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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:

905-898-4264

Website: sjcses.blogspot.com

Catholic Community Services

of York Region: 905-770-7040

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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

First Sunday of Lent

February 21, 2021



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 22nd
10am: **Ross Garrett (D)**
Requested by: Wilma & JohnBloye

Tuesday, February 23rd
10am: **Dan Murphy (D)**
Requested by: Liz Pottie

Wednesday, February 24th
10am: **Maria Devakos (D)**
Requested by: Eunice Moreira

Thursday, February 25th
10am: **Mary Sorrentina (D)**
Requested by: P & T Wharton

Still in Lockdown

The Parish Office is closed and the Staff are working remotely from home. To contact us, please email us at st.elizabethseton@rogers.com

Offering Envelopes

The parish offering envelopes are available for pick up. Please call or email the parish office make arrangements for pick up. Unfortunately we are not able to mail out the envelope boxes out.



Parish Giving

Feb. 10th to Feb.17th
Sunday Offertory \$4,925.00
SES Building Fund \$ 625.00

Month of January PAG
(Pre-authorized Giving)
Sunday Offertory \$3,902.00
SES Building Fund \$ 282.00
ShareLife \$ 340.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ONGOING SUPPORT DURING THESE UNPRECEDENTED TIMES. STAY WELL AND STAY SAFE. GOD BLESS.

Ruminations

Growing up I was not much of a public person. That being said, I did win a trophy in grade two for Verse speaking, the first trophy of the Roberts boys. The trophy wall became filled with many, many more trophies for various sports from hockey and lacrosse to baseball and bowling. With the wall filled with various sizes and shapes of memorabilia that mom came to affectionately refer to as 'dust collectors' for years and years my only contribution remained that lone Verse Speaking trophy. I don't ever really remember feeling bad, especially when the dusting of them fell to my brothers because I just hadn't contributed enough to be bothered. I think I shocked the life out of my parents when I asked to join the drama club in high school. We didn't have the luxury of it being offered as a course. They thought that I would work behind the scenes and paint sets, so they nearly fell off their chairs when I was offered the lead in the school play. There were no hints of this public outburst of public expression. It was around the same time that I was accosted by one of the good Sisters in Bradford. Those Ursulines had taught me early in school and they were a presence in the parish. I am sure that Sister was in cahoots with my mom because one day she approached me to read the first reading at a weekday mass on a Saturday. Even now I don't think I could say no to a Nun. They had brainwashed, or trained me well, whatever. I had a week to prepare and the whole week was one anxious week. I kept praying for a cold or laryngitis, to no avail. As we drove up to the church, I remember asking God for a flat tire which in mom's old car was not such a challenge. It was one of the Saturdays of Lent and Sister met me at the door to give me the last minute instructions. I barely spoke a word and did a lot of nodding and nervous smiling. The time had come and I had to leave the safety and obscurity of the pew to approach the ambo. Suddenly I could feel my heart starting to race. I cleared my throat trying to calm the nerves, but now I was feeling my throat pulsating. Somehow my heart had drifted into my throat and the words wouldn't come out. I started to panic but I kept my eyes glued to the words on the page, not looking up or around. As the first words croaked out of my mouth, with my throat pounding it sounded like my voice had gone up at least one octave and was near on approaching a falsetto level. I just saying to myself that I will never to this again. I prayed just to get through this torture and let me slink out of the church without encountering anyone except for mom – not because I needed any maternal TLC but because I was too young to drive and I desperately wanted to go home. Finally mass was over and I tried to remain silent on the way home. Mom kept badgering me and I had to ask who's quivering and shaky and falsetto-like my voice was. She looked incredulous because she said I sounded normal, a little fast, but no big deal. I still don't believe her, but that was my last public appearance for many years. Every year with the start of Lent, I relive that horror and it reminds me that Lent is a time of penance. Happy Lent.

Fr. Roy



Announcements and Events...

Sacramental Corner.....

Lent Events

Stations of the Cross

Live streamed Fridays in Lent starting at 7:00 pm.



