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## St. Elizabeth Seton Parish

Third Sunday of Easter

April 15, 2018





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

## Sacrament of Baptism or Marriage:

Please contact the office.
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Monday April 16th 9am: Luisa Ruiz (D)

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Tuesday April 17th

9am: Tina & Dialina Arruda (I)

Req: Evaristo Arruda

**Wednesday April 18th** 

9am: **Graham Dyer (D)** 

Req: Margaret Gordon

Thursday April 19th 9am: Joe Fiorentino (D)

Req: Tina Fiorentino

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



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Please join us in Seton Hall after Sunday morning Mass

**April 15th 8:00** Sherrer Family **9:30** Franko Family **11:00** Betty Loft & Family

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**The Weekend of April 7/8th**Sunday Offertory \$ 7,039.70
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Alcoholic Anonymous meet every Saturday at 8pm Knights of Columbus room.

#### **Ruminations** ....

One of my favorite movies is 'Dead Poet Society'. It is an incredibly deep movie. Near the beginning of the movie the English Teacher, Robin Williams takes his class on a mini-field trip to the hall of class pictures and trophies and invites the class to look at the picture of these long ago students who have likely passed on. The class is asked to imagine these alumni like themselves filled with hopes and dreams, youth and vigor, and to ponder what happened to those aspirations. Then he turns and asks them what chapters they themselves will write with their own lives. In a sense this is the perennial question of all youth as they struggle with the transitions and the angst of growing up, and finding their way through life. Whenever tragedy and youth happen, that scene resonates in my head for days. I have encountered many tragic situations with young people, from accidents, chronic illnesses, suicides, cancers, and even a shooting by police. None of them were easy or made any sense. Every once and a while events come along that punch through the delusion of our invincibility and control over our own lives. Such was the recent bus crash killing many young people from the Humboldt Bronco's hockey team. The sudden snuffing out of hopes and dreams, of youth and innocence, of hurt and pain, echo a dissonance in our minds. There is a collective disbelief leveled at the immediate, and local, and national psyche. It reminds us of how little control we have in our own lives. And these public occurrences draw a lot of attention, but they really are the tip of a universal iceberg. At the same time as this tragedy was taking place, thousands of Syrian children, women and men has been gassed to death suffering equally horrible deaths; a truck plowed into innocent people in Germany; threatening and de-stabilizing rhetoric from world leaders increase stress and tensions in people's lives, and the litany of unjust and oppressive events could go on for pages. In the midst of all this seeming chaos stands our Easter candle, tall and undimmed. In a very real way, Easter is the only real words that can make sense of it all. For in that candle shines the light that breaks the darkness; the light that overcomes death; the light that promises resurrection. Easter promises us that all this senselessness will be given meaning as it is absorbed into the crucifixion itself. Easter gives us hope that there will be a resurrection for each and every person affected by the tragic loss of loved ones. Easter reminds us that these deaths are part of some nefarious plan of God to teach us, or punish us, or enlighten us, but



rather that our God is in the midst of the pain and struggle, and hurt and the suffering, in the seeming purposeless and meaningless events. That even in the face of the absurd, our hope brings us the possibility of new life. No wonder Jesus kept repeating, "Be not afraid", and "Peace be with you". Easter Peace.

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

#### **CWG News**

The CWG will host the Family Style Spaghetti dinner on Saturday, April 21st at 5:30 pm in Seton Hall. The tickets will be sold after all masses during the weekends of April 7th/8th and April 14th/15th. Last year, we sold out of tickets before the actual event and tickets were not available at the door.

The tickets will be \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 7 years old and under—a real bargain! The proceeds will assist with

a donation for a graduating student (students) in our Parish Family. The CWG appreciates your continued support with this fundraiser which always becomes a night of fellowship for everyone.



#### NEW BEGINNINGS SEPARATION & DIVORCE SUPPORT GROUP

If you are struggling you don't have to do this alone. New Beginnings is a ministry dedicated to assisting those who have endured a loss through separation and divorce. New Beginnings is a place of discovery, healing and renewed faith. Wednesdays, April 18 to May 23, 2017 at 7pm, St.



Elizabeth Seton Church, 17955 Leslie St., Newmarket. All are welcome to attend. There is no cost for this event. For more information please call Karen at 289-380-1974.

#### **Approaching the Annulment Process**

Learn more about what the Catholic Church teaches about marriage, separation/divorce and annulments.

Guest Speaker: Fr. Alex Laschuk JCD, Ph.D.

Light refreshments will be served following the seminar.

Location: St. Mary Immaculate, 10295 Yonge St., Richmond Hill, ON L4C 3B9

Date & Time: Thursday April 19, 2018 @ 7:00 pm

#### **Southdown Annual Benefit Dinner**

**Guest speaker:** Sr. Marie Zarowny SSA Province Co-Leader and President Sisters of St. Ann, Pacific Northwest

Thursday, May 10 – 6:30 to 9 p.m.

Columbus Event Centre (Sala Caboto Ballroom) 40 Playfair Ave., Toronto.

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#### **Religious Articles Store**

Looking for a **special gift** for First Communion & Confirmation! Items are available for sale in the parish library following Sunday Masses.

#### Sacramental Corner......

## First Communion Masses

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

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.



We are blessed as a parish family to share in the celebration of the First Communion liturgies with so many dear children and their families.

Our hearts are filled with gratitude as we are united at the Table of the Lord each Sunday. May this shared time together be for us a way to deepen our relationship with God, with one another and may we share His wonderful love with all whom we meet.

#### **Confirmation**

**Breaking Open the Word** 

So many thoughtful reflections from our young candidates... Isabella Q., Sydney W., Kate B., Matthew G., Jessica W., Deegan B., Pawel Z., Alex P., Gabriela F., Fatima N., Ava S., Nicole S., Sara T., Nicole F.

"It is important to look at the world through sacred eyes and find the presence of God in all the things in our lives." N. S.

All our candidates for Confirmation are expected to be sharing in the celebration of Sunday Mass (every Sunday) and taking time to reflect on the Gospel and how it relates to their life. This is a most important part of their preparation for Confirmation...

living our Catholic way of life.

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

#### **Confirmation Retreat**

The Holy Spirit was truly present on this blessed evening! Our sincerest appreciation to the many individuals who support the Confirmation ministry with their time and talents. A retreat for many youth, is a success when your team is both dedicated and hard-working, the youth are respectful and engaged, and we have the support of the all the parents. Thank you one and all!!

"I have called you by name and, you are mine." Isaiah 43:1

#### Let us pray for the sick...

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