17955 Leslie Street Newmarket, Ontario L3Y 9A4 PH: 905-853-5009 FAX: 905-853-9391

EMAIL: st.elizabethseton@rogers.com Website: www.stelizabethsetonparish.com

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.

Weekday Mass Schedule: Monday to Thursday: 9:00am

St. Vincent de Paul Society: 905-898-4264 Website: sjcses.blogspot.com

Catholic Community Services of York Region: 905-770-7040 Catholic Cemeteries: 905-889-7467 St. John's Cemetery 905-898-4137 ext. 226

New Parishioner? Welcome to St. Elizabeth Seton! If you would like to register, forms are available at the church entrance or the parish office. Parishioners with a change of address, please inform the Parish office. Envelopes may also be acquired at the office. Please introduce yourself to Fr. Roy Roberts after Mass!

> Parish Schools Good Shepherd School 905-895-0303 St. Elizabeth Seton School 905-853-0340 Our Lady of Good Counsel 905-478-4242 Sacred Heart High School 905-895-3340

St. Elizabeth Seton Parish

Second Sunday of Advent

December 8, 2019



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

Parish Staff

Parish Administrator ~ Ann Lynch Sacramental Coordinator - Grades 2 & 7 ~ Jennifer McAvoy Rectory Administrator—Nancy Rojas

Regular Office Hours

Mon. 9:00am—4:00pm Tues., Wed., and Thurs. 9:00am—8:00pm ~ Fri., 9am –1pm Sat. 2:00pm—6:00pm Sun. 8:00am—1:00pm



Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday ~ 3:00 - 3:30 pm Or By Appointment

Sacrament of Baptism or Marriage: Please contact the office.

For those interested in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults & Children of Catechetical age please contact Fr. Roy Roberts

Seton Hall Banquet Facilities ...

A great location for Weddings, Anniversaries, Business Meetings and other occasions. For more information on bookings call 905-853-5009 or email st.elizabethseton@rogers.com

Mass Intentions

Monday December 9th 9am:Bruce Leung/ Theresa Shak (D) Req: Mary Shak

Tuesday December 10th 9am: **Joseph Szucs (D)** Req:

Wednesday December 11th9am:Wanda Bolton (D)Req:Douglas Bolton

Thursday December 12th9am:Hughie Ryan (D)Req:John Ryan

Sunday Masses are for ALL GOD'S PEOPLE

A simple cup of coffee becomes happiness when coffee & Chat you share it with friends.

December 15th

8:00 Teskey Family 9:30 Mike Speckert & Zena/ Reem Ohan 11:00 Culligan Family

December 22nd 8:00 Hachkowski Family 9:30 Hickey Family 11:00 Wilcox & Erentzen Families

Join us after each mass for coffee and fellowship.



Advent is a journey towards Bethlehem. May we let ourselves be drawn by the light of God made man.

POPE FRANCIS



Nov. 30th/ Dec. 1st Sunday Offertory \$7,088.50 SES Building Fund \$1,790.00

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

Ruminations

When I was first ordained a priest and stationed at St. Mary's Parish in Brampton, we had baptisms every single week. On average we celebrated well over 400 baptisms every year. With two deacons and three priests, we were on a five week rotation. The baptism font was a rather large salad bowl on a stand that we set up every week after the last mass in the morning. We had a little shell that served to scoop water up and over the young person. When I was moved to Ajax, baptisms were a little less frequent. We would set up after the final morning mass and fill the steel bowl container for the celebration. The ritual book for baptisms states that the baptism font should contain living water in such a way that the font can express the mystery being celebrated. Somehow the salad bowl and the steel bowl fail miserably in this regard. The expectation is that a more liturgical and up to date version of a font should have running water. So it is very fortunate that we have such a font. Now all those mechanisms and pumps and pipes that make running water possible come with their own challenges. Of late our font has been acting up, over flowing, running dry, overflowing, leaking. The recent water stains on the carpeting around the font attest to that fact. The project of new carpeting for the church is in the works, but that is another story for we hope the near future. Now many studies have been done about the transfer of germs in the act of liturgies. When communion from the cup is executed properly, there is no fear of catching anything. Someone following someone receiving on the tongue might ask for a Purell washing before receiving, or at least serving gloves to be use, but by far the most germ infested place in any church is the holy water fonts, especially the small wall units equipped with sponges. Baptismal fonts with all those hands being dipped into it can be a hotbed, breeding ground for yucky stuff. Well since our own font needed a major overhaul in its plumbing we decided to see what we could do to rectify that situation. The solution - a UV filter. The water was recycled through a filter, but it was mostly to trap sediment. In the updated repairs, a new ultra violet germ killer was added. The water in the font cycles through this filter many times an hour, and each time it travels through the UV filter, the water is cleansed of germs that are eliminated by the ultra violet light. The sediment filter and the UV filter keep our font water pristine. With all this technology and



filtering is a great thing, but with all those hands still being immersed into the pool, it still is not a healthy thing to ingest, but the plumber assured us that the water coming out the top was pure enough to drink. I said I will take your word for it but as to actually drinking it... I guess I don't have that much faith.

