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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

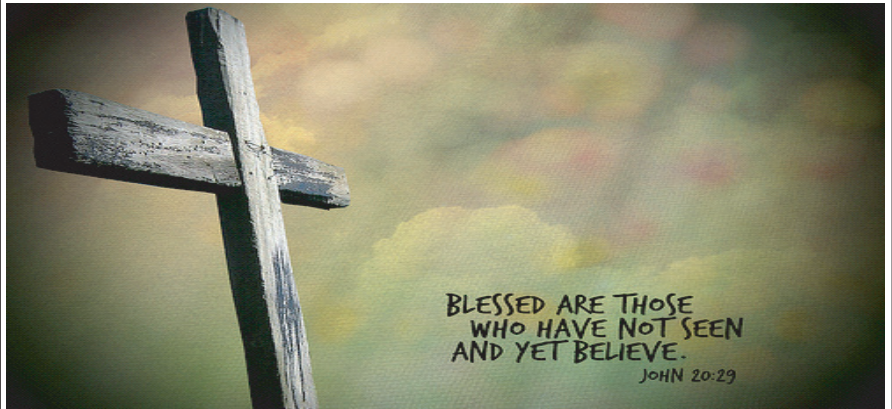


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St. Elizabeth Seton School
905-853-0340
Our Lady of Good Counsel
905-478-4242
Sacred Heart High School
905-895-3340

St. Elizabeth Seton Parish

Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy)
April 7, 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 April 8th
10am: **Yoland Kiley**
Req. by: Jessemay & Family

Tuesday April 9th
10am: **Luis Sardena**
Req. by: Cupe 1571

Wednesday April 10th
10am: **Eugenio Scetto**
Req. by: Scetto Family

Thursday April 11th
10am: **Giovanna Jannetta**
Req. by: Cupe 1571



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

March 31, 2024

Easter	\$12,649.95
SES Building	\$ 565.00
HolyLand (Good Friday)	\$ 2,619.00

Month of March PAG (Pre-authorized Giving)

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

Ruminations

Some of my classmates at Notre Dame were from Australia. As one can imagine, chats around the meal table were lively and exciting, as only budding liturgists can make them. I remember one conversation about the liturgical seasons and how the rhythm of the liturgical year is to be in harmony with the rhythm of nature. Advent is all about the days getting shorter awaiting the coming of the sun, and Lent (which means Spring) all about new life preparing to burst forth. Let's face it, the Church has been designed from a purely northern hemisphere, essentially a Mediterranean perspective. For instance, the Easter Vigil is supposed to begin AFTER the sun has set. Next year (Easter Sunday is April 20), in Rome they can begin at 8 pm, but in Tuktoyaktuk, sunset is 11:21 pm, and in Sydney, Australia, sunset is at an early 5:26 pm. FYI, here sunset is at 8:08 pm so maybe an 8:30 start. I'm certain that Spring is in full bloom in the Mediterranean, but here it is just starting to emerge, and in Australia, the days are getting shorter, the 'barbies' (Aussie for BBQ) are getting fewer, and everything is dying as they prepare for winter. It is hard to speak of new life as the leaves fall, the birds migrate, and the kangaroos do whatever kangaroos do for winter. No matter, Easter is the highest celebration for us. It is when we pull out all the stops, and in a succinct three days we celebrate the magnitude of what our faith is all about. We put it on display as we welcome through initiation new members, but also for ourselves as a faith boost. There are prayers and rituals that are reserved for once a year; the washing of the feet, the veneration of the cross, the baptism of adults, the blessing of Easter baskets, and a highlight for me this year, the indulgence of things given up. The truth be told, though I was so looking forward to my Easter pizza dinner, it was something I hadn't had since before Thanksgiving in October, but it was going to be my celebratory meal. I couldn't wait, so after the crowds dissipated and the doors were locked and the Easter candle extinguished, I headed out for this long-anticipated feast. I had dreamed of ordering a large pizza and gorging, walking the tightrope of gluttony, but as the occasion approached I became a bit fearful. I hadn't had carbs since October except for fries at the Fish Fry, I became wary of its effects on along deprived body, so I settled for a pizza slice – just in case. So off to Pizza Pizza with great glee and anticipation. I ordered two slices, a pepperoni and a meat lovers. I couldn't wait so as soon as I got back in the car, I cracked open the container and took a huge bite. As a rule for me, the first bite is always the best and I anticipated this overwhelming flow of satisfaction and delight. I anticipated a bit of the greasy cheese and pepperoni on my lips. That is what I love about pizza. But, what is that expression – lunch bag let down. It's not that it didn't live up to expectations, it was nowhere near exciting. I can't even say I liked it. I thought maybe the second slice would exceed expectations, but alas, no.