Monday Morning Prayer

On Mondays during Lent we will live stream Morning Prayer starting at 9:00 am. Morning prayer, part of the Divine Office or Liturgy of the Hours is part of the Official Prayer of the Church. It is the equivalent of Vespers or Evening Prayer. Join us. It lasts about 10 - 15 minutes and we will provide everything you will need in next week's bulletin.

Soul Food Live for Lent

On Tuesdays during Lent we will host Soul Food, various topics leading us to Easter. Starting at 11 am until 11:30, we hope to try to be interactive. Even though there is a 15 second delay, questions can be posted and we will do our best to answer the questions that come in. The first presentation will be on Tuesday, February 23 and the topic will be the History and Spirituality of Lent. If you cant join us at 11 am, the presentation will be accessible on the Facebook Page.



Still Collecting Christmas Cards

Once again we are collecting old Christmas cards to help make gift tags for the Gift Wrapping Stations at the Mall. All the profits go to support Community Living Newmarket. They have already begun to make the tags for next year's gifts. You can leave our used cards in our parish mailbox or call the Parish Office to make an appointment to drop them off.



Virtual/Online Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience

March 5 – 7, 2021

In these stressful times, give your marriage a *booster shot!* Restore your loving communication with your spouse and rekindle the romance. The Marriage Encounter experience is a skill-building enrichment program where together, you, as husband and wife, learn how to be the best couple you can be. No group discussion. Based on Catholic values but open to couples of all faiths. Rediscover the love in your relationship!

Contact: Natalie and Doug Meier at doug.natalie@bell.net or (905) 453-3879



Website: wwme.org

The Cardinal's Webinar

Parts of the Archdiocese have been opened for the 30% attendance. The parishes in Simcoe county and the parish in Orangeville (the only parish outside the main municipalities in the diocese). They were open for Ash Wednesday with the standard practices in play. It is hoped that York Region will follow suit soon. We just need to wait and see. The Cardinal spoke of the threat of the third wave and how that may or may not affect our journey to Easter.

DO YOU WANT TO FAST THIS LENT?

POPE FRANCIS' FASTING IDEAS

Fast from hurting words *...and say kind words*
 Fast from sadness *...and be filled with gratitude*
 Fast from anger *...and be filled with patience*
 Fast from pessimism *...and be filled with hope*
 Fast from worries *...and have trust in God*
 Fast from complaints *...and contemplate simplicity*
 Fast from pressures *...and be prayerful*
 Fast from bitterness *...and fill your hearts with joy*
 Fast from selfishness *...and be compassionate to others*
 Fast from grudges *...and be reconciled*
 Fast from words *...and be silent so you can listen*

2020 Tax Receipts

The tax Receipts have been mailed.



Let us pray for the sick...

Alana Brown-Wallace
 Greg Quattrin
 Tarcisia Borg
 Warren Pettifer
 Mary Ann Ferrer
 Larry Yarush
 Alain Gerais
 Betty Loft
 Bruce Firth
 Massimo Marcone
 Rosa Santos
 Judy MacDermott
 Kyle Elkie
 Maria Cavallini
 Ron English

Evelyn Walsh
 Merwyn Correa
 Sebastiao P. Henriques
 Molly Nabuurs
 Peter Aristotle
 Albina Barber
 Mary MacDonald
 Kathleen Todesco
 Joshua Perek
 Julia Purdham
 Donna Stea-Cutting
 Maria De La O -Mejia
 Judy Campbell
 Jennifer Ma
 Andy Dube
 Lindsay Sawyer

Zeny Jose
 Irene Zbyszynski
 Edward LaPenta
 Adam Wood
 Mayling Meuses
 Frances Leggo
 Russel Scott
 Elizabeth Ryan
 Dave Dailey
 Lindsay Veltman
 Elcy Cerres
 Tony Vigliotta
 Francie Niekamp
 E. Turnbull
 Amy McBride
 Julitta Sookhai

Monday Morning Prayer Chair of Peter

Presider; God, come to my assistance

All: Lord make haste to help me.

Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning, is now,
and will be forever. Amen.

