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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

St. Vincent de Paul Society: 905-898-4264 Website: sjcses.blogspot.com

Catholic Community Servicesof York Region:905-770-7040Catholic Cemeteries:905-889-7467St. John's Cemetery905-889-7467

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

Thirty-Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

November 7, 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

Monday, November 8th 10am: Mark Stefanutli Req. by: Frank Tolazzi

Tuesday, November 9th 10am: Frank Murphy Req. by: Alex & Margaret Millar

Wednesday, November 10th 10am: Mat Hatzimalis Req. by: Valerie & Ross Price

Thursday, November 11th 10am: REMEMBRANCE DAY

Our Next Project

We have been able to check off some major undertakings during the pandemic. Hopefully you have noticed the new lighting throughout the building, and the new carpeting in the church (please wipe your feet before entering). Once again the CWG & Knights will be spearheading our next endeavour, and that is to replace the carpet in the parish Hall. If you are able to help out and support this project, it would be greatly appreciated. We have no expressed timeline for completion but the sooner we gather the funds, the sooner it can get done, and if it looks half as good as the new carpeting in the church, it will be fantastic.

The **Bulletin** is remaining **paperless** for now and can only be found on line on our Parish Website.

Just think of all the trees we are saving.





October 31st	
Offertory	\$4,968.00
SES Building	\$ 385.00
Month of October	PAG
(Pre-authorized Giving)	
Sunday Offertory	\$4,135.00
SES Building Fund	\$ 282.00
ShareLife	\$ 440.00

Ruminations

November was a great time for school. First, the Catholic schools always had All Saints' Day off. The public schools still were in the classrooms and it was a tradition to walk past the school while they looked out the classroom windows longingly at us. I know it was a faith statement of the significance of this holy day but part of me thinks that it was a self-defence ploy on behalf of the teachers. Who in their right mind would want a room full of young people hyped up on Hallowe'en sugar rushes? I'm not sure when the Catholic school system stopped offering All Saints' Day as a day off. And it was just a few days later when we were off from school again – November 11, Remembrance Day. Now in Holland Landing, we had no Cenotaph to focus any attention. For us it was not a very exciting time. Most of the Hallowe'en goodies were gone, and depending on the weather, which was always chancy at best, we may be stuck in the house. Of course there were no computer games to distract us, or play stations to entertain us or for that matter, there was nothing worth watching on television, on those two black and white channels that we received via our television antenna. No matter what we were or were not doing mom summoned us around 11:00 o'clock for a minute of silence as some trumpet player played on the television. There were never any real war stories circulating in our family lore. I guess that is one of the benefits of having a family tree that falls between the dates of world wars. So I am not sure whether mom was that patriotic or, with four young, rambunctious boys at home, she probably loved the momentary reprieve of the minute's silence. The first formal involvement with Remembrance Dav was in the Parish in Victoria Harbour. The three churches took turns each year in providing music at the cenotaph across the road from the Catholic Church. Of course, on the shores of Georgian Bay, November can be blustery, and snowing and rainy and windy all at the same time. Such was the case when it was our choir's turn but we gladly assembled clad in winter coats, scarves, mitts and umbrellas and sang as loud as we could to be heard over the howling wind. We did something a bit unexpected, we also sang the national anthem in French which hadn't been done before which I found hard to believe in a very bilingual area. Not sure if anybody heard it over the wind but it was so nice when it was over to return to the warmth of home. Even though I had completed my basic training with the Navy and been commissioned, what hit home for Remembrance Day was when my nephew entered the military, and thought of him being deployed in some of the crazy parts of this world brought a whole new appreciation and fear of loss that accompanies the meaning of this Day. So whether our family



story includes military loss, or like my family seemed to be able to fit in between the wars, every once and a while it is a good thing to pause and reflect upon the gifts of our freedoms and the sacrifices that cost the lives of generations. As much as we are called to remember, lest we forget, we are called to be thankful and live the responsibilities that such gifts entail. Happy Remembrance Day.

Announcements and Events...

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Hallowe'en Candies for Kids

Once again we are sponsoring our "Candies for Kids". We invite you to share a bit of your Hallowe'en stash with children who do not have the opportunity to enjoy this activity. If you have any extra goodies that you can share then please drop them off in the Church fover between November 1st



SUNDAY

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and the 14th. The candies will be delivered to "Canadian Food for Children" an organization started by Dr. Simone.

