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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

**St. Vincent de Paul Society:** (905) 898-4137

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> 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

### FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

### APRIL 2, 2017



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 Parish Custodian—Stanley Skorka Rectory Administrator—Nancy Rojas

Regular Office Hours

Mon. 9:00 am—4:00 pm Tues. Wed., 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.



# Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday ~ 3:00 - 3:30 pm Or By Appointment

R.C.I.A.

For those interested in becoming Catholic please contact Fr. Roy Roberts.

Seton Hall Banquet Facilities ....

The ideal location for Weddings, Anniversaries, Business Meetings and other occasions. Seton Hall is dedicated to help create a memorable celebration of your long awaited wedding day or in creating the right atmosphere for corporate functions, social get-togethers, charity functions, birthdays or anniversaries. Our enthusiastic team of professionals are courteous, warm and friendly. We are here to help! For more information on bookings call 905-853-5009 or

email st.elizabethseton@rogers.com

# **Mass Intentions**

**Monday April 3rd** 9am: Anthony Tuzi (D) Req by: Donna

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**Tuesday April 4th** 9am: \*\*NO MORNING MASS\*\* Req by:

Wednesday April 5th 9am: Margaret Houston (D) Req by: Monica Houston

**Thursday April 6th** 9am: Philip Smith (D) Red by: Marian Pawliszko

> Sunday Masses are for ALL GOD'S PEOPLE

A simple cup of coffee becomes happiness Coffee & Chet when you share it with friends!

April 2nd 8:00 CWG 9:30 CWG 11:00 CWG



**April 9th–Palm Sunday** 8:00 No Coffee 9:30 No Coffee 11:00 No Coffee

Join us after each mass for coffee and fellowship.





The weekend of Mar. 25/26 **Sunday Offertory** \$ 6,345.00 **SES Building Fund** \$804.00

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

### **Ruminations...**

So it seems that with a mother with dementia, there is never a dull moment. It has been a very surreal adventure, not quite real but splatting on concrete real. We had to have a meeting with the administration of the care facility where mom now resides. We had some issues that needed dealing with, like a couple of mom's beautiful sweaters that were gifts and her favorites that were shrunk by the washing department to the point that they barely fit the doll mom has which she thinks is my new baby brother. I have already informed her that as power of attorney, the 'new kid on the block' is out of the inheritance - I don't care if he is the new found favorite. It seems that mom has a penchant for escaping. Apparently she has made it off her locked ward three times. I received a phone call the other week that she had actually made it outside the building and they found her wandering the parking lot looking for her car. She and her new best friend decided that the day was so sunny and bright that they wanted to go and enjoy the weather. We are still not sure how they foiled the security, but the wily leader and her faithful companion strolled out unnoticed. We have affectionately nicknamed them Thelma and Louise. At the meeting my brother brought up a good point. In the desire to move mom to another more secure floor after the great escape of Sunday, March 12, 2017, we asked how much will this impact her? Every time we have had a major event, mom has declined significantly in her cognitive abilities. As it stands now, we still have a part of her with us. She still remembers who we are, and she is glowingly happy to see us, well most of us. We know that too will lessen over time though we are in no hurry to lose that little bit of her that is still with us. Of course it is an unanswerable question, but it needed to be posed. There were lots of good reasons to question the wisdom of the move, and equally, there were good reasons to promote the move. We felt that is was our decision to make, not theirs. Two weeks prior we had an introductory family meeting where mom got glowing reports for adjusting well, participating well, and fitting in well. This move seemed to threaten the well-being that she had settled into. I guess the primary concern for the home is safety as they re-iterated many times during the conversation. As my brother reminded them, we too have a sincere and profound concern for our mother. But there are other concerns that need to be juggled. Anyway, after due consultation, we decided that in mom's



best interest she should move. It was slated for the next day, but then an outbreak of something flared up and so mom remains in place until further notice. I guess God had the final say

Fr. Roy

# Announcements and Events...

#### Stations of the Cross

Join us every Friday during Lent from 7 to 7:30pm for the Stations of the Cross.



"A Lenten devotion that offers witness to Jesus" Passion and Death."

