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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

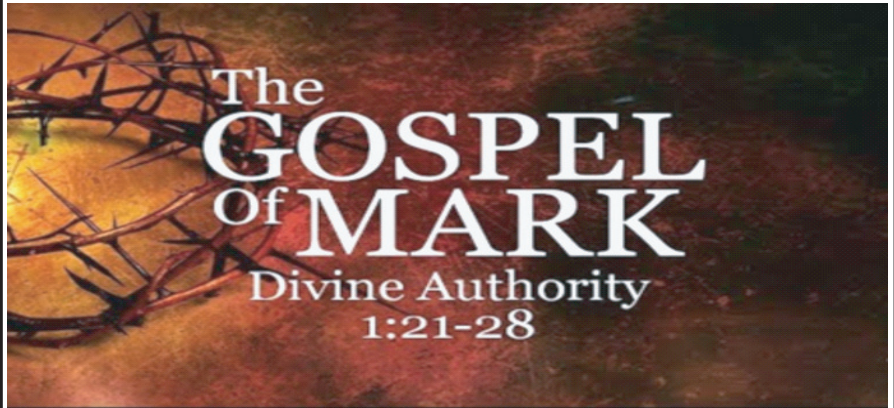


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St. Elizabeth Seton School
905-853-0340
Our Lady of Good Counsel
905-478-4242
Sacred Heart High School
905-895-3340

St. Elizabeth Seton Parish

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 28, 2024



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 January 29th
10am: **Raffaele Chirico**
Req. by: Pina & Rosa Pizzitelli

Tuesday January 30th
10am: **Annemarie Lau**
Req. by: Ginny & Tom Reid

Wednesday January 31st
10am: **Annemarie Lau**
Req. by: Fleischaker Family

Thursday February 1st
10am: **George Emmett**
Req. by: Tom Dubi



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

January 28th

Offertory	\$ TBA
SES Building	\$ TBA

Month of January PAG (Pre-authorized Giving)

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

Ruminations

I happen to really love the way we celebrate confirmation. I think it is a step above the usual expressions of the massive group, paraded in, and accompanied only by their sponsor. The reality is, the important people accompanying the candidates ought rightly to be their parents. It is mom and dad who brought them for baptism; it is mom and dad who brought them for first communion; it should be mom and dad who come with them for this last sacrament of initiation. This can also be reflected in the wedding ceremony. In the old days, dad escorted the bride in, mostly because he was given her away to someone who would provide for her, as proved by the size of the dowry. Such an act of giving the bride away would invalidate the marriage. The new ritual expects the bride and groom to walk in together as the ministers of the sacrament, but being a romantic at heart, and knowing the influence of society, for better or worse (usually the later in terms of Church rituals) I will accept a hybrid where dad escort the bride so long as mom does to, back to the point of who brought them to the sacraments in the first place. And was is good for the goose is good for the gander, the oft neglected parents of the groom should escort the young groom as well. (just fyi, the maids and ushers are not considered part of the bridal party but are just eye candy to augment the festivity of the ceremony. The best man and maid of honour, and mom and dad are the wedding party.) So it is great to have the parents included in all aspects of the ceremony. One of the great additions to the journey of our young people to the sealing of their baptism is something we added a few years ago. As an important part of their preparations, they are required to participate in an art project – they are engaged in making a ceramic cross, from its cutting out, and designing, glazing (colouring) and handing, this cross is meant to be an expression of who they are, who they want to be; what things define them; or how they see themselves. We are so fortunate to have a master ceramic artist in the parish. I remember my mom took ceramics, not that she ever created her own, but she would go and pick out a mold, sand it and glaze it and bring it home. Her favorite piece was a statue of Blessed Mary which adorned our living room. Dad built a corner shelf where it sat. On occasion you would enter the room and notice it turned around facing the wall. That meant something bad happened and someone was mad. It could have been because the Leafs lost, or someone failed an exam, or a myriad of other excuses. Mom would dutifully turn it around until the next ‘tragedy’. She also made a boat for mashed potatoes. It was huge as it had to be because the amount of mashed potatoes that we could consume in one meal was staggering. The problem was, mom was the only one who liked it. It was shaped like a potato, painted like a potato and looked like a big potato. It’s only redeeming quality was that it had a lid. When we were selling the house and sorting through mom’s treasures, the fearful question we all had was, who was going to get stuck with the potato boat. No one wanted it, and no one wanted to risk drawing straws for it in case you got stuck with it. I’m not sure where it ended up, and knowing some of my brothers, there was absolutely no sentimentally to mom’s craftsmanship with this, so it wouldn’t surprise me, that in years to come, when archeologists dig up the York Region dump, that they may come upon this confounding ceramic vessel that will boggle their minds and make them question the artwork of the last century. Our candidates crosses are much more keep worthy and beautiful- thanks to our resident artist. Thanks Teresa.



Fr. Roy

Announcements and Events...

Lent is just around the Corner

Lent begins on Wednesday, February 14. This year, Valentine's day is to be celebrated with Fasting & Abstinence because the start of Lent is a universal day of Fasting & Abstinence. Ashes will be distributed at both Masses that day, at 10:00 am & 7:00 pm.

