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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:

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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!



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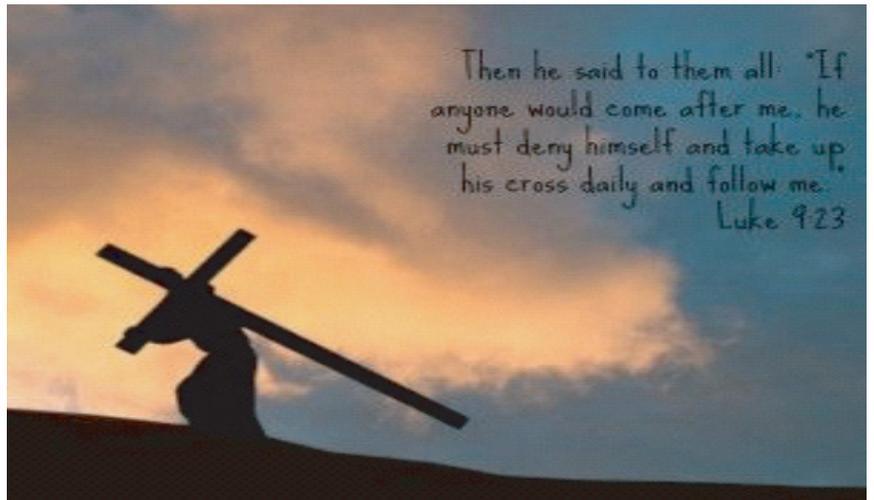
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St. Elizabeth Seton Parish

Thirteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

June 28, 2020



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 June 29th

10am: **Marie Perek**
Req: Perek Family

Tuesday June 30th

10am: **Maria Perek**
Req: John & Wilma Bloye

Wednesday July 1st

10am: **Raymond Rojas**
Req: CUPE 1571

Thursday July 2nd

10am: **Muriel Przewiczowski**
Req: CUPE 1571

****Please know that Fr. Roy
will continue to pray for
these intentions****

**Starting Monday June 29th
the Parish Office will begin
opening on Monday's from
9am to Noon for
APPOINTMENTS ONLY.**

**We can always be reached
through the parish email at
st.elizabethseton@rogers.com**

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Parish Giving

June 17th to June 21st.

Sunday Offertory \$4,504.00
SES Building Fund \$ 670.00

Month of June PAG

(Pre-authorized Giving)

Sunday Offertory \$3,847.00
SES Building Fund \$ 297.00
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THESE UNPRECEDENTED
TIMES. STAY WELL AND
STAY SAFE. GOD BLESS.**

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of Columbus room.

Ruminations

So the Archdiocese hosted another Webinar this week surveying the experiences of the Parishes after our first ten days of being open. As one would expect, there was a vast array of different experiences and opinions. The most telling was that the vast majority of parishes experienced a lower than expected turn out for the first Sunday. Though the platform used to gather didn't permit actual dialogue, there were things that could be inferred from the data. I for one appreciated the lower turn out. It means that the Catholic community is heeding the warnings of the medical experts and Government Officials. Whether altruistic or not, it shows a healthy respect for the Common Good. Liturgically, when we are required by Law to admit at most one third of our community, and ban two thirds of our community, it begs the question of when does the community cease to be the community.

For me it is an existential question - is it better to celebrate with a fraction and fractured community, or is it right to wait until the doors are open for the opportunity for the whole community to gather. I side with the latter but the Diocese with the former. There is no right or wrong answer but both have huge implications on what it says about who we are or profess to be. I'm not sure if I'm venting or discerning, or both. In a Harry Chapin song there are some great lines: "We talked because talking tells you things like what you really are thinking about, but sometimes you can't find what you're feeling till all the words run out" and so maybe that is exactly what I am doing. The masses with the new limitations and restrictions are really filled with mixed emotions. I have witnessed people who should never set foot in the church for their own health and the health of others. I have welcomed people who are very angry about the new protocols. I have encountered people thinking it is all a big hoax. I have heard from people very hurt because their precarious health means they cannot attend (because they are heading the expert advice). I have met people utterly selfish and un-communal and it's all about me and Jesus in that order. I have celebrated with people just so thrilled to be back with the community, fully aware of the deficit of missing parishioners they long to see and worship with.

