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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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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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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

Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 30, 2023

I came so that  
they might have life and  
have it more abundantly.

*John 10:10*



## Pastoral Team

Fr. Roy Roberts, Pastor

Deacon Marian Pawlitzko

Deacon Stephen Pitre

## Parish Staff

Parish Administrator ~ Ann Lynch

Sacramental Coordinator

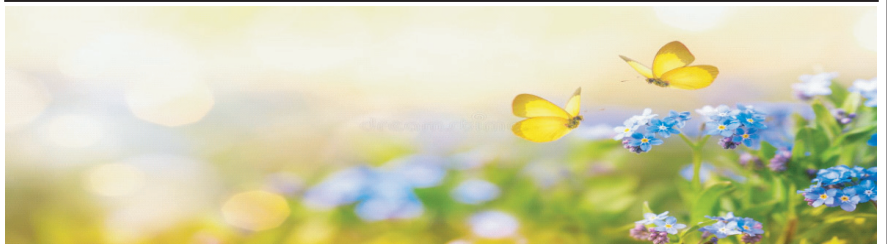
Baptisms, First Communion & Confirmations ~ Jennifer McAvoy

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, May 1st

10am: Varouj & Asa Torikian  
Req. by: Cutting Family

### Tuesday, May 2nd

10am: All Souls in Purgatory  
Req. by: Loeky Gragtmans

### Wednesday, May 3rd

10am: Mary Courtemanche  
Req. by: Ann Woolnough

### Thursday, May 4th

10am: Joseph Holenski  
Req. by: SES School Staff

### 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/](http://www.archtoronto.org/en/contact-us/donations/donate-pages/donate-to-humanitarian-relief/)

**Use your voice  
for kindness,  
your ears for  
compassion, your  
hands for charity,  
your mind for  
truth, and your  
heart for love.**



## Parish Giving

### April 23rd

Offertory	\$5,828.08
SES Building	\$ 395.00

### Month of April PAG

(Pre-authorized Giving)

Sunday Offertory	\$3,969.86
SES Building Fund	\$ 322.00
ShareLife	\$ 365.00

## Ruminations ....

I was recently having a conversation with someone who was saying how enamored they felt living in a small town. They were speaking of Holland Landing. They thought that with only 7,000 people, it was a quaint place to raise children. I had to chuckle to myself thinking back to the old Holland Landing which was an even quainter 500 people. It has grown over ten times what it was when I was growing up. I informed them that there was no stop lights and for the longest time there was no pizzerias, now there are two. We did have two mom and pop general stores, one which served at the Post Office where everyone had their own box. Our box number was 42 and it was at the top. It wasn't until we could insert the key by standing on tip toes that we were allowed to go get the mail. Misplacing the key was a regular occurrence that it was then that we had to ask the clerk if she would be so kind as to get our mail, and inevitably we got the same lecture that she wasn't supposed to do this but... We always got our mail. There was no library or restaurants, and certainly there was no health center or dentist. On this days when we had to visit the tooth doctor, we packed into a taxi (no one had second cars) and made the trip to Aurora, to mom's dentist when she was growing up. There was no local bus service and if three or more cars went down the road, it was considered rush hour and a busy day on the roads. The one inconsistent form of entertainment was the Fire Hall which was just down the road. On those warm summer days when the big engine was pulled out of the hall for a good cleaning, it was fun to go and watch. It was the same fire engine that every year at the end of baseball, the whole team would jump on, grab hold, and be given a ride through the streets as victors of the season. I am sure that such an event would never be allowed now since lawyers rule the world. Another source of entertainment was when we heard the fire siren blare (and since we were four doors down from the hall), was to run down and watch them pull away and then read on the chalk board where the fire was and what kind of fire it was. Predominantly it was a grass fire somewhere. If the alarm happened on a weekend, dad would quickly gather us up and we would chase after the truck and follow them to the fire. There are two fires that I particularly remember. Along with all the other absent things that we didn't have, one of them was a weekly garbage pick up. Most people had a 45 gallon drum that served as a garbage incinerator. Ours was down the back and on a breezy spring day, two years in a row, mom had attempted to incinerate our garbage. Breezy was the important word. Spring lawns were always dry, almost a powder keg and one errant flame-ridden piece of paper was enough to set the grass on fire. So when we heard the fire siren sound, naturally we ran out the door to see where they were going. It looked like they were going right past our house but then they stopped. It was then that we noticed that our backyard was all aflame and the line of the fire was creeping closer to the house. They had it doused in no time but we couldn't wait for dad to arrive home from work – though I'm not so sure that mom was as keen as

we were. The following year, on exactly the same day, it happened again so we knew the routine. It was about that time that weekly garbage pick up was introduced into the Landing. I think our house breathed a sigh of relief. It was now safe from my mother and her arsonist tendencies. And as my nephew begins his time at firefighting school, maybe he is looking to atone for the sins of his grandmother.



*Fr. Roy*



## Announcements and Events...



St. Elizabeth Seton Parish

Council 10586

**50/50 Raffle  
Fundraiser**

For those of you who remember the draws of old with the Knights hawking tickets at the back of the Church, or at tables set up in the Mass, well the Knights have modernized their game. The Knights still have a draw in support of various needy organizations, except, tickets can only be purchased on line.

