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Mass Times During  
The Pandemic:

Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 4:30pm

Sunday: 9:30am & 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

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of York Region: 905-770-7040

Catholic Cemeteries: 905-889-7467

St. John's Cemetery

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

Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 19, 2021



## Pastoral Team

Fr. Roy Roberts, Pastor

Deacon Marian Pawlitzko

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

### Monday, December 20th

10am: Karen Spencer  
Req. by: Colleen & Steve Pitre

### Tuesday, December 21st

10am: Karen Spencer &  
Tom McCarthy  
Req. by: Colleen and Steve Pitre

### Wednesday, December 22nd

10am: Olive Pereira  
Req. by: Joe & Pam Nunes

### Thursday, December 16th

10am: No Intentions  
Req. by:



### Wanted Old Christmas Cards

Wondering what to do with your old Christmas Cards after Christmas? The Gift Wrapping Stations at the Mall make tags out of recycled Christmas cards. The profits go to support Community Living Newmarket and Aurora District. There will be a box in the foyer of the church. During Covid times please call ahead and let us know when you would like to drop off your cards.



### Your Cancelled Stamps are Valuable

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:

<https://sjcses.blogspot.com/p/donate.html>

Tax receipts for one-time donations will be emailed immediately.

### *Parish Giving*

#### December 12th

Offertory	\$6,449.88
SES Building	\$ 225.00

#### Month of November PAG

(Pre-authorized Giving)

Sunday Offertory	\$4,144.72
SES Building Fund	\$ 282.00
ShareLife	\$ 440.00

## Ruminations ....

December 14, 2021 and I was tending the new blossoms on a couple of the English daisies in the garden. It seems strange to be reporting on the gardens this late in the season. Although my winter jacket is hanging on the hook, other than a few days of late, it remains for the most part on the hook. One fine Sunday afternoon, I decided that it was time to make my re-appearance at the gym. I have continued paying my dues for the last several months, knowing I had no immediate desire to go. There had been many times when I thought it was time to return, but my iPod was not charged, or the head-phones were out of power, or my water bottle was dirty, or I couldn't find my favorite gym towel. You know, all great excuses. So I couldn't think up a good excuse not to go, and I didn't want to wait until the new year because that is just too cliché, starting with a new resolution. I like my gym. Even before the pandemic, it was rare to have more than one or two others in the facility. This eventful night, I was alone, the whole place to myself. I was very relieved because I knew there was going to be hurting grunts and groans. At least I had the presence of mind to lower the weights and my expectations. Some of the equipment I even halved the weight. The first couple of lifts or pushes seemed a strain but as I warmed up, it seemed very doable. The weight levels seemed rather light and they weren't much of an issue, but as I started into the reps, my muscles got tired very quickly. It wasn't so much the strength that had disappeared, it was the muscle stamina that was gone. This is when the grunting started. It was quite a test of endurance trying to complete a set. As the workout went on, with no one else in the building, I am convinced that I heard my muscles swearing at me, screaming all kinds of derogatory comments. I knew the next day I was going to be hurting but in fact I was fine, none the worse for wear. So I carried on undaunted. In the afternoon I was checking things out around the church and I noticed a quarter on the floor by the candles. I went over to pick it up, and then suddenly, the toll of the previous day's workout made its ugly appearance. There was no way my body was going to bend that low, and I was afraid of actually going onto my knees to pick it up. I wasn't sure I would make it back up. I kind of kicked the coin closer to the wall thinking or maybe hoping that I could brace myself to get up. It wasn't unfolding well. I managed to reach the coin, as a person who has lived his life without fingernails, and as someone who has minimal dexterity, that coin could not be budged. I was happy no one was around to see this comic spectacle. I conceded, got up and went and got my telescopic flashlight with the magnet on it. You will be happy to know the quarter is safely in the moneybox and my body is almost healed, just in time for another gym date. Please don't leave quarters on the floor. It is too much of an ordeal and if it happens again, I'm leaving it for the sweeper.

