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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

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 19, 2023



WORLD DAY OF THE POOR

Pastoral Team

Fr. Roy Roberts, Pastor

Deacon Marian Pawlitzko

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 20th

10am: **Peter Farrell**

Req. by: Cupe 1571

Tuesday November 21st

10am: **Bernard O'Dowd**

Req. by: Family

Wednesday November 22nd

10am: **Patricia Windsor**

Req. by: Cupe1571

Thursday November 23rd

10am: **James Ridley**

Req. by: Wife



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/donate-pages/donate-to-humanitarian-relief/



St. Vincent de Paul

You can donate online to the Newmarket conference at:

<https://sjcses.blogspot.com/p/donate.html>

Parish Giving

November 12th

Offertory	\$7,599.51
SES Building	\$ 530.00

Month of November PAG

(Pre-authorized Giving)

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

Ruminations

Well our first round of retreats for the first communion candidates is complete. This retreat was about reconciliation. Over ninety young people were treated to three stations; one was a story about family prayer; another was the video called 'The Festival Fabric' about forgiveness; and finally there was a tour of the various components of the physical building, the four most important pieces of Church furniture; the ones that the instructions on building a new church highlight as essential in taking time and care to do justice to their significance. On the tour we talk about the baptismal font at the entrance and ponder why it was put there instead of up front. We talk about the three oils we use, and how the one oil, the Sacred Chrism is used in both baptism and confirmation, in the blessing of the altar and the walls of the Church. We show them the dedication candles, the gold coloured crosses with the little candle holders on them – the place where the Bishop smeared the Sacred Chrism on the walls, and how the priests' hands are also anointed with that oil. We discussed why they were baptized, precisely so that they can come to the Table of the Lord and we all go to the altar. We discuss how it is both an altar and a table so we call it the altar-table. An altar is only used for sacrifice which is one element of the Eucharist, but it is also a table where the family dines, and the table is a quintessential symbol of the family, and the kingdom of God in our midst. We then talk about a second table where we are also fed by the Word of the Lord, and how the Word is a description of Jesus. We call it the Table of the Word. Then we move on to the final piece of furniture – the Chair, of course not the deacons' chairs, but the presider's chair. So we talk about my boss, the Archbishop and how he presides at a really big Church called a Cathedral. Now they have a hard time remembering the bishop's name and I have to confess I do too. Sometimes I still think of the bishop as Cardinal Carter which is going back way too far. So then we discuss what the word 'cathedral' means and they are surprised that it actually means 'chair' and that we name a whole building after the chair. Then with time permitting we visit the relic of St. Elizabeth Seton in the candle area. We talk about the red candle on the wall and what it means, and then we quietly, or as quietly at a group of young people can be, we enter the Chapel of Reservation and explain the Tabernacle – and how it means a tent – but now signifies a container with something really important in it. We explain its main purpose is to store the Blessed Sacrament for bringing communion to the sick and dying. We practice genuflecting to the tabernacle and explain that we don't genuflect to the altar, instead we bow to the altar. Then we head off to the Reconciliation Room and play with the green and red light. Thus endeth the tour. When the three groups assemble again at the end, I ask them what they enjoyed the most. It isn't the story about family prayer. It is not the rich depth of the Festival Fabric, and it's not the intriguing story behind the items on the tour. It is invariably the 'guts' of the baptismal font, where I show them how we fill the font with water, and where the filtration system is hidden, and how the ultra-violet filter kills the germs. I guess plumbing and mechanicals are more interesting than the theology of the chair, or the connection to St. Elizabeth Seton with her relic. Oh well, at least now they will know that our font water is recycled every 5 minutes and comes out clean and germ free. Maybe in a Covid world, that is a good thing. *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**.

The Christmas Giving Tree is set up. Please take a couple of stars and return these gifts **unwrapped** 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.

HANDICRAFTS from the HOLYLAND CHRISTIANS.

