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Mass Times:

Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 4:30pm

Sunday: 9:00am & 11:00am

All will be lived streamed.

Weekday Mass Schedule:

Monday to Thursday: 10:00am

All Masses are live-streamed

\*Polish Mass: 5:00pm on the last Sunday  
of each month except July & August

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905-898-4264

Website: sjcses.blogspot.com

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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



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905-853-0340

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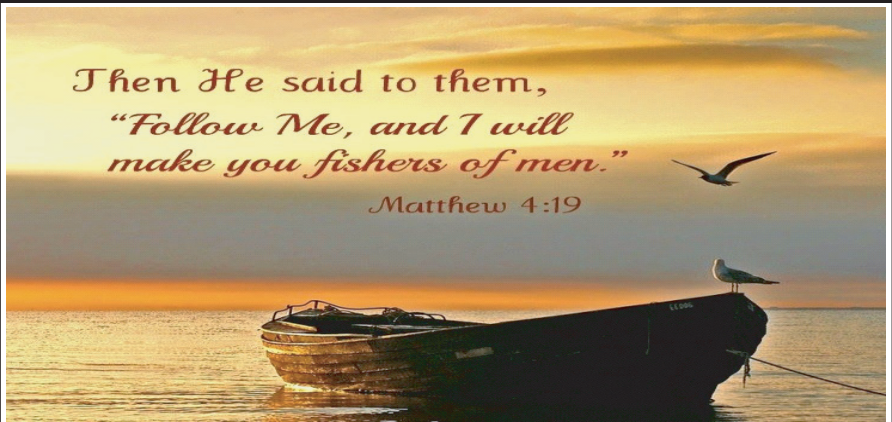
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905-895-3340

# St. Elizabeth Seton Parish

Third Sunday of Ordinary Time

January 22, 2023



*Then He said to them,  
"Follow Me, and I will  
make you fishers of men."*

*Matthew 4:19*

## Pastoral Team

Fr. Roy Roberts, Pastor

Deacon Marian Pawlitzko

Deacon Stephen Pitre

## Parish Staff

Parish Administrator ~ Ann Lynch

Sacramental Coordinator

Baptisms, First Communion & Confirmations ~ Jennifer McAvoy

Rectory Administrator—Nancy Rojas

## Regular Office Hours

Monday to Thursday 9am to 4pm

Friday 9am to 1pm



## 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

*"Cheerfulness prepares a glorious mind  
for all the noblest acts."*

St. Elizabeth Seton

## Mass Intentions

### Monday, January 23rd

10am: Paul Wharton

Req. by: Hugh & Carolyn McCartney

### Tuesday, January 24th

10am: Rosina Graniero

Req. by: Cupe 1571

### Wednesday, January 25th

10am: **ASH WEDNESDAY**

Req. by: no intentions

### Thursday, January 26th

10am: Mario Brogno

Req. by: Al & Theresa

### Ukrainian Relief Fund:

In addition to praying for the situation, parishioners can contribute to the Ukrainian Relief Fund, which the Archdiocese has established to help suffering Ukrainians.

Parishioners are able to contribute online by going to:

[www.archtoronto.org/en/contact-us/donations/donate-pages/donate-to-humanitarian-relief/](http://www.archtoronto.org/en/contact-us/donations/donate-pages/donate-to-humanitarian-relief/)

### 2023 Offering Envelopes Important information

Reminder to please pick your 2023 envelopes. Because every year we have more and more envelopes left over we have scaled back our amount ordered by 200 boxes. This means that anyone with a number from 541 up has been reassigned a new number. **PLEASE** get rid of any 2022 or earlier envelopes that you may have as starting January 2023 that number will no longer exist.



## Parish Giving

### January 15th

Offertory	\$12,456.25
SES Building	\$ 380.00

### Month of December PAG

(Pre-authorized Giving)

