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Deacon Marian Pawliszko
Deacon Stephen Pitre

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PASTORAL REFERENCE

As evidence of living one's faith the person requesting a reference must be registered for at least 12 months and genuinely trying to attend Mass every Sunday, as well as supporting the Church, its charities and mission work.

NEW PARISHIONER?

Welcome to St. Elizabeth Seton!
We invite you to register by completing the form in the foyer or Parish Office.
Envelopes may also be acquired at the Office.

All music requested for funerals and weddings at St. Elizabeth Seton **MUST** be coordinated through our Choir Director, Donna Campbell. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

MASS TIMES

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday to Friday
10:00am
(LIVESTREAMED)

POLISH MASS

5:00pm on last Sunday
of the month, except
July & August

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTION:

Following 10:00am Mass

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil
4:30pm
Sunday Mass
9:00am
(LIVESTREAMED)
& 11:00am

Watch our livestreamed Masses at:
www.youtube.com/@StElizabethSetonNewmarket/live

SACRAMENTS

ADULT AND CHILDREN BAPTISM

Please speak to Fr. Roselle.

RECONCILIATION

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) is available every Saturday from 3:00pm-3:30pm, or by appointment.

MARRIAGE

Please contact Fr. Roselle, and at least one years notice is needed. Please **do not book venues** until the first meeting with the Priest.

"The first end I propose in our daily work is to do the will of God; secondly, to do it in the manner He wills; and thirdly, to do it because it is His will."

- St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

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MASS INTENTIONS

Holy Tuesday, March 31

NO MASS - Fr. Roselle will be at the
Chrism Mass at St. Michael's Cathedral

Holy Wednesday, April 1

10:00am: Vic Thompson

Req. By: Marian Brown

Holy Thursday, April 2

**Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper
 at 7:00pm**

Missa pro populo (Mass For the People)

**Adoration at the Blessed Sacrament
 Chapel until 9:00pm**

Good Friday, April 3

Friday of the Passion of the Lord

11:00am & 3:00pm Celebration of the

Lord's Passion

(This is a universal day of Fasting & Abstinence)

Holy Saturday, April 4

Vigil Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord

Easter Vigil at 8:00pm

Easter Sunday, April 5

The Resurrection of the Lord

Easter Sunday Mass

9:00am & 11:00am

Missa pro populo

For Our Holy Week/Sacred Triduum Livestream Schedule,
 please visit our Website/Facebook page.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR APRIL

For Priests in Crisis

Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation,
 that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities
 may support them with understanding and prayer



March 22, 2026

Offertory	\$	5,625.05
SES Building Fund	\$	80.00
ShareLife YTD	\$	8,109.70

**Month of March PAG
 (Pre-Authorized Giving)**

Sunday Offertory	\$	3,885.74
SES Building Fund	\$	642.00
ShareLife	\$	80.00

A Journey

Palm Sunday, the start of Holy Week, signifies that we are moving away for the silence and the starkness of Lent onto something else. At the beginning of mass today we hear shouts of joy from the crowd: "Hosanna...; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; hosanna in the highest!"

We can imagine why the crowds are filled with such joy and exuberance. They thought that Jesus was the Messiah, the one who would bring their nation back to glory. They had heard his amazing sermons and teachings. They had seen him feed a huge crowd with only a few stray loaves of bread and a few fish. They had seen him heal so many of disease and illness and affliction. They had seen his kindness to the poor and the forgotten, to the leper and the person who was considered unclean. But, then later in this same mass, the shouts of Hosanna fade away and Jesus is condemned with other kinds of shouts: "Let him be crucified! Let him be crucified!"

It is important to note that our liturgical celebration today does not end with Christ's triumphal entrance into Jerusalem. That is not the final word. Today's liturgy, then, teaches us that Jesus does not save us through his triumphal entry into the city or by his miracles.

St. Paul tells us in his letter to the Philippians that Jesus emptied himself and humbled himself. In his emptying and in his humility, Jesus demonstrates the boundless love that God has for us, a love that the Son accepted in his destiny to bring us salvation through his passion and death on the cross. Jesus did not seek power and glory as the Son of God. He had solidarity with the sinner, yet he was without sin. Thursday, as a part of our Holy Week celebrations, we will see Jesus washing the feet of the disciples, a task that the lowest servant of the household was assigned.

The abyss of emptiness, the abyss of his humility, would be evident in his last moments on the cross: "From noon onward, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. And about three o'clock Jesus cried out in a loud voice, 'Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?' which means, 'My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?'" (Matthew 27:45-46).

In quoting Psalm 22, Jesus affirms God's presence amid his people. Jesus prays this psalm in awareness of the Father's presence with him. But, Jesus' cry is not a cry for help, but rather a prayer for his people and for all peoples in the midst of his emptiness, humility, and struggle. Yes, this is Jesus, who walks with us in our struggles, He unites his sufferings to ours, who understands our pain, our brokenness, our feelings of abandonment and loneliness.

