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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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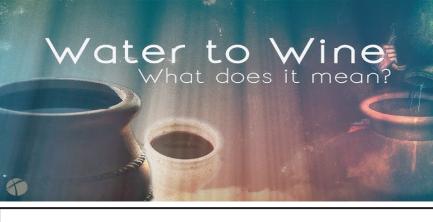
905-898-4137 ext. 207

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

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time January 19, 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 20th 10am: Otto Martinshiz Req. by: Frank

Tuesday January 21st 10am: Egidio Gullo Req. by: Family

Wednesday January 22nd 10am: Elmer Allen Req. by: Dagmar Flicker

Thursday January 23rd 10am Andy Burke Req. by: Colleen Hatz



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

January 19

- 9:00 Pat Spataro Caroline Gaughan Ella Schiegel
- Maureen Delaney 11:00 Maggie West Kathe Dagher
- **January 26**
- George Sherrer 9:00 Elizabeth Lvu Cheryl Genise-Tun
- 11:00 Nina Gianotti Audrey Wilcox Eve Erentien

Join us after each Sunday mass for coffee and fellowship.



St. Vincent de Paul

You can donate online to the Newmarket conference at:

https://sicses.blogspot.com/p/ donate.html

Parish	Giving
January 12, 2025 Offertory	\$7,813.65

\$ 642.05

Offertory
SES Building

Month of December PAG				
(Pre-authorized Giving)				
Sunday Offertory	\$3	3,689.16		
SES Building Fund	\$	632.00		
ShareLife	\$	100.00		

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

Ruminations

It is always a shock to the system when the Christmas decorations start to come down, from the glitter and twinkling of lights and tinsel, to the stark bareness of blank walls and muted tones. I think in the church buildings it is even more pronounced. The scale of the space and the necessity of having big and or exaggerated décor makes the transition even more jolting. It is also the time when the realities of winter, the cold and snow, kind of push indoors. I have never met anyone who equates shovelling snow and salting sidewalks to the tranquility and joy of whiling away in the gardens. I must confess though, when one of the parishes I was in had a big snow-blower, it was a lot of fun cleaning the sidewalks and drive way. Those were much younger days. And speaking of much younger years, hours and hours spent on the slopes of Blue Mountain, and Banff and Whistler was exhilarating, though sad to say, those days are long gone. I have never been one who suffered the winter blahs. Snowfalls and windy winter days have always enthralled me, and it is fun to watch the days get longer and longer with the increase of sunshine returning, and the sun higher on the horizon. I am pretty cold tolerant and I love the feeling of rosy cheeks, though I have become very wind intolerant. As much as I love our nativities display, I must admit that I am looking forward to putting it all away and moving on into a much more ordinary flow of life. It is too difficult to maintain that energy and excitement. The Christmas season, both pre and post, are also times of a boon for funerals. Whatever it is about Christmas, the dying somehow seem able to hold on and let go around the holiday so there is usually a rush of funerals. I think it was last year or the year before when we have 15 funerals over the course of six weeks. Though the numbers this year are not at that total, we still have had a flurry of them starting with a funeral on the day before my mom's back at the end of November. Not to be morbid or anything, but I kind of like when we host funerals. There is something very privileged to celebrate parishioners we know, and the whole event has a very homey feeling to it. But I have a special appreciation for those funerals of the, how shall we say this politely and non-judgmentally, the infrequent parishioners. The reason I like that is these families and friends get an exceptional experience of the Church at its best. From the moment they step inside the church, they are greeted with great hospitality and dignity. Our funeral team does an exceptional job of making people feel welcome and at ease. For those who ask for the funeral Luncheon from the Martha & Mary are treated to a great spread, especially the egg salad, but the tuna, not so much. The music is wonderfully consoling and the homily, well it goes without saying... All these parts come together and with the many notes of thanks that I



receive, you know that these families have received a meaningful corporal work of mercy. Such little acts of kindness make eternal impacts and bring a solid and worthy farewell to the loved ones. If only we could spread out those celebrations instead of squeezing into such narrow timeframes.

Announcements and Events...

Pub 'Knight' On Saturday, February 08, the Knights are hosting a

Pub Knight with dinner, dancing and live music. Tickets are \$30 per person and can be purchased

after mass in the foyer. 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.

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.



THE THEME FOR JUBILEE 2025 IS "PILGRIMS OF HOPE". AN ENCOURAGEMENT FOR ALL THE FAITHFUL:



"FAN THE FLAME OF HOPE THAT HAS BEEN GIVEN US AND HELP EVERYONE TO GAIN NEW STRENGTH AND CERTAINTY BY LOOKING TO THE FUTURE WITH AN OPEN SPIRIT, A TRUSTING HEART AND FAR-SIGHTED VISION."

- POPE FRANCIS -

Sacraments' Corner

Parents of First Communion Candidates and **Confirmation candidates** are required to attend the Parents' Catechesis. The First Communion meeting will be Tuesday January 21st and the Confirmation meeting will be Wednesday January 29th. The Meeting begins at 7:00 pm and it is for

Parents only. The meeting is mandatory.





Our Nativity Scenes

The display will be up until late January, 2025.



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 Flizabeth Rvan 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 lason Fonceca Christopher Wiker Johana Gutierrez Connie Power Glen Sampano Milena Easton

