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Saturday: 4:30pm

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Welcome to St. Elizabeth Seton!

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Parishioners with a change of

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Please introduce yourself to
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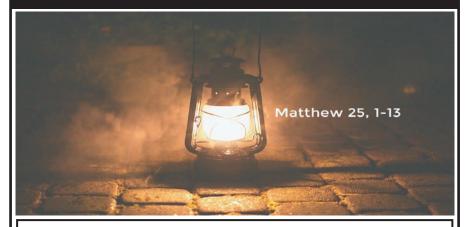
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St. Elizabeth Seton Parish

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time November 12, 2023



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

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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

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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 13th 10am: Sabatino Ottaviani

Req. by: Wife

Tuesday November 14th

10am: **Lisa Stokl** Req. by: Steve Stokl

Wednesday November 15th 10am: **Lamanna Leonardo** Req. by: Diane & Paul Weaver

Thursday November 16th 10am: **Pamela Murray** Req. by: Gillian Chang

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



November 5th

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Month of November PAG

(Pre-authorized Giving)

Sunday Offertory \$3,959.72 SES Building Fund \$400.00 ShareLife \$272.00

Ruminations

The phrase 'alma mater' means 'generous mother'. It is usually used to refer to a school one once attended for educational purposes. It denotes a place of nourishment. Over the years, I suppose I would say that I have had seven alma maters ranging from kindergarten through to post grad studies, from Bradford, to Newmarket, to Sudbury, to Toronto and Ottawa, to South Bend, Indiana. I was one of those students who just loved learning- not necessarily excelling, but definitely learning. I always tell the kids that there was never a class that I didn't like, though that's not quite true. I was not a fan of grade nine shop. It was more an intimidation factor, the concepts and tools just didn't resonate with me. To this day, I still have no idea the different types of screwdrivers, which I know growing up it was a source of mild irritation with my dad. He would send me to fetch a specific screwdriver and I would inevitably return with the wrong one. I just got to the point that I would bring the whole bag. In my defense, that is a strategy I still use to this day, and for interest sake, my favorite screwdriver involves orange juice and vodka, though certain allergies keep that as wishful thinking, alas. If it is the building that makes the school, then the University of Notre Dame, my seventh Alma Mater has it hands down. Nothing compares to the cafeteria there, or the touchdown Jesus on the library tower, or the football stadium. I think my whole elementary school could fit into the hometown locker room. I guess with less than three hundred students from K - 8, it didn't need much of a footprint. It was sad to see it torn down but that was countered watching the St. Charles version 2 being built. I had the privilege of being invited to the official blessing last week. Bishop Boissonneau was in attendance to do the honors. I was a bit gushy talking to him about this institution that had played such in important part of growing up. I recounted all my teachers by name, the big picture of Pope Pius XII that adorned the wall across from the principal's office, and the impressive statue of St. Charles that greeted people at the main entrance- not that we were ever allowed to enter that door, but the little alcove that housed St. Charles seemed rather posh. Now my middle name is Charles though not named after St. Charles Borromeo, but rather after St. Charles Donnelly - okay he is my grandfather and my mom always considered him a saint. For those students receiving detentions spent their time outs standing beneath the Pope. I myself never became familiar with the Pope, however, my brother could probably sketch him while wearing a blindfold. On the journey around the school we came across that old statue and I mentioned to the Bishop that I remembered it being much bigger, and I didn't know plaster statues could shrink. As I listened to the joyful speeches, I looked at the wonderfully proud students and their parents. It dawned on my that even these parents weren't even alive when I graduated from grade eight. I think the highlight for me was the children's choir. A special song had been composed, the song of St. Charles, that the choir sang with such gusto. I kind of wished they had recorded that song for posterity's sake. I can't remember ever hearing another song with the town of Bradford mentioned in it. The building was much bigger, the gym much bigger and the classrooms much bigger, but the most impressive thing



was the young students who served as hosts. The grade 7's and 8's where incredibly respectful, and hospitable, and as I left the newly blessed building, I knew that the future of St. Charles was in good hands for the next 60 plus years. St. Charles, pray for us.

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://sicses.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 **Sunday**, **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.

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



available **mid November**. \$5.00 for the adult missal and \$7.00 for the children's missal.



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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...

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The Life of Our Parish in December 2023

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|---|---|--|--|---|--|----------------------------|
| | | | | | 1 | 2 1st Sunday of Advent |
| 3 1st Sunday of Advent | 4 RCIA 7pm | 5 | 6 Feast of St. Nicholas Prayer Shawl Ministry 10am | 7 Soup & Movie Little Rock Bible Study | 8 Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception | 9 2nd Sunday of Advent |
| 10 2nd Sunday of Advent | 11 | 12 CWG Wine & Cheese | PRACTE SHAM MONETEY | School Advent Family Mass 6:30 14 Little Rock Bible Study ends | 15 | 16 3rd Sunday of Advent |
| 17 3rd Sunday of Advent | 18 RCIA 7pm | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 4th Sunday of Advent |
| O Wisdom | Lord & Ruler | Root of Jessie | Key of David | O Radiant Dawn | O King of the Nations | O Emmanuel |
| 24 4th Sunday of Advent Christmas Eve Mass 4:30pm & 8pm | 25 Christmas Day masses 9am & 11am Office Closed Until Jan. 2nd | 26 NO morning mass Feast of St. Stephen | 27 Feast of St. John | 28 Holy Innocents | 29 5th Day of Christmas | 30 Holy Family Sunday |
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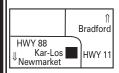
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