Me I have no answers, just observations and questions. I wonder about what this says about us as a Eucharistic community, about how we are supposed to be the protectors of the Common Good, looking out for others as a priority. I fail to see that as part of the conversation now. Maybe these meaty and meaningful conversations have taken place at levels beyond my pay grade, where these important and far ranging decisions are made, and maybe the scale and scope of those dialogues are just not filtered down to us, but there is just an un-ease about where

we are at as a parish, a diocese and a Church. I've seen no evidence of sober second thought, and that scares me, but we will plug along and try to make the best of a wearisome situation and await the return of the fullness of community. It struck me hard this past Sunday when the Our Father started at the 9:30 mass and there were no children to come up and sign and sing the Lord's Prayer. Yes, something is most definitely missing.

Fr. Roy



Hot Off the Press? UPDATE

R.C.I.A.

With another Diocesan Webinar under our belt, there are a few more signs of moving forward. We already received the go ahead for baptisms and that is underway already. See the note below. The topic of Initiation arose for those in the RCIA who should have been received into the Church through baptism, confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil. Obviously that did not happen, and although Limbo is not a n official doctrine of the Church, that is precisely where the elect in the RCIA find themselves. The proper time for their celebration would be the Easter Vigil, but the Cardinal recognizes that it should be celebrated sooner than that. The Cardinal has suggested that perhaps during some weekday celebration these patiently waiting people celebrate their initiation soon. We hare presently in conversations with the team as to our go forward plans.

First Communion & Confirmation

Of course, first Communion and Confirmation came up as an important discussion point. The over riding principle was that these young people deserve to celebrate in the midst and fullness of the Community. Celebrations where only one third of the congregation is permitted to be present just doesn't cut it. The thought is that whenever we can open up as a full community we can celebrate these sacraments of initiation. This means that Communion and Confirmation celebrations are on indefinite hold. I'm kind of glad because these young people need to be surrounded by their community of faith as a powerful sign to them that we love them and are so happy they take this next step into our Church life.

Parish Office

In terms of the Parish Office, the Government has still not opened up our offices for general business. The recommendation is that the Office staff start working a couple of hours a week in the Office but most of their work to continue to be done at home. Appointments with the priest should be done when other people are in the building, and the priest should not be meeting people without Office staff on the premises, whether it be for meetings or reconciliation. Any Office business must abide by the social distancing policies and other recommendations.

Groups, Meetings & Entering the Premises

Finally, the Parish remains closed for all events, meetings and people entering the building. Since there are required documentation and disinfecting protocols, people may enter only for dire matters and only after having consulted with the Parish Office for permission. In other words, unless it is to meet with the priest, or attend one of the services, no one is allowed to enter the building until the Government relaxes some of its policies and with the opening of restaurants and malls, will likely be sooner rather than later.

High School Bursary

It is that time of Year when the Knights of Columbus and the Catholic Women's Guild honour our outstanding young people who are graduating high school and who have made valuable contributions to the life of our Parish. This year we have eight recipients whom we honour with a token bursary to show how much we appreciate them, and offer them a bit of pizza money for the academic pursuits come the Fall. This year we award bursaries to:

In alphabetical order:

Amanda F. - U of T for Life Sciences

Stephanie F. - U of Guelph for Chemistry

Hope Mc. - Algonquin for Pre-health Sciences

Luke M. - Durham College for Business Marketing

Jacob M. - Apprenticing Plumber

Joshua M. - Humber for Electrical Program

Matthew O. - George Brown for Culinary Mgmt.

Sheida S. - Georgian for Law

Good Luck and Thank You All.

Baptism News



We are now permitted to celebrate baptisms with a number of restrictions. We are in the process of contacting all the parents who have completed the Baptism Preparation to sign up for dates. We can only celebrate with one family at a time, so our Sunday afternoons will be busy for a while as we schedule three families over the course of the afternoons.

Let us pray for the sick...

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