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Mass Times

Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 4:30pm

Sunday: 8:00am, 9:30am & 11:00am

*Polish Mass: 5:00pm on the last Sunday

of each month.

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Welcome to St. Elizabeth Seton!

If you would like to register,
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church entrance or the parish office.

Parishioners with a change of
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Please introduce yourself to
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St. Elizabeth Seton Parish

Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 22, 2018



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

Parish Staff

Parish Administrator ~ Ann Lynch Parish Secretary ~ Rosie Klauke Sacramental Coordinator - Grades 2 & 7 ~ Jennifer McAvoy Parish Custodian—Stanley Skorka Rectory Administrator—Nancy Rojas

Regular Office Hours

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. One year notice for Sacrament of Marriage.



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Mass Intentions

Monday April 23rd 9am: Joseph Finelli (I)

Req: Dutcher Family

Tuesday April 24th

9am: **Kevin McDonnell (D)** Req: John & Wilma Bloye

Wednesday April 25th 9am: Amy Bayes (D)

Req: Bayes Family

Thursday April 26th 9am: **Luisa Ruiz (I)** Req: Sandra Perez

> Sunday Masses are for ALL GOD'S PEOPLE



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

Coffee & Chat

Please join us in Seton Hall after Sunday morning Mass

April 22nd

8:00 Patricia Stuart & Vivian Alexander

9:30 Hickey Family **11:00** Culligan family

April 29th

8:00 Teskey Family **9:30** Porporino Family

11:00 Audrey Wilcox & Eve Erentzen





The Weekend of Apr 14/15th Sunday Offertory \$ 2,881.20 SES Building Fund \$ 10,610.50

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

Ruminations

I am a little vague on the day of my first communion. Being an advanced child, the occasion took place when I was in grade I. The truth be known, that was when we celebrated last millennium. Our school, the old St. Mary's in Bradford was literally a hundred yards from the church and so every first Friday we had to climb the stairs beside the grade 6 classroom and march up the road in single file and absolute silence. It was a trick of those nuns, ninja experts with the yardstick or pointer, to keep us in line. I remember on one of the first Fridays that we were in attendance, and it must have been close to our May first communion, it came time for the communion procession. One of the young grade one's who shall remain nameless, not because I have forgotten his name, but because his mother and father are known to many in the parish, stepped out to join the line processing forward. Anyway, as one not to be outdone, I talked with my cousin who was sitting beside me that if he can do it, so can we, so the two of us stepped out of the pew and joined in the line to the front of the church. Back in the day, the front of the church was rather forbidden territory for young ones. It was gated, there was no such thing as offering a blessing to those who are not receiving communion, and so therefore, we had never gone closer to the altar than our pew. I suppose I was a bit nervous, thinking that I was part of some secret plot, or we were on some great "Lord of the Rings" adventure. Step by step my cousin and I approached the communion rail at any time expecting the long arm of the teacher to haul us back, or worse, the nun with her precision weapon, the yardstick to intervene. As the line processed closer and closer to communion, I remember a bit of a panic setting in. I didn't know what to do, or how to receive. We hadn't yet covered that aspect of first communion, and since we had never approached the altar to witness either of my parents receiving as it was not the custom, I was sure I would be found out by the priest. To dart or not to dart, that was the question. I whispered to my cousin if he knew what to do, but he didn't either. Just as I figured all was lost, I felt a hand on my shoulder saying "what do you think you are doing, mister?" As I turned, I saw my aunt kneeling in the pew a few seats from the front. She had already hauled the student who shall remain nameless into the pew with



her, and now my cousin and I were hauled in beside him. I don't remember too much trouble, but I do remember a stern conversation when I got home. So on May 7, 1967, I with all the other grade I's celebrated our first communion on a bleak, cold spring morning. And the rest as they say is history.

Fr. Roy

Announcements and Events...



Religious Articles Store

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

Invites you on Sunday, May 27th at 7pm

Remembrance Evening Prayer/Vespers

We will remember your deceased loved ones during this prayer service.

Refreshments to follow in Seton Hall



Annual March for Life in Ottawa Thursday, May 10th, 2018

Join thousands of pro-life citizens giving witness to the sanctity of all human life. Check out the website for more details www.campaignlifecoalition.com

Buses departing from the GTA



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Cemetery Clean Up

The annual spring clean-up of St. John's Cemetery will take place on Saturday, May 5th from 9 am to 12 noon. We need as many volunteers as possible with rakes, shovels,

and wheelbarrows to be at the cemetery. Some equipment will also be provided if you don't have any. Following the morning work, the Knights of Columbus will provide a BBQ lunch at the St. John's Parish Centre. For Students looking to do community service, this will qualify. Please bring your forms to be signed.

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.

The Benefit Dinner is being held to raise support and awareness of Southdown's mission to provide integrated holistic treatment for Religious and Clergy. All proceeds from this event help us in providing assistance to those who need treatment but lack sufficient resources. Tickets can be purchased on our website. PHONE: 905 727 4214; EMAIL:

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Sacramental Corner......

Confirmation

Confirmation Retreat The Retreat was a wonderful 'break in our usual Friday night routines'. The young people enjoyed themselves and were engaged in the various sessions. The closing prayer service was an atmosphere of prayerful reflection...with candles illuminating the altar, soft music... the carrying of the cross by four high school youth and the washing of the candidates' feet by our group leaders ... thank you to everyone... all the candidates and their parents, Fr. Roy and all the adult and youth ministers ... for making this retreat experience so very special! We are all 'called by name to be the light of Christ in the world.'

Confirmation Small Groups All our small groups are underway. Candidates be sure not to miss any meetings. The expectation is that you will attend your scheduled sessions and participate fully in the discussions and activities. It is wonderful to see all our youth each Sunday, and throughout the week

If you do not have a <u>sponsor</u>, now is the time to ask someone to be your confirmation sponsor. "A sponsor is a person who encourages and assists a candidate to embrace and actively practice the Catholic faith both before and after Confirmation. The sponsor must be an active, practicing Catholic who can be a role model for you...either male or female, a person who regularly attends Sunday Mass, must be a fully initiated Catholic, 16 years of age or older and may not be the parent of the candidate"

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

First Communion Masses

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.

Let us pray for the sick...

Michael Whelgan
Mavis Solomon
Maria Perek
Olive Hutton
Alana Brown-Wallace
Janet Brockway
Wally Pottie
Greg Quattrin
Carlos Abreu
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