We commemorate Palm Sunday - "Passion Sunday" - today. We are left with the image of Jesus who stretches out his arms of love on the hard wood of the cross so that all may be invited into his loving, saving embrace. Darkness enveloped the land on that afternoon that Jesus died on the cross, but even in the moments of greatest darkness, God is present with us. Jesus invites us to journey with him during these days of Holy Week that begins today, Palm Sunday. Let us accept that invitation.

Grace and Peace,
 Fr. R.C.R.A

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

March 29	April 5
9:00 Donna Parkes Jess McDonald Patricia Chan	9:00 KNIGHTS
11:00 Kathe Dagher Maggie West Maureen Delaney	11:00 CWG

*We wish you a Blessed Palm Sunday
from St. Elizabeth Seton Parish*



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

Let Us Pray For The Sick

Alana Brown-Wallace Betty Loft Kathleen Todesco Joshua Perek Donna Stea-Cutting Andy Dube Matteo Savella Jackson Rowan Carmen Baldacchino Merwyn Correa Leo Cadia Vaz Orsola Accardi Aria Crang Andy Waldherr Michelle Canale Pearl Clarke Laura Rostron Albina Barber Gladys Carvajac Francesco Pileggi Paul Jennas	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 Kulmatytskiy Dianne Rousseau Weaver Gladys Anderson Shaun O'Reilly Diane McTamney Patricia Routhier Alessandra Bustamante Natasha Franzoni Paul Grittani Theresa Wharton Tammy Elkie	Lisa Stokl Jeanette Barbosa Daniel Juresic Bernal Gutierrez Theresa Graham Jason Fonceca Christopher Wiker Johana Gutierrez Milena Easton Bryan Bausch Peyton Bausch Karen Heaslip Tessa Stone Tom Dube Amy Watts Liliana Mejia Annett Esguerra Mary Franzoni Lilia Castro
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**A TASTE OF
ITALY**

Previously known as our Spaghetti Dinner event

Saturday, April 25, 2026

Doors open at 5:00 PM

DINNER SERVED: 6:00 PM

COST: \$15 for adults

\$7 for children 7 and under

THE MENU...

BEVERAGES:

- Coffee
- Tea
- Lemonade

FOOD:

- Lasagna
- Caesar Salad
- Garlic Bread
- Tiramisu

CASH BAR:

- Beer
- Wine



**All tickets must
be purchased
ahead of time:**

- * After each Mass on April 11-12 and April 18-19
- * Visit, call or email the Parish Office
 - >>> 905-853-5009
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**Proceeds to
support our
CWG Bursary Fund**

*** All tickets must be
purchased/reserved by
THURSDAY APRIL 23rd**



ST. ELIZABETH SETON, NEWMARKET
**SACRED TRIDUUM
& HOLY WEEK**

2026 MASS TIMES

Palm Sunday

Saturday Vigil March 28th
4:30pm

Sunday Mass Times March 29th
9:00 am 11:00 am

Holy Monday: NO Mass

Holy Tuesday: NO Mass

(Fr. Roselle will be at the Christ Mass at St. Michael's Cathedral)

Holy Wednesday: 10:00am

Sacred Triduum

Holy Thursday, April 2nd

Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper: 7:00pm
Adoration at the Blessed Sacrament Chapel until 9:00pm

Good Friday, April 3rd

(This is a universal day of fasting and abstinence from meat)
Celebration of the Lord's Passion: 11:00am & 3:00pm

Holy Saturday, April 4th

Blessing of the Easter Food: 12:00pm in the church
(combined English and Polish)
Easter Vigil Mass: 8:00pm

Easter Sunday, April 5th

The Resurrection of the Lord
9:00 am 11:00 am

A GUIDE TO HOLY WEEK

Catholics have honored the last week of Jesus' life since the Apostles. Holy Week, stretching from Palm Sunday to Holy Saturday, is a time to reflect on all that Jesus suffered for us. It is a time to worship Him as our king, and remember the light He brings to a dark world.

PALM SUNDAY

The beginning of Holy Week. Throughout this week, the congregation plays the part of the people who welcomed Jesus as king, realized He wasn't the king they thought He would be, and crucified Him.

