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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

Catholic Community Services of York Region: 905-770-7040 Catholic Cemeteries: 905-889-7467 St. John's Cemetery 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

Fourth Sunday of Lent March 30, 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	Ruminations
Monday March 31st 10am: Bill McDonald Req. by: Linda McDonald Tuesday April 1, 2025 10am: Special Intentions Req. by: Wednesday April 2, 2025 10am: Mary Margaret Gregor Req. by: Cupe 1571 Thursday April 3, 2025 10am Egidio Gullo Req. by: Family	Here it is the end of March. We had that beautiful couple of days of unseasonably warm weather that lulls us into the delusion that perhaps, maybe, the long-awaited Spring has arrived. We get our shorts out, leave our winter coats on the rack, (or on the back of the kitchen chair as is my p.p.s. – preferred place of storage). The piles of snow that accumulated in parking lots and rooftops and on gazebos seem to vanish overnight, or at least within a few days. Surveying the snowplow remnants reveals some interesting things. I found a Sunday newspaper still in its plastic back in the back corner of the parking lot. It was dated February 16. I remember being up early searching the front of the Church for my Sunday paper at five in the morning, desperately searching for it so I could get the crossword and trivia contest done before the onslaught of the morning activities. It was nowhere to be found, and I may have even muttered some Old Testament curses on the delivery people. The paper was still in good condition and
A simple cup of coffee becomes happiness when you share it with friends. March 30	I got to work on the crossword a month after the fact. I just recently retrieved a broken open bag of soil that I had stored outside near the garage. It must have got clipped by the plow and pushed with the snow to the back corner. Tis the season of finding treasures I guess. One of the less exciting finds has been the patio. The
9:00 Gabriel Godin Lorna Godin Daniel Godin	gazebo was spectacularly piled with a huge snow cap that was archeological in scope. You could see each layer of snow that had accumulated over the weeks. It reminded me of days in Whistler and each morning you could see a fresh new layer
11:00 Kathe Dagher Alana Felinto Filipe Felinto	of snow. Well, I had often thought that I should go out and remove the pile, but it was impossible to get out the patio doors. They were blocked by a huge pile of snow that had drifted to almost halfway up the screen. Well, one morning I looked
April 6	to see the snow pile and the whole gazebo had collapsed but the snow had buried it and it was impossible to see the damage. The whole structure had been pushed
9:00 CWG	towards the house, falling on the barbeque and furniture which luckily diverted it
11:00 KNIGHTS Join us after each Sunday mass for coffee and fellowship.	from actually striking the glass doors. Every morning it is a reminder of the power of nature, but I am waiting for warmer days to tackle that project. One thing that has been missing from a typical Spring experience is the spotting of robins. Usually by this time they seem to be everywhere, but I have only seen one. It was hopping on the front lawn, but that has been the only one. I did see a pair of swans on the pond along St. John's Sideroad in Aurora, and I have seen a dreaded vole that has
	been ravishing my gardens. Unfortunately, he was not in the great outdoors but scurrying along the floor in the rectory kitchen. Let's just say I do not do well with
St. Vincent de Paul You can donate online to the Newmarket conference at: https://sjcses.blogspot.com/p/ donate.html	wildlife in places where they ought not to be, or where I don't want them. That goes for chipmunks, squirrels, skunks, raccoons and possums. Suffice it to say, that vole will not be harming my garden this year – a little bait and a snap and no more problem, though where there is oneThe other varmint that I caught sight of in the darkness of early morning was a rabbit in the parking lot. I know he was not delivering Easter eggs. He darted out of the garden when I pulled up to the
Parish & Giving	garage. I immediately thought about the upcoming vegetable garden and the actions that will be necessary to protect the crops, because like the vole, where
March 23, 2025Offertory\$6,074.95SES Building\$55.00Month of March PAG (Pre-authorized Giving)Sunday Offertory\$3,597.02SES Building Fund\$632.00ShareLife\$100.00	there is one I also played a Bugs Bunny scene in my head, and I started to wonder, when is it 'wabbit' season? Come on Spring. $\mathcal{F}r. \mathcal{R}oy$
Alcoholic Anonymous meet every Saturday at 8pm in the Knights of Columbus room.	

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Announcements and Events...

The Week of Reconciliation March 31st – April 5th

We will offer times as follows: (provided there is no funerals)



Monday, March 31st - 10:30 am - 11:30 am Tuesday, April 1st - 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm Wednesday, April 2nd - 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm Thursday, April 3rd - 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm Saturday, April 5th - 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm

Stations of the Cross



Join us every Friday during Lent at 7pm for the Stations of the Cross. The Stations are a time-honoured tradition rooted in walking with Christ to the Cross.



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 your calendars! On Sunday, June 22, 2025, following the 11:00 AM Mass, we invite you to join us for a Farewell Festival including a

BBQ & games.

Just like a circle, a symbol of unity, eternity, and God's unending love, our parish community comes full circle to celebrate and thank Father Roy for his faithful service and guidance over the past 14 years. This gathering is an opportunity for parishioners from all Masses and members of the community to come together, enjoy the great outdoors (in the church parking lot).

Join us in a circle of faith, friendship, and gratitude! More details will be published in the bulletin and posted in the church lobby in the coming weeks. We hope to see you there for a joyful day of fellowship and appreciation!

If you wish to contribute or volunteer, please contact: Donna Campbell at:

farewell.festival.2025@gmail.com Or scan the QR code.



Sacramental Corner 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.

Lent Evening Prayer

Sunday evenings starting at 7:00 pm, we will celebrate Evening Prayer or Vespers. This is a very reflective and meditative preparation for Easter. Please join us.



Paul Jennas

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

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 Diane McTamney Annette Baxter

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 Milena Easton Bryan Bausch Peyton Bausch Karen Heaslip Kelly Hawker Tessa Stone