St. Vincent de Paul **Christmas Program**

The St. Vincent de Paul Society would like to remind you that they are accepting donations for their Christmas Program and Giving Tree Program. Donations can be made using the special blue envelopes available at the back of the church. Donations can also be made on-line through Canada Helps at https:// www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/42029. In order to best serve our families, please have donations returned by November 28.

Thank you for your generosit



The Adult Sunday Missals have Arrived

The Sunday Missals which begin on the first Sunday of Advent (beginning November 28 are available. At Press time, the

The Recent Lifting of Restrictions

Children's Missals haven't arrived. The Adult

book is \$5.00 and the Children's book is \$7.00.

As exciting as it is to hear of tentative timelines as to when things will open up, nothing changes for us in the Church—yet. The seating capacities can only change with a reviewing of everyone's vaccination status and Cardinal Collins has said that the parishes will not check Vaccine Passports for Sunday Mass though the wearing of masks remains mandatory except for those with proof of medical exemption. Other parish functions are bound by law to do so, but Sunday Worship will not be monitored as this time.

Knights of Columbus Christmas Trees

As the news is recording the possibility of a shortage of toys for Christmas, Christmas trees are in the same spot. Insect damage and weather has severely limited the availability of trees. It has take nine months but the Knights have secured a limited number of trees, all one kind of tree. They will be arriving for sale on the first weekend of Advent, November 28. Last year they sold out in the first week so a word to the wise...

A Chalice Christmas

Chalice is a Canadian initiative of providing tools to help developing people create a sustainable life for chalice themserves. Tou can part animals, plant and trees, health care, themselves. You can purchase farm household necessities, infant care items, clothing and winter wear and a whole lot more. There is a whole catalog of wonderful Christmas gifts you can offer to that person you just don't know what to get, or for the person who has everything. This is a great way to make a small but important impact on a whole community's life. Check them out at:

chalice.ca

Movember is Here

November is the month dedicated to men's health awareness month. affectionately named Movember. It is a time when growing facial hair is a testimony of defiance against

diseases that affection men like prostrate or testicular cancer or men's suicide. Support the cause.



Let us pray for the sick...

Alana Brown-Wallace Betty Loft Bruce Firth Kyle Elkie	Rose Marie Scott Wanda Tolazzi Sean Coen
Mary MacDonald Kathleen Todesco Joshua Perek Donna Stea-Cutting Andy Dube Adam Wood Elizabeth Ryan E. Turnbull Mat Hatzimalis	

**If you have a loved one you would like on our Sick List please call the parish office or email us. We will keep your loved on our list for 4 weeks. Thank you. **



A Step Forward...

Commencing this weekend, there are a couple of notable changes that we can implement.

- **NEW** At this time, we invite all those parishes who were offering seating in every third row to shift to every second row. (*This means we go from 22 peus axailable to 31 peus that are now in use.*)
- **NEW** Based on advice from our health and safety experts, parishes can resume congregational singing. Choirs and cantors should maintain their current safety protocols of 3 metres of physical distancing from



anyone else in the church or they should wear a mask while singing. (At the time of publication we are awaiting clarification as to whether this means that the choir books can be returned to the pews.)

- **NEW** The entrance procession and closing recession may take place again at this time as long as those involved are appropriately distanced and wearing a mask parishes are still encouraged to minimize the number of people in the sanctuary. Parishes should continue to refrain from offertory processions at this time. (*This means that the collection basket will not be passed through the congregation, but will remain at the back of the church by the Baptismal Font.*)
- Contact tracing remains a best practice. Some parishes have shifted to a self sign-in approach to minimize the need for additional volunteers. If you are not employing a method of contact tracing at your parish, you need to be able to communicate directly with parishioners via e-mail, website, text or other method in the event of a positive Covid-19 test.
- A reminder that parishes can return to pre-pandemic cleaning procedures. If a recent visitor to the parish reports a positive Covid-19 test, then the parish should disinfect the church.
- Masks are still mandatory for the duration of the Mass except for those who have proof of a medical exemption.





