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Mass Times During  
The Pandemic:

Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 4:30pm

Sunday: 9:30am & 11:00am

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

St. Vincent de Paul Society:

905-898-4264

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of York Region: 905-770-7040

Catholic Cemeteries: 905-889-7467

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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**

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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

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 9, 2021



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## Pastoral Team

Fr. Roy Roberts, Pastor

Deacon Marian Pawlitzko

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, May 10th

10am: Special Intentions  
Req. by:

### Tuesday, May 11th

10am: Helen Dutschek(D)  
Req. by: Liz Pottie

### Wednesday, May 12th

10am: Special Intentions  
Req. by:

### Thursday, May 13th

10am: Valeriy Galatsan (D)  
Req. by: Cupe 1571

### Offering Envelopes

We still have 350 envelopes that have not been picked up yet. If you have not yet picked up your box of envelopes, please email the Parish Office and we will be happy to help make arrangements to do so. Sorry but we cannot mail them out.



### Parish Giving

#### May 2nd

Offertory	\$2,570.00
SES Building	\$ 160.00

#### Month of April PAG

(Pre-authorized Giving)

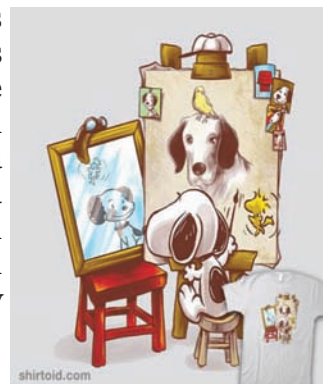
Sunday Offertory	\$4,025.00
SES Building Fund	\$ 282.00
ShareLife	\$ 340.00

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

## Ruminations ....

My dad and I didn't agree on too much, especially when it came to art. I am a huge fan of the Group of Seven and my dad had absolutely no appreciation for them. My aunts (actually my dad's aunts, and my grandaunts) made a point of taking the four brothers to McMichael Art Gallery every summer. I remember meeting A.Y. Jackson though I was too young to know what a privilege it was to meet such an icon. It remains as my closest brush with fame. There was one artist that we both enjoyed and that was Norman Rockwell. I was never sure why dad liked him and I had a hunch that it was because they both shared the same first name. We had a couple of Norman Rockwell framed posters, and a couple of sets of the Bradford Exchange decorative plates, and at one point I had a Norman Rockwell Christmas Village thought I think it has found its home somewhere else and seeing as I have more stuff than I could possibly need, I won't be calling for it any time soon. Well on Sunday morning before the one mass of the day at 11:00 am, I had a rather leisurely, civilized morning. I got the Toronto Star crossword puzzle completed, and walked through the gardens to check on what new plants were springing up, and I had a couple of errands to run. It was so relaxing and peaceful and I think I could get used to it very easily. As I was driving along one of the roads, there was a very cute, 'Rockwell-esque' scene that was unfolding. Life in the real world on Sunday mornings are kind of foreign territory for me as for the last 31 years, Sunday mornings are rather scripted and busy. The luxury of a relaxed slow paced entry into the day is a rarity. FYI traffic on Sunday mornings is rather sparse and a drive out in the rural roads can be thrilling. It was on my way back to the Church for mass that I noticed a tricycle rolling along the sidewalk being followed, well more like being chased by a mom pushing a baby in the carriage. The little tot was racing to the end of the sidewalk and was approaching an intersection and a stop sign. This was just the time when I had approached the same intersection and had rolled to a stop. I was making a right turn and I guess as traffic rules go, it was my right away, but the scene was just too cute. I was going to take a picture but I thought I might look like a creepy old man. The mother caught up to the tricyclist and grabbed the handle bars and signalled for me to make my turn. Well, it was such a great relaxed morning and I was in no hurry so I signaled for her to cross, I would wait. But I guess she had an abundance of caution, but I would have nothing of it. I waved her along again, and she was still a bit hesitant. I wanted to roll down my window and tell it that it was just too cute and beautiful to ignore, and I wanted to enjoy this moment. It was one of those moments that would carry its preciousness for the rest of the day. So she began to cross at a very slow pace as the tricycle tried to race across as quickly as two year old legs can peddle. I chuckled to myself as I gave a thumbs up to the toddler and a smile and a wave to mom. It was a Norman Rockwell moment to be sure and very appropriate on this day which is dad's birthday. Happy Birthday dad.

*Fr. Roy*





## Announcements and Events...



### Knights of Columbus

Thank-you for your continued support of our Knights of Columbus initiatives that contribute to local charities.

Most of you will remember that we have always been involved in the Ontario K of C Car Draw which is a major fund raiser for all of Ontario with the main recipient charities being the Arthritis Society and Special Olympics. In addition, our council always receives a portion of the money raised for our own charities like SVDP, local food banks, Rose of Sharon, and Pediatric Cancer care.

This year we are participating in the Knights of Columbus on-line 50/50 draw, a draw will be held every 3 months, with the winner receiving 50% of the sales!

