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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.

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St. Elizabeth Seton Parish

PALM SUNDAY

APRIL 9, 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
Rectorry 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.



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Mass Intentions

Monday April 10th

9am: **Phil Smith (D)**
Req by: Ron Crocco

Tuesday April 11th

9am: **Dino Collura (D)**
Req by: Pottie Family

Wednesday April 12th

9am: **Carmelo & Lena Racioppo (D)**
Req by: Carmela Racioppo

Thursday April 13th

****No Morning Mass****

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



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

April 9th—Palm Sunday

8:00 No Coffee
9:30 No Coffee
11:00 No Coffee



April 16th—Easter Sunday

8:00 No Coffee
9:30 No Coffee
11:00 No Coffee

Join us after each mass for coffee and fellowship.

*The
Season
of
Lent*



Parish Giving

The weekend of April 1st/2nd
Sunday Offertory \$ 7,353.15
SES Building Fund \$ 1,374.00

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

Ruminations...

The other day, towards dusk, I had to go outside for some task, taking garbage to the dumpster. I was wearing a t-shirt and the day was still warm (only by comparison to the arctic vortex that had engulfed us) and it was such a re-assuring sign of Spring. Even though we get those mid-winter anomalies, the reality that Winter is still a contender doesn't allow one to relax in the hope of blossoms and sunshine. I felt that this enticing evening stroll meant that even with another blast of cold and snow, it is now Winter who is the impostor and whose influence is limited. And just as our Lenten season will soon transition into the Easter season, and Spring is establishing itself, it also means that another season is upon, rodent season. As Elmer Fudd would proclaim "We're huntin' wabbits' or whatever. I have spied a chipmunk taking up temporary residence in my back garden- he doesn't know that it is temporary, but I am dusting off my trusty trap and his relocation is imminent. This year has brought another intruder into my realm. There is a groundhog itching to find some room on the premises. The RCIA was meeting in the basement and watched as this young groundhog, likely a yearling sniffing around the window well, and subsequently he fell in to it, becoming trapped. He was unable to claw his way out of the metal encasement. The last thing I wanted was a dead, smelly carcass there. So I naively believed that if I lowered a two by four piece of wood into the well, the groundhog would simply climb out and go on its merry way, only to be trapped at a later time. So the next morning I eagerly went downstairs to peek through the window in the hopes of finding it empty. The groundhog was still there. It is then that I decided that groundhogs have to be one of the stupidest animals around. If it had been a wily chipmunk, he would have been gone the minute the bridge was inserted. It was time for plan 'b'. So I have three cage traps, one was too big, one was too small, but the middle one was just right, so I bated it with peas and sweet corn. According to the internet, the best lure is cantaloupe, followed by peas and corn. So I devised a way to lower the cage into the window well without tripping the trap. I monitored it for a couple of hours, but the stupid animal didn't budge. He just laid there inert. I had to do something a little more priestly in the afternoon but I resolved to picking up some cantaloupe for this animal. When I returned, the groundhog was snugly behind bars. Victory was mine – well and his, because plan 'C' involved his extinction. I relocated him to places that shall remain secret. Let's just say he will not make his way back here unless he has the smarts to navigate crossing a major highway, and this animal has not given any indication that he can do much of anything. So welcome to hunting season.



Fr. Roy

Announcements and Events...

Senior Men's High School retreat (Grades 11 & 12)

The Office of Vocations is hosting a day retreat at **St. Mary Immaculate Parish, Richmond Hill on Saturday, April 29, 2017 (from 9am to 5pm)**. Provides a time to pray, interact & socialize with other young Catholic men. Seminarians will deliver talks on practical aspects of faith. Day includes Holy Mass, Adoration & Confession. For more information please contact your pastor or call the Office of Vocations at 416-968-0997 or email: vocations@archtoronto.org

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 always becomes a night of fellowship for everyone.

All Ladies of the Parish are invited to attend the next General meeting of the CWG, to be held on Tuesday, April 11th, commencing with Celebration of the Eucharist at 7 p.m. We will then gather in Seton Hall at approximately 7.30 pm. for fellowship and refreshments prior to the meeting. We hope to see you there as Father Roy will be speaking about the Easter season.



New Beginnings Event

"Beginning the Healing Journey after Separation and Divorce"

Speaker Fr. Fred Scinto, C.R.
Wednesday, April 19 at 7 p.m.
St. Elizabeth Seton Church

This New Beginnings talk will include some practical input and take home material by Fr. Scinto on the following topics:

- 1) Regaining balance after the trauma of a lost relationship.
- 2) "Thirty Years of Ministering to the Separated and Divorced: What I learned about handling a marriage break-up."

All are welcome to attend. There is no cost for this event. For more information, please call 416-921-1163 x. 2227



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.

Sacraments of Initiation....

As a Parish community, let us continue to remember our candidates for First Communion and Confirmation in our prayers. Let us pray, that each of these young people grow in faith and understanding of what it means to build God's kingdom and may their experience of God's bidding love transform their lives.



CONFIRMATION

Breaking Open the Word Reflection Forms

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

*Ava C., Sebastian Q., William F.,
Nicole M., Sabrina P., Lucas S., Sierra M., Katie N., Sara L.,
Alistair D., Sofia B., Kelly M*

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 is a success when your team is both dedicated and hard-working, the youth are engaged, and we have the support of all the parents. Thank you one and all!!



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

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 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)

We are looking forward to our First Communion Mass Please plan to arrive 20-30 minutes before mass and meet in the room across from the office to pick up your child's gown.



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
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