

Saint Elizabeth of Hungary Roman Catholic Church

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Office hours Tuesday to Friday 9 to 3.

English masses: Monday to Saturday at 7.30 in the morning
Sunday's 12 o'clock mass is English and Hungarian

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CHURCH BULLETIN

Number 45 - Saint John Lateran - November 9, 2008

Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome, Nov 9, 2008.

Readings:

Ez 41:1,2,8-9,12; 1Cor 3:9-11,16-17; Jn 2:13-22

Responsorial Psalm:

„The waters of the river gladden the city of God.”

PRAYER INTENTIONS:

- 9:00** ☩ for our mother's 96th birthday – daughters, grandchildren and grand-grandchildren
☩ for +Domino Mária and +Gyula – Sütő family
☩ for +Bernát Lajos - wife
☩ for +Mátes Anna – sons, Miklós and Ervin
- 10:30** ☩ the living and deceased members of Men's Club
☩ for 80th birthday of Sinka Ilona – Binns, Rudmik and Sinka families
☩ for Mentés Laci and Kató – Bonnay family
☩ for the recovery of Taskovics István - Diósady Levente and Klára
☩ for +Gyula – his widow
☩ for +mother and her +husband – Léránt Etelka
☩ for +Farkas Imre – Rémiás family
☩ for +Molnár Erzsébet and +Edna Joseph – family
☩ for +Kertész Mária - Nóra
☩ for +cousin – Molnár Mária
☩ for +Stadler Mihály - family
☩ for +dr. Záhonyi József – son and family
☩ for +Hannes Irka – Szenteleki Liliane
☩ for +Meszesán Mihály –family
- 12:00** ☩ for the recovery of Kristóf Jutka – Kökényesi Júlia and husband
☩ for the 17th birthday of Sárika with gratitude – family
☩ for +Domokos Antal and +Nagy Erzsébet - Forrai family
☩ for +Paál Imre and +Júlia - Teresa

10. Monday

- 7.30 for the intention of the Jesuit General
8.00 for the intention of the Jesuit General
19.00 for our candidates for confirmation

11. Tuesday

- 7.30 for +Gilbert Tellis
8.00 for +Galambosy József – family
19.00 for our Cursillo movement

12. Wednesday

- 7.30 for our deceased Jesuits
8.00 (1) for Pál – Etelka
(2) for +Rajnyák György and +Mária
19.00 for the intentions of the Jesuit General

13. Thursday

- 7.30 for Jesuit vocations
8.00 for deceased Hungarian Jesuits
19.00 for Jesuit vocations

14. Friday

- 7.30 for +Thomas and +Nora Crawford
8.00 for +Andorfi Ernőt – Lents Mihály
19.00 for the Hungarian Pax Romana

15. Saturday

- 7.30 for our Jesuit provincial's intention
8.00 (1) for +Szepesi Antal – daughter and family
(2) for +Gábor Ödön – daughter
9.45 for the students and teachers of our Hungarian school

Baptism: Henderson Jasmine, Kocsis James

Funeral: Kuchta Jolán (90)

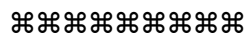
EVENTS

◆ **November 9** Church Bazaar, 9-2 P.M. ◆ **14** Movie Night at 8 P.M: "The Queen" ◆ **23** Lángos sale ◆ **30** Bake, sausage and book sale ◆ **30** First Sunday of Advent

For the calendar of our events please visit our homepage: szenterzsebet.org

NEWS

LIFETEEN Mass and - Presentation by Mark Tiller
St. Paul's First Letter to the Christians in Corinth -
1 Corinthians in its entirety. Sunday, November 9, 2008, St.
Paul the Apostle Church, 190 King Street St. S., Alliston.
LIFETEEN Mass at 6:00 p.m. followed by a 7:30 p.m.
feature presentation by Mark Tiller. He is a talented
dramatist. Within moments of his stepping on stage you are
transported back to the Apostle Paul's time. You start to feel
like a member of the Corinth congregation, hungry for
Paul's words on how we were to live together as a faith
community. St. Paul the Apostle Church in Alliston has
been designated as one of the pilgrimage sites in our
diocese for the Jubilee Year of St. Paul, where a plenary
indulgence may be granted in the canonically prescribed
manner.
Cost of admission is \$10.00 for adults. Students are free.
This is a fund raiser for our youth ministry, LIFETEEN &
The Edge Programs.



