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# St. Elizabeth Seton Parish

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January 7, 2018





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# **Mass Intentions**

**Monday January 8th** 9am: Teresa Murphy (D)

Reg: Susan & Mario Perek

**Tuesday January 9th** 9am: Patricia Smith (D)

Req: Pottie Family

**Wednesday January 10th** 9am: Gabriel Malimban (D)

Req: Irene Nabong

Thursday January 11th 9am: Gail Meadows (D)

Reg: St. Elizabeth Seton School Staff

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January 7th 8:00 CWG 9:30 CWG 11:00 CWG

**January 14th** 8:00 Hackowski Family

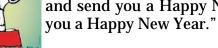
9:30 Hickey Family 11:00 Betty Loft & Family

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

### Ruminations ....

I think that I have mentioned before that I have a somewhat neurotic obsession with numbers. That may have a small part in sitting down and plotting out the next few years of Christmas days. Admittedly, Christmas on a Monday is brutal in so many ways, not just personally, but on the demands of the parish ministries. From Saturday evening vigil mass for the 4th Sunday of Advent until Monday morning, last Mass, all the liturgical ministries are s-t-r-e-t-c-h-e-d. The number of emails and phone calls that go into ensuring enough lectors. Eucharistic ministers, hospitality ministers, altar servers, parking attendants, decorators, flower and tree waterers, fire pit starters, money counters...and the list goes on- not to mention the number of times our custodian pops in to try to vacuum up, mop up, and sweep up the salt in the Church, clean the washrooms, refill hand towels and soaps, and toilet paper, and empty garbage bags. And I know that I am forgetting some important components, but my head is still fogged in. Anyway, a huge thank you to all those ministers ensuring that the Incarnation was celebrated and is alive in this Parish. Christmas on a Wednesday is kind of the ideal – enough time to prepare and enough time to recover. Christmas 2019 is such a dream. Because of the leap year in 2020, Christmas will be on a Friday which will present our ministries with challenges because we will be going Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Christmas falls on a Saturday in 2021 which means more strain on the parish, Friday night, Saturday, and Sunday. The following year Christmas day is on the Sunday which one might assume is also ideal. Although it is much less complicated and taxing, in the financial cycle of the year, it means that the parish loses a Sunday collection, which is more of a conversation starter among priests than a concern for normal people. (Yes I am admitting the abnormality of priests and their conversations. You should hear us talk about weddings!!!) It isn't until 2023 that the ultimate challenge of Christmas falls again on a Monday, so this is all fair warning for our ministries ahead of time. Now it is time to catch our collective breath. The Christmas octave was capped off this year not by a New Year's dinner and dance, but by a new and experimental function that is a revered activity in many cultures and tradition, kind of a drop in open house to exchange good cheer. One name for such an event, the one we claimed for our own was Wassailing, as in the song "Here we go a Wassailing". After the masses delicious mulled apple cider, a recipe which has been sworn to go with him to his grave, was concocted by our own master chef, Paul. The Social Committee hosted a wonderful treat of cider, ice cream, and delicious goodies, and with help from various people, pulled off A NEW YEAR'S)

what I think should become an annual festivity. So as the song says, "Love and joy come to you, And to you your wassail too; And God bless you and send you a Happy New Year And God send you a Happy New Year."



TOAST.

Fr. Roy

# Announcements and Events...

The St Vincent de Paul Society would like to thank all of those parishioners who contributed to the success of the Mary McCluskey Giving Tree and the Don Montague Christmas Program. Over 1,200 people in our community enjoyed Christmas this year because of your thoughtfulness and generosity, many of whom depend solely on your kindness and contributions at this time of year. We have been told many times that there would be no Christmas without your support.

There were over 1,000 stars on the Mary McCluskey Giving Tree this year and we extend our sincere gratitude to those who purchased these basic gift items that we all take for granted.

With the cash donations received for the Don Montague Christmas Program we provided gift cards that enabled our clients to enjoy the dignity that comes from providing for their family at this most special time of year.



From all of us at St Vincent de Paul we wish you a blessed and joyous 2018.

### **Little Rock Bible Study**

Our Little Rock Bible study starts again on Thursday January 11th, 2018 at 7pm. They will be covering the last four chapters of Isaiah. Those returning prepare for Lesson 9. If you are interesting in joining you can contact Wilma Bloye at 905-895-3715.

#### Men's weekend retreat - 15 minutes from Newmarket

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Relax and leave the distractions behind!

### **CWG News CWG QUILT RAFFLE**

Well, the draw date finally came around for the beautiful Queen size quilt being raffled by the CWG. The draw took place after the 11 am Mass on December 17th, and despite Fr. Roy claiming he had won it to begin with, he conceded that the lucky winner was, in fact, Alison Coort, an attendee at the 9.30 Mass! The guilt raffle raised \$1,627 in total, which pushes the Christmas Bazaar proceeds to \$8,515.39! A very big thank-you to those who supported this initiative by purchasing tickets, and also those who helped with the selling. We are truly blessed at St. Elizabeth Seton as we continue to strive to "Become the Living Expression of God's Love".

### **CWG MEMBERSHIP TEA**

Our annual Membership Tea is fast approaching! We welcome all the ladies of the Parish to join us on Sunday, January 21st at 2pm for a wonderful afternoon of fellowship in Seton Hall. A tasty selection of sandwiches and desserts will be available and tea will be served in fine china cups. We will also be accepting annual membership dues. We hope that you will join us as we continue our

faith and come together as we welcome current members of the CWG and new attendees to this annual event.

Please note: There will not be a General meeting on Tuesday, January 9th as indicated in the calendar insert for January. The first General meeting for 2018 will be Tuesday, February 13th beginning with mass at 7pm. Hope to see you in February with more details to follow regarding a guest speaker.

# Sacramental Corner.....

### **Dates to Remember:**

First Communion Parent Catechesis Meeting Monday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 7:00pm (All parents only must attend)



**Confirmation Parent and Candidate** Catechesis Meeting

Monday, January 29th @ 7:00pm

# PARISH DIRECTORY

There are still some families who have not picked up their copy of the new Parish Directory. For the families that had their picture taken, please stop by the Library after all masses this weekend to get your copy.



### YCDSB Kindergarten Registration

Registration begins January 9, 2018 in all York Catholic schools. We look forward to welcoming your child into our schools, where we emphasize academic success

using a curriculum that is fused with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. You can register your child at your local Catholic school. For more information, check the parish bulletin board or visit our website at www.ycdsb.ca/admissions.

#### Wanted—Old Christmas Cards

Wondering what to do with your old Christmas Cards? The Gift Wrapping Stations at the Mall make tags out of recycled Christmas cards. The profits go to support Southlake Hospital. Please bring your old cards and deposit them in the box in the foyer after Christmas





# SOUP and a Movie **Tuesday January 9th** 12 noon

Movie will be *Miss Potter* 



Please RSVP to the parish office

# Let us pray for the sick...

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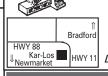


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