The Knights are supporting 'Coats for Kids', local Food-banks, and Special Olympics.

And instead of cars, the prizes are 50/50 draws.

To purchase tickets, you need to go on line at

<https://ontariokofcraffle.5050central.com/?olc=10586>

Tickets are  
\$10 for 15 tickets,  
\$20 for 40 tickets  
\$40 for 100 tickets



Anyone wishing to make a purchase must:

1. be a resident of Ontario
2. Be of legal gambling age
3. Have a credit card for purchase



St. Elizabeth Seton  
**CWGW**

**Clothing / Textile Drive**

The CWG has been inspired by the Downsizing Diva, Arlene Stephenson, and are donating our excess clothing and textile items to the St. Vincent de Paul Society!!



**JOIN US IN MAKING A DIFFERENCE FOR THOSE IN NEED!!**

**When:** After all Masses June 3rd & 4th

**Where:** Church Parking Lot

**What:** Gently used textiles and fabrics

- Bedding, towels, etc.
- Drapes and textiles
- Boots and shoes – Any and all
- Clothing and coats – Any and all

**Help us  
fill the 20'  
truck!!!**

Striving to be the living expression of God's love in our parish and beyond.

## It's Back!!! The Knights of Columbus will once again be hosting a Parish Mothers' Day Brunch.

On Sunday, May 14,  
following the 9:00 am & 11:00 am,  
you are invited to join  
the Knights and our Mothers  
for a delicious breakfast in the Parish Hall.

There is no cost for this event  
though there will be a free will offering box.

Please plan to join us.

## Annual Cemetery Clean Up

After a hiatus of several years, the annual spring cleanup of St. John's Cemetery will once again take place on **Saturday, May 6**, from **9 am to 12 noon** followed by a BBQ lunch at St. John Chrysostom Parish. Some tools will be provided but we need as many volunteers as possible with rakes and shovels. You don't need any experience and the more people we have the more fun it will be. This is an excellent opportunity for students to earn community service hours. Please consider joining us.

## First Communion Grads

**Now that our First Communion season is over, we have a whole new batch of young people who can now become altar servers. If you are interested in serving at the altar, please fill out a form that can be found at the back of the Church. The more the merrier. Sign up today.**



Let us pray for the sick...

Alana Brown-Wallace  
Betty Loft  
Bruce Firth  
Kathleen Todesco  
Joshua Perek  
Donna Stea-Cutting  
Andy Dube  
Elizabeth Ryan  
Matteo Savella  
Gerber Aparicio  
Jackson Rowan  
Carmen Baldacchino  
Mervin Correa  
Leo Cadia Vaz  
Molly Nabuurs

E. Turnbull  
Paul Jennas  
Rose Marie Scott  
Wanda Tolazzi  
Sean Coen  
Chad Buckley  
Ana Apareció  
J. Gole  
Anna Zaryczanska  
Jake Tallon  
Victor Dumas  
Trice Hawkins  
Carole Carter  
Lawrence Cooper

Laura Rostron  
Richard Ayson  
Gina Santagato  
Alexis Carvajal  
Jose Fonseca  
Catherine Kirk  
Albina Barber  
Santiago Garcia  
Hallie Lynn  
Morgan Leung  
Antonia Fabrizi  
Theresa Wharton  
Zeny Jose  
Cheryl Tuck



# St. Elizabeth Seton CWG



## Day of Reflection

With Guest Speaker: Mim Harder

Ladies... Please join us!!



DATE: **Saturday, May 13th, 2023**

TOPIC: **Indigenous People of Canada  
~Raising Awareness~**

TIME: **8:30am - 2:00pm**  
\*\*\*Refreshments and a light lunch included













**Cost: FREE**

**Ladies** ... Please **SIGN UP** to join us as we learn to walk together with Indigenous peoples and to build a more just society, where their gifts, and those of all people, are nurtured and honoured.

Striving to be the living expression of God's love in our parish and beyond.



# The Life of Our Parish in May 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 <i>Feast of St. Joseph the Worker</i>	2	3 <i>Feast of St. Philip &amp; St. James</i>  <i>Prayer Shawl Ministry 10am</i>  	4	5	6 <i>5th Sunday in Easter</i>
7 <i>5th Sunday in Easter</i>	8	9 <i>CWG Gen. Mtg. 7pm</i>  	10 <i>K of C Gen. Mtg.</i>  	11	12	13 <i>6th Sunday in Easter</i>  <i>CWG Day of Reflection</i>  
14 <i>6th Sunday in Easter</i>  <i>K of C Mother's Day Breakfast</i>  	15	16  <i>Fr. Roy on Retreat</i> →  <i>NO Morning mass</i> →	17	18	19	20 <i>Ascension Sunday</i>  
21 <i>Ascension Sunday</i>  	22	23	24 <i>K of C Exec. Mtg.</i>  	25	26	27 <i>Pentecost Sunday</i>    <i>Confirmation Sunday</i>  
28 <i>Pentecost Sunday</i>    <i>Confirmation Sunday 9am &amp; 11am</i>  	29 <i>Feast of Mary Mother of the Church</i>	30	31 <i>Feast of the Visitation of Mary.</i>			



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