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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 Services

of York Region: 905-770-7040
Catholic Cemeteries: 905-889-7467
St. John's Cemetery
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

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 14, 2024

The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon
and tell him, "We have found the Messiah" (that is, the
Christ). And he brought him to Jesus.

Jesus looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John.
You will be called Cephas" (which, when translated, is Peter).

John 1:41-42 NIV

Pastoral Team

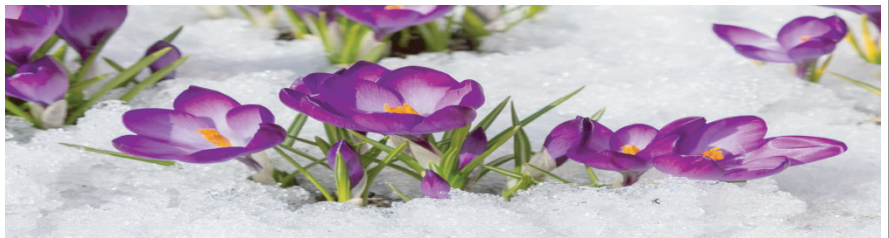
Fr. Roy Roberts, Pastor
Deacon Marian Pawliszko
Deacon Stephen Pitre

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 January 15th

10am: **Lisa Stukl**

Req. by: Steve Stokl

Tuesday January 16th

10am: **Maria Memmo**

Req. by: Cupe 1571

Wednesday January 17th

10am: **Patricia Daley**

Req. by: Dave & Cathy Brennan

Thursday January 18th

10am: **Venessa Wambura**

Req. by: Joyce D'Mello



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

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://sjcscs.blogspot.com/p/donate.html>

Parish Giving

December 23rd to January 1st

Offertory	\$16,996.11
SES Building	\$ 1,765.00
Christmas	\$16,477.10
New Years	\$ 1,808.35

Month of December PAG

(Pre-authorized Giving)

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

Ruminations

My dad had only one sibling, a brother who was eleven years his senior. As one can well imagine that huge age gap meant that it was a rather dubious relationship, unlike my siblings. With the four of us being separated in age by a scant four years, we have grown up with a much different family dynamic. To add to dad's distant relationship, my uncle lived just south of the Northwest Territories border in Alberta. The encounters with my cousins were negligible at best. I have a vague memory of meeting the older cousins, but I had never met the younger ones. In fact, the sparse communication between my dad and his brother meant that our connection with the cousins was scant at best. An annual long distance phone call at Christmas was the sole link to the western Roberts clan. When dad passed away, it was next to impossible to get word to my uncle, not there was any expectation of him attending the funeral, but we thought he should know. It was a very roundabout way that we were able to inform him, and it wasn't until weeks later that we did so. We never did hear when my uncle passed away from them. They had no idea how to contact us. Every once in a while, I would do a google search and eventually, I found his obituary and knew that he was gone, the last of that generation. He died in La Crete Alberta but was buried in Fort Vermilion. Mom and dad did take one trek up to the wilds of High Level to see my uncle. They flew into Edmonton and then drove the seven hours north into the Peace River district, and it was the first time my younger cousins had seen any of the eastern Roberts clan. Well, with the advent of Ancestry.com, I made connection with that side of the family. Since then, my cousin has been out here to visit us and see what real civilization looks like, after all, we have electricity and indoor facilities, something my cousin did not grow up with. He would talk about fear of bear encounters when using the outdoor facilities. Fascinating stories, but my idea of living in the wilds is at a Holiday Inn on the edge of Algonquin Park. I would not have survived at the 58th degree of latitude. I thought I was living in the North in Sudbury at 46 degrees. Anyway, my cousin does a lot of driving, and he has the quintessential western attitude. For me, an hour drive is a chore, but for him, he would travel 8 hours without batting an eye, and refer to it was a short jaunt. One of the ways he passes the time is to give me a call and we chat as he rolls long the mostly paved roads of Alberta and British Columbia. He called the other night as he was heading from Calgary to Grand Prairie, a mere seven and a half hop and skip. As much as I try to avoid complaining about the weather, inevitably the topic surfaces. As was lamenting this cold, damp weather we were having as it was one of those colds that gets into the bones. It was hovering around zero. He just laughed at me and made some disparaging comment about us soft Eastern Canadians. He paused to get gas and then informed me that the temperature was negative 35 with a wind chill of negative 48. As I argued, 'Yes, but it is a dry cold.' I don't think he bought that. I politely excused myself and bragged that I needed to go to the bathroom – indoors, It is good to be in contact with them even if he is an ardent Edmonton Oilers fan. He's lived in the wilds for too long.



Fr. Roy

Announcements and Events...



