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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

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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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# St. Elizabeth Seton Parish

Twenty-Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time September 12, 2021



## Pastoral Team

Fr. Roy Roberts, Pastor

Deacon Marian Pawlisko

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, September 13th

10am: Charlie McCarthy  
Req. by: Terry & Jan Caffery

### Tuesday, September 14th

10am: John Comper  
Req. by: Canadian Martyrs Friends

### Wednesday, September 15th

10am: Mike Shields  
Req. by: Al & Theresa Fleischaker

### Thursday, September 16th

10am: Marg North  
Req. by: Carol & Roy Richard

## 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.

## Parish Giving

### September 5th

Offertory	\$5,282.50
SES Building	\$ 800.00

### Month of August PAG

(Pre-authorized Giving)

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

## Ruminations ....

Sometimes I'm not sure that Mother Nature knows how things are supposed to work here in the Great White North. Sweltering oppressive humid summer days are not meant to go on for weeks at a time. We are not tornado alley, and seasons aren't meant to change with a toss of the switch. Going from summer to autumn overnight isn't just a shock to the rhythm of life, just as we are getting somewhat comfortable with being uncomfortable, but it wreaks havoc with gardening schedules like weeding and watering and fertilizing. Anyway, the long weekend started fresh and cool on Friday morning, cool enough to inspire some overdue tasks that the heat delayed. So early in the morning, while it was still long sleeve shirt weather, I started attacking the parking lot island flower beds. The day lilies were far spent and in desperate need of some pruning and plucking. I never realized just how many day lily plants we have over the six islands – over 125 plants, many needing to be divided. Now for about three weeks in the middle of the summer, these plants that seem to miraculously survive the exorbitant winter salting regimen and still bloom, explode in to a vast array of yellows, oranges, reds, and even a few pinks in there, towering over the spread of leaves on stems that soon dry hard and brown, and thus need to be pulled to keep the plants looking presentable. As the blooms are finishing the bottom layer of leaves begin to dry and die so they need to be trimmed. Friday morning turned into Friday afternoon and into shorts and t-shirt apparel. I could feel the sun burn forming on the back of my neck but it was such a lovely day and it felt good to be able to get down and dirty. It was the first time that the gardens got an end to end weeding, pulling out the obvious culprits and being able to dig into the ones hiding amidst the plants themselves. The soil was getting turned over and despite the eventual cramping of my hands because of yanking on all the spent stacks, it was a beautiful day of bending and getting on hands and knees. As the early afternoon started fading into later afternoon, my pace definitely began to slow, and the pauses between plants began to get longer. After I chased the rascally rabbit across the parking lot (Let's be honest, it wasn't much of a chase – he would take a few hops, stop, look back at me taunting me into a race –off – I would feign a sprint until he left eh vicinity). At last the last of the stems and leaves were raked up and put into the wheelbarrow and deposited into the dumpster. I sat down on the couch very self-satisfied and content that the job was finally done. I breathed a big sigh of relief and slept the sleep of the just; that was until the next morning. The first indication of the woes to come was the pain of crawling out of bed, struggling to lift my legs into the shower, and the agony of descending the stairs. The quads, hamstrings, calves, lower back, and arms and hands were all in revolt like some great conspiracy of getting even with me, making me pay dearly, for their gross underuse and then their excessive overuse. But perhaps it is Mother Nature reminding me I'm not in control, and just as summer disappears into fall, youth disappears into those autumn years, well maybe late summer years, but who's counting. Where does the time go?

*Fr. Roy*



**Stuck in Limbo**

Parish life is still on hold. Directions were for the Parish Office to open full time commencing September 13, but that has subsequently been revised and the Parish Office remains on restricted hours and operations until the Government of Ontario moves us beyond the current phase - whatever it is called or whatever colour it is.

The only stage that will really matter is the removal of the six foot distancing requirements. That will allow us to open up the venue for meetings and activities. Currently the Parish Hall is partially opened for limited meetings but the preference of the diocese is still for those activities that can be done on social platforms should continue to do so until further notice.



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**First Communion Registrations**

Most of the first communions from the spring of 2020 and the ones from 2021 are almost completed. The pandemic has sure complicated that last couple of years. At this time we still do not have complete plans for the up-coming journey with the new registrants but we are hopeful that we will be allowed to offer our regular preparations. Time will tell.

To that end we are now accepting registrations for the young people seeking to celebrate their first communion in the Easter season of 2022. We can pick them up at the entrance table in the Church at the Sunday masses (which includes Saturday evening). The registration form will need to be handed in no later than September 26. The registration form will need a copy of the child's baptism form with it.

If your child was registered for 2021 and you have opted to defer it again, you will need to re-register for the upcoming spring. We are not holding over any forms or certificates as we need to start afresh for our own sanity and organization.

**Confirmation Registrations**

We are accepting registrations for those young people seeking to complete their baptism through the Sacrament of Confirmation. Registration forms can be picked up at the entrance table at Sunday Mass. They must be returned by Sunday, September 26 with a copy of their baptism certificate attached.

**Please note:**

Registration forms for both First Communion and Confirmation are only available at the Sunday masses. We will not be emailing them or leaving in the mailbox and they are not available from the Our Parish Office during the week.

**Let us pray for the sick...**

Alana Brown-Wallace  
Betty Loft  
Bruce Firth  
Kyle Elkie  
Mary MacDonald  
Albina Barber  
Kathleen Todesco  
Joshua Perek  
Donna Stea-Cutting  
Andy Dube  
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**\*\*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. \*\***

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