Sunday Offertory	\$4,372.00
SES Building Fund	\$ 322.00
ShareLife	\$ 465.00

## Ruminations ....

It was a rather up and down week – not emotionally, but certainly physically. With life swinging back into full swing, the Parish Hall was in full use. Every night this week there was something happening. Between parents' information meetings and parents' catechesis meetings, every day tables needed to be taken down, or round tables replaced with rectangle tables, either six foot or eight foot, or combinations of each, and chairs stacked and wheeled away, or taken out and put around the tables. With the shadow of Covid still around, we place only six chairs instead of the regular eight chair numbers. As a bit of a math nerd, that means that for every three tables we would normally set up, now we have to add an extra table. I have noticed that those tables and stacks of chairs are getting heavier and heavier, and more difficult to maneuver. One of the things that has irked me is the amount of gum that people have stuck underneath them. It is disgusting. So we spend over four hours trying to scrape that hardened gum off the bottoms. I investigated, on-line, about purchasing cheap DNA tests to track down the culprits who perpetrated this crime inducing profanity. At this time, there are no home tests to who discover who these perps are. And who knew there were so many different colours of gum? Anyway, one of the big activities in the Hall this past week and this up coming week, the making of ceramic crosses. A few years ago, as part of our Confirmation program, we had a great addition to the candidates' preparation. We are fortunate to have a wonderful ceramic artist and potter in the parish, and she generously offers her time and talent to help our students get in touch with another side of the brain. They are invited to create their own ceramic cross as an expression of their hopes and dreams, their beliefs, and their identity – a very spiritual and worthwhile exercise. And I think to their credit, many of these young people discover that they have an artistic, creative side that they never knew existed. There are a lot of very talented young people and it is inspiring to see their work unfold, and those creative juices activating. And from personal experience, I know that even the not so artistic editions of crosses, once they receive their final glazes which adds vibrant colour and life, turn out impressive. It seems that the glazes cover a multitude of sins. The raw clay that has been shaped into the cross is just the beginning. These clay models are fired in a kiln at high temperatures. If you are interested in money making, by shares in Newmarket Hydro, especially around people who have these electric kilns in their homes. Two weeks later, our young people return for the second session and the completion of their art pieces. Once the colour glazes have been added, the crosses are again fired in the kiln. When they are all ready, we are going to display them at the front of the Church as we bless them and then the candidates take them home as a wonderful reminder of their spiritual journey to Confirmation. Every Parish should have a resident ceramic artist. And you can be sure that when we take the tables down for the next activity, we check for gum stuck under the table, and since we know who sat where, if their cross happens to be 'accidentally' dropped, God's will be done.



*Fr. Roy*



## Announcements and Events...

### Mark your calendar

for our

#### Annual Family Day Weekend Family Skate.

This is a free event hosted by the Knights of Columbus. The Skate takes place on Monday, February 20 from 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm at Sharon Arena. Helmets are mandatory for all young people & highly encouraged for all.

Hot Chocolate is available.



### Thank You! Thank You!! Thank You!!!

We would like to take this opportunity to say thank you for all your support to our fund-raising events. We are proud to announce we have recently contributed much needed funds to some of our local charities.

St. Vincent de Paul \$2000.00  
 Blue Door Shelters \$1000.00  
 Community Bread \$1000.00  
 Inn from the Cold \$1000.00

We are grateful to these organizations for all they accomplish in helping our community to help protect some of the vulnerable and less fortunate. We feel privileged to be able to support them in their work.

So on behalf of the Knights of Columbus, thank you for your continued support. We are looking forward to more events this coming year to foster our Church Community and help those charities who need our assistance .



### 2022 Tax Receipts

We have closed the books on 2022 and once again this year the tax receipts will be generated and mailed out through the Archdiocese. The receipts should arrive at your address on or before January 30th.

### A New Year, A Fresh Start

It is exciting to see the crowds returning to our Sunday worship. As things are revving up again, we are looking for people to help out in various capacities. Here is a partial list of areas where we hope you will consider getting involved:

- Altar Servers
- Funeral Ministry
- Eucharistic Ministers
- Lectors
- Music Ministry
- Ministers of Hospitality
- Confirmation Group Leader
- RCIA Sponsor
- RCIA Team
- Martha & Mary Funeral Luncheon
- Finance Council
- Children's Liturgy of the Word
- Many hands make light work.

### Your Cancelled Stamps are Valuable!

Used postage stamps are collected and sold to stamp collectors and vendors. They generate money which is given to Redemptorist Fathers mission to help



Canadian Food for Children. Used stamps can be dropped off in the foyer! Collecting stamps can make a difference!

\*FYI, although we are collecting stamps we will NOT be collecting Christmas Cards as in pervious years.

### Newmarket Food Pantry

The food bank is always in need but more now than ever. Below is a list of items that can always use.