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 in Bethlehem. For more information visit: www.HolylandChristians.ca



World Day of the Poor

The **World Day of the Poor** is a Roman Catholic observance, celebrated on the 33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time since 2017. It was established by Pope Francis in his Apostolic Letter, *Misericordia et Misera*, issued on 20 November 2016 to celebrate the end of the Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy. Pope Francis established this year's theme from the book of Tobit: **"Do not turn your face away from anyone who is poor."**

The Christmas trees are on their Way!

Once again the Knights are selling Christmas trees. The trees will arrive on Saturday, November 25. The trees are grown locally in the Midland area. They are being cut this upcoming week so they are fresh and green and smell wonderful.

Confirmation Candidates

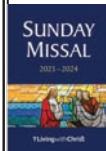
Sign up in the foyer for the Cross Making workshop. This is a fun and mandatory part of the Confirmation preparations. There are two options;
 Monday, January 15 & 22
 or
 Wednesday, January 17 & 24.

St. Elizabeth Seton Library Every topic under the Sun



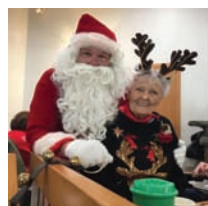
Our Library is filled with all kinds of books, seasonal stories, stories of Jesus, stories of the Saints, and important helps to those big issues we must all confront including Birth and Death, essential parts of our humanity, dealing with Loss and Grief. We also have stories about Truth and Reconciliation, War survivors, and lessons of how much we are loved by God. Check us out!

The 2023-2024 **Living with Christ Missals** and the **Children's Missals** are available. \$5.00 for the adult missal and \$7.00 for the children's missal.



Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!

The Catholic Women's Guild, would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to the Parishioners of S.E.S. for the generous contributions of baked goods to this year's CWG Christmas Bazaar. Your delicious treats not only filled the hall with the warm and inviting scent of the holiday season but also contributed significantly to the success of the event. The Bazaar was a tremendous hit, fostering a sense of joy and community spirit. Your dedication and support truly made a difference, and we are so grateful to have such a caring and committed group of parishioners. Wishing you all a blessed holiday season and looking forward to more shared moments of warmth and fellowship in the coming year.



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
 Mary MacDonald

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 Rose Marie Scott
 Wanda Tolazzi
 Sean Coen
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 Jake Tallon
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 Candice Cusinan
 Cheryl Tuck
 Stephen Murphy
 Sarah Kraft
 Marian Kulmatytskyi

Laura Rostron
 Alexis Carvajal
 Jose Fonseca
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Ladies...

You're invited ...

C.W.G.

Christmas

Wine & Cheese

2023

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DECEMBER
TUESDAY

6:30PM MASS

followed by

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ADMISSION: FREE FOR CWG MEMBERS
\$10 FOR NON-MEMBERS























We are asking everyone to bring items 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: hair products, toiletries, sanitary products, adult diapers (there are many seniors), sleeping bags, pyjamas, thermal underwear, mitts, socks, scarves, hats, underwear, sports bras, leggings, long johns, etc... in all sizes!

All donated items must be **NEW** and in a gift bag.



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  School Advent Family Mass 6:30	8 Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception	9 2nd Sunday of Advent 
10 2nd Sunday of Advent 	11	12 CWG Wine & Cheese 	13	14 Little Rock Bible Study ends 	15	16 3rd Sunday of Advent 
17 3rd Sunday of Advent  <i>O Wisdom</i>	18 RCIA 7pm  <i>Lord & Ruler</i>	19 <i>Root of Jesse</i>	20 <i>Key of David</i>	21 <i>O Radiant Dawn</i>	22 <i>O King of the Nations</i>	23 4th Sunday of Advent  <i>O Emmanuel</i>
24 4th Sunday of Advent  Christmas Eve Mass 4:30pm & 8pm 	25 Christmas Day masses 9am & 11am  Office Closed Until Jan. 4th	26 NO morning mass <i>Feast of St. Stephen</i>	27 Feast of St. John	28 Holy Innocents	29 5th Day of Christmas	30 Holy Family Sunday 
31 Holy Family Sunday  New Years Eve Mass at 4:30	1. 					



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