Opening Hymn (maybe)

O God, you are my God, for you I long:
For you my soul is thirsting.
My body pines for you
Like a dry, weary land with water.
So I gaze on you I the sanctuary
to see your strength and your glory.

For your love is better than life,
My lips will speak your praise,
So will bless you all my life,
In your name I will lift up my hands.
My soul shall be filled as with a banquet,
My mouth shall praise you with joy.

On my bed I remember you.
On you I muse through the night
For you have been my help;
In the shadow of your wings I rejoice.
My soul clings to you;
Your right hand holds me fast.

Glory to the Father....

Psalm Prayer

Canticle

Bless the Lord, all you works of the Lord.
Praise and exalt him above all forever.
Angels of the Lord, bless the Lord.
You heavens, bless the Lord.
All you waters above the heavens, bless the
Lord
All you hosts of the Lord, bless the Lord.
Sun and moon, bless the Lord.
Stars of heaven, bless the Lord

Every shower and dew, bless the Lord.
All you winds, bless the Lord.
Fire and heat, bless the Lord.
Cold and chill, bless the Lord.
Dew and rain, bless the Lord.
Frost and chill, bless the Lord.
Ice and snow, bless the Lord.
Nights and days, bless the Lord.
Light and darkness, bless the Lord.
Lightnings and clouds, bless the Lord.

Let the earth bless the Lord.
Praise and exalt him above all forever.
Mountains and hills, bless the Lord.
Everything growing from the earth, bless the
Lord.
You springs, bless the Lord.
Seas and rivers, bless the Lord.
You dolphins and all water creatures, bless
the Lord.
All you birds of the air, bless the Lord.
All you beasts, wild and tame, bless the Lord.
You sons of men, bless the Lord.

O Israel, bless the Lord.
Praise and exalt him above all forever.
Priests of the Lord, bless the Lord,
Servants of the Lord, bless the Lord.
Spirits and souls of the just, bless the Lord.
Holy men of humble heart, bless the Lord.
Hananiah, Azariah, Mishael, bless the Lord.
Praise and exult him about all forever.

Let us bless the Father, and the Son,
and the Holy Spirit.
Let us praise and exalt him above all forever.
Blessed are you, Lord, in the firmament of
heaven.
Praiseworthy and glorious and exalted above
all forever.

Psalm

Sing a new song to the Lord,
His praise in the assembly of the faithful.
Let Israel rejoice in its maker,
Let Zion's sons exult in their king.
Let them praise his name with dancing
And make music with timbrel and harp.

For the Lord takes delight in his people.
He crowns the poor with salvation.
Let the faithful rejoice in their glory,
Shout for joy and take their rest.
Let the praise of God be on their lips
And a two-edged sword in their hands,

To deal out vengeance to the nations
And punishment on all the peoples;
To bind their kings in chains
And their nobles in fetters of iron;
To carry out the sentence pre-ordained;
This honour is for all his faithful.

Glory to the Father...

Psalm Prayer

Reading

Responsory

You have made them rulers over all the earth.
- **You have made them rulers over
all the earth.**

They will always remember your name, O
Lord,
- **over all the earth.**

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the
Holy Spirit
- **You have made them rulers over
all the earth.**

Canticle of Zechariah (Benedictus)

(Begin with the sign of the Cross)

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel;
He has come to his people and set them free.

He has raised up for us a mighty savior,
Born of the house of his servant David

Through his holy prophets he promised of old
That he would save us from our enemies,
From the hands of all who hate us.

He promised to show mercy to our fathers
And remember his holy covenant.

This was the oath he swore to our father
Abraham:
To set us free from the hands of our enemies,
Free to worship him without fear,
Holy and righteous in his sight
All the days of our life,

You, my child shall be called the prophet of
the Most High;
For you will go before the Lord to prepare his
way,
To give his people knowledge of salvation
By the forgiveness of their sins.

In the tender compassion of our God
The dawn from on high shall break upon us,
To shine on those who dwell in darkness and
the shadow of death,
And to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Glory to the Father...

Intercessions

- **The company of apostles praises
you, O Lord**

The Lord's Prayer

**Prayer
Blessing
Dismissal**

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