# CWG NEWS

The CWG will host the Family Style Spaghetti dinner on Saturday, April 22nd at 5:30 pm in Seton Hall.

The tickets will be sold after all masses during the weekends of April 1st/2nd and April 8th/9th. Last year, we sold out of tickets before the actual event and tickets were not available at the door.

Prices remain fixed at \$10 for adults and \$5 for children under 10 – a real bargain! The proceeds are earmarked for a CWG Bursary for a graduating student (students) in our Parish Family. The CWG appreciates your continued support with this fundraiser which



Ipport with this fundraiser whic always becomes a night of fellowship for everyone.

# SL ShareLife

The 2017 ShareLife campaign has begun. ShareLife provides for the needs of our social service agencies, helps to evangelize the Gospel to brothers and sisters in Christ across the world, and supports the education of our clergy. It is important that we continue to support the ShareLife appeal, to provide for the needs of the marginalized both here in our communities and around the world. Sometimes the results are obvious and sometimes they're invisible but, always they make a tangible difference in the lives of the people we are helping.



# WE CELEBRATE ... WE BELIEVE

The 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays of Lent the church calls us to celebrate the scrutinies with the Elect. *"The scrutinies are meant to uncover, then heal all that is weak.* 

defective or sinful in the hearts of the elect; to bring out then strengthen all that is upright strong and good."

This week we reflect on the story of Jesus' friend Lazarus as he is unbound to a new life. Together with our elect we are called to search the interior of our hearts and name what it is that binds us from living a full and abundant life in Christ. In naming what binds us we bring it into the light of Christ where it may be healed.

We continue to surround our Elect; *Alexa, Betty, Kaitlyn, Louise, Shannon, Angela, Daniella, Grace, Angela M, Brooklyn, William, Kenisha, Madeline, Taylor, Thomas*, and their families with our prayers.

# Sacraments of Initiation.....

### **CONFIRMATION**

**Breaking Open the Word:** Hats off to our young people as they reflect on the Sunday gospel and homily and how it relates to their lives,

Nicholas S., Rachel A., Julia A., Sabrina P., Jessica M., Lucas S. Sebastian Q., Kelly M.

God is trying to open our eyes to the needs of other people.'

### **Reminder to Parents**

There is an important letter for parents to pick up in the parish office. You will need to respond to this letter before attending the Confirmation Retreat.

**Confirmation Retreat** 



### Friday, April 7th 6pm-9pm.

All Candidates need to attend! A light Lenten meal will be served. (Please plan to arrive 10 minutes early)

Parents, are **expected** to attend our closing prayer service 8:30pm-9pm.

### First Communion Retreat

Our retreat was a wonderful "break in our usual routine and an opportunity to encounter God and share friendship with one another" We enjoyed a variety of activities; all of which helped us to appreciate Jesus, the Bread of Life. Making Celebration Bread in the parish hall was a definite highlight! Thank you to all the dedicated parishioners who set aside their time and talents to make this their' retreat experience most enjoyable for the children and parents.

#### **First Communion Masses**

Saturday, April 22nd (4:30) Sunday April 23rd (8:00, 9:30 & 11:00) Saturday, April 29th (4:30) Sunday April 30th (8:00, 9:30 & 11:00) Saturday, May 6th (4:30) Sunday, May 7th (9:30 & 11:00)

Our next Soup and Movie will be on Tuesday April 4th . Our movie will be *"The Staircase"* Please register with the parish office.

# Let us pray for the sick...

Michael Whelgan Mavis Solomon Pam James Maria Perek Olive Hutton Alana Brown-Wallace Janet Brockway Wally Pottie Greg Quattrin Carlos Abreu Jack Sampano Kelly Ward Elena Olano Tarcisia Borg Dan Pividor Maria DeRuiter Pat Kramer Marion Jensen Martha Jackson Aida Vamvouras Margaret Pividor Matthew Moore Mary Ann Ferrer Colleen O'Connor Vince Masci Catherine Kirk Angelo Durante Bernadette Devlin-Joliceour Betty Loft Lyle Lachambre Stanley Perek Jim Kehoe Conor Egan Thomas McDonald Jose Castro Lilia Castro Samantha Gomez

