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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

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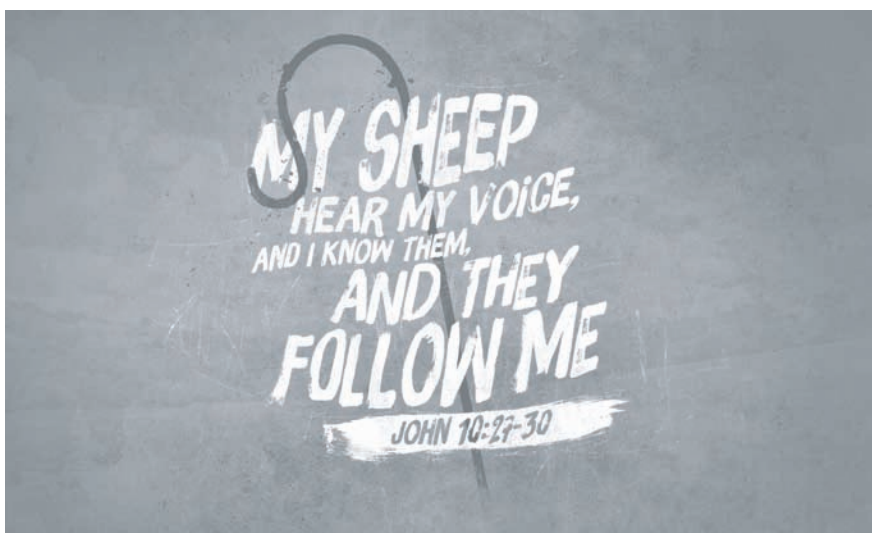
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St. Elizabeth Seton Parish

Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 17, 2016



Pastoral Team

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

Parish Staff

Parish Administrator ~ Ann Lynch
Sacramental Coordinator - Grades 2 & 8 ~ Jennifer McAvoy
Parish Custodian—Stanley Skorka
Rectorry Administrator—Nancy Rojas

Regular Office Hours

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

Sacrament of Baptism or Marriage:

Please contact the office.
One year notice for
Sacrament of Marriage.



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Mass Intentions

Ruminations...

Monday April 18th

9am: **Jon Fisher (D)**
Req by: Hugh & Carolyn
McCartney

Tuesday April 19th

9am: **Maria Gaspar (D)**
Req by: Luis Gaspar

Wednesday April 20th

9am: **Kathleen O'Doherty (D)**
Req by: John O'Doherty

Thursday April 21st

9am: **Tibor Kontor (D)**
Req by: Wife

**Sunday Masses are for
ALL GOD'S PEOPLE**

Despite the unsettled weather, the final arrival of Winter in the third week of Spring, it seems that the early flowers that herald the promise of fairer weather, the crocuses and daffodils, tulips and snowdrops seem undaunted by the unpredictability and waywardness of this year's weather. I noticed that a couple of our daffodils out the front office door, are budding, ready to burst forth with a profusion of fresh yellows and golds. In years past, they have blossomed earlier and later, but they remain stalwart in the face of adversity. Contrast that to the traditional Easter flowers that adorn a typical Church setting, pure white lilies, blues and pinks of hydrangeas. They are temperamental, finicky and unforgiving. The beautiful white lilies last at most three weeks long and even then, no matter how much tender loving care they receive, wilt into an ugly brown. The word hydrangea actually means water jugs, hydros meaning water and angos meaning jar or jugs. It is not that these plants act as a hidden reservoir for caches of water, but rather that they take more water than usual to maintain their shape and beauty. Plus, the soil levels need to be monitored for their ph levels – acidic soil for the blue colour and alkali soil for the pink colour. Perhaps it is a factor of the crazy weather this year, but both the lilies and the hydrangeas have been a pain to maintain. Maybe the winter dryness of the Church is a factor, but this year's display has been less than impressive. The plant care people have been watering, and clipping and hydrating them like crazy to no avail. For most of the week the hydrangeas are placed in plastic tubs to keep them humid and watered. Each day the 100 feet of hose is pulled out and attached to the faucet. Yet each day they look more and more depleted. Personally, the conspiracy side of me thinks that the floral industry has created this artificial market for these two flowers and 'symbols' of Easter. I think they got together and decided that the plants that would last the shortest time would be pushed as the plants of choice. I say bah humbug! Think about it, Christmas, which is only twelve days has poinsettias that can last weeks and weeks. We had some until mid-February. Now Easter, which is all about new life and resurrection, has plants that last a scant few weeks of the 50 days of the Easter festival. The liturgical documents frown upon all things fake and artificial, meaning plants, candles and the like. The Church calls for everything to be real and authentic, even canned music is discouraged, much to the chagrin of some brides. Alas, it seems we are condemned to the futility of trying

