

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 both in English and in Hungarian

Jesuit priests: Szabolcs Sajgó (pastor), László Marosfalvy (associate pastor) – retired: Balázs Jaschkó

Number 10 – 2nd Sunday of Lent – March 8, 2009

CHURCH BULLETIN

Founded in 1928 **1949 - 2009** Sixty years in the service of Hungarians in Toronto The Hungarian Jesuits

Readings: Gen 22.1-2,9-13,15-18; Rom 8.31-35,37; Mk 9.2-10

Responsorial Psalm: "I will walk before the Lord in the land of the living."

PRAYER INTENTIONS:

- - elhunyt Várfi és Laczkó családtagokért
 - +Birinyi Alexért Kristóf Jutka
 - +Dolmányos Ferencért felesége és cs.
 - ➡ +Kulcsár Józsefért sógornője és cs.

 +Jeskó Jánosnéért (Szlovákia) – Klári és Mónika

- +édesapáért Kovács György és családja
- +Gáti Alexander-ért wife and family

10:30 X a KFT tagjaiért

¥ Pál Ilonka felgyógyulásáért
¥ hálából, Szendi Ilona 80. Születésnapjára
¥ dr. Novák Anna felgyógyulásáért – Mária
¥ Alexis születésnapjára – nagyszülei
¥ Roginics Sarolta felgyógyulásáért – Horváth Ilona és családja

- +Kain Pálért és +Máriáért Juhász család
- +Agárdi Sándorért felesége és családja
- ➡ +Remsei Istvánért és +Józsefért cs.
- +Molnár Erzsébetért leánya és családja
- + P. Solymár atyáért Juhász család
- +Antonio Bottini-ért leánya és családja
- 🗨 +Tóth Tivadarért Bartha Marika
- +Fodor Annáért Benyó család
- +Varga Eszterért és +Szőcs Ibolyáért Link család
- 🗨 +Padányi Istvánért családja
- +Pálinkás, +Lipták és +Szandeczky cs.tagokért
- +feleségéért, Margitért Feri

12:00 % egyházközségünkért

- % Vulevic házaspárért (élő)
- + Hegedüs Balázsért, +Ferecért és +Éváért
 Annamária
- Hajtó Júlia +édesapjáért Alt Márta és a Fehér család

Monday, March 9; St. Frances of Rome

- 7.30 for +Catherine Lee Joanna
- 8.00 father's intention

Tuesday, March 10;

- 7.30 for father's intention
- 8.00 for father's intention
- 19.00 for our Cursillo movement

Wednesday, March 11;

- 7.30 for father's intention
- 8.00 for father's intention
- 11 a.m. +László Farkas funeral mass
- 19.00 for the spiritual renewal of our congregation and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursday, March 12;

- 7.30 for father's intention
- 8.00 for father's intention

Friday, March 13;

- 7.30 for +Zsuzsa Mali mother and brother
- 8.00 for father's intention

Saturday, March 14;

- 7.30 for +Matthew Meagher
- 8.00 for the spiritual renewal of our congregation
- 16.30 for the Hungarian community in Toronto

A Glimpse of the Mystery

Fr. Phil Bloom

Bottom line: God can give a glimpse of the mystery of Jesus - and the human person.

On the Second Sunday of Lent we always read a Gospel account of the Transfiguration. It reminds us that we only see a tiny part of the mystery of Jesus - or, for that matter, the mystery of another human being.

Dr. Peggy Hartshorn, president of Heartbeat International, tells a dramatic story about a woman who glimpsed the mystery of her unborn child. The young woman was seeking an abortion. She simply could not handle having a baby at this time. But she agreed to an ultrasound. When the baby appeared on the screen, the woman was amazed to see the perfectly formed body, the tiny legs and arms moving inside her womb. But the woman kept saying, "No, no, I have to have an abortion." Dr. Hartshorn felt sad. She knew that seventy-five percent of women who see an ultrasound decide to keep their baby - but that a quarter, nevertheless, still have the abortion. It seemed like this woman would be in that twenty-five percent. All of sudden, Dr. Hartshorn's assistant said, "Reach out and take your baby's hand." Dr. Hartshorn thought, "Oh, gosh, why is she saying that?" But the woman raised her hand and touched the monitor. As if by some divine cue, the baby stretched out his arm to the exact place of his mom's hand. On the screen his tiny fingers met hers. She kept her baby.

There is a mystery inside each one of us the mystery of the image of God. How beautiful it is when we glimpse the divine reflection in another person. Maybe we had looked at that other as an inconvenience, even a nuisance. But then God showed us something marvelous about the other.

We certainly see that in today's Gospel. Jesus was taking the apostles to Jerusalem, where he would become an object of shame they would run away from. On the way, however, he lead them up a high mountain and, as St. Mark says, "he was transfigured before them and his clothes became dazzling white." They saw a glimpse, a tiny glimpse, of who Jesus was. That would sustain them through some dark moments.

Now, God can reveal himself instantly as with the Transfiguration of Jesus - or the ultrasound of that tiny baby. But we need to prepare our hearts. Jesus had spent long months teaching and conversing with the disciples, especially Peter, James and John. Only then did he give them this glimpse of his inner reality. Likewise, we need time with Jesus - by praying and studying his Word - to open ourselves to who He is.

Set aside time to pray and study God's word. Open your heart to God. He can give a glimpse of the mystery of Jesus - and the human person. Like Peter we will say, "It is good that we are here!"

EVENTS

The Archdiocese of Toronto is pleased to welcome Jim O'Leary as the new Publisher/Editor of The Catholic Register, Canada's oldest Catholic weekly newspaper.

Mr. O'Leary was most recently a partner in a privately held book publishing and photo marketing company based in Toronto. Prior to that he was Executive Vice-President/General Manager at Sun Media's online property, Canoe.ca, which he helped launch in 1996, and has held various editorial positions at the Toronto Sun, including Sunday Editor, European Bureau Chief, sports editor and columnist.

"I am excited to join the Catholic Register team", said Mr. O'Leary. "It was a talk from Archbishop Collins about one year ago at my parish that helped me explore my gifts in the context of my faith. This reflection has led to a new opportunity with the Register, a newspaper that has a tremendous history, not only in the Archdiocese of Toronto but across the country – it's a great challenge!"

A product of Ontario's publicly funded Catholic education system, Mr. O'Leary attended Neil McNeil S.S. in Scarborough and is a graduate of the University of Toronto. He is currently an active member of St. Patrick's Parish in Markham, and he and his wife, Bev, are proud parents of four children.

His Grace, Thomas Collins, Archbishop of Toronto, commented on the appointment: "I am excited to welcome Jim O'Leary as Publisher and Editor of the Catholic Register, which has been an important voice, both in our Archdiocese and our country, for more than a century. As a new chapter begins under his leadership, I extend to Jim my best wishes and prayers."

The Catholic Register continues to be in the forefront of debate in the public square. Whether it be education, the battle against poverty or human rights, the Register pages have been a valuable forum for discussion from a Catholic perspective.

Additional information on Jim O'Leary's appointment and the Catholic Register can be found at: www.catholicregister.org