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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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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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905-895-3340

St. Elizabeth Seton Parish

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion
April 13, 2025



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	Ruminations												
<p>Monday April 14, 2025 10am: Egidio Gullo Req. by: Family</p> <p>Tuesday April 15, 2025 10am: Vincenzo Arena Req. by: Cupe 1571</p> <p>Wednesday April 16, 2025 10am: Doreen Gaughan Req. by: Steve Ottenhof</p> <p>Thursday April 17, 2025 10am NO MORNING MASS Req. by:</p>	<p>As the season of Lent approaches the end of its journey, the excitement ramps up, especially with our 'elect'. Because of them, we strive to put our best foot forward. The liturgies of Holy Week are rich with meaning and invitation. They are designed to show these 'elect', soon to be initiated and become 'neophytes' or 'new plants', exactly who we are, from the celebration of the Lord's supper, where the Gospel accounts what happened after the incorporation (I know it is the wrong word, it should be inauguration, but for whatever reason, that word now evokes bad memories) of the Body and Blood of Christ, when Jesus got up from table and washed the disciples feet, giving us insight as to what the Eucharist initiates us into; the recalling of the Lord's passion and death according to St. John followed by the veneration of the Cross recognizing that all sin for all time was nailed to that wood; followed by silence until the great Easter Vigil when in an extravaganza, the Church explodes into fifty days of celebration of resurrection. As we show the 'elect' who we are, we too are reminded who we are. One of my favorite liturgies is the veneration of the Cross, not so much the veneration part, but the procession of the cross on Good Friday. I remember celebrating the entire vigil at a mission Church where it had been decades since they encountered it. We did the full expression of the Sacred Triduum, from the washing of the feet, to the veneration of the cross (with a more tamed version of the procession), the lighting of the fire, the Vigil (though we had no people to be initiated). It was a beautiful celebration. I remember getting all kinds of congratulations on my creativity and inventiveness. I kept replying that I created nothing, I was only following the instructions laid out by the Church on how the Triduum was supposed to unfold. It fell on deaf ears. Finally, I sent one of the parish leaders to a workshop on liturgy that went into great depth on the symbolism and movement of the Holy Three Days. I guess a light went off and the next time she saw me, she came up and punched me in the shoulder saying that I didn't create the celebrations of those days. In my defense, I told her that I never claimed such inventiveness, it was just no one believed me. We both laughed but part of me was overjoyed that the exposure to liturgy done well had such an impact of the people. Liturgy is supposed to move people, to elevate them beyond the mundane, and in this day and age, that is no mean feat. Over the years in discussions with our parish liturgy people, we pondered or should I say, ruminated on how to improve the actual procession of the cross. Traditionally the priest carries a portable cross shrouded in purple cloth down the aisle pausing three times and bearing the wood of the cross bit by bit. We used to refer to it as the cross strip-tease. We wanted to allow that part of the ritual to be more powerful as a statement reflecting a deeper sense of the weight of such an endeavour, and also to reflect how we are called, like Simon of Cyrene, to help carry that cross. Thus was born our current practice of 'surfing' the cross with the help of the congregation. They are no longer spectators but now participants. The first cross, made by a parishioner was really heavy, I mean at least two people to carry heavy. The first Good Friday that it happened, the recommendation was that we attack tissue to the cross so people could dry their eyes, so many tears were shed. It is a</p>												
<p> A simple cup of coffee becomes happiness when you share it with friends.</p> <p>April 13</p> <p>9:00 Magdelena Schiegel Ella Schiegel Maureen Delaney</p> <p>11:00 Mike Culligan Nicole Culligan</p> <p>April 14</p> <p>9:00 Easter Sunday</p> <p>11:00 Easter Sunday</p> <p>Join us after each Sunday mass for coffee and fellowship.</p> <p></p>	<p>powerful event, and the highlight for me was watching parents lift their young children up to touch the cross as it passed over them. This year we had a new cross constructed which is a bit shorter, and much lighter. When people start getting bonked in the head by the mass of the cross, we do not need more innocent blood being shed on Good Friday. Happy Holy Week.</p>												
<p>St. Vincent de Paul</p> <p>You can donate online to the Newmarket conference at:</p> <p>https://sjcses.blogspot.com/p/donate.html</p>													
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<p>Alcoholic Anonymous meet every Saturday at 8pm in the Knights of Columbus room.</p>	<p><i>Fr. Roy</i></p>												

Announcements and Events...



Holy Week Schedule

Sacred Triduum

Holy Thursday, April 17th

Mass of the Lord's Supper - 7:30 pm

Good Friday, April 18th

Veneration of the Cross 11:00 am, 3:00 pm.

Office of the Readings & the Blessing of Easter Baskets

Holy Saturday, April 19th - 10:00 am (English)

And 12:00am (Polish)

Great Easter Vigil - Saturday April 19th at **8:30 pm**

please note that this celebration will be about
2 1/2 hours long

Easter Sunday, April 20th, 9:00 am & 11:00 am

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.



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:

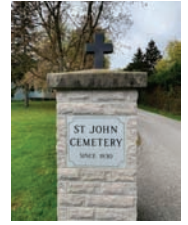
farewell.festival.2025@gmail.com

Or scan the QR code.



CEMETERY CLEAN-UP

The annual spring clean-up of St. John Cemetery will take place on **Saturday, May 10th from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon**, followed by a BBQ at St. John's Hall. Some tools will be provided BUT we need as many volunteers as possible, with rakes and shovels. You don't need experience, and the more people we have the more fun it will be. This is an excellent opportunity for students to earn Community Service Hours. Please join us.



The S.E.S. Catholic Women's Guild is once again hosting a **Morning of Reflection** for all ladies in the parish. You do not need to be a member to join us, and you are free to bring a friend.

Ladies ... Please join us!!

with Guest Speaker:

Michael Way-Skinner

DATE: Saturday, May 3rd, 2025

TIME: 8:30am - 1:30pm

TOPIC: Hope - Does Not Disappoint

*****Refreshments and a light lunch included*****

Cost: FREE



Michael was born in Newfoundland as the 9th of 10 Children of Mi'kmaq & Irish heritage. He is an award winning Catholic Educator who has worked in Catholic Education for the past 30 years. He holds a Bachelor of Arts (1st Class Honours) from St. Francis Xavier University, Antigonish, N.S. He has a Masters of Divinity from Harvard University, and completed the PRSE (Program in Religion and Secondary Education) in conjunction with the Harvard Graduate School of Education. He is an author, curriculum writer and international speaker.

Please sign up to indicate your attendance.

Sign-Up sheets are in the church foyer

or you can contact the Parish Office: 905-853-5009

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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
Rose Marie Scott
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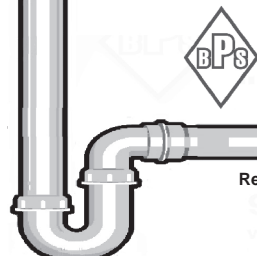
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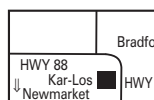
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