Announcements and Events...

Sacramental Corner.....

Soul Food

Wednesday December 11, 2019 7:00 pm to 9pm. The topic will be "Advent" Please join us.

Christmas Pageant Tuesday December 24th at 4:30 pm Mass

We will be having a pageant again this year. The **sign-up sheet** can be found on the table in the foyer until December 14th.

Rehearsals will be Thursday December 19th and Monday December 23rd from 6:00 to 7:00pm.



CWG WINE & CHEESE SOCIAL

All ladies of the Parish are invited to join us for the CWG annual tradition of a Wine & Cheese Social on Tuesday, December 10, 2019 beginning at 6:30 pm for an Advent celebration

in Seton Hall. This is a wonderful opportunity to just simply socialize and enjoy the camaraderie of other women! There will be door prizes and maybe a game or two for the evening. It would be appreciated if you can bring new unwrapped toiletry items, socks or pajamas as the CWG Executive will be gathering these items for Belinda's House and presenting them during the Christmas season, an organization in Newmarket that helps women get back on their feet. Please note that admission is free for CWG members, and due to ever increasing food costs, we will be charging \$10 this year for non-members. Hope to see you there!



New Years 's Wassail Celebration Please join us in the Parish Hall after the New Year's Eve mass and the New Year's Day masses. Toast the New Year with a delicious cup of Wassail—mulled apple cider and some goodies.

St. Elizabeth Seton **Dav of Reconciliation** Wednesday December 18th From: 11am to Noon, 1pm to 2pm and 7pm to 8pm



Breaking Open The Word



The young people preparing for Confirmation have been reflecting on the Sunday Gospel for the past few months. They are making great effort with their insightful comments. Hats off to Ava B., Kayleigh S., Silas H., Jenna F., Dante V.,

and Lauren M.

First Communion

Parents and children should be continuing to read their Reconciliation workbook over the month of December and into January. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available Saturday between 3 and 3:30 p.m.. Be sure to have the January Parent Catechesis meeting on your calendar. This is a mandatory meeting. -Monday January 20th, 7pm to 9pm.

Our First Communion candidates are expected to complete their reflection forms, too. 'Being together with family and lighting of the Advent Candle were their favourite parts of Sunday Mass.'

Confirmation



The young people were given a form at the Retreat with regards to the CROSS MAKING **WORKSHOPŠ.** Please make sure you have these dates on your calendar to ensure your child will participate in this activity. If you have any questions or concerns please contact Jen-

Redemptorist Mission Stamp Burse



The money raised from the sale of the postage stamps goes to the Canadian Food for Children Mission Fund run by Dr. Andrew Simone who sends food, clothing and school supplies to 3rd world countries through local missionaries. The

Redemptorists match the donations made from the Stamp Burse.

Your cancelled stamps can make a difference. Christmas cards may soon be arriving! Do you receive a lot of mail at work, at home? Please donate your stamps in the box located in the foyer of the church. Thank you.

Let us pray for the sick...

Alana Brown-Wallace Janet Brockway Wally Pottie Greg Quattrin Mary Mead Tarcisia Borg Wincenty Stoch Warren Pettifer Mary Ann Ferrer Vince Masci Larry Yarush Alain Gerais Betty Loft Susan Perek Bruce Firth Helen Bromley Orlando Carrera

Rosa Santos Evelyn Walsh Merwyn Correa Slawomir Demianczuk Sebastiao P. Henriques Molly Nabuurs Audrey McDonnell Peter Aristotle Bob Leggo Albina Barber Mary MacDonald Kathleen Todesco Joshua Perek Julia Purdham Donna Stea-Cutting Maria De La O -Meija Pauline Murphy

Jennifer Ma Zeny Jose Irene Zbyszyinski Edward LaPenta |. Legari Adam Wood Mayling Meueses Frances Leggo Russel Scott Elizabeth Ryan Mary Perek Dave Dailey John Delorey Lindsay Veltman Elcy Cerres



