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# St. Elizabeth Seton Parish

Palm Sunday

March 25, 2018



**Pastoral Team** Fr. Roy Roberts, Pastor Deacon Marian Pawliszko **Deacon Stephen Pitre** 

#### Parish Staff

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#### **Regular Office Hours**

Mon. 9:00 am—4:00 pm Tues. Wed., and Thurs.  $9:00 \text{ am} - 8:00 \text{ pm} \sim \text{Fri.}, 9:00 \text{ am} - 1:00 \text{ pm}$ 2:00 pm—6:00 pm Sun. 8:00 am—1:00 pm

## Sacrament of **Baptism or Marriage:**

Sat.

Please contact the office. One year notice for Sacrament of Marriage.



#### Sacrament of **Reconciliation:**

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# **Mass Intentions**

**Monday March 26th** 9am: Mark Gaines (I) Req: John & Wilma Bloye

**Tuesday March 27th** 9am: Robert Terry (I) Req: Schwan Family

Wednesday March 28th 9am: Dascia DeCoste (D) Req: Dagmar Ficker

**Thursday March 29th** \*\*\*No Morning Mass\*\*\*

#### Sunday Masses are for ALL GOD'S PEOPLE



A simple cup of coffee becomes happiness when you share it with friends!

Please join us in Seton Hall after Sunday morning Mass

#### Coffee Sunday will return April 8th



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# Parish **X** Giving

Weekend of March 17/18 **Sunday Offertory** \$ 6,752.61 SES Building Fund \$ 465.00

Share Life to date \$ 12.646.05

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

# **Ruminations** ....

At University, especially since it was long before cell phones and personal computers and skype, back when long distance calls were reserved for Saturdays when the charges were cheaper, there were certain events that we looked forward to because it meant a trip home. Thanksgiving was the first evacuation of the campus followed by the post exams Christmas break. Reading week in February and Easter rounded out the big four. As it turned out, in my final year, Easter was too close to final exams and so I made the decision to stay and study. With most of the people gone, the campus was deserted and there wasn't much else to do but cram for those exams. I knew that if I went home, the opportunity to do some quality studying would have been remote - 'lead us not into temptation'. Residence was desolate but that was a blessing. I lived in the Catholic residence run by the French Province of the lesuits which might explain a lot. It was a campus community and so Mass was always just a short walk away. You could wake up Sunday morning and within five minutes jump into the shower and run to the Grand Salon where Mass was celebrated and still be on time. If you were a bit more organized you would go on Saturday evening to the bilingual service where Fr. Davis could finish in 25 minutes including a homily. We loved Fr. Simon Davis. Well, I decided to attend the Easter Vigil, not that I knew what it was. It started after dark and I had no idea what I was in for, no idea of the extended length that it took. We started outside and so Spring in Sudbury can be very ShareLife were a Deaf child and your chancy, but a few snowflakes around a fire just adds to a northern parents and siblings didn't know sign ambiance. We processed from outside down the corridors by candle light to the darkened Hall that served as our worship space. Then one of the Jesuit fathers chanted the Exultet. It was sung in French, but it was hauntingly beautiful in whatever language. Priests who have the gift of singing well bring an incredible spirit to the liturgy. The musical accompaniment for the evening was another Jesuit priest who was a virtuoso on the piano. As we navigated our way through the readings, some in English, some in French, and communed with homemade bread, it made quite an impression. Since there were no candidates for baptism the liturgy was just under two hours, but as mesmerizing as it was, time seemed inconsequential. It remains one of my exceptional experiences of church celebrations. The Triduum truly is an extraordinary expression of who we are and everyone should experience it at least once in their lifetime. From the washing of the feet, to the veneration of the cross, to the bonfire of Easter morning, to the renewing of our baptism at the Easter celebration, everything we



need to understand who and why we are. This is what prompted St. Augustine to declare the Easter Vigil the Mother of all Liturgies. Oh, and I passed all my final exams.

Fr. Roy

# Announcements and Events...



# March 25th to March 31st

# **Holy Thursday**

Mass of the Lord's Supper Thursday, March 29th, at 7:30pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 11pm

# **Good Friday**

Celebration of the Lord's Passion Friday, March 30th **11 am** (no Communion) **3pm** (Communion) Stations of the Cross – 7pm Private Devotions until 9pm

# **Holy Saturday**

Blessing of the Easter Baskets Saturday, March 31st, 11 am in English **12 noon** in Polish

Anyone wishing to have their Easter food blessed please join us in the church.

# **Holy Saturday Easter Vigil**

Saturday, March 31st, 8:00pm

Our community will welcome many candidates to the Catholic Faith at this 3 hour celebration

#### **Easter Sunday**

Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord Sunday, April 1st

Masses at 8am, 9:30am & 11am

## **Monday April 2nd**

Morning mass will be at 10am.

#### Soup and a Movie



# Tuesday April 10th, 2018 12 noon

Movie TBA

Please RSVP to the Parish Office

# **CWG News**

The CWG will host a Spaghetti dinner Saturday, April 21st.

Details to follow.

## Sacramental Corner.....

## **First Communion**

Be sure to confirm the date and mark your calendars... get your invites out to family and friends.

Plan to arrive 20-30 minutes early.

Meet in the room across from the parish office to pick up your child's gown. Children will sit together with their families. There are no reserved seats.

#### **Mass Dates and Times:**

Saturday, April 7th (4:30pm); Sunday, April 8th (9:30 & 11:00) Saturday, April 14th (4:30pm); Sunday, April 15th (9:30& 11:00) Saturday, April 21st (4:30pm); Sunday, April 22nd (9:30 & 11:00)

#### **First Reconciliation**

There is an opportunity for the children to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation any Saturday afternoon between 3:00-3:30pm (except March 31st). Parents and older siblings are welcome to celebrate the sacrament at this time.

As a parish family let us continue to remember the 'little lambs' in our prayers as they prepare to come to the Table of the Lord.

#### **Confirmation Breaking Open the Word**

John Paul C., Mariangel M., Deegan B., Alex P., Victoria P., Kai C., Jessica W., Isabella Q., Sydney W. All the young people are doing their best on their Sunday reflection forms.

"Jesus came to show us the fullness of God's love." JP C.

Let us continue to keep our young people in our prayers as they journey in faith and discovery of God's unconditional love.



**Cross Ceremony** If you were away, you can pick up your cross this Sunday.

#### **Confirmation Retreat**

**Friday April 13th at 6-9pm**. (arrive 10 min early)

All candidates be sure to attend. A light meal will be served. Parents are expected to attend our closing prayer service 8:30pm—9:pm. There is an important letter for parents to pick up in the parish office the weekend after Easter (April 7/8). You will need to respond to this letter before attending the Confirmation Retreat.

The **Adult Faith Formation** sessions were a blessed time. We are grateful for Catherine Ecker's many new insights. We learned that 'our family table shapes and grounds us; it is a sacred place where we learn to belong.'

# Let us pray for the sick...

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