THE TRIDUUM

One liturgical day in which we relive Christ's Passion and Resurrection. We observe three special liturgies:

MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER (HOLY THURSDAY)

GOOD FRIDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

MASS OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD (EASTER)

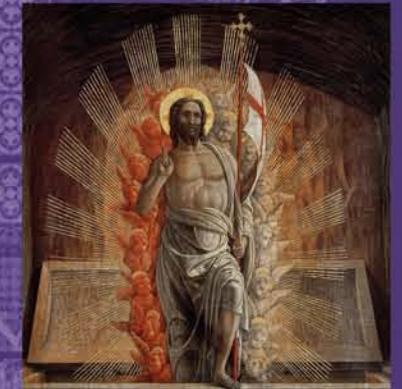
WHAT JESUS DID

- Rode into Jerusalem on a donkey, fulfilling Old Testament prophecies
- Established Himself as king. The people accepted this by waving palms and reciting Psalm 118, which they would do for a king



- Participated in the Passover/ Last Supper with His disciples
- Washed the disciples' feet (again, not the king they expected)
- Instituted the Eucharist and new Priesthood
- Went to Gethsemane; experienced agony in the garden
- Is betrayed by Judas and arrested
- Heals a slave

- Was betrayed and abandoned by His friends and followers
- Was scourged, crowned with thorns and mockingly hailed as a king
- Made to carry His Cross, with a little help from Simon of Cyrene
- Was crucified under a plaque that read "King of the Jews"
- Darkness fell over Jerusalem
- Died and descended into Hell



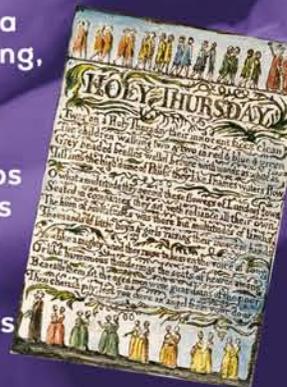
- Rose from the dead
- Appeared to Mary Magdalene and others

HOW WE HONOR IT

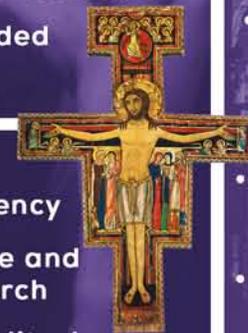
- Have a special reading about His entry into Jerusalem
- Wave palm fronds
- Sing psalms and hymns about Christ the King



- With a joyful Mass, with gratitude for the Eucharist
- Instead of a final blessing, we have Adoration
- Priest strips and washes the altar
- All decorations are removed or shrouded
- All candles extinguished, symbolizing darkness
- We have now moved from the Last Supper to sitting with Jesus during His agony



- No Sacraments, unless an emergency
- Empty tabernacle and undecorated church
- Candles are only lit when the Eucharist is present
- Silent and solemn procession for liturgy
- Read the Passion according to St. John
- Pray for everyone through solemn intercessions
- Receive the Eucharist, consecrated the day before
- Venerate the Cross by kissing it, kneeling before it, etc.



- Gather in the dark, symbolizing the darkness of the tomb and our sin
- Priest lights a fire and blesses it. We follow the candle, like the Israelites following the pillar of fire
- Deacon sings the Exultet prayer, which is structurally similar to what Jesus would have prayed at the Last Supper
- Have Old Testament and Psalms, which show the story behind the Salvation Jesus won for us
- During the Gloria, lights come on, the bells are rung and the church has been decorated to symbolize Jesus rising
- Those coming into the Church are Baptized and Confirmed. We all renew our Baptismal Promises

The Life of Our Parish in April 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<p>1</p> <p>Prayer Shawl Ministry 10am</p> 	<p>2</p> <p>Holy Thursday Mass at 7:00pm. Adoration to Follow</p>  <p>Holy Thursday</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Good Friday 11am and 3pm</p> 	<p>4</p> <p>Easter Basket Blessing: 12 pm (Polish and English)</p> <p>Easter Vigil 8:00pm</p> 
<p>5</p> <p>Easter Sunday 9am & 11am.</p> 	<p>6</p> <p>Easter Monday</p> <p>Parish Office Closed</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8</p> <p>K of C General Mtg.</p> 	<p>9</p> <p>Bible Study 7pm</p> 	<p>10</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Second Sunday in Easter</p> <p>Ist Communion Sunday</p> 
<p>12</p> <p>Second Sunday in Easter</p> <p>Ist Communion Sunday</p> 	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p> <p>CWG General Mtg.</p> 	<p>15</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Bible Study 7pm</p>  <p>Joyful Notes Rehearsal 7pm</p> 	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Third Sunday in Easter</p> <p>Ist Communion Sunday</p> 
<p>19</p> <p>Third Sunday in Easter</p> <p>Ist Communion Sunday</p> 	<p>20</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Mass Time Change (This Day Only) 9:00am</p> <p>K of C Exec. Mtg.</p> 	<p>23</p> <p>Bible Study 7pm</p> 	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Ist Communion Sunday</p>  <p>CWG Italian Dinner Night</p>  <p>Italian Food</p>
<p>26</p> <p>Fourth Sunday in Easter</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p> <p>CWG Exec. Mtg.</p> 	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Bible Study 7pm</p>  <p>Joyful Notes Rehearsal 7pm</p> 		

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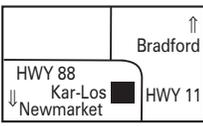

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