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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: 905-898-4264 Website: sjcses.blogspot.com

Catholic Community Services of York Region: 905-770-7040 Catholic Cemeteries: 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

Solemnity of the Christ the King

November 22, 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 November 23rd 10am: Joseph Chetcuti (I) Martha Chetcuti Req:

**Tuesday November 24th** 10am: Vincent Masci (D) Wilma & John Blove Rea:

Wednesday November 25th 10am: Duncan Drummond (D) George Emmett Rea:

Thursday November 26th 10am: Francesco Ferrante (D) **Tim Christie** Req:

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

Parish office has been reduced to Monday and Wednesday from 9am to Noon for **APPOINTMENTS ONLY.** 

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

Stav safe and Stav well

#### **Offering Envelopes**

Offering The parish offering envelopes will be available for pick up in Seton Hall starting the weekend of November 7th/8th. You are also welcome to pick them up during our office hours Monday or Wednesday between 9 am and noon, please call ahead to make arrangements for pick up. The envelopes will be in

numerical order so please take note of **your envelope number**.



Sunday November 15th \$7,168.00 Sunday Offertory SES Building Fund \$ 841.00

#### **Month of September PAG** (Pre-authorized Giving)

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Sunday Offertory	\$3	,182.00
SES Building Fund	\$	272.00
ShareLife	\$	240.00
THANK YOU FOR YOUR ONGOING		
SUPPORT DURING THESE		
UNPRECIDENTED TIMES. STAY		
WELL AND STAY SAFE. GOD BLESS.		

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

I must confess that the brief respite of uncharacteristic November weather last week was most welcomed and extremely enjoyable. Finally the gardens got to bed for the winter. I kept thinking back over the years and I can't remember another such oddity in November. I remember being bundled up for Hallowe'en excursions, enveloped in snow mobile suits for the Santa Claus parade, and even enduring snow ball fights at school. I guess I am dating myself since snow balls are not allowed at school anymore. We had a designated area and if you entered the danger zone, you were at your own peril. I think my real memory of this time was watching dad making preparations for the mandatory skating rink in the front vard. Our vard was pretty plat but a couple of wooden planks here and there secured into the snow bank that had been carefully mounded on the perimeter ensured that the rink was nicely defined. It was right close to the house and so an errant shot could mean disaster for the windows. I remember putting a puck through the kitchen window one day and mom was none too pleased. It was one of those dread evoking situations about wait until your father gets home. Well, when dad did arrive home, his surprise and excitement that I had raised the puck that high was obvious, much to mom's chagrin. Sometimes moms just don't get it. Much the same could be said about the dents and puck marks all over the side of the fridge. But the magic usually happened at night, after we had gone to bed. Dad would drag the hose up from the basement and attach it to the kitchen sink. Then he would open the window and sit on a kitchen chair with his hand outside squeezing the nozzle to bathe the burgeoning rink with water. When we woke up in the morning, there was a fresh new layer of ice coating the four corners of the rink. So when we got home from school it was skating time. There was always a small chair outside for those skating beginners to use for balance was they learned proficiency on the ice. The front yard rink was kind of short lived, a reality for just a couple of years because when we reached a certain age, we were allowed to go skating on the big pond at the back, the big boys rink. There was a little fire pit to be able to warmly don and doff the skates. I remember that November and December could be brutally cold, and that it seemed that winter started in earnest by mid-November at the latest. Summer clothes were safely tucked away and mitts and hats started crowded the hot air register in the middle of the kitchen floor, hockey sticks were stacked at the back door, and the winter boots and skates created a treacherous obstacle course down the hallway. Long before the stores starting playing Christmas music, and before the frenzy of Christmas



shopping, it was the arrival of the November sows that signalled the coming of Christmas. And now, in the liturgical life of the Church, it is this feast of the feast of Christ the King that ushers in the season. And to boot, it is the anniversary of the dedication of the Worship Space. 'Tis the season.

