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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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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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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

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
March 2, 2025

... a Bad Tree Cannot Bear Good Fruit...
- Jesus



Pastoral Team

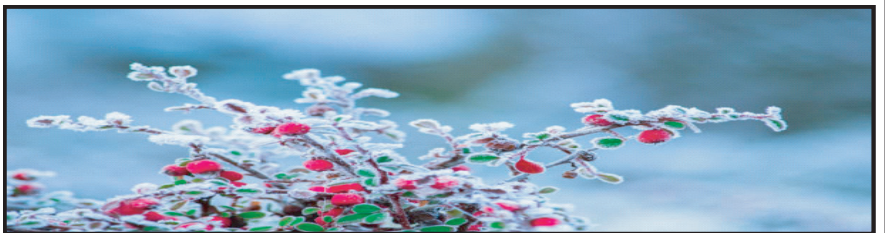
Fr. Roy Roberts, Pastor
Deacon Marian Pawliszko
Deacon Stephen Pitre

Parish Staff

Parish Administrator ~ Ann Lynch
Sacramental Coordinator
Baptisms, First Communion & 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 March 3rd

10am: **Egidio Gullo**
Req. by: Family

Tuesday March 4th

10am: **Norma Carlos**
Req. by: Cupe 1571

Wednesday March 5th

10am: **Marko Gastis**
Req. by: Cupe 1571

Thursday March 6th

10am **Gregory Kennedy**
Req. by: Marion & Frank Macaluso

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

March 2

9:00 CWG

11:00 KNIGHTS

March 9

**9:00 Magdalena Schiegel
Ella Schiegel
Maureen Delaney**

**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://sjcses.blogspot.com/p/donate.html>

Parish Giving

February 23, 2025

Offertory 7,581.41
SES Building \$ 320.00

Month of February PAG (Pre-authorized Giving)

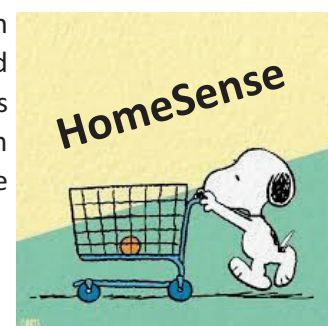
Sunday Offertory \$3,597.02
SES Building Fund \$ 632.00
ShareLife \$ 100.00

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

Ruminations

The days are getting markedly longer, and the sun is higher in the sky. It is all but obvious driving south when the clouds aren't blocking the sun. Sunglasses are a necessity. Most of the stores are full into Spring, patio furniture, barbeques, summer wear and of course, store shelves are lined with Easter candies. Now as I sit in the living room, procrastinating and looking out the patio doors, the western sky is still pretty bright, though the sun set about 10 minutes ago, and the eight foot snow drift has halfway melted now. In truth, it wasn't all drift. The reality is, the accumulation of snow, which looked so spectacular on top of the gazebo, collapsed the whole unit taking the barbeque as collateral damage. The snow needs to disappear another foot or two before what really happened is revealed. Let's just say that patio furniture is no more, and maybe it is a good thing the stores are on top of the needs of summer. In the Church, we are used to being ahead of the game. Just past Christmas, we already had to place our order for ashes for Ash Wednesday, palms for Palm Sunday, and the new Easter Candle for the Vigil. It also means that ideas for Easter décor are gestating, very slowly, and not very effectively, but they are gestating. It is at times like this when I really miss stores like White Rose, and Pier One. These were inspirational stores, not that many items were bought there, but they were able to trigger ideas and concepts. The closest thing now is Michaels and Homesense. The thing about Homesense though, is it doesn't lend itself to my style of shopping. I like to see something, then mull it over, envision how it can fit and so I would wonder around the store several times trying to see a picture of it in my mind. Or maybe even go back home and stand in front of its potential new home. In a store like Homesense, that can be a recipe for disaster. A couple of weeks ago I was in there and saw some very Easterly, spring-like flower pots that could be worked into an altar display. I decided to go home and mull it over. After a couple of weeks, I decided they would work and went back to pick them up. On my first recce I found them, but I wanted to wander the store one more time to see if I really wanted them. When I went back to pick up the pair, someone else had similar ideas. My first thought was that it was someone from St. John's preparing for their Easter display. I looked high and low on the shelves thinking, hoping that someone had just moved them. Then I started stalking anyone who had a cart, clandestinely spying to see if they were the culprits who had stolen my wares. They were not to be found. That just made me want them even more. Now Homesense doesn't have a regular stock of merchandise and so they generate this hostile attitude that works great for spontaneous shoppers, or shoppers who are willing to return items if they change their mind. I fall into neither of those categories, so in such a store, I am more apt to lose than find success. So if at Easter you look at the decorations and think, why did they pick that vase or that item instead of something different, blame Homesense and their push for 'buy now, think later'.

Fr. Roy



Announcements and Events...

What are you doing for Lent?

Lent is a season that is gifted to us for our personal growth and transformation. It is an invitation to take a deep, and inspired look at ourselves and to identify or acknowledge things in our life that we can contend with to make our lives better. The Church offers three traditional practices; Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving.

Prayer can be so much more than knocking off an extra Our Father and Ave. Of course these work, but it can also include Vespers. Stations of the Cross, and even reading a spiritual book for growth from your favorite author or spiritual writer.



Abstinence too can be more than not eating meat on Fridays. This is the concept that we all grew up with about 'giving something up'. The deeper meaning of



that is to be in solidarity with the poor and the vulnerable. Abstinence can include changing our social media habits, giving time over in a deliberate way to family and friends. It can include reaching out to others in need.

Almsgiving generally refers to financial contributions to the less fortunate. But Almsgiving does not always need to be monetary. It can include other works of mercy, contributing to the food bank, visiting the sick, doing extra attention to aging parents or neighbours.



And of course that unnecessarily dreaded practice of Reconciliation. At its heart, it is an invitation to reflect on where we can do better to be set free from those day to day motivations to which we rarely pay attention. It is not an admission of negativity but a growing awareness of why we do what we do so that we can learn to live deliberately. The focus is not on sin so much as it is on growing in awareness what will set us free to love. Dare!

Sacramental Corner

First Communion

Enrolment Lamb Ceremony March 7th/8th.
Decorate and bring lambs to Sunday Mass
First Communion Retreats and mass times are posted in the display case in the foyer.
Parent and child attend. Arrive 10 minutes early.

Confirmation

Enrolment Sunday / candidates bring your Letter of Intent to any Sunday Mass on March 15th/16th. Parents will be emailed with additional information regarding what needs to be included in the Letter.

Stations of the Cross



Join us every Friday during Lent at 7pm for the Stations of the Cross.



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



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

Ash Wednesday & Good Friday

These two days are Universal Days of fasting and abstinence. Fasting is obligatory for those between the age of 18 and 59. It entails one regular meal and two smaller than normal ones. Abstinence obliges those above the age of 14 to abstain from meat on those two days.

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
Laura Rostron
Albina Barber

Paul Jennas
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Wanda Tolazzi
Sean Coen
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Shaun O'Reilly
Diane McTamney
Annette Baxter

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Marcus D'Mello
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