to maintain an Easter presentation which means two or three waves of flowers to make the occasion. Maybe we should transition poinsettias to Easter and lilies to Christmas. We could be trend-setters and money savers, though maybe the FTD people will suffer.

Fr. Roy



Coffee Sunday Schedule

Jan 17th

8:00 Hackowski Family
9:30 Gerencser Family
11:00 Wilcox Family

Jan 24th

8:00 Theresa Klose and
Patricia Stuart
9:30 Schwan Family
11:00 McAvoy Family

**Join us after each mass for
coffee and fellowship.**

“LET US ALLOW GOD
TO FILL OUR HEARTS
WITH HIS GOODNESS
AND MERCY.”
POPE FRANCIS

Parish Giving

Weekend of April 9th/10th

Sunday Offertory \$ 6,715.85
SES Building Fund \$ 705.00
Statue to date \$16,003.65

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

Announcements and Events...

Vespers



Guest Speaker: *Dr. Gerry Galipeau*
"Becoming the One Body of Christ"
 Sunday May 1st at 7pm
Reception to follow in Seton Hall

CWG SPAGHETTI DINNER

Tickets are on sale this weekend after all the Masses for our annual family-style Spaghetti Dinner being held on Saturday, April 23rd at 5.30 p.m. Cost of tickets: Adults: \$10 – Children under 12: \$5. If you missed purchasing your tickets, please call Marian Brown no later than April 21st at 905-715-0403.



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Religious Articles Store

Looking for a **special gift** for First Communion & Confirmation! Items are available for sale in the parish library following Sunday Masses.

Announcements and Events.....

Confirmation Retreat



The Holy Spirit was truly present on this blessed evening! Our sincerest appreciation to the many individuals who support the Confirmation ministry with their time and talents. An event, such as a retreat for many youth, is a success when your team is both dedicated and hard-working, the youth are respectful and engaged, and we have the support of the all the parents. Thank you one and all!!

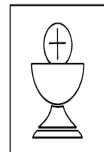
"I have called you by name and, you are mine."
Isaiah 43:1

Confirmation Small Groups

It is great to see the youth for their small group discussions. It appears as if most of the groups are enjoying their time together. Our thanks to the dedicated group leaders who are giving their time to help the youth have a good experience.



FIRST COMMUNION



We are blessed as a parish family to share in the celebration of the First Communion liturgies with so many beautiful children and their families.

Our hearts are filled with gratitude as we are united at the Table of the Lord each Sunday. May this shared time together be for us a way to deepen our relationship with God, with one another and may we share His wonderful love with all whom we meet.



**OUR NEXT SOUP AND MOVIE
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Prayer Shawl Ministry meet on the 1st Wednesday of each month at 10am in the parish library. We welcome all who knit or crochet to join us! Feel free to drop in.

Let us pray for the sick...



Mavis Solomon
 Pam James
 Montserrat Lins
 Bob Little
 Maria Perek
 Olive Hutton
 Alana Brown-Wallace
 Janet Brockway
 Wally Pottie
 Greg Quattrin
 Gary Nicholson
 Carlos Abreu

Annette Morrison
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