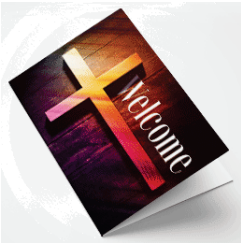
Now this is absolutely no commentary on Pizza Pizza, but after six months, there was just something too bland and unappealing about that food for me, and it did affect my blood sugar numbers in a negative way. In the long run, that is probably a good thing for my health and diabetes, and I will always have memories of pizzas past, but what is that saying, be careful what you hope for. I hope your Easter meals were more savory and delicious and satisfying. Happy Easter. *Fr. Roy*



Announcements and Events...

Paper Bulletins

When the Covid Pandemic altered our lives, one of the things that it forced us to do was make us focus our usually bulletin communications to be switched to our Website. It proved to be effective and ecological all at the same time. We were able to disseminate our communications to whomever desired it, and save the carbon emissions from the delivery vehicles and save some trees to boot. The problem was that not everyone has access to our website or proficiency in navigating the world wide web. Some of those people let us know and we do run off several copies in house. Recent conversations have turned our thoughts to re-instating hard copies of the bulletin, in real paper. Those not on the internet have no way of informing us , but if you are interested in receiving a paper copy, we would like to know. In the old days we would have 650 copies delivered. We are not in need of that many at this time. Our weekly distribution goes out to 994 subscribers with a 59% open rate. So please let us know.



Holy Thursday

The Church declares that Communion under both species is a fuller expression of the covenantal relationship of the Eucharist so for the first time since the Pandemic we offered Communion from the Cup. Medical studies have concluded that when performed properly, there is more chance of catching a communicable disease from the holy water font (but remember our font goes through a double filtration and ultraviolet process and comes out of the font pure) than from the Cup. There were more people who partook of the Cup than we imagined and it showed that enough people are interested in its restoration. Consider this a feeler to see if this practice is something we would like to pursue. Please let us know.



Your ShareLife gift is a lifeline to families in need

Many individuals and families silently suffer from depression, anxiety, grief and trauma. ShareLife-supported Catholic Family Services agencies provide a lifeline to those dealing with mental health challenges.

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Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope or at sharelife.org/donate.

Thank you for living the Gospel by opening your hearts and sharing your blessings.

Annual Cemetery Clean Up

The annual spring cleanup of St. John’s Cemetery will once again take place on **Saturday, May 6, from 9 am to 11:30am**. Some tools will be provided but we need as many volunteers as possible with rakes and shovels. You don’t need any experience and the more people we have the more fun it will be. This is an excellent opportunity for students to earn community service hours. Please consider joining us.



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
Michelle Canale

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Trice Hawkins
Carole Carter
Lawrence Cooper
Candice Cusinan
Cheryl Tuck
Stephen Murphy
Sarah Kraft
Marian Kulmatytskyi

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
Tom Sagar
Jason Fonceca



SPAGHETTI DINNER

Saturday, April 20, 2024

Doors open at 5:00 PM

DINNER SERVED: 6:00 PM

COST: \$12 for adults

\$5 for children 7 and under



**All tickets must
be purchased
ahead of time:**

* After each Mass on April 6-7 and 13-14

* Visit, call or email the Parish Office














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*** All tickets must be
purchased/reserved by
THURSDAY APRIL 18th**

**Proceeds to support our
CWG Bursary Fund**

The Life of Our Parish in April

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 Prayer Shawl Ministry 10am 	4 Soup & Movie  Bible Study 	5	6 2nd Sunday of Easter 1st Communion Weekend 
7 2nd Sunday of Easter 1st Communion Weekend 	8 RCIA 7pm 	9 CWG General Mtg. 	10 K of C General Mtg.	11 Bible Study 	12	13 3rd Sunday of Easter 1st Communion Weekend 
14 3rd Sunday of Easter 1st Communion Weekend 	15	16	17	18 Confirmation Retreat 7pm 	19 	20 4th Sunday of Easter 1st Communion Weekend. CWG Spaghetti Dinner 
21 4th Sunday of Easter 1st Communion Sunday 	22 RCIA 7pm 	23 CWG Exec Mtg. 	24 K of C Exec. Mtg.	25 Feast of St. Mark Bible Study 	26 Feast of Our Lady of Good Counsel	27 5th Sunday of Easter Last 1st Communion Mass 
28 5th Sunday of Easter	29 Feast of St. Catherine of Siena	30				

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