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Mass Times:

Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 4:30pm

Sunday: 9:00am & 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

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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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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

Third Sunday of Advent December 11, 2022



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

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> Regular Office Hours Monday to Thursday 9am to 4pm Friday 9am to 1pm



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

"Cheerfulness prepares a glorious mind for all the noblest acts."

St. Elizabeth Seton

Mass Intentions

Monday, December 12th

10am: Sabatino Ottaviani

Req. by: Wife

Tuesday, December 13th

10am: Jesus Abanza Req. by: Cupe 1571

Wednesday, December 14th

10am: Roger West Req. by: Maggie West

Thursday, December 15th

10am: Leo Senger

Req. by: Janice & Jim Senger

Offering Envelopes Important information

The Offering Envelopes are available for pick up. Because every year we have more and more envelopes left over we have scaled back our amount ordered by 200 boxes. This means that anyone with a number from 541 up will be reassigned a new number.

PLEASE get rid of any 2022 or earlier envelopes that you may have as starting January 2023 that number will no longer exist and PLEASE do not use the new number before January 2023.

Ukrainian Relief Fund:

In addition to praying for the situation, parishioners can contribute to the Ukrainian Relief Fund, which the Archdiocese has established to help suffering Ukrainians.

Parishioner are able to contribute online by going to:

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December 11th

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Sunday Offertory \$4,372.00
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Ruminations

I have always loved the winter. When we were younger, dad always made an ice rink in our front yard. There was a child's chair off to the side for the young ones to push around the rink when learning how to skate. There was a net to practice shooting with, and there was always lots of searching through snow piles for pucks that missed the net. I can't remember exactly when dad stopped making the rink out front. It might have had something to do with when I began being able to raise the puck. Slap shots that staved along the ice were not very dangerous, but the day I put a puck through the kitchen window, I think that marked the beginning of the end. Mom really didn't know what to do about it, and it was one of those situations where the only response was, 'Wait 'til your father gets home'. I don't remember being nervous – maybe I was, but any fear was allayed as soon as mom related what had happened. My dad was excited that I had finally been able to lift the puck off the ground. I think mom was a bit perturbed, but she decided then and there that we were old enough to go down to the pond at the back and play down there, after all, the tiny rink out front the house was becoming much too small for four boys, and she was right. Tobogganing was also a big event. With the lay of the land, we had an almost 700 foot run from the top of the hill down two levels until the river, that is, until the two vacant hills had houses built there. Then there was cross country skiing, and snowball fights, and there was also chasing big snow flakes trying to catch them on our tongues. There was always a possibility for a day off from school because of blowing snow – the gift of a Snow Day. These were awesome. The only not so fond memory was the year a fad came out called Super Slider Snow Skates. They may have been okay for flat fields, but there were more bruises and aches and pains using them to go down hills. So winter and snow have never been enticements to hibernate. And at university in Sudbury, we had our first snowfall every year before the end of September, not that it lasted. The first snowfall of the year though always brings with it endless possibilities of fun. One year I subscribed to a magazine called 'Ski', and I dreamed of the day when I would ski out west at Banff and Whistler-Blackcomb. Both have been ticked off my bucket list, and I have baseball caps to prove it. However, now snow and winter bring a whole new set of responsibilities. For one, parking lots need to be plowed, sidewalks need to be cleared and salt needs to be sprinkled. We live in a society bent on litigations. Winter with its snow and ice, and with the onset of climate change, the freeze thaw rhythm of the days can make winter a treacherous time. Even the threat of snow calls into action our winter protocols, to the tune of several hundreds of dollars a day. Last year we paid out almost \$40,000 for salting and snow plowing, and compared to previous years, it was a rather easy year for the number of times we salted. We do pay for a bit of a premium for more 'organic' salt around the gardens – not



too many plants are salt tolerant. So as we enter into this perilous season, walk carefully, carry a big stick, use boots with solid treads, and no stilettos. Let it snow, let it snow, let it snow.

Fr. Roy

Announcements and Events...

Christmas Mass Schedules

Christmas Eve Masses Saturday, December 24th 4:30pm Family Mass 8:00pm Mass



Christmas Day Masses Sunday, December 25th 9:00am & 11:00am Holiday Weekday Mass There will NOT be Mass on Monday, December 26th

Saturday December 31st New Years Eve -4:30 **Feast of the Holy Family**

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God Sunday, January 1st 9:00am & 11:00am

Epiphany of the Lord Sunday, January 8th **Regular Scheduled Sunday Mass Times**

The office will be closed from December 23rd to January 3rd.



CWG News

The CWG Wine & Cheese Social will take place on Tuesday, December 13th beginning with mass at 6:30 pm. We are asking everyone to bring item(s) that will be donated to Belinda's Place, which provides emergency shelter for women in Newmarket. Here are some items that are currently in short supply and would be greatly appreciated, specifically hair conditioner and all other hair products & toiletries, sanitary pads, adult diapers (there are currently many seniors), sleeping bags, pajamas, thermal underwear, mitts, socks, heat Pads, scarves, hats etc., S - XXXL underwear, sports bras, leggings, long johns etc.

Please note that admission is free for CWG members and \$10 for non-members.

Merry Christmas and thank you to everyone with your continued support.

Announcements and Events......



Week of Reconciliation December 12 - 17, 2022

Monday, December 12, 2022 10:30 am - 11:30 (provided there is no funeral)

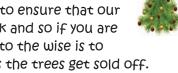
> Wednesday, December 14, 2022 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Thursday, December 15, 2022 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm

Saturday, December 17, 2022 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm

Christmas Tree Sales

They are here and will be going fast. The Knights very much want to ensure that our parishioners get first pick and so if you are planning to wait, a word to the wise is to watch the Knights' lot as the trees get sold off.



Help Needed

Our Lady of Good Counsel is in need of 2 lunchtime supervisors. The individual does not necessarily need to commit to all five days. The supervision would be for 1 hour from 11:45 - 12:45. This is a paid position and requires a vulnerable sector screening obtained from the police. All those interested are asked to call the school at 905-478-4242.

Men's Weekend Retreat 15 minutes from Newmarket

From January 20th to 22nd at MaryLake in King City. Contact Harry McAvoy, 905-898-4899 or hmcavoy@sympatico.ca for more information. Come relax and leave the distractions behind!



Let's Put on a Pageant

Our Children's Christmas Pageant is back, There is a sign up sheet in the Foyer.

Rehearsals will take place on Monday, December 19, 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm and Thursday, December 22, 6:00 pm - 7:00pm. The Pageant will be just before the 4:30 pm Christmas Eve Mass on Saturday, December 24.

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 Matteo Savella Gerber Aparicio

E. Turnbull Paul Jennas Rose Marie Scott Wanda Tolazzi Sean Coen Cathy Murphy Chad Buckley Ana Apareció J. Gole Thomas Lauber Anna Zaryczanska Jake Tallon

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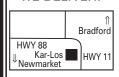


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