Fr. Roy

#### Announcements and Events...

#### Sacramental Corner.....

#### St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Programs.



The St. Vincent de Paul Society is launching its 2020 Christmas Programs this weekend. Due to the pandemic, we will not be able to have a Giving Tree as we have had in the past where families could take stars and purchase gifts. Instead, the Christmas Program and the Giving Tree are being combined to

programs. For the Christmas collect donations for both Program that serves our families, your donation will continue to go towards the purchase of grocery gift cards for parents and gift cards from a local store so that parents can purchase a gift for the children in their family. For the Giving Tree program we will be accepting monetary donations that we will use to purchase gift cards for those living in group homes and to purchase select gifts that will be assisted-living homes for them to delivered to the wrap and distribute. Even under the current pandemic situation, your gift will still make a difference in the lives of those often left out at this special time of year. Any amount helps spread the joy and magic of Christmas to those in our community who need our help. Donations can be made before November 27 using envelopes that can be mailed to or dropped off at your respective parish or placed in the collection basket. You can also make donations via Canada Helps at https://www.canadahelps.org/ en/dn/42029. This link is also available on the St. Vincent de Paul Facebook page at www.facebook.com/ <u>ssvp.sjcses</u> or on the parish web sites. Donations can be made up until Sunday, November 29.

Thank you for your generosity.

#### **Time for New Carpeting**

We need to work on getting new carpet for the church & the hall. There are many reasons none the least of which is that the Insurance Company on their annual inspections have singled it out as a priority (and I think there is an implied or else in there). The building committee has been working to get pricing and arrangements and colours and the like. The long and the short of it is that the church prices out at \$30,000 and the Hall comes in at just over \$20,000. The CWG has pledged \$5,000; the Knights have pledged \$2,000 (with more to come depending on the sale of the Christmas trees so buy a tree) and the Fish Fry has committed \$4,000. We are almost half way

there for the church. The church is the first on the priority list so as soon as we reach the magic \$30,000 we will proceed with its installation, and later if and when we can cover the cost of the hall, it too will be done.





The 2020-2021 *Living with Christ Missals* and the *Children's Missals* are now for sale. \$5.00 for the adult missal and \$7.00 for the children's missal. Please call the

parish office Monday or Wednesday between 9am and noon to make arrangements for pick up.

#### **Diligence**

The Cardinal has empathically reminded us that if we have any hope of keeping the churches open for some semblance of Christmas, we must be extra diligent in observing the Safe Worship Protocols. Maintain six foot distance, wash your hands, and do not dawdle after Mass but go to your cars. 

#### Next year's First Communion

Please be aware that registration for this years First Communion have ended. We look forward to our time shared with the parents and children in the coming months.

Next Year's Confirmation Candidates

Because things are still in flux, how confirmation will unfold next Spring is an unknown. We will be getting in contact with last years candidates and we will be accepting registrations for this year in the near future. Please keep an eye on the bulletin.

# <u>The Red Zone</u>

As of Tuesday, November 24, 2020, all Catholic churches in the Toronto, Peel & York Regions are limited to 50 people at any liturgical celebration, be it Sunday Mass, weddings, baptisms or funerals. The Cardinal has directed this action in compliance with the local medical officers.

With our scheduled first communions and their families who have reserved seating, this will severely limit the attendance of anyone else. There may only be room at the Inn for 10 additional parishioners. The doors will be closed once we reach the allotted number and the number 50 will be strictly adhered to. Parish halls may not be used to extend this number.

No meetings are to take place in any church facilities at this time, and the Parish Office will return to phase 2 of the operations, which means it is extremely limited. The Parish Office is available only two days a week for appointments which will be Monday and Wednesday from 9am to noon, and all visits must be scheduled. There will be no walk in or spontaneous appointments. Much of the work will be done remotely.

#### 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** Helen Bromley Massimo Marcone Rosa Santos Taylor Luck Judy MacDermott Kyle Elkie Maria Cavallini

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 Lindsay Sawyer

Zeny Jose Irene Zbyszyinski Edward LaPenta Adam Wood Mayling Meueses Frances Leggo Russel Scott Elizabeth Ryan Dave Dailey Lindsay Veltman Elcy Cerres Tony Vigliotta Francie Niekamp E. Turnbull Amy McBride

