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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) 898-4137

Catholic Community Services of York Region: (905) 770-7040

Catholic Cemeteries Archdiocese of Toronto: (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



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 Rectory 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.



## Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday ~ 3:00 - 3:30 pm Or By Appointment

R.C.I.A.

For those interested in becoming Catholic please contact Fr. Roy Roberts.

Seton Hall Banquet Facilities ....

The ideal location for Weddings, Anniversaries, Business Meetings and other occasions. Seton Hall is dedicated to help create a memorable celebration of your long awaited wedding day or in creating the right atmosphere for corporate functions, social get-togethers, charity functions, birthdays or anniversaries. Our enthusiastic team of professionals are courteous, warm and friendly. We are here to help! For more information on bookings call 905-853-5009 or

email st.elizabethseton@rogers.com

### **Mass Intentions**

**Monday February 6th** 9am: **Therese Pottie (D)** Req by: Pottie Family

**Tuesday February 7th** 9am: **Glenda Crocco (D)** Req by: Parco Family

Wednesday February 8th 9am: Geoff Coulson (D) Req by: Schwan Family

**Thursday February 9th** 9am: **Tim Brosnahan (D)** Red by: Maureen Brosnahan

Sunday Masses are for ALL GOD'S PEOPLE

Coffee & Chat

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

**February 5th** 8:00 CWG 9:30 CWG 11:00 CWG

**February 12th** 8:00 Theresa Klose and Patricia Stuart 9:30 Gerencser Family 11:00 CulliganFamily

Join us after each mass for coffee and fellowship.



St. Elizabeth Seton <u>Tax Receipts</u> will be available for pick up in the foyer from February 4th to February 26th. <u>Please</u> be sure to <u>pick up</u> your receipt.



The weekend of Jan. 28/29 Sunday Offertory \$6,772.65 SES Building Fund \$ 412.10

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

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

So the dust hasn't quite settled yet from mom's move into the big house. It is still quite an adjustment, more so for us than for mom. Mercifully she is not quite aware of everything that is happening. The next project that is underway is selling the family home. This is about as traumatic as the move was. After over a half century in that building, the accumulation of memories and stuff seems almost insurmountable. Every shelf, every closet, every room is somehow ghosted with our story. It is hard with the realtor and the stager who come in indifferent to that history. The decision to scrape off wall paper, or tear down a cabinet, or paint a wall, is not without a mini death. As we were rummaging through the house, interestingly enough we came across many books about memory loss and dementia. Although mom never talked about it, it certainly seems like she knew where she was heading. We have been trying to sort out many of the legacy items, not that there were a lot. There is the old buffet that belonged to my grandparents that was a wedding gift back in the 1920's. There are the two postcards of my grandfather's store at Lake Wilcox in the 1940's that my brother had blown up into pictures. There is mom's set of Country Rose dishes that was amassed as Christmas gifts over a number of years. And probably the biggest item is the huge Christmas cactus that dates back into the 1940's as well. It has been divided into smaller pieces for each of us who want part of it. Surveying the backvard is filled with nostalgia. There is the stand of birch trees that we planted in honour of mom and dad's 25th wedding anniversary, and the evergreens planted over 50 years ago as little sprouts that now tower over the backyard, one of which served as first base in its younger years. There is the peony garden which are from the farm homestead extending back over a hundred years. Of course there is the door jamb which was the measuring stick of the growth of the grandchildren, with marks and tape dating back to the mid 1990's charting the growth of each of the grandkids, an annual Christmas day tradition and highlight. It is hard to imagine new people coming in without any sense of the sacredness of these holy remnants, but as I am learning, that too is part of the transition. Sometimes the words of Sheldon from Big Bang Theory ring true, that his spot situates him in the



universe, and it is safe place that reminds him that he exists. That's as good a definition of home as any. The problem is that people are coming in to purchase a house, which is easy enough, but we are not selling a house, we are leaving a home.

Fr. Roy

### Announcements and Events...



Our next Soup and Movie will be on Tuesday February 7th. Our movie will be "Adams Rib" Please register with the parish office.





### **Ministry of Presence** Mass with the Sacrament of the Sick

followed by a light continental breakfast

### Wednesday February 8th at 9 a.m.

All are welcome



**CANADIAN BLOOD SERVICES Blood Donor Clinic** SETON HALL 17955 Leslie Street, Newmarket, Ontario

Monday February 13th - 1:30 to 7:30



### **Knights of Columbus**

**FREE** Family Day Skate February 20, 2017 2:30 to 4:30pm East Gwillimbury Arena Helmet<u>s are a must.</u> Come skate and have a hot chocolate on us. All are welcome.

Ash Wednesday Wednesday March 1st. Mass at 9am and 7pm



Lenten Fish Fry Friday, March 3rd 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm

### **Food Box**

The Newmarket Food Pantry is always in need. If you can please place non-perishable food items in our food box located in the foyer.

### Sacraments of Initiation.....



### **Breaking Open the Word!**

Our young candidates are becoming more insightful as they reflect on the Sunday gospel and homily and how it relates to their

lives. Hats off to... Tyler R., Jessica M., Lucas S., Katie N., Nicholas S., Ava C., Alistair S., An expectation of our Confirmation program is that all sixty candidates should be completing the reflection forms each Sunday. Becoming people of reflection is an important part of your journey.

### Confirmation

#### **Parents & Candidate Meeting** Monday, February 6th at 7pm– 9pm

This is a VERY IMPORTANT meeting for both parents & candidates to attend ! Meet your group leaders and the youth in your small groups, find out about the Spring Retreat, Confirmation mass, dates and time and so much more...) See you there!





### **First Communion**

Parents, please return your sign- up sheets for the Adult Faith Formation Session 2,

the Retreat and the First Communion Mass. Check the display case in the church foyer over the coming weeks for your dates and times & mark your calendars. All the children preparing for their First Communion should be filling in their reflection forms each Sunday and bringing them to the parish office. They are enjoying seeing their friends!

### SUNDAY MASS DRIVERS NEEDED

We need a number of drivers for our Gbevito family from Africa so they can attend 9:30 Mass every Sunday. Car seats and booster seats are provided. Your involvement would be once every 6 weeks. Please help us include the Gbevito family in our weekly liturgical celebrations. Please contact Christine Charnock at ccharnock@rogers.com or call the parish

### 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

office.

Tarcisia Borg Dan Pividor Maria DeRuiter Frank Argiro Pat Kramer Marion Jensen Martha Jackson Aida Vamvouras **Margaret** Pividor Matthew Moore

Conrad Dutschek Mary Ann Ferrer Colleen O'Connor Angelo Durante Bernadette Devlin-Joliceour **Betty Loft** Lyle Lachambre Stanley Perek Jim Kehoe Conor Doyle

