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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

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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  
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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  
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Our Lady of Good Counsel  
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Sacred Heart High School  
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# St. Elizabeth Seton Parish

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time  
February 23, 2025



**LOVE** your enemies,  
**DO GOOD** to those  
who hate you,  
**BLESS** those who curse you,  
and **PRAY** for those who  
spitefully use you.

- Luke 6:27-28

**Pastoral Team**

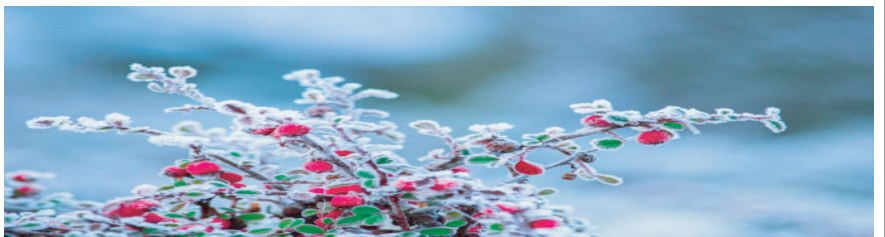
Fr. Roy Roberts, Pastor  
Deacon Marian Pawliszko  
Deacon Stephen Pitre

**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 February 24th**  
10am: **Bruno, Giacomo, Alfredo Tolazzi**  
Req. by: Frank

**Tuesday February 25th**  
10am: **Bruno Galati**  
Req. by: Cupe 1571

**Wednesday February 26th**  
10am: **Marie Biloff**  
Req. by: Helen & Barry Rowan

**Thursday February 27th**  
10am **Gregory Kennedy**  
Req. by: Mike & June O'Rourke

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

### February 23

9:00 Steve Karabatos  
Maggie Porporiho  
Maureen Hawkins

11:00 Filipe Felinto  
Alana Felinto  
Maureen Delaney

### March 2

**9:00 CWG**

**11:00 KNIGHTS**

**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

### February 16, 2025

Offertory \$2,475.50  
SES Building \$ 140.00

### Month of January PAG (Pre-authorized Giving)

Sunday Offertory \$3,589.02  
SES Building Fund \$ 632.00  
ShareLife \$ 100.00

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

## Ruminations ....

I haven't seen a winter with this much snow for years, maybe more like decades. The last time I saw this much snow was in the mountains of Banff and Whistler. It seemed every morning we ventured out of the hotel, there would be piles of snow, and there was a race to get up the mountains because there is a concept called First Tracks. What this means is trying to be the first skiers on the hill after the mountain crews have groomed the trails. Fresh snow, fresh groomed slopes and the sun coming up over the mountain, it was like Seventh Heaven, which was the name of my favorite slope on Blackcomb Mountain. The gentle slopes, wide open glades and empty snows all pointed to this hill being aptly named. FYI, Whiskey Run was another beautiful run, though I won't even venture on how it got its name. With all the snow over the last week, there is something oddly familiar about it which has nothing to do with skiing out West. These snow piles and manicured streets, and clean lined boundaries take me back to the winters growing up. I remember trudging down the hills at home to the frozen pond with its perpetually lit fire pit thanks to the neighbourhood dads. The snow was so deep that it would bury the boots and they would fill up with the fluffy white stuff. There was a fallen tree that acted like a bench, not much room, but space for three skaters. So the first thing to do was to shake out the snow and then don the skates. Then it was time to pick up the snow shovels that were left by the tree and begin pushing the snow build up to the sides and clear the rink. Cheeks got cold, noses got cold, and toes got cold, but it was a pure piece of Canadiana. Dad would regale us with stories of his youth, when the snow piles were higher than him, and after school all the chums would race off to their own pond in Oak Ridges. They too would shovel the rink, and freeze the toes, and noses and cheeks, all in the name of fun and being alive – alive in defiance of the winter. It was a way of taming the winter beast. The mountains of snow piled in the back corner, quickly burying parking spaces, and overflowing into the back gardens just brought me back to those early winters, with clean, white munchable snow, not the slushy, dirty version of winter that we have experienced. It also reminded me of the shared duty of making sure that our driveway at home was cleared before dad got home from work. There was a stipulation that if dad had to do it, it would mean not being able to make the hockey game that night, and with the four boys in hockey, there was always an arena in our sights. Being the eldest, that duty usually fell to me, the same with cutting the grass. No I'm not bitter – anymore, but if mom ever wanted to know why my baby brother always had his face washed with snow by me, well, they say confession is good for the soul. Here's to the good ol' days when winter was winter and the cold wouldn't bother us anyway. Let it snow, let it snow.

