



## Immaculate Conception R.C. Church

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## Our Lady of the Lake R.C. Church

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### Pastoral Team

Rev. Fr. Paul T. Hancko, Pastor

Rev. Deacon Stephen Palmer

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### Weekend Masses:

Saturday:	4:00pm	Keswick
	5:30pm	Sutton
Sunday:	8:30am	Sutton
	10:30am	Keswick

### Weekday Masses:

Please consult Sunday's bulletin

**Confessions (Reconciliation):** Before Masses whenever possible - or by appointment.

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Consult Weekly Mass Schedule in the Parish bulletin.

**New Parishioners Registration:** For registration, please use the pink visitor envelopes. Income Tax Receipts issued for minimum donation of \$25.

**Papal Blessings:** For special celebrations, please go to [www.vatican.va](http://www.vatican.va) for directions.

**Bequests:** In your kindness, please remember Immaculate Conception & Our Lady of the Lake R.C. Church

### Parish Organizations and Special Groups

**SSVP:** Maria (V.P.) - 905-476-0097 or 416-557-9964

Monthly Meetings: 2nd Wednesday of the month.

**Third Order Secular Franciscans:** Rolf - 905-989-0523

Monthly Meetings: 4th Thursday at 7pm in Keswick

### Area Schools

St. Bernadette (Sutton): 905-722-6226

St. Thomas Aquinas (Keswick): 905-476-7784

Prince of Peace (Keswick): 905-476-1551

Our Lady of the Lake College (Keswick): 905-656-9140

**Marriages:** Marriages are celebrated in the Church where the bride or groom is registered at. When a man and a woman plan to marry each other, they should contact a priest one year in advance and always before the wedding date is set, and before arranging for the reception hall. The engaged are required to attend a Marriage Preparation Course.

**Please note:** However, if this man or woman has previously gone through any form of civil or religious marriage with another person, the priest is not permitted to set a date for the wedding until the Bishop's office has been consulted. Questions are often being asked about marriages performed outside the Catholic Church by non-Catholic ministers. These are not valid marriages according to the teaching of the Catholic Church, but many can be rectified by simply consulting with your Parish priest to discuss the available options. Sometimes people make decisions without proper information, so if you wish, please contact your Pastor for details or call the Marriage Tribunal at 416-934-3400 ext 300.

### Marriage Preparation Courses

Queen of Apostles Centre 905-278-5229, Catholic Family Services 416-222-0048, The Paulist Centre 416-534-2326, St. Francis Retreat Centre 519-941-1747, Our Lady of Grace Church 705-424-1551

### Marriage Counselling

Retrouville 416-281-6007, Marriage Encounter 905-278-5229, Catholic Family Services 416-222-0048

### Baptisms

Baptisms celebrated in Sutton and Keswick: The forms are available online or at the parish office. Forms must be complete and include copies of baptismal certificates for parents and godparents. Parents are required to attend 2 Catechism meetings. First with Father and second with the Deacon. Meetings are set only after completed registration forms with certificates are provided to the parish.

THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

**SUTTON - MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS**

Mon.	Jan 23	<b>8:30am: +Raymond &amp; Patricia Cahill</b> req. MM Grellette
Tues.	Jan 24	<b>8:30am: +Denis Bedard</b> req. Rose Sheppard
Wed.	Jan 25	<b>8:30am: +Pauline Dvorak</b> req. Estate
Sat.	Jan 28	<b>5:30pm: +Marshall &amp; Genevieve Grellette</b> req. MM Grellette
Sun.	Jan 29	<b>8:30am: Parishioners</b> (Pro Populo)

**KESWICK - MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS**

Thur.	Jan 26	<b>8:30am: +Raymond &amp; Patricia Cahill</b> req. MM Grellette
Fri.	Jan 27	<b>8:30am: Blessings &amp; Health upon Jeannette McKinley</b> req. Rose Sheppard
Sat.	Jan 28	<b>4:00pm: Blessings upon the Fielding Family</b> req. E. Holmes
Sun.	Jan 29	<b>10:30am: Blessings upon the Ewashko family</b> req. Ewashko's

**Weekly Collection: \$1,559.00**

**PARISH DEBT as of December \$88,000**

**INCORRUPT SAINTS**

**What is an incorrupt saint?**

In the realm of Catholicism, an incorrupt saint is one whose body experiences little, no, or delayed decomposition after death. It is believed that divine intervention has allowed a number of human bodies to forgo the normal decomposition process as a symbol of the deceased's holiness while alive on earth, and can also be perceived as the person's mortal remains being prepared for the resurrection of the body at the end of time.

When determining incorruptibility, the body is inspected by a medical official, relics are retrieved, and the inspected body is sealed with wax to preserve the state that the body was originally found in. Not every saint who is judged incorrupt looks like they just walked the earth yesterday. Many saints only contain certain organs that have not experienced the effects of decay, or a certain body part that managed to stand the test of time and death. Some of the bodies even emit a sweet or floral fragrance.

should in reality be dust by now!

**Some incorrupt saints are:**

St. Anthony of Padua (tongue), St. Clare of Assisi St. Catherine of Siena (head), St. Rita, St. Vincent de Paul Blessed Pope Pius IX, St. Padre Pio, St. Bernadette of Lourdes

*Because God has made us for Himself, our hearts are restless until they rest in Him. - St. Augustine*

**PRAYER FOR BENEFACTORS**

Heavenly Lord, I ask you to pour out your blessings on those who have helped me along my way, whether I am aware of their contribution or not. Bless those who brought me up in life and faith, those who worked to make my life easier, those who befriended me along the way, those who prayed and offered sacrifices for me, and those who gave their lives for my welfare. Grant your blessing to all of them whether they are living or dead, and bring them all into the glorious light of your eternal Kingdom.

