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#### **New Parishioners?**

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. Roselle Azares after Mass

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### St. Elizabeth Seton

23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMES

SEPTEMBER 7, 2025



### "Cheerfulness prepares a glorious mind for all the noblest acts."

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#### **Pastoral Team**

Fr. Roselle Azares, Pastor Deacon Marian Pawliszko Deacon Stephen Pitre

#### Parish Staff

Parish Administrator ~ Katie Goulbourne 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** for Adult & Children of Catechetical age please contact the parish office.

### **Tuesday September 9**

10am: **Kazimierz Kirejczyk** Req. by: Kirejczyk Family

### Wednesday September 10

10am: **Roman Kowalik** Req. by: CUPE 1571

### Thursday September 11

10am: **Jose Francis Duay** Req. by: Helen Rowan

### Friday September 12

10am: **Maria Kogut** Req. by: Lucy Cutting & Family

### Saturday September 13

St. John Chrysostom

4:30pm: **Jose Francis Duay** Req. by: Family

### Sunday September 14 The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

9:00am: Mass For The People

11:00am: **Rose Gonzalez** Req. by: Leim & Elizabeth Crummey

### **NOTE:**

Morning Mass on Wednesday, September 17, 2025 will be at 9:00am as Father Roselle will be attending the Zone meeting with other Priests in the region.

### Sandwiches and Drive-Thru

In the Gospel on this Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time (Luke 14: 25-33), Jesus gives us a description of his 'Discipleship Sandwich' and it sounds like a little tough to digest. The two slices of bread in this sandwich are 'Renounce your Family' and 'Renounce your Possessions'. And in between is the toughest meat imaginable: 'Carry your Cross'. The discipleship sandwich must have been just as hard to digest when Jesus described it to the crowds on his way to Calvary two thousand years ago, as it is today.

Renounce your family. Carry your cross. Renounce your possessions. There's got to be something wrong with that sandwich. There's too much cholesterol; too many calories; too many carbs. And Jesus doesn't even offer a tasty drink to wash it all down or some fries as appetizer.

It would be great if we could avoid this Discipleship Sandwich completely. But if we want to be Christians, or if we want to remain Christians, it is the only thing on the menu. Except of course, for Christ's own renunciation and Cross – His Most Precious Body and Blood – which we continue to eat and drink as food for our journey to heaven.

It is hard to renounce one's family. It is difficult to renounce one's material possessions. And certainly, it is a challenge to carry one's cross. However, a disciple should remember that he or she is not at a fast-food chain. A Christian stands in line for real salvation. And the Lord calls each one of us to be a real Christian.

It is important to keep in mind that what Jesus primarily called for in his followers was not hatred of anyone but a change of heart. What mattered most was becoming a loving person. Anything that would hinder the freedom, openness, and outgoing movements of love, would need to be abandoned.

What Jesus is asking us to renounce are our attachments. It is one thing, for example, to love members of our family, and quite another thing to be so dependent on them that we never develop our uniqueness or hear the call to our own destiny. It is one thing to have possessions, and quite another to be so attached to them that they become our whole life. Renouncing is hard; but it is not impossible.

Usually, when we are at the drive-thru, the crew usually throws in all kinds of things we might need: salt and pepper packets, a little tub of dipping sauce for the chicken tenders, ketchup for the fries and a fistful of serviettes. A lot of free stuff!

Well, with the discipleship sandwich, the Lord throws in some stuff too. And it is all free. Look in the bag and inside, there are packets of mercy and forgiveness. There are little tubs of love and joy. Also, there is a fistful of wisdom!

Salvation is in there, too. It's down at the bottom of the bag. Just look for it!

Grace and Peace,

Fr. RCRA

### **Announcements and Events...**

### First Communion and Confirmation Registration

We hope all our parish families have enjoyed the blessings of the summer.

It is never easy to say good- bye to summer fun and the lazy days we so enjoyed.

For weeks now, parents and children have been preparing for their back to school routines.

Ready or not, another school year begins in two days. As the school year gets underway, parish activities also begin to fill our calendar. This is a busy and very exciting time in our parish.

The month of September has always been the time when our parish invites parents to **REGISTER** their children for the sacraments. If you have a child in grade 2, or possibly grade 3/4, for First Reconciliation/ First Eucharist or they are in grade 7/8 and want to prepare for the Sacrament of

Confirmation, the time to register is now! If you are a parishioner of St. Elizabeth Seton Parish and live in our parish's geographic area, you are invited to Register. The sacraments are celebrated at the parish.

Upon registration, parents are committing their families to regular participation in our Sunday Liturgy (Mass). Registration forms will be available for pick up at the parish office before or after any of the Sunday Masses.

The completed form must be returned to the parish office.

\*\*\*The deadline to return the completed registration forms is Sunday, September 28!\*\*\*
If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Jennifer at the parish office 905-853-5009.

There will be an initial **Parent Information meeting** in October for those parents who have registered their child to celebrate their Sacraments of Initiation.



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### **Beware of Scams**

It has come to our attention that there are emails circulating that appear to have come from Father Roselle, asking for assistance and/or monetary favours. Please note that Fr. Roselle or any member of St. Elizabeth Seton has never or will never email you asking for money, gift cards or "confidential assistance'. PLEASE DO NOT CLICK ON THESE LINKS.

### Children's Liturgy of the Word

We will be resuming children's liturgy of the word every other week, beginning Sunday, September 7 at the 11am Mass.

Best suited for grades SK—3. We are really looking forward to seeing our young families!

Paul Iennas

## Let us pray for the sick... Alana Brown-Wallace Paul

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Andy Dube
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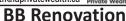
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