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> Mass Times During The Pandemic:

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!

> 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

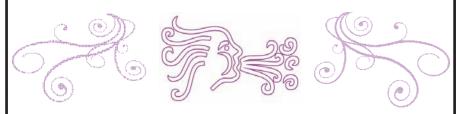


Pastoral Team Fr. Roy Roberts, Pastor Deacon Marian Pawliszko Deacon Stephen Pitre

#### **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

#### **Mass Intentions**



<u>are Valuable</u> Your cancelled stamps can

make a difference. Christmas cards may soon be arriving! Please donate your stamps in the box located in the foyer of the church or by dropping them by the parish office. The money raised from the sale of the postage stamps goes to the Canadian Food for Children Mission Fund.

#### St. Vincent de Paul

You can donate online to the Newmarket conference: <u>https://sicses.blogspot.com/</u> <u>p/donate.html</u> Tax receipts for one-time donations will be emailed immediately.

#### **Parish Office Hours**

Starting Monday April 4th the parish office will being regular office hours. Monday to Thursday 9am to 4pm and Friday 9am to 2pm. Because Covid is still a concern we ask that you still notify the office is you are planning on coming in.

Parish	Giving
April 3rd	
Offertory	\$3,083.75
SES Building	\$ 855.00
Month of March PAG	
(Pre-authorized Giving)	
Sunday Offertory	\$4,372.00
SES Building Fund	\$ 322.00

465.00

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

It was an exciting time and at the same time a bit anxious, starting the new 9:00 am Mass. I was up nice and early, too long before the dawn but I had things to do before opening the doors. I run errands on Sunday morning before the start of mass and I had to make sure I was back in time. I love these morning chores because the roads are empty and usually the morning light is very peaceful and calming. Lots of times there is wildlife to see. Over the pandemic, I have seen deer, herons, a porcupine and lots of hawks. This past week was kind of a special. I saw a flock of swans flying north. There were eight of them flying in a diagonal line heading somewhere, but even in flight they look majestic. A few minutes later there was a larger formation of geese, ad true to my pre-occupation with numbers, I tried counting them. I reached 22 before it was too dangerous to continue. One of the benefits of an otherwise traffic-less drive is that swerving a bit is okay. "No Officer, I haven't been drinking, I was counting swans and geese." If that were not treat enough, as I was driving down Vandorf Sideroad, I saw what looked like these big garbage bags that someone dumped in the middle of the road. As I neared them calculating how I could weave through them, I noticed they were moving. As I got closer, I discovered a flock of wild turkeys. There were over two dozen of them, and strutting on the road where about 10 big tom turkeys, all puffed out and their tail feathers up on display. I knew then that Spring had arrived and it was turkey courtship time. Now these birds are huge. Vacuum packed in plucked in the freezers at the grocery store just does not do them justice. And I guess the surge of male turkey virility makes them fearless. They would not move for me to pass. In fact, it looked like they might attack my intruding car. Not sure how impressed the hens would have been with a turkey versus car battle. They faced me square on and just gobbled at me with their bright, colourful wattle (hanging neck skin – I had to look it up) flapping as they threatened me. My first reaction was how awesome this was. Wild turkeys are rather new, being re-introduced recently. I knew one of the people who was leading that initiative and I was so excited to let him know the first time I witnessed a flock. I know this scene would have made him proud. My next thought was wondering if they taste better than farm raised turkeys, after all, Easter is coming up quickly. If they were aware of that, I'm not so sure they would have been so brazen. Luckily for them, I already made plans for my traditional Chinese food extravaganza. I had come to a complete stop to marvel at this spectacle, but then I remembered that I was on a deadline so I started to slowly creep forward. Those puffed up toms intent on impressing the hens were in no hurry to get out of



my way, but I advanced forward. Little by little, these turkeys stepped off into the woods and allowed me to pass. It was a sight to behold, and the best thing was, I was not late in opening the doors for the 9:00 am Mass.

Fr. Roy

#### Announcements and Events......

## Holy Week Schedule

Passion Sunday (Palm Sunday)

(Palms will be distributed at the end

the services) Saturday, April 9, 2022 - 4:30 pm Sunday, April 10, 2022 - 9:00 am & 11:00 am

of

**Morning Prayer** Monday, April 11 - 9:30 am & Wednesday, April 13 - 9:30 am

### Morning Mass

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday - 10:00 am Please note there is **NO** Morning Mass on

Thursday, April 14.

### Sacred Triduum

Holy Thursday with Washing of the Feet

permitted this year - 7:30 pm

### **Good Friday**

11:00 am (a child friendly service) & 3:00 pm

### Holy Saturday

Blessing of Easter Baskets 11:00 am with Office of the

Readings in English & 12:00 noon - Polish

Please note there is **NO** Saturday afternoon

Mass at 4:30

### The Great Easter Vigil

8:30 pm (this will be about 3 hours long)

Easter Sunday April 17, 2022 9:00 am & 11:00 am







### **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.

Funds raised will be directed to ORAT and CNEWA (Catholic Near East Welfare Association). This fund will provide humanitarian aid and refugee resettlement support to Ukrainians.

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

or through their parish donation, when they designate their donation to the Ukrainian Relief Fund.



#### Day of Reflection

The CWG welcomes Jim Dunn as the guest speaker for the Day of Reflection that will be held on Saturday, April 30th from 8:30am to 12:00pm in Seton Hall. Jim is a Catholic teacher and Principal for 31 years and served as a Religious Education & Family Life consultant with two school boards. The theme of the Day of Reflection will

focus on "Discipleship" and opening our hearts to God's grace in our lives. The Day of Reflection is sponsored by the CWG and will include a light morning snack and lunch at no charge. More details will follow in the bulletin after Holy week.



### ট를 Saturday 4:30 Children's Choir ₩

With the Covid Restrictions loosening up, we are excited to invite any elementary or secondary aged musicians to join the Saturday 4:30 Choir...as singers

and/or instrumentalists. We love to encourage, develop and share in the musical talents of the youth of our Parish!! Please reach out to Choir Director Donna Campbell before/after the 4:30 Mass or contact the Parish Office and we will forward your questions or requests to Donna on your behalf.

#### 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 John O'Rourke Matteo Savella Gerber Aparicio Vito Greco E. Turnbull Thomas Lauber Mat Hatzimalis Anna Zaryczanska Paul Jennas Rose Marie Scott Wanda Tolazzi Sean Coen Cathy Murphy Chad Buckley Corey Price Ana Apareció J. Gole Monica Flynn