Since November the 17th is the feast day of our
patron saint, **St. Elizabeth of Hungary**, we
included her short biography.

Elizabeth was probably born in Pressburg, Hungary.
A sermon printed in 1497 by the Franciscan Osvaldus de
Lasco, a church official in Hungary, is the first to name
Sárospatak, perhaps building on local tradition. The veracity
of this account is not without reproach: Osvaldus also
transforms the miracle of the roses (see below) to
Elizabeth's childhood in Sárospatak, and has her leave
Hungary at the age of five.

According to more contemporary sources, Elizabeth
left Hungary at the age of four, to become betrothed to
Ludwig IV of Thuringia. In 1221, at the age of 14, Elizabeth
married Ludwig; the same year he was crowned Ludwig IV,
and the marriage appears to have been happy. In 1223,
Franciscan monks arrived, and the teenage Elizabeth not
only learned about the ideals of Francis of Assisi, but started
to live them. Ludwig was not upset by his wife's charitable
efforts, believing that the distribution of his wealth to the poor
would bring eternal reward; he is venerated in Thuringia as a
saint (without being canonized by the Church, unlike his
wife).

It was also about this time that the priest and later
inquisitor Konrad von Marburg--a harsh man and a true
product of his age--gained considerable power over
Elisabeth, when he was appointed as her confessor.

In the spring of 1226, when floods, famine, and
plague wrought havoc in Thuringia, Ludwig, a staunch
supporter of the Hohenstaufen Frederick II, Holy Roman
Emperor, represented Frederick II at the Reichstag (Imperial
Diet) in Cremona. Elisabeth assumed control of affairs and
distributed alms in all parts of their territory, even giving away
state robes and ornaments to the poor. Below the Wartburg
Castle, she built a hospital with twenty-eight beds and visited
the inmates daily to attend to them.

Elisabeth's life changed irrevocably on 11
September 1227 when Ludwig, en route to join the Sixth
Crusade, died of the plague in Otranto, Italy. His remains
were returned to Elisabeth in 1228 and deposited in
Reinhardtsbrunn; on hearing the news of her husband's
death, Elisabeth is reported to have said, "He is dead. He is
dead. It is to me as if the whole world died today."

After Ludwig's death, his brother Heinrich Raspe of
Thuringia assumed the regency during the minority of
Elisabeth's eldest child, Landgrave Hermann II, Landgraf of
Thuringia (1222–1241).

After unsuccessful attempts to force her to remarry,
she became affiliated with the Third Order of St. Francis, a
lay Franciscan group, but perhaps without becoming an
official Tertiary, and built a hospital at Marburg for the poor
and the sick with the money from her dowry.

In 1231, Elisabeth died in Marburg at only 25 years
of age.

Very soon after the death of Elisabeth, miracles
were reported that happened at her grave in the church of
the hospital, especially miracles of healing. On the
suggestion of Konrad, and by papal command, examinations
were held of those who had been healed between August,
1232, and January, 1235. The results of those examinations
was supplemented by a brief vita of the saint-to-be, and
together with the testimony of Elisabeth's handmaidens
(bound in a booklet called the Libellus de dictis quatuor
ancillarum s. Elisabeth confectus), proved sufficient reason
for the quick canonization of Elisabeth on 27 May 1235 in
Perugia.

Elisabeth is perhaps best known for the legend
which says that whilst she was taking bread to the poor in
secret, her husband asked her what was in the pouch;
Elisabeth opened it and the bread turned into roses. This
miracle is commemorated in almost all images of the saints-
-prayer cards, statues, paintings. One famous statue is in
Budapest, in front of the neo-Gothic church dedicated to her
at Roses' Square (Rózsák tere).

Another popular story about St. Elisabeth, also found
in Dietrich of Apolda's Vita, relates how she laid a leper in
the bed she shared with her husband. When Ludwig
discovered what she had done, he is said to have snatched
off the bedclothes in great indignation, but at that instant
"Almighty God opened the eyes of his soul, and instead of a
leper he saw the figure of Christ crucified stretched upon the
bed.