The Tuesday before Ash Wednesday is affectionately called Pancake Tuesday or Mardi Gras and so we will celebrate it on the Sunday before, Sunday, February 11, after both morning Masses, with the CWG hosting a Pancake Breakfast. This is a free event to help inspire us into the Season of Lent.

Stations of the Cross will be celebrated on the Fridays of Lent at 7:00 pm, and watch for the dates of Fish Fries. First one is Friday, February 16.

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.



***NOTICE**

Could the owner of **envelope box number 265** please contact the parish office. We are in need of some information. Thank you.

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.



2024 Refugee Sponsorship Program for Parishioners

The Archdiocese's Office for Refugees is excited to announce the commencement of its 2024 Refugee Sponsorship Program for Parishioners.

This initiative is designed to aid parishioners interested in sponsoring family members seeking refugee resettlement.

If you are a parishioner and wish to sponsor a family member, kindly contact the **Office for Refugees, Archdiocese of Toronto (ORAT)**.

Interested parishioners will be asked to provide the necessary funds required for sponsorship.



Kindergarten Registration

The York Catholic District School Board is now accepting registrations for Junior Kindergarten for **children born in 2020**. York Catholic provides a Christ-centered, innovative Catholic Education in 102 schools across York Region. The YCDSB is consistently ranked as one of the top-performing school boards in the province. You can visit their website, www.ycdsb.ca, to register for classes starting in September.

Let us pray for the sick...

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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
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Tammy Elkie
Marcus D'Mello
Lisa Stokl
Jeanette Barbosa
Daniel Juresic
Bernal Gutierrez
Tessa Stone

Parish Ministry Profiles

Eucharistic outreach

From its earliest days, the Church has always had an awareness that the community exists beyond just those present at the celebration of the Eucharist. Pieces of the Broken Bread were taken home to those who could not physically be present when the community was invited together.



The 'Broken Bread' would also be taken home so people could partake of the Eucharist during the rest of the week, long before daily weekday masses were an option. Yes, there was a time when the Church celebrated on Sundays, the Day of the Lord.

This practice truly enshrined in our Catholic psyche a grander notion of Community, and how the Community is diminished by those who are not present when the Community is called to gather "In remembrance" of Jesus' meal. In our day, we have some wonderful people who share in the ministry of Communal Outreach. They bear the Eucharist to those unable to join us for the celebration, physically, but who, through the action of these ministers, become linked to us in a meaningful way by 'communing' with us and with our 'Broken Bread'.

Each week you may see people, ministers to the home-bound, being 'sent' at the end of Mass, to extend our celebration from the confines of our four walls, the community at large. This may be to family members who are sick, or frail, or for whatever reason prevents them from joining us. Some of our ministers are visiting friends and neighbours. Some are visiting Southlake Hospital to minister to those Catholics laid up in the hospital waiting for tests, or operations, or recovering, or dying. This team of ministers shares this pastoral work with parishioners from St. John's and Our Lady of Grace. The Hospital patients are brought Communion on Wednesdays, Fridays, and Sundays.

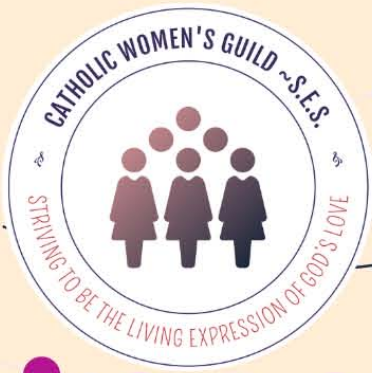


If you are interested in sharing in this vital work, please contact the Parish Office and we will put you in touch with the leaders of this Minister.

"When I was sick, you visited me."

The Life of Our Parish in February 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Bible Study 	2 Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. (last vestige of Christmas)	3 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time Baptism
4 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time Baptism 9am	5 Feast of St. Agnes	6	7	8 Soup & Series  Bible Study 	9	10 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time
11 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time CWG Pancake breakfast 	12 RCIA 7pm 	13 CWG Gen. Mtg. 	14 Ash Wednesday 10am & 7pm  Kof C Gen. Mtg. 	15 Feast of the chair of St. Peter Bible Study 	16 Fish Fry  Stations of the Cross at 7pm 	17 1st Sunday of Lent  1st Communion Retreat 10am to noon. 
18 1st Sunday of Lent  RCIA Rite of Enrolement	19 K of C Family Day Skate at East Gwillimbury Arena 3pm to 5pm 	20	21 1st Communion Retreat 6:30 to 8:30 	22 Bible Study 	23 Stations of the Cross at 7pm 	24 2nd Sunday of Lent  Full moon of Winter
25 2nd Sunday of Lent 	26 RCIA 7pm  1st Communion Retreat 6:30 	27 CWG Exec. Mtg. 	28 Kof C Exec. Mtg. 	29 Bible Study  Leap Year. 		



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PANCAKE BREAKFAST



2024



Sunday, February 11th

After each Mass

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