**WEEKLY DONATION EVELOPES**

Please **DO NOT** use 2022 envelopes. If you do not have 2023 envelopes, please use the pink donation envelopes. Using old envelopes could lead to donations being credited to the wrong person.

**2022 INCOME TAX RECEIPTS** are being mailed out by the Archdiocese of Toronto. You should receive by January 30th, 2023

**CATECHISM CLASSES FOR 1<sup>ST</sup> HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION**

Go to the parish website for schedule of classes and other important information. Keep yourself informed. <https://immaculateconceptionsu.archtoronto.org>

### **St. Elizabeth Ann Seton: A Mother for Our Times**

St. Elizabeth Seton (1774-1821), whose feast day we celebrate on January 4, is truly a saint for everyone.

She was a devoted wife, mother of five children, convert, and religious. The foundress of the Sisters of Charity of St. Joseph—the first congregation of women religious in the United States, Mother Seton also started the first parochial school in the United States, started the first American Catholic orphanage, and was the first native born citizen to be canonized. It was St. Elizabeth's belief in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament which led to her conversion to Catholicism. We need her intercession in these times to help renew our faith in our Eucharistic Lord.

Following her husband's death, St. Elizabeth and her small children stayed with the Filicchi family in Italy. Although St. Elizabeth was not yet Catholic, she found solace praying in the family's chapel where the Blessed Sacrament was reserved. In her writings, St. Elizabeth reflected: "How sweet, the presence of Jesus to the longing, harassed soul! It is instant peace, and balm to every wound." She later came to believe in the true presence of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist and converted, despite rejection from her family and job discrimination in New York City. St. Elizabeth prayed that Jesus might take her heart and "lock it up forever in His little Tabernacle."

Prior to St. Elizabeth's entrance into the Catholic Church, Eucharistic processions passed by her home on several occasions. Her longing for the Holy Eucharist was expressed in a letter to a friend: "How happy we would be if we believed what these dear souls believe: that they possess God in the Sacrament. . . . When they carry the Blessed Sacrament under my window. . . . I cannot stop the tears at the thought. My God how happy I would be. . . if I could find you in the church as they do." She also wrote: "How many thoughts on the happiness of those who possessed this, the blessed faith of Jesus still on earth with them, and how I should enjoy the heavenly consolation of speaking heart to heart with Him in His tabernacles, and the security of finding Him in His churches."

St. Elizabeth would often turn her chair when attending the Protestant Church to face the Catholic Church to be closer to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Once, when attending Mass with a Catholic friend, she knelt at the elevation and thought of St. Paul's words "they discern not the Lord's body." Despite the opposition of her family, her yearning for our Eucharistic Lord was so strong that she entered the Catholic Church.

Our Blessed Mother further drew St. Elizabeth to the Church. In 1804, not long after her husband's death, St. Elizabeth happened to open a prayer book to the Memorare. She was struck by Mary's motherhood and love for her personally: "I felt I really had a Mother which you know

my foolish heart often lamented to have lost in early days, and at that moment it seemed as if I had found more than her, even in tenderness and pity of a Mother—so I cried myself to sleep on her heart."

Daily St. Elizabeth prayed in front of an image of Our Lady of Guadalupe. During St. Elizabeth's time, it hung on the wall over the altar in the White House and later it hung for years in the novitiate. ([setonshrine.org](http://setonshrine.org)) In fact, when you visit her Shrine in Emmitsburg, Maryland today you will see the image of Our Lady of Guadalupe. St. Elizabeth often prayed the Memorare and an English translation is even attributed to her.

Another influence on St. Elizabeth's conversion was the apostolic succession. Since the hierarchy of the Catholic Church is traced back to the apostles, it confirmed St. Elizabeth's desire to enter. Again, we see the connection to her Eucharistic devotion in phrases from her writings such as: "If the Lord's body and blood were not there, really present, how could the Apostle have said: 'He who eats and drinks without recognizing the body eats and drinks a judgment on himself?'"

St. Elizabeth had hardships—including financial (her husband faced bankruptcy shortly before his death), health (including a quarantine and tuberculosis), and family (the early loss of her mother, the death of her two young daughters, and her son's wayward life).

Despite the obstacles that St. Elizabeth had to overcome, she was a selfless mother and champion for children. St. Elizabeth's example testified to the dignity of each life. She lovingly cared not only for her own children, but also for her husband's six young siblings for a time as well as for students and orphans, thus becoming known as Mother Seton. Though she would have preferred to live the life of a hermit, God gave her plenty of work to do in her short forty-six years on earth!

Throughout her life St. Elizabeth spent hours in Eucharistic Adoration and, as she grew older, appeared to be in ecstasy before the Blessed Sacrament. Of the Holy Eucharist, St. Elizabeth wrote: "Can there be any comparison to this blessedness? Adored Lord, increase my faith, perfect it, crown it." "May I ever find in His adorable Sacrament the same ardent wish, the same fervent desire to be for eternity united with Jesus."

#### **Memorare translated by St. Elizabeth Ann Seton**

Remember O most pious Virgin Mary that no one ever had recourse to you, implored your help or sought your mediation without obtaining relief. Confiding then on your goodness and mercy, I cast myself at your sacred feet, and do most humbly supplicate you O Mother of the Eternal Word to adopt me as your child and take upon yourself the care of my eternal Salvation. O let it not be said my dearest Mother that I have perished, where no one ever found but grace and Eternal Salvation. Amen



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