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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 Website: sjcses.blogspot.com

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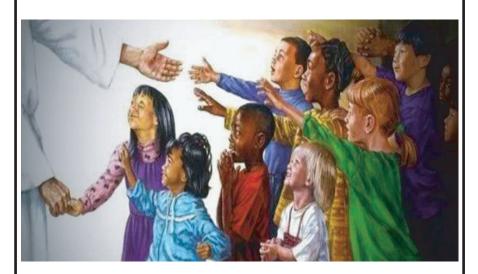
New Parishioner? Welcome to St. Elizabeth Seton! If you would like to register, forms are available at the church entrance or the parish office. Parishioners with a change of address, please inform the Parish office. Envelopes may also be acquired at the office. Please introduce yourself to Fr. Roy Roberts after Mass!

> 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

Twenty-Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time

September 19, 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

Monday, September 20th 10am: Mike Shields Req. by: Carol & Roy Richard

Tuesday, September 21st 10am: Giacomo & Bruno & Alfredo Tolazzi Req. by: Frank Tolazzi

Wednesday, September 22nd 10am: Rose Ternes Req. by: Senger Family

Thursday, September 23rd 10am: Milla, Aurora, Govaani, Bruno, Nicolina & Maria Pieciulin Req. by: Frank Tolazzi

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.

St. Vincent de Paul

You can donate online to the Newmarket conference: https://sicses.blogspot.com/ p/donate.html



September 12th	
Offertory	\$4,318.25
SES Building	\$1,948.75
Month of August (Pre-authorized Giving)	PAG
Sunday Offertory	\$4,025.00
SES Building Fund	\$ 282.00
ShareLife	\$ 340.00

Ruminations

If I remember correctly, and as time goes on, that is becoming more and more of an assumption, the first time I got to vote in a federal election was in 1979. Back then the voting age, the drinking age, and the age to be able to give blood without parental consent was 18 years of age. It was a big deal and I remember walking over to the tiny Town Hall on Main Street, Holland Landing to do my duty. It was nearing the end of High School and preparing to embark on a university career, I was feeling pretty grown up. The Member of Parliament that I remember was John Roberts - no relation but he was replaced by Sinclair Stevens. I come from a mixed religious background. Mom and dad were both Catholic, Irish Catholic, but dad's side of the family were all protestant, Irish Orange, but that also meant that I was reared in a politically mixed family - all those Protestants were life-long staunch, card-carrying conservatives, while the Catholic side were all indelibly red liberal. The expressed wisdom of never discussing politics and religion in polite company was devised precisely for our family gatherings. For the most part, everyone abided by those rules – for the most part. Things always changed in the advent of an election. Luckily for the most part, we children were sent outside to play when the discussions were getting, let's say, directed, and we were only too happy to oblige. When I came of voting age, of course there were those little tugs aside for good ol' sage wisdom from the old Protestant farmers about the glory of tory blue and the evil of devil red. Dad had warned me what might be coming and his only advice was to keep my cards, my politics, and my thoughts close to my chest. It seemed that my old aunts still thought there was hope for me for the election process, that there was still time to keep me from going over to the dark side. The day came and so I got off the bus from school and headed to the Hall. This was something I needed to do by myself. I wasn't sure what to expect as I opened the doors and went in. It was kind of fitting that I was walking into the same building where for years we celebrated our post Santa Claus Parade festivities, snaking around lines of candies and goodies to sit on Santa's lap and get a picture taken. It seemed like old home week. I either knew all the adults at the tables, or they knew me – such is life in a small town. I did have to show my driver's license, not to prove who I was, but to prove that I was old enough to vote. In a town where most of the officials had known me before I even knew myself, there were lots of comments about remembering me when such and such or fill in the blanks, and of course it was hard to believe that the end of high school and voting for the first time was all happening. I can't remember whom I voted for, the important thing was that I participated. I think I am much more sceptical about politics and politicians, spurred by my mom's often expressed caveat that she didn't care what I chose in life so long as it was not a lawyer

or a politician, and despite my desire to have an added column at the bottom of the ballot, "None of the Above – start over", I still exercise my freedom to vote because at we see so many oppressed countries, it is not just a privilege, it is a duty. $\mathcal{F}r. \mathcal{R}oy$



Announcements and Events...

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Stewardship Sunday

Cardinal Collins has designated this Sunday as Stewardship Sunday. He has recorded a homily for the Archdiocese and it can be found on our Facebook page in its entirety or on the



Cardinal Thomas Collins' Pastoral Letter on Stewardship www.archtoronto.org/**stewardship**



Archdioceses Website. He has also prepared a Pastoral Letter that is available to all parishioners. Copy of this Pastoral Letter is available at the back of the Church as you leave Mass. Please pick one up.



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> Contact: Marge & Gerard McCauley at <u>gerard.marge@rogers.com</u> or (905) 792-1925 Website: <u>wwme.org</u>

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 Adam Wood Elizabeth Ryan E. Turnbull **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. **



