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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

St. Vincent de Paul Society:
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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



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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

Mary, Mother of God
January 1, 2023



Today is the Solemnity of
*Mary, The Holy
Mother of God*

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

Parish Staff
Parish Administrator ~ Ann Lynch
Sacramental Coordinator
Baptisms, First Communions & Confirmations ~ Jennifer McAvoy
Rectory Administrator—Nancy Rojas
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, January 2nd
10am: **NO** Morning Mass
Req. by:

Tuesday, January 3rd
10am: No Morning Mass
Req. by:

Wednesday, January 4th
10am: Special Intentions
Req. by:

Thursday, January 5th
10am: Special Intentions
Req. by:

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:

www.archtoronto.org/en/contact-us/donations/donate-pages/donate-to-humanitarian-relief/



Parish Giving

December 11th
Offertory \$7,461.20
SES Building \$1,777.00

Month of December PAG
(Pre-authorized Giving)
Sunday Offertory \$4,372.00
SES Building Fund \$ 322.00
ShareLife \$ 465.00

Ruminations

I don't remember New Year's Eve as a big deal in our house. First, there always seemed to be an arena somewhere in Ontario or Buffalo begging for our presence. Second, dad was not much of a socialite, unlike my mother. I think I get my homebody-ness from my dad. On those rare occasions when there was going to be company for New Years at home, it was usually very small and intimate, and it usually started after our bedtime. It was not a raucous event, more friendly conversations and munchies. I suppose the company stuck around to the strike of twelve, but I know they would have left shortly after. The best part though, was in the morning, the left over munchies were free for the taking. There were dishes of mixed nuts and peanuts, and then several bowls of potato chips and Cheezies. Sometimes there was leftover chip dip that just added to the treat. I think that we spent all our family visiting energy over Christmas day, so we were free for whatever we wanted, if there was no hockey tournament. It is interesting to remember the era of black and white televisions. I think the real time when it seemed like a deficit was New Year's Day. The Rose Bowl parade from Pasadena, California was something that was a must see. We were not a big football family, and of course, the only team that we would talk about was the Notre Dame Fighting Irish. My grandfather was a huge fan of all things Notre Dame. With a last name of Donnelly, is it any wonder? I remember my mom saying that he would have been so happy when I was studying there. He had been dead for 24 years by the time I enrolled and I know he would have wanted me to acquire tickets for a Notre Dame football game. I have fond memories of visiting the Donnelly residence in Oak Ridges on Saturday afternoons in the Fall, and he would be nestled in his favorite chair, a warm cup of coffee by his side, and his eyes glued to the blue and gold. I remember the first time we had a coloured television set. It was with great anticipation that I awaited the Rose Bowl Parade, and it did not disappoint. The colour of the flowers, the attention to detail, the creativity, and magic of the animation, and the commentary that indicated which floats were the award winning floats. Part of me always thought it would be fun to work on one of these displays, gluing all things floral to all parts of the transport. Even the horses were arrayed with floral blankets and manes. It has been years since I had a chance to watch the parade, mostly work related – I usually work New Year's Day in the mornings – occupational hazard. I don't have any great desire to watch it anyway. It was fun for a while. And even the thought of waking up to leftover chips and peanuts has lost its luster – too many concerns about cholesterol, saturated fats, carbohydrates, and blood sugar spikes. Back in the day, there was little thought given to such concerns. Oh how the times have changed. So on New Year's Day, after the celebrations of Mary, the Mother of God, (a much nicer theme than the old title, 'The Circumcision of Jesus') I will be more concerned with watching what I eat, keeping my blood sugars low, and getting in my 10,000 steps. Certainly my notion of what constitutes a 'happy' New Year as changed. So whatever your idea of a happy New Year is, Happy New Year.

Fr. Roy



Announcements and Events...

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CWG MEMBERSHIP TEA

Our annual Membership Tea is fast approaching! We welcome all the ladies of the Parish to join us on Sunday, January 22nd at 2pm for a wonderful afternoon of fellowship in Seton Hall. A tasty selection of sandwiches and desserts will be available and tea will be served in fine china cups. We will also be accepting annual membership dues. We hope that you will join us as we continue our faith and come together as we welcome current members of the CWG and new attendees to this annual event.



First Communion Parents' 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 on Thursday, January 12th from 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm



Attention Confirmation Candidates



CROSS MAKING WORKSHOPS in January. Each candidate has two nights they must attend in order to complete their unique ceramic cross. Please make sure you have these important dates on your calendar to ensure your child will participate in this activity. Any questions or concerns please call Jennifer. We are looking forward to these evenings of creativity and fellowship!



2023 Offering Envelopes Important information

Reminder to please pick your 2023 envelopes. 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.

We are NOT Collecting old Christmas Cards this year.

The charity involved in collecting the cards are not in need of our contributions this year. Thank you for all the support in years past, and let's hope that they will resume the service of recycling old Christmas cards in the new future.



Your Cancelled Stamps are Valuable!



Used postage stamps are collected and sold to stamp collectors and vendors. They generate money which is given to Redemptorist Fathers mission to help Canadian Food for Children. Used stamps can be dropped off in the foyer! Collecting stamps can make a difference!

Our Nativity Scenes

This year's edition is comprised of 93 countries of regions, and then some more. The new ones this year include Austria, Bali, Rapa Nui, and Sri Lanka and the Vatican. Please feel free to sign the guest book and comment on your favorite scene. Enjoy. The display will be up until mid January, 2023.



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!



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.







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

Carmen Baldacchino
Mervin Correa
Leo Cadia Vaz
Laura Rostron
Trice Hawkins
Carole Carter
Lawrence Cooper
Richard Ayson
Gina Santagato
Alexis Carvajal
Jose Fonseca
Catherine Kirk

The Life of Our Parish in January 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>1 Solemnity of Mary</p>  <p>HAPPY NEW YEAR</p>	<p>2 Office Closed today</p> <p>No Morning Mass</p>	<p>3 Office Reopens</p>	<p>4 Feast of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton</p> 	5	<p>6 Feast of St. Brother Andre</p>	<p>7 Epiphany Sunday</p> 
<p>8 Epiphany Sunday</p>  <p>Christmas Season Ends.</p>	<p>9 Baptism of the Lord.</p>	<p>10 CWG Exec. Mtg.</p> 	<p>11 Knights of Columbus General Mt.</p>  <p>Confirmation Cross Making Workshop 7pm</p>	<p>12 Feast of St. Marguerite Bourgeoys</p> <p>1st Communion Parents Mtg. 7pm</p>	13	<p>14 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time</p> <p>Baptisms</p>
<p>15 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time</p> <p>Baptisms 9am</p>	<p>16 Confirmation Cross Making Workshop 7pm</p>	<p>17 Feast of St. Anthony</p> <p>Parents Catechesis Mtg. 7pm</p>	18	<p>19 Parents Catechesis Mtg. 7pm</p>	20	<p>21 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</p>
<p>22 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</p> <p>CWG Wine & Cheese 2pm</p> 	<p>23 Confirmation Cross Making Workshop 7pm</p>	<p>24 Feast of St. Frances de Sales</p>	<p>25 Knights of Columbus Exec. Mtg.</p>  <p>Confirmation Cross Making Workshop 7pm</p>	<p>26 Feast of St. Timothy & St. Titus</p>	27	<p>28 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time</p>
<p>29 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time</p> <p>Baptisms 11am</p>	<p>30 Confirmation Cross Making Workshop 7pm</p>	<p>31 Feast of St. John Bosco</p>				

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