a screen shot on his face book, but I would only agree if he could Photoshop

25 pounds and 30 years off of it. I guess that is our own theory of relativity.

Fr. Roy



Announcements and Events...

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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.



2022 Tax Receipts

You should have received your Tax Receipts by this week. There were mailed out from the Archdiocese two weeks ago.

The St. Vincent de Paul Society issue their own tax receipts for any contributions made to it. They are being readied now and should be mailed out within the next couple of weeks.

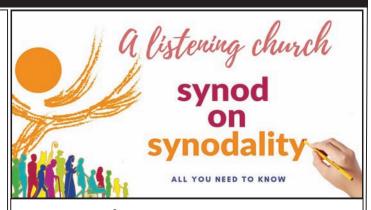
FYI. Sunday Missals

Sunday Missals are still available for this liturgical year. If you are interested, you can find them in the entrance foyer. Children's Sunday Missals are also available.

Five New Children's Stories are Posted to Our Facebook

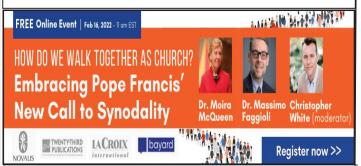
We have five new stories on our Facebook celebrating Black History Month. Check them out?

- 1. Anansi, the Spider,
- 2. Moses: when Harriet Tubman led her People to Freedom:
- 3. Freedom Soup:
- 4. Martin de Porres, the Rose in the Desert:
- 5. Why Mosquitoes Buzz in People's Ears



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.



Let us pray for the sick...

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