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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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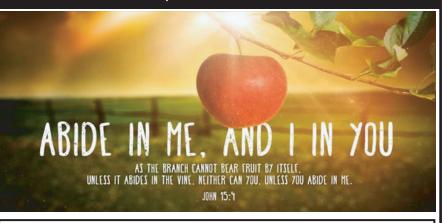
New Parishioner? Welcome to St. Elizabeth Seton! If you would like to register, forms are available at the church entrance or the parish office. Parishioners with a change of address, please inform the Parish office. Envelopes may also be acquired at the office. Please introduce yourself to Fr. Roy Roberts after Mass

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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

Fifth Sunday of Easter April 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 April 29nd 10am: No Morning Mass Req. by:

Tuesday April 30th 10am: Tina Arruda Req. by: Evaristo & Maria Arruda

Wednesday May 1st 10am: Joan Bruce Req. by: The Clan

Thursday May 2nd 10am: Mary Courtemanche Req. by: Ann Woolnough



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 fover 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/donatepages/donate-to-humanitarianrelief/



St. Vincent de Paul You can donate online to the Newmarket conference at: https://sicses.blogspot.com/p/ donate.html



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(Pre-authorized Giving)		
Sunday Offertory	\$4	,174.30
SES Building Fund	\$	402.00
ShareLife	\$	295.00

Ruminations

I really don't subscribe to Youtube videos, but there are a few that I watch consistently. There are a couple of gardening ones that I watch religiously (kind of an occupational hazard - doing things religiously). I was searching for something about gardening, and I found one that I started watching. The host said she was gardening in Ontario, so I thought that it might be advantage to follow her presentations, and if the truth be known, it has been a great educational boon. I remember when I first started watching her a couple of years ago, and after she mentioned a particular plant, I thought it would be great for our gardens, so I went out and got it. I planted it and it started to flourish. A couple of weeks after planting it, I wondered what part of Ontario she was gardening. She mentioned one day that she gardened in a desert zone and the temperatures exceeded 100 degrees Fahrenheit for weeks at a time. That was my first clue that she was not talking about any place I knew in Ontario. It ends up she lives in Ontario, Oregon, and we have very little in common with zones. At the time, our zone was considered a growing zone of 4. This determines how cold the winters can get which will challenge the survival of various perennials. So that wonderful plant I got on her recommendation, didn't have a chance of making it through our winters. As I continued to tune into her Youtube channel, I also discovered that the start of Spring, and the ability to begin working in the gardens is substantially earlier than here. The problem is, watching her starting to work the soil, do the Spring plant cleaning, and Spring planting creates an itch to get going on ours. On one of the unusually warm Spring days we had in March sent me out to start working the gardens, though the problem was that the ground was still hard. The hoe wouldn't even break the ground, and trying to rake some of the remnants of last summer's stems was kind of pointless as even though they were dead and dry, they were still frozen to the ground and impossible to rake up. In the videos, her daffodils are finished their blooming, and ours are just coming into bloom. The forsythia in the back corner are in full bloom and plants are just bursting into growth. The hellebores hidden in one of the corners are blossoming. They are also called 'Lenten Rose' because they come into flower so early in the Spring. In fact, they were in flower before Easter this year. A quick survey has shown that a couple of plants didn't make it. A boxwood in front of the Office died, likely from being too close to the salting of the sidewalks. There is a butterfly bush that seems to have succumbed to the winter, and there are others that seem dubious, but sometimes, they are just slow off the take. Last year, a couple of plants that I thought I had lost, didn't break dormancy until the beginning of June. Although the gardening itch is strong, the weather has not been conducive to getting out, and at the two entrances with the beautiful new rocks, work needs to get underway, and we are waiting to order the soil and mulch, but Mother Nature needs to cooperate. We had a parishioner offer to contribute a red maple with will be situated in the southeast corner to help hide the dumpster at the back, and the irrigation company will be in soon to activate our system. We hope to be able to add some irrigation lines to ease the daily chores. Everyday I look at the weather channel to see when a good time to go whole

hog on the gardens. Local wisdom says that no planting before the 24th of May, but unfortunately, that is after the Easter season is complete. I keep reminding myself that in a couple of weeks, we will be remembering the coolness of this Spring with longing and nostalgia when the heat and humidity of the high summer chase us into the comfort of the air conditioning. Fr. Roy



Announcements and Events...



Share the love with our beloved seniors through ShareLife

Last year, ShareLife supporters like you offered quality care and companionship to over 2,300 vulnerable seniors.

"The largest thank you to all ShareLife donors for your continued generosity! With your support, our centre is able to provide assistance to seniors in need through our community programs." – Jaymie Daunt, LA Centre for Active Seniors

The third ShareLife Sunday of the year is June 2. We ask you to share your blessings through the parish or at sharelife.org/donate.

Thank you for living the Gospel!

Vespers—Evening Prayer Back by popular demand, we will offer Vespers celebrations once a month. Our next celebration will take place this Sunday,

April 28, 2024 starting at 7:00 pm. Please join us for this peaceful celebration of the Official Prayer of the Church.



No Morning Mass on Monday, April 29.

Fr. Roy will be away on a Workshop for the day.

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 topic is

"Self-Awareness -Reflective Practices for Authentic Living"



The Knights of Columbus will once again be hosting a

Pari<mark>sh Mo</mark>thers' 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 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 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 Juliana Pelaez

The Life of Our Parish in May 2024

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



The S.E.S. Catholic Women's Guild is once again hosting a Morning of Reflection for all ladies in the parish. You do not need to be a member to join us, and you are free to bring a friend.

Ladies ... Please join us!!

with Guest Speaker:

Mary-Jo McDonald

DATE: Saturday, May 11th, 2024

START TIME: 8:30am

TOPIC: Self-Awareness - Reflective Practices for Authentic Living

Refreshments and a light lunch included

Cost: FREE

Mary-Jo is a mother and grandmother. After 21 years working in a Toronto hospital as an Echocardiology Sonographer, she returned to full time studies in the area of theology. She has received a:

- Masters of Divinity
- Bachelors in Sacred Theology
- License in Sacred Theology
- Diploma in Spiritual Direction
 - Doctorate of Theology

Please sign up to indicate your attendance. Sign-Up sheets are in the church foyer.

