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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

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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

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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

Second Sunday of Lent
February 25, 2024



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 February 26th

10am: **Anna Bassi**

Req. by: CUPE 1571

Tuesday February 27th

10am: **Monika Koehne**

Req. by: Maureen & Hanno Weinberger

Wednesday February 28th

10am: **Teresa Andrachi**

Req. by: Cupe 1571

Thursday February 29th

10am: **Dorothy Heslop**

Req. by: Paul & Cathy Schwan



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

February 11th

Offertory \$ 6,736.63

SES Building \$ 855.00

Month of February PAG

(Pre-authorized Giving)

Sunday Offertory \$3,959.72

SES Building Fund \$ 400.00

ShareLife \$ 272.00

Ruminations

Lots of times, I know exactly what the term 'writer's block' means. I am not sure if it stems from the rather unexciting life that I live, or the self-censorship that results from promising family members that for the most part, their lives and stories are off the record, or perhaps the nature of the 'business' is considered if not under the seal of the confessional, or at least guarded by the rules of professional confidentiality. Mom became very wary of conversations and stories that she would relate and began prefacing certain ones as "I don't want to read about this in the bulletin!!!" The triple exclamation marks do not come close to expressing the force with which she warned me. I did reserve the right to change the names to protect the innocent, or at least the instigators. For several years mom had difficulty with her car headlights. She had taken it into the mechanics several times, and each time the lights were declared to be fully functioning. Finally, my brother discovered that she wasn't fully turning them on. Of course, that story was too good to ignore, so I think the protagonist became one of my sisters-in-law, but the reality is now out. It was mom and dad who encouraged me to create such snippets of my life and thoughts. For years I balked at it, but finally in 2004 I caved. The first bulletin column was called 'Meanderings'. I thought that was a safe name because it meant that the writing didn't need to be consistent or mono-themed, that in fact, it could 'meander' all around. I first learned of that word in grade 11 Geography with Mr. Rose. It was discussed in the context of the life of a river and towards its end, it begins to gently flow creating bends back onto itself. That seemed like an apt target and description to launch a new endeavour. One of the unfortunate things was that my dad never got to see the fruits of his nagging and coercing come to fruition. He had died several months earlier. When I left Ajax where it all began, I thought it was only just to retire the 'Meanderings' name. That was after 283 pages of stories and over 137,000 words. From the ashes of 'Meanderings' was born the present day 'Ruminations'. That name too, gave me the freedom to babble on without need for internal consistency. It kind of implied that whatever would pop into my head could be committed to paper, for better or worse, and sometimes both. What I have noticed is that the weekly impending deadline shifts how I look at the events of Parish Life. Often times events will be viewed through the lens of how I could incorporate something into a bulletin article. One of the problems of aging though, is that if the inspiration happens too many days before I have time to sit down and create it, it gets lost into the annals of time. I keep thinking I should carry a little notebook to jot down these gems, but I keep forgetting to do that too. Well as luck would have it, I have surpassed the 300,000 words mark with Ruminations last week. That is stored as 241 pages. I am not sure I will hit the half million words mark - 'Ruminations will certainly be retired by then, and there is no inkling of new project in the offing. One thing I have learned over the 34 years of priesthood is just how important stories are. They are the source of revelation, and connection, and inspiration. Our relationships are rooted in shared stories and sharing stories. It is what fundamentally makes us human. Is it any wonder then, that John's Gospel begins 'In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God'. It is in our very created nature to be story-tellers and to be part of the story being told. Happy 300,000 plus. Thanks mom and dad.

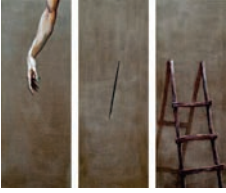
Fr. Roy



Announcements and Events...

Stations of the cross

We will celebrate Stations of the Cross every Friday starting at 7:00 pm during the season of Lent. The Stations are a time-honoured tradition rooted in walking with Christ to the Cross.



Lent Evening Prayer

Sunday evenings starting at 7:00 pm, we will celebrate Evening Prayer or Vespers in the style of Taizé. This is a very reflective and meditative preparation for Easter. Please join us.



Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry is a group of people who gather on the first Wednesday of each month to chat, and laugh, and make Prayer Shawls. These shawls are given to people experiencing difficulties in their lives. The Shawl is a reminder to them that they are not alone in their challenges and that as expressed by the Shawl, they are always embraced by God's love. These Shawls have been sent all around the world and so represent our Christian outreach as a Community of Faith. If you have some time to spare, even if you are a beginner knitter or crochet-er, please feel free to join us for this fun, engaging way of bringing God's love and comfort to those in need. For more information or to get involved, please call the Parish Office.



Sacramental Corner

Confirmation

Confirmation Retreat/ Thursday April 18th @7pm
All candidates must attend. Parents attend
from 8:30-9:00pm

Soup & a Series

“The Chosen”

The Chosen is a series that depicts the life of Jesus with his apostles. It is a very intriguing and down to earth vision of what the interactions may have looked like without a typical overly pious, saccharinely approach. It will inspire, and inform and enlighten and challenge you. We have decided to continue to offer it during Lent as our Soup and a Movie. Each week we will show two episodes. Show will start at 12 noon and since the episodes are usually less than an hour in length, be finished by 2 pm. There is no cost, though donations to help defray the cost of the soup and buns is always appreciated. Please join us for this great journey of the greatest story.



Our next Soup and a Series will be Thursday March 7th.

Please reserve by calling the Parish Office

ShareLife

Through your kindness, over 40 Catholic organizations and social service agencies can help marginalized members of our community. No one is turned away due to inability to pay. This is all possible through your support. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate. The three scheduled collections are on the weekends of March 17, April 28, and June 2.

The Next Fish Fry

Our next Fish Fry will take place on Friday, March 22, starting at 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm. Declared the best French fries in the area. Mark your calendar to join us in our Preparations for Easter.



***NOTICE**

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





















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
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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
Joan Reagan

Laura Rostron
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
Jenny Legari

The Life of Our Parish in March

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Stations of the Cross 7pm. 	2 3rd Sunday of Lent 
3 3rd Sunday of Lent  Vespers—7pm	4 RCIA 7pm 	5	6 Prayer Shawl Ministry 	7 Soup & Series  Bible Study 	8 Stations of the Cross 7pm. 	9 4th Sunday of Lent 
10 4th Sunday of Lent  Vespers—7pm	11 RCIA 7pm 	12 CWG General Mtg. 	13 K of C General Mtg. 	14 Bible Study 	15 Stations of the Cross 7pm. 	16 5th Sunday of Lent  CWG Pie Sales 
17 5th Sunday of Lent  Vespers 7pm CWG Pie Sales 	18 RCIA 7pm. 	19	20	21 Bible Study 	22 Stations of the Cross 	23 Palm Sunday 
24 Palm Sunday  Vespers 7pm	25	26 CWG Exec. Mtg. 	27 K of C Exec. Mtg. 	28 Holy Thursday Mass at 7:30pm 	29 Good Friday Services at 11am and 3pm. Day of Fasting & Abstinence 	30 Holy Saturday Easter Basket Blessing: 10am (English); 12 noon (Polish) Easter Vigil 8pm 
31 Easter Sunday Mass at 9am & 11am 						



Pie Sales

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