

Saint Elizabeth of Hungary Roman Catholic Church

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> Office hours: Tuesday to Friday 9 to 3 (Monday closed) Masses: Monday to Saturday at 7.30 AM in English

Sunday's at 9 and 10.30 in Hungarian

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

No. 26 - 13th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - June 27, 2010

CHURCH BULLETIN

Founded in 1928

1985 - 2010

Twenty five years on Sheppard – Where to now?

Responsorial Psalm: "You are my chosen portion, O Lord."

PRAYER INTENTIONS:

9:00 hálából a 45 évért – Éva és Gyula

- +Telekesi Gézáért Lipecz család
- +Barbolyás Lajosért özvegye
- 🗬 +Laciért húga, Klári
- +Kispál-Kovács Péterért Mária Kongregáció

Kocsis Tivadarért – édesanyja és családja
 Nicole Rostas 13. születésnapjára, hálából – családja
 a Cursillo és a Mária Kongregáció szándékéra,

köszönettel a sok-sok imáért – Hasulo Ica

+édesanyjukért, Ilonáért – gyermekei és unokája

- +Nyerges-Bognár szülőkért család
- +Kolmann Lászlóért leánya és családja
 +Törőcsik Józsefért és Máriáért leánya
- Marika és családja

+Kispál-Kovács Péterért - Mária Kongregáció

Monday (28) St. Ireneaus

7.30 for +Galambos László – Csányi Margit

Tuesday (29) Sts. Peter and Paul

7.30 for Kareem King, special intentions

Wednesday (30) First Martyrs of the Church of Rome

- 7.30 for Patrick, special intentions Joanna
- 7 PM Erika és Ronald felgyógyulására

Thursday (1) Canada Day

- 7:30 for Etelka and Paul for +Julie Tellis
- 4:30 +Tutzinger Nándorért

Friday (2)

- 7:30 for Phillip, special intentions Joanna
- 7 PM +Kovács Lászlóért és +Szendi Lajosért családjaik

Saturday (3) St. Thomas

 7:30 +Deák Annáért – Kocsis József és családja
 +Nagy, Szabó, és Erdős családtagokért – Nagy Zoltán és Mária

<u>Baptism</u>: László Jonathan, Székely Mira <u>Funeral</u>: Bezdányi Erzsébet (71)

Events

TODAY: 2:30 PM Soccer World Cup in St. Stephan's room (Argentina-Mexico) **July 9.-11.** Retreat in Pickering **11.** 2:30 PM Soccer World Cup Finals in St. Stephan's room **August 21.** Pilgrimage to Midland

Announcements

✤To make the reception of Holy Communion easier, we recommend, for those who have difficulties walking, to sit in the first pews. The Eucharistic minister will come and serve them where they sit, if they let him/her know.

 When someone dies, the mourning relatives and friends need extra pastoral help and community support. Please let us know, if this is the case for you or someone around you.

☆ As you already know, the group of those caring for the sick started to work again in our parish. Please let the church office know if you need a pastoral visit.

Disciple and Teacher

- I wish to become a teacher of the Truth.

- Are you prepared to be ridiculed, ignored and starving till you are forty-five?

- I am. But tell me: What will happen after I am fortyfive?

-You will have grown accustomed to it. / Anthony de Mello /

Unity In Diversity

Fr. Munachi E. Ezeogu, cssp

In a Peanuts cartoon Lucy demanded that Linus change TV channels, threatening him with her fist if he didn't. "What makes you think you can walk right in here and take over?" asks Linus.

"These five fingers," says Lucy. "Individually they're nothing but when I curl them together like this into a single unit, they form a weapon that is terrible to behold."

"Which channel do you want?" asks Linus. Turning away, he looks at his fingers and says, "Why can't you guys get organized like that?"

Unity is strength. That is the main thought on our minds as we come together today to give God thanks for the two great apostles, Peter and Paul. In their lifetime Peter and Paul did not work so closely together. Peter was called directly by Jesus and given "the keys of the kingdom" (Matthew 16:16-18). He is portrayed in icons carrying the keys. Paul, on the other hand, probably never met Jesus face to face. Once a persecutor of the Church, his conversion came about through a vision on the road to Damascus. His inspiration and his style of presenting the gospel came from visions and charismatic experiences. He is portrayed in icons carrying either a sword or a book. Peter and Paul were so different that Peter was surnamed the Apostle of the Jews and Paul the Apostle of the Gentiles. Paul once had a public disagreement with Peter on whether Jewish Christians could eat together with Gentile Christians. (Galatians 2).

If Peter and Paul did not agree in life, they did agree in death. Both suffered the same kind of death, martyrdom, in the same city, Rome, at about the same time, 64-67 A.D. The early Church recognized Peter and Paul as the two pillars of the Church of Christ. This is depicted in an ancient icon with Peter on the right and Paul on the left, each extending a hand with which they bear up the Church. By placing two of them together in one icon, united in lifting up the Church, the Church is sending a message to all her children that they all likewise should be united, in spite of individual and local differences, in building up the one Church of God.

In the early Church there was a tendency to splinter into various factions, each faction claiming to follow the leadership of one of the chief apostles or missionaries. This was one of the reasons why Paul wrote the first letter to the Corinthians. The Corinthians were breaking up into followers of Paul, followers of Peter, and followers of Apollos. Paul reminds them strongly that these human leaders are all equally servants of the one Christ. Christ, therefore, should be their focus and not the human leaders.

So let no one boast about human leaders. For all things are yours, whether Paul or Apollos or Cephas or the world or life or death or the present or the future – all belong to you, and you belong to Christ, and Christ belongs to God. (1 Corinthians 3:21-23)

If division among believers was a problem in the days of Paul, it is even more so today. Like the Christians of Corinth, Christians today are divided, variously recognizing the absolute authority of John Calvin, John Wesley or John Paul. We are like the weak fingers of Linus that cannot embrace one another and unite into a formidable punch. Disunity of Christians is a scandal that weakens the Christian witness to the world. How can Christian churches preach love and unity, forgiveness and reconciliation to the world when they themselves are living in disunity, unable to forgive and reconcile themselves?

Even within the walls of the same Church, there are visible cracks of disunity. Today, the faithful quick to label themselves either as are conservatives or liberals. Conservatives, who often identify with the institutional authority of Peter, wage war against liberals; and liberals, who identify with the charismatic vision of Paul, wage war against conservatives. By combining the feasts of the apostles Peter and Paul, the Church is inviting all her children to look beyond the conservative-liberal divide and discover a deeper level of unity in Christ. The Church of Christ needs the rock of Peter's institutional leadership as well as the vitality of Paul's charismatic vision. Christian unity, like the unity of Peter and Paul, is not a unity in uniformity but a unity in diversity. Today the Church reminds us that, even though as individuals and local communities some will prefer the style of Peter and others that of Paul, we should not let that divide us since we are all, first and foremost, followers of the one Lord Jesus Christ and children of one Father, God.