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The Pandemic:

Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 4:30pm

Sunday: 9:30am & 11:00am

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Monday to Thursday: 10:00am

All Masses are live-streamed

\*Polish Mass: 5:00pm on the last Sunday  
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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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# St. Elizabeth Seton Parish

Palm Sunday

March 28, 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

No mass Intentions this week.



# HOLY WEEK

### Offering Envelopes

We still have 385 envelopes that have not been picked up yet. If you have not yet picked up your box of envelopes, please call the Parish Office and we will be happy to help make arrangements to do so. Sorry but we cannot mail them out.



## Offering Envelopes

### Parish Giving

#### March 21, 2021

Offertory	\$5,211.33
SES Building	\$ 35.00

#### Month of February PAG

(Pre-authorized Giving)

Sunday Offertory	\$4,025.00
SES Building Fund	\$ 282.00
ShareLife	\$ 340.00

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## Ruminations ....

I am so thrilled with the results of our carpet ride. It was such a long time coming delayed by the pandemic by over a year. The carpet crusaders deserve a lot of credit for their persistence and work to tackle this much needed project. Of course it has created a movement to turn the attention to the carpet in the hall. With that under our belt, it is time to turn our thoughts to Easter decorating, inside and outside. Probably what has gone unnoticed is the pair of poinsettias that look almost as good as they did when they arrived before Christmas. I have never had Christmas plants survive all the way to Easter. I would like to attribute it to a green thumb, but I think it is more about a miracle than my prowess with poinsettias. Just as poinsettias are synonymous with Christmas, Easter lilies and hydrangeas are expected for the Paschal season. The problem is that Christmas extends just over two weeks whereas Easter lasts a lengthy seven weeks. Easter lilies are good for two weeks at best, or maybe three if we are lucky. And hydrangeas are just very high maintenance and unless we provide additional light for them, they are lucky to last a month. The outside flower urns and planters are dependent upon the weather. Easter this year is so early that typical plants are not ready. The other consideration is removing the Christmas flora. They are pretty solidly iced in. I was hoping that the warm Spring days would have allowed them to be pulled out, but as I donned my shorts and tee shirt to remove them, I soon learned that they were all just blocks of ice. I remember hearing stories from my parents and grandparents of ice blocks being cut out of Lake Wilcox in Oak Ridges, and these ice blocks were buried below ground to preserve them for the warmer months, long before every house had a refrigerator. So I pulled and I yanked and I tugged and I managed to get some out. Funny enough, the planters that had lots of exposure to the sun were fairly workable though the soil remained a solid block. Those more shaded, well the only solution was to cut them off at the base. Now that they are emptied, the next question is what can go in the planters. Well despite their name, at this time unless there is an incredible heat wave, nothing can be planted – no tulips or hyacinths or crocuses or pansies. Luckily the planter queen has offered to help. Maryanne is coming down from the north (if she is not snowed in) to lend her expertise. She asked me if I have various garden tools, like a trowel, or mini cultivator, or sharp fiskars. Of course I have the typical array of tools, but then she asked if I had an ice pick and mini-ax. I was just a bit confused so she explained that no matter how warm it may be between now and Holy Saturday, we will be dealing with ice and if anything is to happen in those planters, we will be chipping and chopping to make room for whatever plants we can find. With the weather forecast for next week, the chances of a thawed medium is remote, and in fact, the cold weather returning might mean that whatever had already softened may harden up again. So I asked her if I also need to wear lumberjack equipment to dress up the urns and planters for Easter. Late April Easters are way easier.

*Fr. Roy*



## Announcements and Events...

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### Holy Week Reconciliation

There are several opportunities to celebrate the sacrament of Reconciliation in preparation for Easter.



Monday, March 29: 10:30 am - 12:00 noon  
Tuesday, March 30: 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm  
Wednesday, March 31: 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm  
Thursday, April 01: 10:30 am - 12:00 noon

### Holy Week Schedule

Please note that each celebration is restricted to 100 people only. **You will need to sign up for a reservation.** Reservations will be made by calling the Parish Office on Monday, March 22 from 10:30 am until 12 noon or on Wednesday, March 24 from 10:30 am until 12 noon. We will not take reservations from emails. Any messages left on the phone will be processed after the Wednesday, March 24 deadline. Please remember that the vulnerable population should be very discerning in their desire to come.

Holy Week will be a much different experience as many of the liturgical treasures of this season will be curtailed. No typical distribution of Palms on Passion Sunday. (Please note that those who do not attend Palm Sunday can still pick up palms following the 11 am Mass until 1:00 pm.) No washing of the feet, no procession of the Eucharist on Holy Thursday; no procession of the cross as we have become accustomed to celebrating on Good Friday; no baptisms or initiations, no outside bonfire and blessing of the Paschal Candle at the Vigil.