*Fr. Roy*





Christmas Mass Schedule

Friday, December 24, Vigil of Christmas  
4:30 pm, 7:00 pm & 9:00 pm

Saturday, December 25, Christmas Day  
9:30 am & 11:00 am

Sunday, December 26, Feast of the Holy Family  
9:30 am & 11:00 am

Friday, December 31, Solemnity of Mary,  
Mother of God  
4:30 pm

Saturday, January 01, 2022, Solemnity of Mary,  
Mother of God  
9:30 am & 11:00 am

Sunday, January 02, 2022, Feast of the Epiphany  
9:30 am & 11:00 am

All our celebrations are live streamed

**\*\*Please Note we will be on a first come, first serve basis for our Christmas masses. \*\***



Our Nativity Scenes

This year's edition is comprised of 88 countries of regions, and then some more. The new ones this year include Mongolia (which arrived just after last Christmas, Australia and a huge one from Naples, Italy that was gifted to the parish by a lady who was downsizing her home and she had no room at her new inn. Please feel free to sign the guest book and comment on your favorite scene. The shelf of Peanuts characters are from the official Roy Roberts collection. Enjoy. The display will be up until the end of January, 2022.



Public Health of York Region

We had a visit this week from Public Health. For the most part, we are doing well. We had to post signs about masks reminding that they must be worn throughout the Mass. He checked our communion procession and we assured him that the line is single file down the centre. Just a reminder we are bound by the six foot rule, so please remember single file coming to communion, depart with appropriate distance, and wear your masks.

CWG News

On behalf of the CWG membership I would like to extend our deepest appreciation to St. Elizabeth Seton Parish for their generous support of our various initiatives in 2021. We wish everyone a Blessed Christmas and a Healthy, Happy, and Peaceful New Year.

**Tuula Rinella**  
CWG President



A New Website

We have been working on our New Website. It has been a labour of love, ~~pain in the,~~ well, let's just say a labour. It is on a new Archdiocese platform that has been customized for our Parish needs but includes some Archdiocese news and events. It is a work in progress, and we have been struggling with this since August but it is close enough to be accessed. We are not sure when the old website will transfer you automatically to the new one. It may happen before you receive this bulletin. We want to thank Jennifer Chase who put together our old website which was a God-send. There will still be some kinks and things that need to be adjusted as we learn how to use such a communications medium and because we remain confirmed luddites. Check it out at [www.stelizabethsetonne@archtoronto.org](mailto:www.stelizabethsetonne@archtoronto.org) or through our Facebook page.

Let us pray for the sick...

Alana Brown-Wallace  
Betty Loft  
Bruce Firth  
Kyle Elkie  
Kathleen Todesco  
Joshua Perek  
Donna Stea-Cutting  
Andy Dube  
Adam Wood  
Elizabeth Ryan  
E. Turnbull  
Mat Hatzimalis  
Paul Jennas

Rose Marie Scott  
Wanda Tolazzi  
Sean Coen  
Cathy Murphy  
Joe Legari  
Chad Buckley  
Theresa Varey

**\*\*If you have a loved one you would like on our Sick List please call the parish office or email us. We will keep your loved on our list for 4 weeks. Thank you. \*\***

# Looking for a unique Christmas gift??



## CWG Cookbook Fundraiser

### ~The Pandemic Pantry Cookbook~

*The Pandemic Pantry* cookbook is a loving compilation of some of our family favourite recipes.

**COST: \$10 each (cash or cheque only)**

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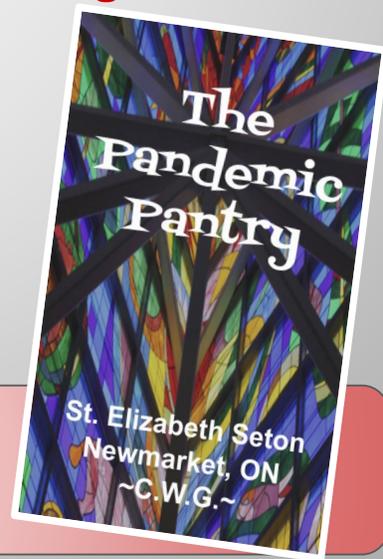
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-Or-

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- Saturday 4:30 Mass
- Sunday 9:30 and 11:00 Masses



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