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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

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

Catholic Community Servicesof York Region:905-770-7040Catholic Cemeteries:905-889-7467St. John's Cemetery905-889-7467

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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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

Trinity Sunday June 4, 2023



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

Parish Staff Parish Administrator ~ Ann Lynch Sacramental Coordinator Baptisms, First Communions & 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, June 5th** 10am: **Norma Mancini** Req. by: Waldherr Family

**Tuesday, June 6th** 10am: **Terry Greenwood** Req. by: Valerie & Ross Price

**Wednesday, June 7th** 10am: **Frank Cugliari** Req. by: Cupe 1571

**Thursday, June 8th** 10am: **Michael Delaney** Req. by: Maureen Delaney

#### **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.

Parishioner are able to contribute online by going to: www.archtoronto.org/en/ contact-us/donations/donatepages/donate-to-humanitarianrelief/

#### St. Vincent de Paul

You can donate online to the Newmarket conference at:

https://sjcses.blogspot.com/p/ donate.html

> It doesn't matter what OTHERS are doing. It matters what YOU are doing.



# Month of May PAG<br/>(Pre-authorized Giving)Sunday Offertory\$3,969.86SES Building Fund\$322.00ShareLife\$365.00

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

I love confirmation season. It is probably my favorite liturgical celebration we have. It started over twenty years ago now, when the Archdiocese instituted a new format in preparation for the turning of the century. They wanted as many of the confirmations to be celebrated around Pentecost as possible, and that meant that it would be impossible for the Bishop or the Auxiliary Bishops to be in multiple places at one time. I guess that bilocation is not taught at Bishops' School. When the Bishops were tasked with the annual parish visit, by necessity the celebrations of confirmations had to be spread out through the year, including on weekdays. The granting of permission for the parish priest to preside at the confirmations allowed them to be celebrated on Sundays where they belong. It doesn't make a lot of liturgical sense to celebrate the completion of the young people's initiation into the life of the community on any other day, then when the community is called together which is Sunday. The bonus is that we can accommodate our young people in small groups and this year, our roster will all be confirmed within two weekends. Alleluia. I love the laying on of the hands but since Covid, this ritual action has had to be curtailed. Thus, it loses its real impact since the parents and sponsors and the whole congregation is unable to participate in physically linking our young people to the ancient Church through the apostolic action of laying on hands. Maybe next year. It reminds me of my own confirmation celebrated at Holy Martyrs of Japan. It was a much different vibe back then. It was a two school affair, us from St. Charles, and the cross-town rivals, St. Mary's. The girls wore white robes, and the boys wore red. I had asked my older cousin to be my sponsor. I wish I could remember the name of the Bishop who presided, but I have no idea who it was. I remember the preparations for the big event. We were told that the Holy Spirit was going to enter into us when the Bishop rubbed the Chrism oil on our heads, and being a bit of a literalist. I anticipated a zap of divine connection or something to indicate that I had indeed received the Spirit. We were lined up across the front and as the Bishop made his way along the line, with the priest in tow carrying the little container of Chrism, I remember bracing myself to this great in-pouring of the Holy Spirit so that I would not be jarred off balance. So the Bishop proclaimed those confirmation words, "Be sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit", and all my anticipation and expectation of the big divine jolt were for not. I didn't feel anything but this greasy thumb rubbing my forehead. It wasn't just disappointment that I felt, but it was rejection and fear that I had failed confirmation – no jolt, no shiver, no tinge - nothing. I was afraid to tell anybody that the confirmation apparently didn't take, so I lived the next few years thinking that I failed as a Catholic young person. It was compounded by the idea that I was thinking of priesthood before confirmation, but I would never talk to anybody about it, and for the most part I kept declining the invitation. I had other things in life that I thought I wanted more. I remember the day that I finally conceded and accepted the inevitability of it all. When I applied to the seminary, I had to have three interviews, and I remember praying that they wouldn't ask me about my confirmation. Well, it wasn't until seminary that I was enlightened to the realities of confirmation theology. Inwardly there was a big sigh of relief that I had not indeed failed the sacrament, and that I was a fully

initiated member of the Catholic Church. So for our young people celebrating their confirmation, the only way to fail confirmation is to not live it out, and if you have inklings of a religious life- fight it long and hard, and only then surrender to it. You will be glad you did. The Spirit moves in mysterious ways.  $\Im_{r.} \mathcal{R}_{oy}$ 



### Announcements and Events...

### The Knights of Columbus

### Manual Donation Giving Day Father's Day, Sunday June 18th In Support of the Rose of Sharon

For a list of most needed items please check our website or keep on eye on the bulletin as more details are coming.



### Annual Soap, Salt & Shoes Collection June 17th to June 25th

All donations to the Canadian Food for Children. There will be boxes in the Foyer for receiving the donations.





