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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

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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!



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Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 27, 2022



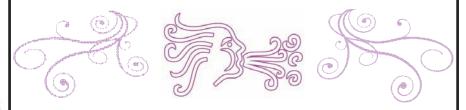
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Deacon Stephen Pitre

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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, March 28th

10am: Bernice Richards Req. by: Liz Pottie

Tuesday, March 29th

10am: Jill Gorman Req. by: Liz Holmes

Wednesday, March 30th

10am: Theresa Tan, Theresa Vu,

Bentre Trinh Req. by: Sister

Thursday, March 31st

10am: Vincenzo Linardi Req. by: Josie Linardi

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://sicses.blogspot.com/
p/donate.html

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

Parish Office Hours

The parish office hours will now be Monday to Thursday from 9am to 3pm with the hope of increasing those hours over the coming weeks. Friday's we will be remote. We ask that you continue to call ahead should you need to stop by the office.

Parish **H**Giving

March 20th

Offertory \$ 3,327.30 SES Building \$10,105.00

Month of March PAG

(Pre-authorized Giving)

Sunday Offertory \$4,372.00 SES Building Fund \$ 322.00 ShareLife \$ 465.00

Ruminations

The other night was a beautiful evening. I was inspired to get out and go for my walk. It was fresh and I still donned my gloves, and I was glad I did. The stars were twinkling and there was a magnificent full moon. It struck me that it was the last full moon of the winter. Funny enough, that helps determine the date of Easter. Easter falls on the first Sunday following the first full moon of Spring. The weather was conducive to getting out into the yard and at least survey the grounds and plan. It was a wonderful day just enjoying the sunshine and removing the Christmas lights from the trees at the front of the church. If you remember a few years ago, on the Easter weekend, we had this heavy snowfall that bent those junipers almost to the ground. We worked hard to remove the snow and stake up the trees with a hope and a prayer that the trees would recover. As I was taking the lights down, it was marvelous to see how well they had recovered and grown full and lush, except for two or three of them. Those ones still look sad and I think they need to come down this Spring. For two years the hedges have grown freely and are in desperate need of some heavy trimming. Put it on the list. It is funny, but there was lots of signs of growth. The hellebores already have blooms ready to open. The bulbs are all pushing through, and some of the primrose already have opened blossoms. The blueberry bushes have swollen buds, and lots of hostas are pushing up. The most prolific growth though was weeds. Weeds and weeds and more weeds. Put it on the list. I started up the lawn mower to make sure the tractor was ready for that wonderful day when the lawn needs to be cut, or should I say I tried to get it going. I think it needs to be serviced anyway, and one of its tires is totally flat. Put it on the list. The island gardens need to have all the plastic fencing removed. The plastic was mostly shredded by the amount of strong winds this winter, but I think they served the purpose of keeping much of the salt out. It was supposed to be done by now. Put it on the list. The Christmas star was still hanging over the front door and this required a trip up onto the roof, so yesterday before the funeral I hiked up there and lowered the star until it fall. I got to cross that off the list. After surveying the property, there is lots to get done, like finishing the cedar hedge on the south side, and planting trees in the front when the junipers are removed, and placing some planters in front of the dumpster, and cleaning out the alcove at the front, and pruning the maple tress, and maybe a garden on the north side of the entrance, and... just put it on the list. Happy, back-breaking Spring.



Fr. Roy

Announcements and Events......

Week or Reconciliation

Each year, the Archdiocese hosts a week of Reconciliation during Advent & Lent. This is a

wonderful frequency to reflect on our life and what we need to work on to become free. It is not an admission of 'badness', but rather an exercise of growing as a person. This up-coming week, March 28—April 02 is our Week



of Reconciliation. We have set aside various times so people can participate in this healing sacrament. The dates & times are:

> Monday, March 28, 10:30 am - 11:30 am; Tuesday, March 29, 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm; Wednesday, March 30, 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm; Thursday, March 31, 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm; Saturday, April 02, 2:30 pm—3:30 pm.

(Please note that the Monday & Wednesday time slots are conditional in case a funeral arises.) All the parishes in the Archdiocese are hosting their own celebrations on their own schedule. Check their websites for times and opportunities.

Ukrainian Relief Fund:

In addition to praying for the situation, parishioners can contribute to the Ukrainian Relief Fund, which the Archdiocese has established to help suffering Ukrainians.

