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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

Catholic Community Servicesof York Region:905-770-7040Catholic Cemeteries:905-889-7467St. John's Cemetery905-889-7467

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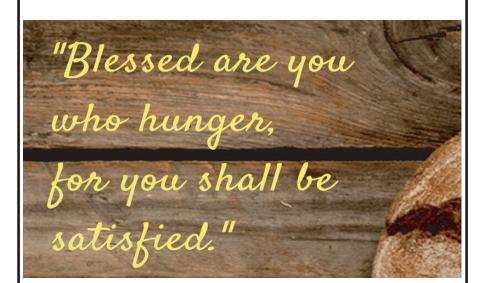
New Parishioner? Welcome to St. Elizabeth Seton! If you would like to register, forms are available at the church entrance or the parish office. Parishioners with a change of address, please inform the Parish office. Envelopes may also be acquired at the office. Please introduce yourself to Fr. Roy Roberts 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

Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time

February 13, 2022



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 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, February 14th 10am: Yolande Kiely Req. by: Chaisson Family

**Tuesday, February 15th** 10am: Sal Provenzano Reg. by: Sandra & Paul Haines

Wednesday, February 16th 10am: Jim Antonio Req. by: Paul & Cathy Schwan

Thursday, February 17 10am: Denvse Rousseau Req. by: John & Wilma Bloye



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.



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\$ 630.00

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Month of January PAG (Pre-authorized Giving) Sunday Offertory \$4,372.00 **SES Building Fund** \$ 322.00 \$ 465.00 ShareLife

#### **Ruminations** ....

I am just sitting on my couch in my pandemic workspace – my living room by the patio doors facing west. It is almost 5:30 pm and it is still bright and sunny as the sun is preparing to set. The sun is much higher in the sky than even a month ago and there certainly seems to be hints of spring despite the thermometer reading. It was good to just sit down, put my feet up, and take some deep breaths. It has been a busy week, with five funerals in nine days, though that isn't what is really the source of the tiredness, nor is the stress of the hospital beeper, nor the half dozen of anointing's of the sick. In years past, this particular time of the quadrennial was always sacred time, and I would be overdosing on Olympic watching. I much prefer Winter Olympics over the summer version. Many of my sports favorites are Winter Olympians; Gaetan Boucher and Cindy Klassen, speed skaters; Pierre Harvey and the Firth twins, cross country skiers, and a whole slew of others. Going back to Grenoble, France in 1968 with Nancy Green, and Sapporo, Japan in 1972, and Innsbruck in 1976 with Kathy Kreiner and Cathy Priestner, I was smitten. I think I have seen every opening ceremonies going back to Mexico City in 1968. This all makes sense when you remember that at university, my major was Sports Administration and my hope was to work for the Canadian Olympic Committee. I had graduated a year or two too late to be hired by the Calgary Olympics. I remember the first time I visited Calgary, I thought I had arrived in heaven when I was able to rent speed skates and stumble around the Olympic speed skating oval while watching the National team members fly around the ice. My infatuation with the winter Olympics was the inspiration for studying German in high school for three years. Suffice it to say, the Olympics have always been a high point in any year, more than any Stanley Cup (let's face it, there hasn't been much to cheer about for decades), or World Series, or Superbowl. Over the years though, the luster has been dulling as the purity and pursuit of excellence has morphed into professionalism and money. Performance enhancing drugs, and national systemic cheating, and a gross lack of courage of the big business International Olympic Committee to effectively deal with the issues, and its mantra of being non-political, everything it does is swathed in politics, including the awarding of the Games itself. I have had grave reservations about Beijing as a choice, and the callous blindness of the IOC to ignore the many global issues have soured its reputation and its credibility. So I have launched my own private crusade. I did not watch the opening ceremonies, and I am planning to refrain from watching any of the coverage. I still wish our athletes the best, and of course the newspaper keeps me abreast of the



outcomes. I think the real test ad temptation will come when the curling finals and the hockey finals come. guess it is sort of a pre-Lent practice run. If only I had as much conviction with pizza and going to the gym. Alas...

Fr. Roy

#### Announcements and Events...

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## A Date with the Pope

The meeting between Pope Francis and the First Nations' Delegation which was postponed prior to Christmas because of the Covid variant, has been rescheduled to March 28.

For several days they will meet so the Pope can listen to the addresses of the First Nations representatives. Pray for healing and reconciliation.

Also as part of the equation, the Canadian Bishops have provided more information on the national \$30 million reconciliation fund. The Archdiocese of Toronto has committed to raising \$6 million for the national fund.

You can find out more information and details on the Archdiocese of Toronto Website.



# St. Valentine

St. Valentine was removed from the Calendar of Saints in 1969. Part of the reason is the mystery of his life. There are three possible people who were martyred around the same

time, all named Valentine. St. Valentine remains part of the list of saints, and it patron of Bee keepers, epilepsy, and mentally ill.

So now February 14 is actually the memorial of St. Cyril & St. Methodius, missionaries to the Slavic peoples and creators of the Cyrillic alphabet.



# 2022 Tax Receipts

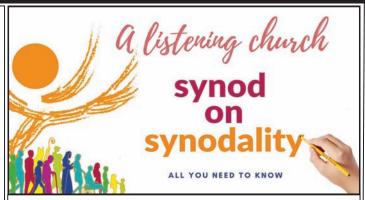
You should have received your Tax Receipts by this week. There were mailed out from the Archdiocese two weeks ago.

The St. Vincent de Paul Society issue their own tax receipts for any contributions made to it. They are being readied now and should be mailed out within the next couple of weeks.

#### Five New Children's Stories are Posted to Our Facebook

We have five new stories on our Facebook celebrating Black History Month. Check them out? 1. Anansi, the Spider,

- Moses: when Harriet Tubman led her People to Freedom:
- 3. Freedom Soup:
- 4. Martin de Porres, the Rose in the Desert:
- 5. Why Mosquitoes Buzz in People's Ears



**Pope Francis** has invited the whole world to have a say in the life of the Church as we grow into the future. This is an important exercise in a new and empowering vision of the Church. You have something important to say. On our website, there is a link that will allow you to contribute your voice, whether you are young or old, practicing, not practicing, tepid practicing. Here is an informative video to help explain what is going on. Have a look. Synod on Synodality- All You Need to Know (through Sketches and images) || Rahai - YouTube (Ignore the ads)

**Dr. Massimo Faggioli**, noted Church expert, who spoke in our parish a few years ago, will be part of a free Webinar sponsored by Novalis Publishing. The same company that gives us the Sunday Missal. You can sign up for free. The Webinar is Wednesday, February 16, starting at 11:00 am. Go to our New Website (where this bulletin is stored) for more info and to Register.