#### 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!

### Newmarket Food Pantry

The following items are those <u>most needed</u> by the Newmarket Food Pantry:

- juice boxes
- peanut butter and jam
- canned stew, chili and soups
- nutritious lunch snacks
- toiletry items
- baby formula, food and diapers
- junior size baby food (fruit)
- cat & dog food

These items can be dropped in our <u>Food Box</u> located in the foyer or for more information go to www.newmarketfoodpantry.ca

### Calling all *High School Graduates*

Once again the CWG & the Knights of Columbus are offering a bursary to some of our High School Graduates who intend to go on to post secondary education or apprenticeships. Applications will be accepted from any & all of our local High Schools.

You can pick up an application from Fr. Roy. Applications must be submitted by Sunday, June 11, 2023.



### North of 60

The SVdP Project with Sanirajak If you noticed the shipping container at the entrance to the parking lot, freshly adorned with a beautiful mural inspired by life in the North, it was created and painted by the art Students from Sacred Heart High School. They were a brave lot who battled the cold and the rain on the first day, and the wind and the heat on the second day. The results are a wonderful

gift to us, and I am sure when the container finally reaches Sanirajak later this summer, they too, will be duly impressed. Thank you students.



Let us pray for the sick...

Alana Brown-Wallace Betty Loft Bruce Firth Kathleen Todesco Joshua Perek Donna Stea-Cutting Andy Dube Elizabeth Ryan Matteo Savella Gerber Aparicio Jackson Rowan Carmen Baldacchino Mervin Correa Leo Cadia Vaz Orsola Accardi

E. Turnbull Paul Jennas Rose Marie Scott Wanda Tolazzi Sean Coen Chad Buckley Ana Apareció J. Gole Anna Zaryczanska Jake Tallon Victor Dumas Trice Hawkins Carole Carter Lawrence Cooper Adrian Cordeau

Laura Rostron Richard Ayson Gina Santagato Alexis Carvajal Jose Fonseca Albina Barber Santiago Garcia Hallie Lynn Morgan Leung Antonia Fabrizi Theresa Wharton Zeny Jose Cheryl Tuck Tammy Elkie





# CWG Closing Celebration

## DATE: Tuesday, June 13, 2023 TIME: \*\*\*6:30pm Mass

followed by a BRIEF Meeting & Dinner

Our Closing Celebration will include a catered, sit-down dinner where we can all celebrate our CWG efforts, our friendship, and our faith in God.

Opportunities for CWG Members to purchase tickets and make their dinner selection:

- May 9th General Meeting
- May 13th Day of Reflection
- After all Masses the weekend of June 3&4

Must be purchased by June 4th.

COST: \$40

If you cannot make any of the above purchasing opportunities, please contact Donna directly with your dinner selection (<u>donnacampbell2008@gmail.com</u> -or- 905-716-7131).

# The Menu for the evening...

### All dinners will include:

- Your choice of entrée: Chicken / Beef / Fish / Vegetarian (see below)
- A garden salad
- Mashed potatoes
- Seasonal mixed vegetables
- Apple crumble drizzled with caramel sauce for dessert
- Coffee, tea, punch, wine

### Entrée Options:

### CHICKEN

Fresh chicken breast with a creamy white wine sauce

### FISH

Salmon with a creamy lemon dill sauce

BEEF

Roast beef slowly cooked with peppercorn and garlic

### VEGETARIAN

Red pepper stuffed with jasmine rice and seasonal vegetables tossed in fresh tomato sauce

We strive to be the living expression of God's love in our parish and beyond.

## The Life of our Parish in June 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 Holy Trinity St. Vincent de Paul Bundle Weekend.
4 Holy Trinity St. Vincent de Paul Bundle Weekend.	5 The Feast of St. Boniface	6	7 Prayer Shawl Ministry Wind M Lee	8	9	10 Corpus Christie Confirmation
11 Corpus Christie Confirmation	12	<ul> <li>13 Feast of St. Anthony of Padua</li> <li>CWG Closing Dinner 7pm.</li> </ul>	14 K of C Gen. Mtg.	15	16	17 11th Sunday in Ordinary Times
18 11th Sunday in Ordinary Times K of C Annual Rose of Sharon Collection Father's Day	19	20	21 OLGC Graduation	22 SES Gradu- ation	23 Good Shep- herd Graduation	<ul> <li>24 Solemnity of St. John the Baptist</li> <li>12th Sunday in Ordinary Time</li> <li>Baptism</li> </ul>
25 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time Baptism 9am	26	27 St. Nicholas Graduation	28 K of C Exec. Mtg.	29 Feast of St. Peter and St. Paul Last day of School for High School.	30 Last Day of School for Elementery	