*Fr. Roy*



## Announcements and Events...

### Stations of the Cross

We will celebrate Stations of the Cross every Friday starting at 7:00 pm during the season of Lent. The Stations are a time-honoured tradition rooted in walking with Christ to the Cross.



### Annual Retreat for Men

Manresa is a Jesuit Retreat Centre in Pickering. Each year they host a retreat for men. This year's theme is "The Wisdom of Henry Nouwen", facilitated by Fr. Kevin Kelly. The retreat begins Friday evening, March 14 until Sunday, March 16. For more information check out their site at: <https://manresa-canada.ca/events/>

### CWG Pancake Sunday



In preparation for the discipline of Lent, the CWG will be hosting a Pancake Breakfast following the morning Masses on Sunday, March 2nd. Please plan to join us. Donations are appreciated.



**Lenten Fish Fry**  
**Friday, March 7, 2025**  
**From 5pm to 7pm**



*Ash Wednesday*  
**Wednesday March 5th**  
*Mass at 10 am and 7pm*

### Kindergarten Registration

The York Catholic District School Board is now accepting registrations for Junior Kindergarten for children born in 2021. York Catholic provides a Christ-centered, innovative Catholic Education in 103 schools across York Region. The YCDSB is consistently ranked as one of the top-performing school boards in the province. You can visit their website, [www.ycdsb.ca](http://www.ycdsb.ca), to register for classes starting in September.

**Kindergarten  
 registration**

### Thanks for the Input

A huge thank you to those who shared with us your opinion on Communion from the Cup. It was overwhelming in favour and so I am happy to announce that commencing the First Sunday of Lent, communion from the Cup will be offered for those who choose to partake of it.



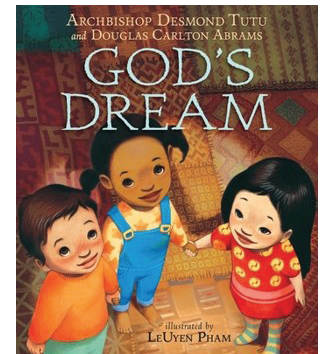
### Confirmation Cross Making Workshops

The Cross making workshops dates are:  
 Monday February 24th and  
 Thursday February 27th. If you have not signed up, please contact Jennifer McAvoy.



### Check out Our Library

There are over 500 books ready for the picking. Our library which is so wonderfully curated has books for all occasions. Have you seen the wonderful collection of stories in honour of Black History Month. Pop in and sign one out—(just don't forget to return it.)



### 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  
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Paul Jennas  
 Rose Marie Scott  
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 Sean Coen  
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 Cheryl Tuck  
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 Marian Kulmatytskyi  
 Dianne Rousseau Weaver  
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 Annette Baxter

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 Lisa Stokl  
 Jeanette Barbosa  
 Daniel Juresic  
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 Johana Gutierrez  
 Connie Power  
 Glen Sampano  
 Milena Easton  
 Bryan Bausch  
 Peyton Bausch  
 Karen Heaslip  
 Kelly Hawker

# The Life of Our Parish in March 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time  Baptisms
2 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time Baptism 9am Pancake Sunday 	3	4	5 Prayer Shawl Ministry  Ash Wednesday 10am & 7pm 	6 Bible Study 7pm 	7 Fish Fry  Stations of the Cross 7pm 	8 1st Sunday of Lent  1st Communion Lamb Presentation 
9 1st Sunday of Lent  1st Communion Lamb Presentation  Vespers 7pm	10  March Break 	11 CWG Gen. Mtg. 	12 Kof C Gen. Mtg. 	13 Bible Study 7pm 	14 Stations of the Cross 7pm 	15 2nd Sunday of Lent  Confirmation Letters of Intent 
16 2nd Sunday of Lent  Confirmation Letters of Intent  Vespers 7pm	17  	18	19	20 1st Communion Retreat  Bible Study 7pm 	21 Stations of the Cross 7pm 	22 3rd Sunday of Lent  1st Communion Retreat  CWG Pie Sales 
23 3rd Sunday of Lent  CWG Pie Sales  Vespers 7pm	24 1st Communion Retreat 	25 CWG Exec. Mtg. 	26 Kof C Exec. Mtg. 	27 Bible Study 7pm 	28 Stations of the Cross 7pm 	29 4th Sunday of Lent  Holy Land Item Sale
30 4th Sunday of Lent  Vespers 7pm Holy Land Item Sales	31					

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