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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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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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St. Elizabeth Seton School
905-853-0340

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St. Elizabeth Seton Parish

First Sunday of Lent
March 9, 2025



Pastoral Team

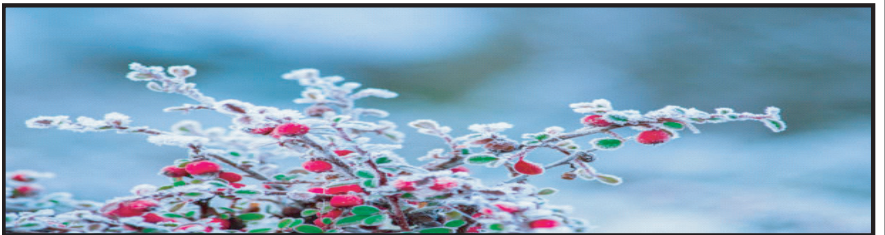
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Parish Staff

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 10th

10am: **Sarino Rubino**
Req. by: Cupe 1571

Tuesday March 11th

10am: **Rod Fortier**
Req. by: Friend

Wednesday March 12th

10am: **Hubert Totten**
Req. by: Cupe 1571

Thursday March 13th

10am **Jack West**
Req. by: Vale Family

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

March 9

9:00 Magdalena Schiegel
Ella Schiegel
Maureen Delaney

11:00 Nina Gianotti
Audrey Wilcox
Eve Erentien

March 16

9:00 Donna Parkes
Roberta Nepean
Jess McDonald

11:00 Nicole Culligan
Mike Culligan

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

March 2, 2025

Offertory \$7,831.35
SES Building \$ 1,125.00

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

In elementary school, the anticipation of Lent was dominated by the anticipation of pancakes for dinner, not breakfast, not lunch or brunch, but for dinner. The idea seemed so out of the ordinary and novel that it felt naughty and taboo, but it was delicious. Sure, everyone chatted about giving up this or that, and I am pretty sure most of those resolutions were broken by the first weekend. I don't remember anything of substance. Besides, spring break always fell in there somewhere and with a week free of schedules and structures, Lent was bound to fail. Looking back, there was one Lent that might have been prophetic. My mom, who with my aunt would attend weekday masses for most days of Lent, had volunteered me to be the lector at a weekday Mass. I think the Nun who was the principal of the school had approached her, and of course mom said I would be glad to do it. She lied. As someone who hated the spotlight, and who had never done such an exercise, I was mortified, angry, defiant and a whole lot of other things, but when all was said and done, no matter how loud the protests or how prolonged the foot stomping, I had to get up early on a spring break morning and do my duty, well, really mom's duty. I don't think I have ever been that nervous. When the time came, I could literally feel my heart pulsing in my throat, more like pounding. I couldn't gage my volume, and I believed that everyone could hear the absolute dread thumping out my mouth, and that isn't even to mention the fire blushing on my face. It was not a pleasant experience, and I begged my mother to never do that again, which she didn't. Believe it or not, public speaking is on my 'avoid list'. Lent was, for the most part, just another day, another dollar. At university it was compounded by the rush of year end projects and examination preparations. In my final year of university, things changed a bit. We had a field trip to New York City to visit the head offices of a couple of Major sports teams, but I opted not to go. I was almost enticed to go to visit the Adidas Offices, but a few days off was more appealing. There were several reasons for that decision, but I had no regrets. In that free time, on beautiful Spring mornings with the sunshine higher in the sky and warm on the face, I popped into the chapel that was part of our residence. At noon, Fr. Simon Davis would celebrate Mass and he prided himself on getting us in and out in less than 15 minutes. It was a bilingual Mass. The chapel was a small round room with thick jeweled red stained glass. There was just something peaceful and intimate and it made me want to come again, so in those last weeks before graduation, I had several trips to the Lenten weekday Mass which led to joining in my first Easter Vigil, half in French and half in English. Because of the schedule of exams, I was unable to go home for the Easter weekend, while most of my friends were able to get away. The residence was quiet and peaceful. The idea of attending Mass on Saturday evening and sleeping in the next morning seemed luxurious. I wasn't sure what language the great Exultet



was sung in, but the whole evening was magical. So now, every year as we begin the discipline of Lent, my thoughts return to those innocent days. I'm not sure of the why, if the truth be told, I still don't, but it was a time of tranquility and peace. I hope Lent can be that for you.

Fr. Roy

Announcements and Events...



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What are you doing for Lent?

We enter this season or rather discipline of Lent by placing ashes on our heads—an ancient custom to signal repentance, or sorrow or penance. Now some where along the way, the tradition arose that those ashes came from the burnt palm branches from the year before. I'm not sure if you have experienced that, but the fibrous palm branches are hard to burn, takes too many branches to make a significant mount, and smells down right awful. Store bought ashes are so much better.

Anyway, there is not one explanation that surmises the meaning of the ashes. Whatever they signify to you is fine, but some other aspects that you might want to consider; they remind us that someday we return to the ashes from which we were created. Life is short and precarious, and we are meant for more. Ashes can invite us to reflect upon our place in creation—in salvation history—in God's plan. Ashes can give us pause to reflect how our live is going and where our life is going. Ashes reminds us of humility, of how humble and fragile we all are, and yet in that animated creation from ashes, we, of all creation can contemplate those higher existential realities and remind us that a benevolent God has created us in that divine image and likeness. As much as it calls us to better, it is also a divine affirmation.

Sacramental Corner Confirmation

Enrolment Sunday / candidates bring your Letter of Intent to any Sunday Mass on March 15th/16th. The Letter of Intent should address the following:

- ** What does Confirmation mean to me?
- ** What does it mean to live out my Catholic faith?
- ** How do you plan on living out your Catholic faith?
- ** Since Sunday Mass is the hallmark of our identity as Christians, Where does it fit into your life?
- ** Why should the Church accept you as a candidate for Confirmation?

Confirmation Cross Ceremony

Will be on April 5/6. This is when the candidates will receive their Confirmation cross- a sign of being accepted as a candidate for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

First Communion

First Communion Retreats March 20th, 22nd or 24th
Parent and child attend. Arrive 10 minutes early

The Next Fish Fry

Our next Fish Fry will take place on Friday, April 11, starting at 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm. Declared the best French fries in the area. Mark you calendar to join us in our Preparations for Easter.



Stations of the Cross



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

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
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Andy Waldherr
Michelle Canale
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Laura Rostron
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Gladys Anderson
Shaun O'Reilly
Diane McTamney
Annette Baxter

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Tammy Elkie
Marcus D'Mello
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