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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

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**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**

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905-853-0340  
Our Lady of Good Counsel  
905-478-4242  
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# St. Elizabeth Seton Parish

Fourth Sunday of Easter  
April 21, 2024



**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  
Rectorry 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 22nd

10am: **Egidio Gullo**

Req. by: Family

### Tuesday April 23rd

10am: **Maria Silveria**

Req. by: Cupe 1571

### Wednesday April 24th

10am: **John Van Krieken**

Req. by: Barb Martin

### Thursday April 25th

10am: **Donna Wright-McIsaac**

Req. by: Fleischaker Family



### 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/](http://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

### April 14, 2024

Offertory	\$6,669.86
SES Building	\$ 523.00

### Month of March PAG

(Pre-authorized Giving)

Sunday Offertory	\$4,174.30
SES Building Fund	\$ 402.00
ShareLife	\$ 295.00

## Ruminations ....

I still remember that sunny September Saturday when mom and dad dropped me off at the new residence at University for the first time. It is scary to think how many decades ago that was, but even still, it seems like yesterday. No one from my High School knew where Laurentian was, let alone plan to attend, so I was preparing to move into a room with a stranger for a roommate. We didn't have the internet or any means of making a connection with this new person who would be part of my life for the next eight months and maybe beyond. I dropped my suitcases in the room and then took off to wonder the great outdoors for four or five hours trying to talk myself into realizing that this university adventure would prove to be a good and necessary thing for me. By the time I made it back to the residence and timidly entered onto the floor of my room, some uninspiring music was wafting out of my room with its door wide open. I kind of peeked in and there was this large, second year geology student wearing a Bavarian Oktoberfest hat chatting with this fellow whom I discovered was our 'don'. My new roommate, who was affectionately nicknamed the 'Great Root Bear' after the commercial character. It was an awkward introduction with all the awkwardness being mine. My new roommate was an incredibly friendly and gregarious guy who instantly made me feel welcome despite the fact he was playing weird jazz music as a first impression. He was from a small town relatively close to Sudbury called Nairn Centre on the Spanish River. The truth be told, the word town might be an exaggeration, because when I did get a chance to have the grand tour, it was nothing more than a street divided by a railroad line creating four quadrants. By comparison, Holland Landing seemed like a metropolis. He was a great fit for me. He got me out of my shell fairly quickly and we had lots of great times. He was very generous too. I could listen to his collection of jazz albums whenever I wanted which amounted to zero times. There was a kindness about him and he was truly beloved in the residence. He was trying to sort out his life and after his second year, he switched to another program out of geology and thorough a long, round-about path, ended up becoming a high school shop teacher, and from all reports and comments, he was one of those memorable and favoured teachers that students remember for years to come with great fondness. Over the decades, our lives re-intersected only a few times, the last being one day when he popped into the school gym where we celebrated Mass in Ajax totally unannounced. He just came in and took a seat, and when I finally caught sight of him in the middle of Mass, everyone noticed my happy startled reaction and the tremendous grin that came over me. I introduced him to the congregation along with his new wife whom I had never met until that day. Well, Werner contracted cancer and died in the middle of Covid, and it wasn't until last week that they had an official celebration of his life for the many, many friends and former students. I am still waiting to hear how it went from friends who were able to attend. I owe a debt of gratitude to him for that first year of University. He helped me settle in and find my stride. He was certainly one of the good ones. Rest in peace, my friend and thank you.

*Fr. Roy*



## Announcements and Events...



### Invest in our Church's future by giving to ShareLife

Your kindness and devotion enable St. Augustine's Seminary, along with the Office of Vocations and Redemptoris Mater Missionary Seminary, to provide an excellent formation for our seminarians as they pursue a life of service. This past year, you invested in our Church's future by supporting 58 seminarians at St. Augustine's Seminary and Redemptoris Mater Missionary Seminary.

This Sunday, April 21, we celebrate the 61<sup>st</sup> World Day of Prayer for Vocations. There has never been a better time to support and pray for our seminarians, wherever they may be on their journey.

Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope or at [sharelife.org/donate](http://sharelife.org/donate).