Funds raised will be directed to ORAT and CNEWA (Catholic Near East Welfare Association). This fund will provide humanitarian aid and refugee resettlement support to Ukrainians.

Parishioner are able to contribute online by going to: www.archtoronto.org/en/contact-us/ donations/donate-pages/donate-tohumanitarian-relief/

or through their parish donation, when they designate their donation to the Ukrainian Relief Fund.



First Communion Dates

FYI - The First Communion retreat dates are posted in the foyer. The retreat dates are Wednesday March 30, Saturday April 02, and Monday April 04. Check the board in the fover. The first communion dates will be posted before next week, once we finalize the dates and track down those who haven't signed up yet.



Confirmation Candidates

Next weekend, April 02 & 03, 2022, our young candidates will be presented with their Confirmation crosses at a little ceremony at each of the Masses. The

Confirmation dates have been posted. Please check the display cabinet for the dates. The Confirmation retreat is scheduled for Thursday, April 07, 2022, from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm.



Fish Fry

Mark your calendars. We are open for business. On Friday, April 08, 2022, we will host our first fish fry in

two years. The fish is frying, the fries are cooking and it will be a great way to enter into Parish life in a fun and delicious way. Details to follow.

Please help us.

We would like an indication of the numbers who are contemplating coming. If you could just send us an email or give us a call. We would like to

Save The Date

Saturday, June 4, 2022 from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

June Ex(travaganza)



Let us pray for the sick...

Alana Brown-Wallace Betty Loft Bruce Firth Kyle Elkie Kathleen Todesco Joshua Perek Donna Stea-Cutting Andy Dube Elizabeth Ryan John O'Rourke Matteo Savella Gerber Aparicio Vito Greco

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Monica Flynn

Thomas Lauber Anna Zaryczanska

During Lent

Stations of the Cross

The Stations of the Cross is an ancient practice started in the early Church with pilgrims who would make their way to Jerusalem. Part of the trip was to walk the very steps of Jesus along the Via Dolorosa leading to the place of crucifixion. It was a spiritual accompaniment with suffering and death of Jesus. It wasn't until 1686 the Pope Innocent XI granted the Franciscan order permission to erect stations in the church. In 1731 Pope Clement XII extended this



permission to all churches provided that a Franciscan father erected them. The number of stations was fixed at 14. Finally in 1862 all churches were permitted to erect 14 Stations without the need for a Franciscan priest to do it.

There are many ways of praying the Stations, and the practice as a meditation has grown to include Stations of Advent, Stations of Christmas, Stations of Creation as well as various versions of the Stations during Lent. Often, the Stations themselves dictate which version is used by the depiction of the story. Many are a combination of folklore and Scriptures. For instance, there is no mention of Veronica wiping the face of Jesus in the Gospels.

Stations of the Cross will be celebrated on Fridays during Lent starting at 7:00 pm. They will not be live streamed.

Divine Office—Lauds or Morning Prayer

The Divine Office or Liturgy of the Hours is the official voice of the Church, answering the call to 'pray always'. It is a means of sanctifying time and has always meant to be communal, the exclusive domain of religious and clergy. In fact, the Second Vatican Council has called the Church to promote and invite this ancient form of Church life into the regular prayer routine of all peoples.

The Divine Office consists of a series of Major Hours and Minor Hours, and these differ in structure. The rhythm of the Liturgy of the Hours include the major hours of Lauds (Morning prayer at about 5 am), Vespers (Evening Prayer at the lighting of the lamps about 6:00 pm) and the Office of Readings (which can be prayed anytime or in conjunction with one of the other Hours.) There are also the minor hours of Matins (about 2 am), Prime (first hour about 6 am), Terce (third hour about 9 am), Sext (sixth hour about noon), Nones (ninth hour about 3pm), and Compline (Night Prayer about 7 pm just before bedtime)

We have on occasion celebrated Vespers or Evening Prayer, and during the blessing of the Easter Baskets, we pray the Office of Readings. Last year during Lent, while the world was locked down, we live streamed Morning Prayer from the Chapel with Deacon Steve. This year again we will offer Monday Morning Prayer. It will be in person and live streamed. We will begin it at 9:30 am on Mondays for those who want to participate in person (we have purchased prayer books for those in person that you may use.)



The Canticle of Zechariah



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