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Welcome to St. Elizabeth Seton!
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## St. Elizabeth Seton Parish

Third Sunday of Advent

December 13, 2015



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Fr. Roy Roberts, Pastor
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Deacon Stephen Pitre

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#### **Regular Office Hours**

Mon. 9:00am - 4:00pm

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## Sacrament of Baptism or Marriage:

Please contact the office.
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#### Ruminations...

**Monday December 14th** 9:00 **Donald MacLean (D)** Req by: Jean MacLean

**Tuesday December 15th** 9am Edward Devlin (D) Req by: Bill & Margaret Cyr

**Wednesday December 16th** 9am Rosario Santana Fernandes (D)

Reg by: Martha & Ron

**Thursday December 17th** 9am Rosemarie Rich (D) Req by: Frank & Clare McGeown

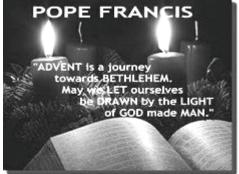
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#### **Coffee Sunday Schedule**

**Dec. 13** 8:00 Hachkowski Family 9:30 Gerencser Family 11:00 Loft Family

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





#### Looking For...

the owner of envelope number 617. Please contact the parish office. Thank you



Weekend of December 5th/6th **Sunday Offertory** \$7,311.35 Countdown \$1,451.00

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

Advent in the seminary was a different sort of an event. Along with all the other activities, it was also exam time. My final year was also when my "deacon retreat" took place at Manresa in Pickering. I remember going for a walk and ending up at Pickering Town Centre looking for a specific song that has been an earworm all year - "One More Mountain to Climb". Of course I had no idea of the artist and even if I sung a few bars, it was unlikely that anyone would recognize it, and they didn't. That was when I was introduced to a Canadian singer named Luba. She has a similar song which was not the one I was looking for. I also read 'A Tale of Two Cities' on that retreat. Now seven days of silence sounds very relaxing, but the intense program that the directors follow can also be exhausting and these seeming diversions a necessary. The seminary Advent was also the time when I was introduced to a new liturgical event that I loved. The seminary days revolved around the rhythms of the Divine Office with morning and evening prayer done in a monastic style - the psalms recited back and forth from side to side. On the third Sunday of Advent, the time when we light the pink candle, and the vestments at mass may be rose coloured- not pink- but ROSE coloured, we would have a Sunday evening service called 'Lessons and Carols'. There was a procession of candles, and a procession of the cantors and leaders all vested in rich purple cloaks and one ROSE cloak. It was very meditative, the lights were dimmed; there was lots of quiet time and it has a wonderful rhythm. There were Scripture passages, mostly from the wonder prophecies of Isaiah, and songs wonderfully sung. We had enough graduates from St. Michael's choir school that elevated the evening. It was mystical and magical, and in the hectic times of final exams, and retreats and preparing to get home for the holidays, this Lessons and Carols served as an excellent spiritual preparation for



Christmas. It was a time when all the lists of things to do, the cramming for exams, the completion of essays, the stress of life could be momentarily pushed to the side. It was a time to catch one's breath and re-focus on what was really important. I am so grateful that our music ministry has agreed to take on this wonderful event. If it is possible, take some time for yourself in the midst of all the bustle to pause, and breathe, and hustle and spiritually prepare to give birth to Christ. It might be the best thing and only spiritual preparations you do for yourself this Advent. Fr. Roy

## Lessons and Carols Sunday December 13th at 7pm

Lessons and Carols is a traditional way of preparing for Christmas, of getting into the quiet and stillness of the season. It is a quiet and reflective time, much like Evening Prayer or Vespers. Our combined music ministry talents have been working hard to ensure this evening is fun and faith-filled. Be sure to join us.

#### Announcements and Events...

#### CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE



#### **Christmas Eve Masses**

Thursday, December 24th 4:30pm Family Mass 7:30pm Mass 12:00am Midnight

#### **Christmas Day Masses**

Friday December 25<sup>th</sup> 9:30am & 11:00am

Saturday December 26th & Sunday December 27th  $\sim$  Regular Mass Times

#### Holiday Weekday Mass

Monday December 28th, Tuesday December 29th and Wednesday December 30th ~ 10:00am

Thursday December 31st ~NO morning mass.

#### New Year's Eve Mass

Thursday December 31st 4:30pm Mass



#### Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Friday January 1st 9:30am & 11:00am

#### **CWG QUILT RAFFLE**

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also have another prize to choose from — a striking red and white knitted blanket on display in the Library. The draw will take place on Sunday, December 20th during the 11.00 a.m. Mass. Tickets will be sold in the foyer after all Masses the weekend of Dec. 12/13 and Dec. 19/20, (but just until the start of the 11.00 Mass on the day of the draw). The cost is \$2 each or 3 for \$5, or a book for \$10. If anyone is interested in selling some tickets amongst family and friends, please contact Marian Brown at 905-715-0403.

#### **REQUEST**



We are wondering if anyone has a wheelchair that they are not using and could donate to the parish. If so, please call the parish office. Thank you.

Knights of Columbus Christmas Tree Sale Stop by the shed and pick up a freshly cut tree.



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

# Wishing

#### Breaking Open the Word Reflection Forms

Wishing all our Confirmation and First Communion candidates and their families an Advent season filled with joyful anticipation and renewed hope as we draw closer to Christmas.

It is great to read your reflections each week. Over the Advent and Christmas season continue to listen, reflect and put your best effort into your reflections. Second Sunday of Advent reflection kudos... Emma S.,

Mattea B., Quincie C., Colin P., Luca S., Madeline C., Maggie D., Lily D., Amanda F., Laura S., Garrett C.,

#### **Day of Reconciliation**

Tuesday December 15th 1pm to 2pm at St. Elizabeth Seton



#### **Community Reconciliation**

Tuesday December 15th, 7pm at St. John Chrysostom





## Don't Miss Out on Our Parish New Year's Eve Party

~December 31st, 2015~

Seton Hall Doors open at 7:30pm



(see the menu in the foyer)

Come Eat and Dance
in the New Year



#### Ticket Price \$50 each



Tickets can be purchased in the library after each Sunday morning Masses or in the parish office during the week.

#### Let us pray for the sick...

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Olive Hutton
Alana Brown-Wallace
Janet Brockway
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