17955 Leslie Street Newmarket, Ontario L3Y 9A4 PH: 905-853-5009 FAX: 905-853-9391

EMAIL: st.elizabethseton@rogers.com

Website: stelizabethsetonne.archtoronto.org

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 Servicesof York Region:905-770-7040Catholic Cemeteries:905-889-7467St. John's Cemetery905-889-7467

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 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

The Baptism of the Lord January 12, 2025



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 13th 10am: Milla Picciulian Req. by: Frank

Tuesday January 14th 10am: Jean Woolnough Req. by: Ann Woolnough

Wednesday January 15th 10am: Germana Portaro Req. by: Cupe 1571

Thursday January 16th 10am Rado Kreus Req. by: Dagmar Ficker



A simple cup of coffee becomes happiness when Coffee & Chat you share it with friends.

January 12th

- 9:00 Michael Andrews Sheri Andrews Mug Zweerman Katie Zweerman
- KD Neely 11:00 John Blove Wilma Bloye

January 19

- Pat Spataro 9:00 Caroline Gaughan Ella Schiegel
- Maureen Delaney 11:00 Maggie West Kathe Dagher

Join us after each Sunday mass for coffee and fellowship.



St. Vincent de Paul You can donate online to the

Newmarket conference at:

https://sjcses.blogspot.com/p/ donate.html -----

Parish	Giving
December 15, 2024–Jan. 5, 2025	
Offertory	\$29,701.40
Christmas	\$17,318.50
New Years	\$ 4,522.25
SES Building	\$ 2,325.00
Month of December PAG	
(Pre-authorized Giving	<i>)/</i>
Sunday Offertory	\$3,689.16
SES Building Fund	\$ 632.00
ShareLife	\$ 100.00
Alcoholic Anonymous meet every	

Alcoholic Anonymous meet every Saturday at 8pm in the Knights of Columbus room.

Ruminations

Time is such a peculiar creature, especially when working in a Church. In the normal course of events, because of timelines and deadlines, the focus is usually on the next week, not this week. Most of the time we are a week ahead, whether it is preparing the bulletin, or planning activities. This year's order of palms for Palm Sunday is due shortly, and along with that is the selection of the new Easter Candle, along with the flower order for the Easter Season. What is Easter without Easter lilies, even if you are lucky to get three Sundays out of them before they become unpresentable? At least this year Easter is almost as late as it can be in April which means there should be a better and larger selection of Spring flowers to fill in the gaps. It's not a wonder that our lives are so busy because that busyness keeps us focused on the future. I am already planning on when the Stanley Cup parade will be and whether or not I can ditch morning Mass. I wasn't really thinking about it until I happened to be out, sort of whiling away some time, looking through the on sale Christmas ornaments for next year's presentation, which had been well picked through, but I had to step around some store employees who were busying themselves placing Valentine's day merchandise, Easter selections, and BBQ items. Apparently winter and Christmas are already distant memories, and despite the drop in temperatures and the accumulation of snow, winter clothing is hard to find while next summer's fashionable togs for the best dressed priests' apparel is on full display. It took a lot of restraint not to pick up a cool turquoise pair of summer shorts, and I was kind of mad at myself for even considering it, but stores like Costco and Homesense have programmed us well to shop spontaneous because the fear of the product being gone looms deep in our psyche. I convinced myself that I will pick them up later, much later. I drove home reflecting on this phenomenon and was somewhat perturbed about it. Our common complaint is about how time flies, or the lack of time, or our full calendars. I think that part of the problem is our retailers are pushing our agendas. In a real way they are programming our schedules, and we have no breathing room between seasons. After checking out the BBQs, I decided I wanted to just go home and sit and enjoy the remainder of our Christmas season. I wanted to listen to guiet Christmas instrumental music, watch the lights twinkle in the hall, enjoy all the unique nativities and sip hot chocolate, even though it is not permitted on my food list. Well, that is what I did, except for the hot chocolate - did I mention that it's not allowed on my diet? I did enjoy it but I can't tell you how long

> I was there. The truth be told, I think I nodded off, and in my dreams I was sitting out on the patio on a warm summer afternoon with burgers on the barbie.

Not sure what to make of that, but when I did wake up, I tried to remember where I saw those turquoise shorts, because I do have a gift card....Merry Christmas. FYI, the Stanley Cup parade will be on June 17 so morning Mass is cancelled. Fr. Roy



Announcements and Events...



Please join us for an afternoon of tea and fellowship.

Membership Dues will be collected: \$10.00 per member *Always accepting new members*

> A light lunch, including sandwiches and desserts, will be served.

Pub 'Knight'

On Saturday, February 08, the Knights are hosting a Pub Knight with dinner, dancing and live music. Tickets are \$30 per person. Dinner is served from 6 pm - 7:30 pm with the live entertainment beginning at 8:00 pm. The music is provided by the

"**Jukebox Boys**". Come chase the January

blahs away.



Our Nativity Scenes

The display will be up until late January, 2025.



Vespers is Coming.

Once again we will pray the Evening Prayer of the Church, also called Vespers. Each month we gather to offer this beautiful, serene, peaceful thanks to God. On Sunday, January 19 we will gather at 7 pm. Please join us.



Funeral Ministry

One of the great services our Parish offers to bereaved families is hospitality and a funeral reception. It is an example of being a caring community. It takes of lots of hands to bring compassion and care. If you can spare a few hours every once in a while, we are looking for some help to continue providing this kindness to our arishioners. Please contact the office for more information.

Let us pray for the sick...

Alana Brown-Wallace Betty Loft 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 Pearl Clarke

Paul Jennas Rose Marie Scott Wanda Tolazzi Sean Coen Ana Aparicio Jake Tallon **Trice Hawkins** Carole Carter Lawrence Cooper Candice Cusinan Cheryl Tuck Stephen Murphy Sarah Kraft Marian Kulmatytskyi Dianne Rousseau Weaver Gladys Anderson Shaun O'Reilly

Laura Rostron Albina Barber Theresa Wharton Zeny Jose Tammy Elkie Marcus D'Mello Lisa Stokl Jeanette Barbosa Daniel Juresic Bernal Gutierrez Theresa Graham Jason Fonceca Christopher Wiker Johana Gutierrez Connie Power Glen Sampano



Society of Saint Vincent de Paul St John Chrysostom/St Elizabeth Seton Conference 432 Ontario Street, Newmarket, Ontario L3Y 2K4 (905) 898-4264

January 6, 2025

Your Society of St Vincent de Paul, St. John Chrysostom/St. Elizabeth Seton Conference, would like to thank all the parishioners of both our Newmarket parishes for your unwavering support of the parish Giving Tree and St. Vincent de Paul Christmas programs. In a year where other charitable organizations saw a decrease in donations, we witnessed the exact opposite.

You continue to live your faith by ensuring that we care for all members of our community. Through the Giving Tree Program, close to 280 seniors, adults and youth in need were served. Through your donations, we assisted 173 households with gift cards so 220 children could have something special under the Christmas tree. In addition, we also gave gift cards from department stores to 135 single adults or seniors living on their own. Food assistance was also provided by way of a Good Food Box and grocery cards. With the money remaining we will be able to continue supporting these families throughout the year with food assistance.

At Christmas, when we celebrate a God who humbled himself to be born in poverty, we acknowledge that it is in our care for those in need that we encounter this same Christ Child today. Like the magi, our gifts to those in need, along with our prayer for them are acts of devotion, which bring light and life to those who receive them.

We wish you all peace, joy and above all, health for 2025.

SSVP Christmas Program & Giving Tree Program