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*Entertainment by
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**ST. ELIZABETH SETON Hall
Saturday January 27, 2024**

Dinner: 6:00 – 7:30 PM

**Entertainment & Dancing – 800 PM
CASH BAR, WINE, BEER, SOFT DRINKS**

Cost: \$25.00 (includes dinner)

Tickets available after all masses

Help Us Help You!!!

Coffee Sunday is need of some helpers for after 11:00 am . We need a few good people to be able to take a shift or two of offering hospitality to our parishioners following Mass at 11 am Sunday mornings. If you would consider becoming part of the team, please leave your name and contact information with the Parish Office.



2024 Offering Envelopes Important information

Reminder to please pick your 2024 envelopes which are available in the Sunshine room. **PLEASE** get rid of any 2023 or earlier envelopes.

High School Community Service Hours

Are you looking for a fun way to collect your required Community Service Hours for you High School graduation requirements. Have we got a deal for you. We have some Parish events that might interest you. There are our fish fries, and Spaghetti dinner to name a few. If you might be interested, please give us a call and leave your name and contact number and we would be happy to have you on board.



Thank You! Merci! Gratas! Obrigado!

Your Society of St Vincent de Paul, St. John Chrysostom/St. Elizabeth Seton Conference, would like to thank all the parishioners of both our Newmarket parishes for your wonderful generosity in supporting your parish Giving Tree and St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Programs.

Your generosity and commitment to ensure that all members of our community are cared for is amazing. You can be sure that the recipients of this kindness are deeply grateful. This year, through your donations, we assisted **164 families with gift cards so 241 children could have something special under the Christmas tree.** In addition, we also gave **Walmart cards to 91 single adults or seniors living on their own.** Food assistance was also provided by way of a Good Food Box and grocery cards. With the money remaining we will be able to continue supporting these families throughout the year with food assistance. Through the Giving Tree Program, **278 seniors, adults and youth in need were served.**

The Christmas season is a time for reaching out to those in need and your donations brightened up the season for many in our community.



*We wish you all peace, happiness and above all,
health for 2024.*

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.

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

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

Laura Rostron
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
Daniel Juresic
Bernal Gutierrez
Tessa Stone



CWGW ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP TEA

SUNDAY **21** JANUARY

2:00 PM

Seton Hall

All ladies of our Parish...
Please join us for an afternoon
of tea and fellowship.

Membership Dues will be collected:
\$10.00 per member

Always accepting new members

A light lunch, including
sandwiches and
desserts, will be served.



Parish Ministry Profiles

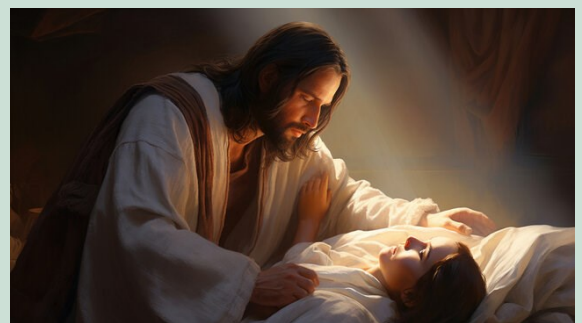
The Corporal Works of Mercy are found in the [teachings of Jesus](#) and give us a model for how we should treat all others, as if they were Christ in disguise. They "are charitable actions by which we help our neighbors in their bodily needs" ([USCCA](#)). They respond to the basic needs of humanity as we journey together through this life.

One of the Corporal works of Mercy is to visit the sick. Many people do this as a natural part of their lives, especially with family members who are sick or homebound. As grandparents and parents age, we take on new roles of helping them out—taking them to appointments and shopping; providing meals and entertainment; being present to them in new and varied ways as the circle of life changes the dynamics of our relationships. Often times we do these new interactions without giving it much thought, out of a general sense of love and concern. Life changes and so do our obligations.



As a Parish, we too have obligations to the vulnerable people in our Parish. One of the structured ministries that allows us outreach into the lives of people in need is our Eucharistic Ministers who provide Holy Communion to those in the Hospital. This is a combined ministry with St. John's Parish. We have a team of people who provide this service to the Hospital on Wednesdays, Fridays, and Sundays. The teams visit in pairs covering most areas of the Hospital.

This outreach is an extraordinary witness, making connections with the Churched and the unchurched alike. If a patient is not disposed to partake in the Eucharist, they usually settle for a short prayer for healing and comfort. There are patients who are scared. There are patients who are resigned. There are patients who are nervous. There are patients who are bewildered and confused. And along with the patients, there are also families in the same states. The Presence of the Church brings a great sense of re-assurance and comfort in these trying times.



If you are interested in joining the Team for this great ministry of Outreach, please contact the Parish Office.



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