**Palm Sunday:** Saturday @ 4:30 pm  
Sunday @ 8:00 am, 9:30 am & 11:00 am  
(Palms will be handed to you on the way out)

Thursday, April 01, 7:30 pm **Mass of the Lord's Supper**

**Good Friday,** April 02, 1pm & 3:00 pm (there will be no veneration of the Cross and no distribution of the Eucharist)

**Easter Vigil,** Saturday, April 3 @ 8:00 pm (this will be about two and a half hours)

**Easter Sunday,** April 04: 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:00 am

### CWG NEWS

All ladies of the Parish are welcome to join the St. Elizabeth Seton CWG. The Membership fees for 2021 are now due. The Renewal for current CWG members is \$10 and all New Members will be \$15 (includes a CWG pin).

Cash or cheque (Payable to: St. Elizabeth Seton CWG) can be dropped off at the church mailbox or mailed to: St. Elizabeth Seton CWG, 17955 Leslie St. Newmarket, ON L3Y 9A4

Please contact Anna Brown (CWG Communications) with any questions at: [annapb64@gmail.com](mailto:annapb64@gmail.com). We appreciate your continued support. God Bless and Stay Safe.

### First Communion

Please pick up the First Eucharist Workbook in the Front Foyer. We are planning for the celebration of First Communion during the Easter Season.

### Confirmation Candidates for this Year

You can pick up a package of your reflection forms at the back of the Church. Pandemic permitting we are planning on celebration confirmations in the Easter Season.

### Fish Fry

Thank you for your support over the years. It has allowed us to contribute \$4,000 to the New Carpet Project. Unfortunately we will not be holding our annual Lenten Fish fries this year. In the mean time, please support our local restaurants as they can sure use the help. Remember to order early. We hope to back bigger than ever next year. On behalf on your Fish Fry Committee Happy Easter Everyone.

### 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 Marccone  
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  
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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  
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Geber Aparicio

## Monday Morning Prayer Holy Week

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)

Like the deer that yearns  
for running streams,  
so my soul is yearning  
for you, my God.

My soul is thirsting for God,  
the God of my life;  
when can I enter and see  
the face of God?

My tears have become my bread,  
by night, by day,  
as I hear it said all the day long:  
“Where is your God?”

These things will I remember  
as I pour out my soul:  
how I would lead the rejoicing crowd  
into the house of God,  
amid cries of gladness and thanksgiving,  
the throng wild with joy.

Why are you cast down, my soul,  
why groan within me?  
Hope in God: I will praise him still,  
my savior and my God.

My soul is cast down within me  
as I think of you,  
from the country of Jordan and Mount Hermon,  
from the Hill of Mizar.

Deep is calling on deep,  
in the roar of waters:  
Your torrents and all your waves  
swept over me.

By day the Lord will send  
his loving kindness;  
by night I will sing to him,  
praise the God of my life.

I will say to God, my rock:  
“Why have you forgotten me?  
Why do I go mourning,  
oppressed by the foe?”

With cries that pierce me to the heart,  
my enemies revile me,  
saying to me all the day long:  
“Where is your God?”

Why are you cast down, my soul,  
why groan within me?

Hope in God; I will praise him still,  
my savior and my God.

Glory to the Father....

### Psalm Prayer

### Canticle

Come to our aid, O God of the universe, and  
put all the nations in dread of you! Raise your  
hand against the heathen, that they may realize  
your power.

As you have used us to show them your holiness,  
so now use them to show us your glory.  
Thus they will know, as we know, that there is  
no God but you.

Give new signs and work new wonders; show  
forth the splendor of your right hand and arm.

Gather all the tribes of Jacob, that they may  
inherit the land as of old. Show mercy to the  
people called by your name; Israel, whom you  
named your first-born.

Take pity on your holy city, Jerusalem, your  
dwelling place. Fill Zion with your majesty,  
your temple with your glory.

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.

## **Psalm**

The heavens proclaim the glory of God  
And the firmament shows forth the work of  
your hands.  
Day unto day takes up the story  
And night unto night makes known the mes-  
sage.

No speech, no word, no voice is heard  
Yet their span extends through all the world.

There he has placed a tent for the sun;  
It comes forth like a bridegroom coming from  
his tent,  
Rejoices like a champion to run its course.

At the end of the sky is the rising of the sun;  
To the furthest end of the sky is its course.  
There is nothing concealed from its burning  
heat.

Glory to the Father...

## **Psalm Prayer**

### **Reading**

### **Responsory**

By your own blood, Lord, you brought us back  
to God.

- **By your own blood, Lord, you  
brought us back to God.**

From every tribe, and tongue, and people and  
nation.

- **you brought us back to God.**

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the  
Holy Spirit

- **By your own blood, Lord, you  
brought us back to God.**

## **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**

- **Lord, have mercy on us.**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

**Prayer  
Blessing  
Dismissal**

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