There will also be monthly early bird draws for more chances to win! **Draw values will be updated regularly in the bulletin.**

**Please use this site to purchase tickets for the 50/50 Draw:**

<https://ontariokofcraffle.5050central.com/?olc=10586>

### Confirmation Candidates

One of the little known traditions of the Church is the practice of those seeking admission to the sacraments like ordination and confirmation is to write a letter to the Bishop (or his priest representative) asking for him to allow the celebration of the sacrament. You young people are required to write such a letter. To help you with this task we have emailed your parents a guide of questions to give you direction. This exercise is to invite you to think deeply as to why you desire to be confirmed, to make sure your grey matter is activated. We want you to ask yourself why you want to make this step in your faith journey. Feel free to contact Fr. Roy or Jennifer if you want to discuss what to say.

This project is for your benefit and the more you put into it the more you will get out of it.



## Announcements and Events.....

### First Communion & Confirmation

The best-laid schemes of mice and priests, often go awry. Well, the latest restrictions have certainly thrown a monkey wrench into our plans for the celebration of First Communions and Confirmations. Just as all the schedules had been finalized and plans formalized, we have been locked down until at least May 20th.

Undeterred, as soon as things open up again to what we would hope would be at least our 15%, we are going to jump on the opportunity and welcome our young people to the table of the Lord in First Communion, and complete the initiation of our young people with the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Please keep watching the bulletin for updates and vital information. What a tale our young people will be able to tell their children and grandchildren about when they made their First Communion and Confirmation. Who would ever believe such a tale?!!!

### Parish Office Hours

The Archdiocese has moved us back into Phase One of Parish Office hours. What this means is that whatever can be done at home is done from home. Our Office hours effectively are all done remotely. No one is in the Office and no drop by appointments are permitted. If you want to get in touch, the best way is to email the Parish. You can phone and leave a message but these are picked up once a day if Fr. Roy can remember the password. This will likely be the case until May 20. We can arrange pick up and drop off of items in the Parish mailbox outside the Parish Office Entrance.

### Let us pray for the sick...

Alana Brown-Wallace  
Greg Quattrin  
Tarcisia Borg  
Warren Pettifer  
Mary Ann Ferrer  
Larry Yarush  
Alain Geraiis  
Betty Loft  
Bruce Firth  
Massimo Marcone  
Rosa Santos  
Judy MacDermott  
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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

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  
Geber Aparicio

# Report on the work of the Newmarket Society of St. Vincent de Paul for the year 2020.

1 May, 2021

## *Dear Fellow Parishioners,*

First of all, thank you for your continued financial support. Combined, the people of Newmarket donated \$125,857 toward the work of our society in 2020 - almost all of that money coming from the parishioners of the two Newmarket parishes of St John Chrysostom and St Elizabeth Seton. This was an amazingly generous response in the circumstances. So, how did we use the \$119,889 that we spent of your donations?

Our Conference offers four main ways of helping the families and individuals in need who come to us:

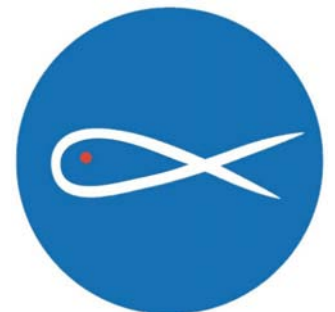
1. **Good Food Box:** A monthly package of fresh vegetables and fruit valued at \$15 from the York Region Food Network; larger families in need may receive this twice per month. In 2020 we sponsored 748 of these Good Food Boxes - \$11,220.
2. **Grocery Food Cards (Food Basics/Metro):** Families and individuals in need also need to buy other groceries not available in the Good Food Box and may request food cards from our Society for this purpose once every 3 months - \$20 per family member plus \$20 for the household. Is this enough? Of course not, but it is all our budget will allow at present. In 2020 we distributed food cards to a total value of \$39,100 to 228 different families and individuals in need. However, if we are to increase the frequency of grocery aid from every 3 months to every 2 months, we would need to budget an extra \$19,550 - an increase of 50%.
3. **Christmas Programs:** This last year, pandemic constraints forced us to abandon the traditional way of selecting stars from the Giving Tree and bringing gifts. Nevertheless, your financial gifts this past Christmas enabled us to provide Christmas cheer for approx. 280 individuals who are seniors, shut-ins or families in shelters. In addition, your contributions to our Christmas Program for families with children enabled 136 of our families in need to buy food and gifts for 195 adults and 307 children. We reported separately on this already in January of this year. The total value of these two programs was \$53,181.
4. **Special Needs:** They say that most families in Canada are just one, two or three pay cheques away from being homeless. Sometimes a family finds themselves in a crunch and needs a leg up or a helping hand to keep their home (for example) or to have a decent bed for a senior with a health condition. We have a budget of \$500 per month to help one or two such families at a time.

Last year it is estimated that your Vincentians, all volunteers who see their work as a ministry to the Body of Christ, spent over 4,000 hours ensuring that your donations went to the people who needed assistance, especially food assistance – for the low cost of only 2% on administration.

If being a Vincentian sounds like something you would be interested in finding out more about, please call our food assistance line and leave a message: (905)898-4264. Someone will get back to you within a few days. We are especially in need of men and married couples.

To support us financially, you can DONATE (once-off or monthly) by credit card by going to our web site: <https://sjcses.blogspot.com/p/donate.html>

Shalom  
Terry McCann  
President  
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