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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:** 905-898-4264 Website: sjcses.blogspot.com

Catholic Community Servicesof York Region:905-770-7040Catholic Cemeteries:905-889-7467St. John's Cemetery905-889-7467

905-898-4137 ext. 207

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

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time November 5, 2023



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 November 6th** 10am: **Zofia Woz** Req. by: Cutting Family

**Tuesday November 7th** 10am: **Georgie Hachey** Req. by: Cupe 1571

Wednesday November 8th 10am: Guy & Christopher Poppe Req. by: Cutting Family

**Thursday November 9th** 10am: **Bruce & Onalee Cutting** Req. by: Cutting Family



#### 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.

#### **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/donatepages/donate-to-humanitarianrelief/



St. Vincent de Paul You can donate online to the Newmarket conference at: https://sjcses.blogspot.com/p/ donate.html

Parish	Giving
<b>October 29th</b> Offertory SES Building	\$6,508.05 \$ 255.00
Month of Octobe	

(Pre-authorized Giving)			
Sunday Offertory	\$3	3,959.72	
SES Building Fund	\$	400.00	
ShareLife	\$	272.00	

November at university was always crunch time. Yeah, there were always essays and tests to prepare and hand in, and of course in our case, we had what they called weekend specials. We would pick up an assignment precisely at 4:00 pm and have until Saturday at 12:00 noon sharp to hand it in. There was no such thing as late. As the noon bells chimed, the professor's door would close and any poor soul that was even steps away, or stuck waiting for the elevator was out of luck. The real challenge of such an assignment was that it was group work. We were assigned to a specific group and that was our working team for the year. Three of our group members didn't make it at the end of the year and without sounding arrogant, they were a drain on our resources and time. Generally, if things were to get done on time, we would send them home or to go pick up pizza and assured them their names would be included on the final entry. Of the eight weekend specials that we had, our team got highest marks in two of them, but we are pretty sure the profs figured out our game plan. I'm not sure if they were happy with our ingenuity or saddened by our impatience. When push came to shove, we did what we thought was best. But even that was not the crunch. The real anticipation was the arrival of the cold weather – cold enough to put the natural ice in the outdoor rink. The boards were always put up after thanksgiving and the light standards were all attached. We always had our first snowfall before the end of September but it was a happy luxury if we could partake in our great stress reliever - ball hockey before the onslaught of Christmas exams. I can't remember when the earliest date of the first game of the season occurred, but for sure when we returned from Christmas break, the ice was hard and fresh and ready for the ball hockey league to begin. This has been an usual November here. In the gardens, there are still plants offering up blooms, long after their prime time. Roses are still pushing blooms, day lilies are sprouting, and next year's crop of garlic are starting to peak through the ground. Still, November means it is time to prepare the property for the inevitable snows to come. The fencing to protect the gardens from salt damage has started to be erected. The plans for the sunny end of the week is to get the Christmas lights up around the church perimeter. Usually we wait for colder, windier days to do it because time usually gets the better of us, but this uncharacteristic weather is affording us the chance to get ahead of the game. Maybe next week, weather permitting, we might be able to get the trees in the front. We took advantage of post-Christmas sales to purchase new lights last January so the issue of lights burning out should not happen. Fingers crossed. Now I have heard of people already starting their Christmas decorating, with trees being trimmed, and lights being turned on. We are not even into Advent. So despite the fact that our lights should be up, they will not be turned on until much closer to Christmas. With Christmas falling on a Monday, the date is still up in the air, but the

**Ruminations** ....

CWG Christmas Bazaar is a sure sign that we are getting close. Plans are underway to set up the nativities soon. Only 51 days left.

Fr. Roy



#### Announcements and Events...

## St. Vincent de Paul Christmas



The Society of St. Vincent de Paul would like to remind you that they are accepting donations for their Christmas Program. Donations can be made using

the special blue envelopes available at the back of the church and placed in the collection basket/box or dropped off at the office during the week. Donations can also be made on-line at https:// sjcses.blogspot.com/p/christmas-program.html. In order to best serve our families, please make your donations by November 24.

Also, the Christmas Giving Tree will be set up by Saturday, November 18. Please take a couple of stars and return these gifts **<u>unwrapped</u>** by **Sun**day, December 3. (Please Note: Wrapped gifts all must be unwrapped so wrapping, though it may seem to be thoughtful, actually makes more work for those organizing the gift distribution. Gift bags are fine but so are ordinary bags. Please ensure that **the** star is attached to the gift so that we can ensure that gifts make their way to the appropriate recipient!)

Say a little prayer! This year we are adding something a little different to our program. When you pick up a star it will include an attached prayer card. We ask that you pray for each person for whom you are purchasing a gift. We may not know one another's name but we are brothers and sisters in Christ! This way we are caring for one another not only physically but spiritually.

Thank you for your generosity.



# Hallowe'en Candies for Kids

Once again we are sponsoring our "Candies for Kids". We invite you to share a bit of your Hallowe'en stash with children who do not have

the opportunity to enjoy this activity. If you have any extra goodies that you can share then please drop them off in the Church foyer anytime between November 1st to the 12th. The candies will be delivered to "Canadian Food for Children"

an organization started by Dr. Simone.



The 2023-2024 Living with Christ Missals and the **Children's Missals** will be available mid November. \$5.00 for



the adult missal and \$7.00 for the children's missal.



## HANDICRAFTS from the HOLYLAND

CHRISTIANS. With the continuing troubles in the Middle East. Christians in the Holy Land suffer in many ways. The Pope has asked us to support them in any way we can.

On the weekend of November 24 & 25. Sebastien Cardinal from "Handicraft Holy Land Christians", will be here after each Mass

with homemade and carved olive wood religious art pieces made by these families in Bethlehem. For more information visit:

www.HolylandChristians.ca



**First Reconciliation Retreats** 

For those young people registered for the journey to the Table of the Lord for the first time, the dates for the Reconciliation Retreats are posted in the display cabinet in the Foyer. Please check to ensure you know your date and time.



#### 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 Jackson Rowan Carmen Baldacchino Mervin Correa Leo Cadia Vaz Orsola Accardi Aria Crang Andy Waldherr

E. Turnbull Paul Jennas Rose Marie Scott Wanda Tolazzi Sean Coen Chad Buckley Ana Aparicio Anna Zaryczanska Jake Tallon Victor Dumas **Trice Hawkins** Carole Carter Lawrence Cooper Candice Cusinan Cheryl Tuck Stephen Murphy Sarah Kraft

Laura Rostron Richard Ayson Gina Santagato Alexis Carvajal Jose Fonseca Albina Barber Santiago Garcia Hallie Lynn Morgan Leung Antonia Fabrizi Theresa Wharton Zeny Jose Tammy Elkie Marcus D'Mello Lisa Stokl Jeanette Barbosa