### DAY OF REFLECTION

Monday, April 29, 2024:  
9:00 AM - 3:30 PM

**Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre, Pickering**  
Topic: **"Hospitality of the Heart"**

During this Day of Reflection we will be invited to enter deeply into the value and practice of hospitality, shared at many levels of culture and faith, and at the very centre of the Christian life. We will look anew and contemplatively at the dynamic of hospitality. Drawn beyond common and limited understandings of hospitality our reflections will focus on God as the source of hospitality, receiving the gift of Divine Love, hospitality to the self, the expanding love of neighbour and hospitality to an unknown future. The day will include opportunities for communal and personal prayer, presentations and reflections to accompany us on the day's journey.

Facilitator: Sr Mary Rowell, csj A suggested offering of \$65 per person. Includes break, lunch and mass along with the program.

**REGISTER:** <http://manresa-canada.ca>

**CONTACT:** [registration@manresa.ca](mailto:registration@manresa.ca)



### Women's Day of Reflection

Each year the CWG hosts a morning of Reflection for all the ladies of our parish. On Saturday, May 11, 2024, all the ladies are invited to a morning of inspiration and fellowship.. The morning begins at 8:30 with coffee and muffins. Please plan to join us for this refreshing morning of growth.



## The Knights of Columbus will once again be hosting a Parish Mothers' Day Brunch.

On Sunday May 12,  
following the 9:00 am & 11:00 am,  
you are invited to join  
the Knights and our Mothers  
for a delicious breakfast in the Parish Hall.

There is no cost for this event  
though there will be a free will offering box.

Please plan to join us.

### Annual Cemetery Clean Up

The annual spring cleanup of St. John's Cemetery will once again take place on **Saturday, May 11 from 9 am to noon** followed by a BBQ at St. John's Hall. Some tools will be provided but we need as many volunteers as possible with rakes and shovels. You don't need 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. You don't need to sign up, just show up.



### Sanirajak

The St. Vincent de Paul Project of shipping supplies to our northern Sisters and Brothers in Sanirajak, Nunavut, is looking forward to sending a second container filled with supplies in Summer, 2025. They are starting to collect funds. Watch for more details.



### 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

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

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Albina Barber  
Santiago Garcia  
Hallie Lynn  
Morgan Leung  
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Theresa Wharton  
Zeny Jose  
Tammy Elkie  
Marcus D'Mello  
Lisa Stokl  
Jeanette Barbosa  
Daniel Juresic  
Bernal Gutierrez  
Tessa Stone  
Tom Sagar  
Jason Fonceca

# The Life of Our Parish in May 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<p>1. Feast of St. Joseph the Worker</p> <p>Prayer Shawl Ministry 10am</p> 	<p>2 Soup &amp; Movie</p>  <p>Bible Study</p> 	<p>3 Feast of St. Philip &amp; St. James</p>	<p>4 6th Sunday of Easter</p>
<p>5. 6th Sunday of Easter</p> <p>Baptisms @ 11</p>	<p>6 RCIA</p>  <p>SVDP Mass &amp; Meeting</p> <p>Week of Catholic Education</p>	7	<p>8 KofC General Mtg.</p> 	<p>9 Bible Study</p> 	10	<p>11 Ascension Sunday</p>  <p>CWG Day of Reflection</p>
<p>12 Ascension Sunday</p>  <p>K of C Mother Day's Breakfast</p> 	<p>13</p> <p>Fr. Roy on Seminar</p> <p>NO morning Mass</p>	<p>14 CWG General Mtg.</p>  <p>Feast of St. Matthias</p>	15	16	17	<p>18 Pentecost Sunday</p>  <p>Confirmation Sunday</p>
<p>19 Pentecost Sunday</p>  <p>Confirmation Sunday</p>	<p>20 Feast of Mary, Mother of the Church</p>	21	<p>22 KofC Exec. Mtg.</p> 	23	24	<p>25 Holy Trinity Sunday</p>  <p>Confirmation Sunday</p>
<p>26 Holy Trinity Sunday</p>  <p>Confirmation Sunday</p>	27	<p>28 CWG Exec. Mtg.</p> 	29	30	<p>31 Feast of Visitation of Mary</p>	



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**Fr. Dexter Fredric Gray** is a Jesuit from Sri Lanka. He has a Bph in Philosophy at the National Seminary of Our Lady in Ampititya Sri Lanka and a BTh in Theology at Loyola School of Theology Manila. His talents include basketball and music. He was Director of Manresa Retreat House in Sri Lanka and Provincial Superior of the Jesuit Province of Sri Lanka and Pakistan Mission. His interests are preaching retreats, group dynamics for youth and spiritual direction.

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