- juice boxes, peanut butter, canned stew or chili, canned soup, nutritious lunch snacks, toiletry items (soap, shampoo, toothpaste, toilet paper), baby formula, junior size baby food

These items can be dropped in our **Food Box** located in the foyer or for more information go to [www.newmarketfoodpantry.ca](http://www.newmarketfoodpantry.ca)

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

Alana Brown-Wallace  
 Betty Loft  
 Bruce Firth  
 Kyle Elkie  
 Kathleen Todesco  
 Joshua Perek  
 Donna Stea-Cutting  
 Andy Dube  
 Elizabeth Ryan  
 Matteo Savella  
 Gerber Aparicio  
 Jackson Rowan

E. Turnbull  
 Paul Jennas  
 Rose Marie Scott  
 Wanda Tolazzi  
 Sean Coen  
 Cathy Murphy  
 Chad Buckley  
 Ana Apareció  
 J. Gole  
 Thomas Lauber  
 Anna Zaryczanska  
 Jake Tallon

Carmen Baldacchino  
 Mervin Correa  
 Leo Cadia Vaz  
 Laura Rostron  
 Trice Hawkins  
 Carole Carter  
 Lawrence Cooper  
 Richard Ayson  
 Gina Santagato  
 Alexis Carvajal  
 Jose Fonseca  
 Catherine Kirk  
 Dorothy Street

# Taking on a Parish Ministry

## Your Parish Needs You!

### Counting Ministry

Each week, the Sunday Collections are counted and deposited in the Bank. There are Archdiocese guidelines that we must follow. This is an important contribution to the life of our Community, and from a security perspective, it is good to ensure that there is no cash remaining in the Building.

When the team is at full compliment, the commitment is for about 2 hours on a Sunday starting at 11:00 am, once a month. If you are interested in lending a hand , we would be happy to have you.



### Funeral Ministry

One of our famed Corporal Works of Mercy is burying the dead. Funerals can be tough on many fronts. Seeing a smiling and helpful face as the family and friends of the deceased come through the door adds a great sense of comfort. In this day and age, with many 'un-Churched' people who may feel very awkward and uncomfortable in the Church setting, especially in the midst of sorrow and grief, this Ministry provides a strong sign value, that we as a Community of Faith, welcome them and are here to support them as they walk this journey.



So Funeral ministers welcome mourners, open doors, uses umbrellas when necessary, answers questions and provide a strong voice during the Mass. Ministers also provide guidance in setting up for the Funeral Mass, serve as Eucharistic ministers when needed, and help offer a strong witness on behalf of the Community of St. Elizabeth Seton. Families are very thankful for these ministers.

### Martha & Mary Funeral Luncheon Ministry

Many funerals have a reception after the Mass. We are fortunate in our parish to have excellent facilities to host such an event. As much as the liturgical celebration is important, so too, is the opportunity for fellowship and meeting with the family. It is a vital part of the family's bereavement journey.












So our Martha & Mary Ministry serves this need in various capacities by providing food and service. Sometimes the family gathering is small, and sometimes not so small. Usually we receive only a couple of days notice and so there can be a bit of scurrying around at the last minute, but it is such a worthwhile ministry and provides a huge act of Hospitality.



**Funeral Luncheons**



# The Life of Our Parish in February 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<p>1 Prayer Shawl Ministry 10am</p> 	<p>2 Bible Study 7pm</p> <p>Presentation of Jesus. End of Christmas</p> <p>Happy Groundhog Day!</p> 	3	4 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time
5 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time	6	7	<p>8 K of C General mtg.</p> 	9 Bible Study 7pm	10	11 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time
12 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time	13	<p>14 Feast of St. Cyril and St. Methodius.</p> <p>CWG General Mtg.</p> 	15	16 Bible Study 7pm	17	<p>18 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time</p> <p>Hockey Night in Seton Hall. Leafs vs Canadiens.</p> 
<p>19 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time</p> <p>Baptism</p>	<p>20 Family Day</p>  <p>K of C Family Day Skate at East Gwillimbury Arena 3pm to 5pm</p>	21	<p>22 Ash Wednesday</p> <p>Day of Fasting and Abstinence</p>  <p>K of C Exec Mtg.</p> 	<p>23 Bible Study 7pm</p>	<p>24 FISH FRY</p> <p>At 5pm</p> <p>Stations of the Cross 7pm</p> 	<p>25 1st Sunday of Lent</p> <p>1st Communion Lamb Ceremony</p> 
<p>26 1st Sunday of Lent</p> <p>1st Communion Lamb Ceremony</p> 	27	28				

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