## Saint Elizabeth of Hungary Roman Catholic Church

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# CHURCH BULLETIN

2011 - YEAR OF THE FAMILY



Founded in 1928

**Readings:** Deut 11,18.26-28.32

Rom 3,21-25.28 Mt 7,21-27.

Resp. Psalm: "Lord, be a rock of refuge for me!"

**PRAYER INTENTIONS:** 

9:00 +Bernád Lajosért - felesége

10:30 Barna szülőkért – család

Puskás és Kemény családok élő és elhunyt tagjaiért Puskás Katalin

Zsike és Gyuri születésnapjára – édesanyjuk Horváth Zoltán felgyógyulásáért –családja, valamint Szalontai Kenéz Mihályné és Gyurcsi Béláné

Farkas Teréz születésnapjára – családja +Deák Borbáláért és Pálért – szeretettel, családjuk Bek és Belső családok elhunyt tagjaiért – család

+Padányi Istvánért - édesanyja

+Leblanc Aladárért - friends and family

+Farkas Lászlóért - felesége és családia

+Antal Zsuzsannáért – Somlai család

+Pálinkás Pál nagyszülőkért – P.P.

+ifj. Pálinkás Pál családjáért - P.P.

egyházközségünk elhunyt atyáiért – P.P.

+Páter Vendel jezsuita atyáért – P.P.

+Szakál Ferencért – családja

+Zydron Lászlóért – felesége és családja

+Szakolcay Gusztávért – Valerie és Ákos

+David Lopesért és +Edna Josephsért – családjuk +Molnár Erzsébetért és +Molnár nagyszülőkért –

Marika

+Medgyessy Mihályért – Elek család

+dr. Papp Gáborért - Cursillo

**12:00** az egyházközségért

+Petró Györgyért – lánya, Edit és családja

+dr. Papp Gáborért (Cleveland) -

szeretett családja

## Monday (7) Saints Perpetua and Felicity

7:30 for +Varazsdi Anna – Évi and Zoli

for +Nancy Lee - Patricia Lim

## Tuesday (8) Saint John of God

7:30 for +Iris Towers

for +Nancy Lee - Patricia Lim

Ash Wednesday (9)

7:30 for +Nancy Lee - Patricia Lim

7 PM +Padányi Erzsébetért és szüleiért - unokahúgai +P. Solymár Jánosért – Juhász Sándor és Márta

+Koszonits Imréért – felesége és családja

Thursday (10)

for +Nancy Lee - Patricia Lim 7:30

7 PM Etelkáért és Pálért

Friday (11)

7:30 for Cecilia, special intentions

for +Nancy Lee - Patricia Lim

7 PM a bűnösök megtéréséért

Saturday (12)

for Patricia de Veyra 7:30

for +Nancy Lee - Patricia Lim

The Holy Father's March prayer intentions

General: That the nations of Latin America may walk in fidelity to the Gospel and be bountiful in social justice and peace.

Missionary: That the Holy Spirit may give light and strength to the Christian communities and the faithful who are **persecuted** or discriminated against because of the Gospel.

Baptism: Nicholas Kyra

Tompai József (83) Funeral:

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

March 9. Ash Wednesday. Exposition of the **Blessed Sacrament** for adoration after the morning Mass at 7.30 until the Way of the Cross at 6.20 p.m. March 27. Anniversary of the consecration of our church Luncheon. Please reserve your tickets by Helen Koszonits at 416-638-3355. Adults \$25, seniors \$20, children (age 6-16) 10\$.

❖ The World Day of Prayer 2011 will be held at St. John's Anglican Church on March 11 at 1:30. Address: 19 Don Ridge Drive (Yonge/York Mills). Tel: 416-225-6611. This year's focus is Chile, and the theme is "How many loafs have you?"

#### Salt + Light Television Lent Programming:

Ash Wednesday Mass from the Vatican March 9, 10:30am ET / 7:30am PT | NEW 8:00pm & 12:00am ET / 5:00pm & 9:00pm PT | REBROADCAST. Pope Benedict XVI celebrates the Penitential procession from the Basilica of St. Anselm, followed by Ash Wednesday Mass and the Imposition of Ashes from the Basilica of St. Sabina.

For more information visit saltandlighttv.org. **Lectio Divina** - James 1:19-2:13. March 13, 8:30pm & 12:30am ET / 5:30pm & 9:30pm PT. Lectio Divina is a prayer, a divine reading, a personal encounter with God in Sacred Scripture. Each month Archbishop Thomas Collins leads the faithful through a specific piece of scripture.

Witness - Fr. Andrew Gawrych, CSC. March 10, 8:00pm & 12:00am ET / 5:00pm & 9:00pm PT Fr. Andrew Gawrych, C.S.C. graduated with a Master of Divinity degree from the University of Notre Dame in 2007 and was ordained a Holy Cross priest in March of 2008. After spending several years in parish ministry, he is currently the associate director of the Office of Vocations for his religious community in the United States. Join Fr. Thomas Rosica as he interviews a young, dynamic, priest, author and leader of our time.

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❖ Volunteers will be at the back of the church for all the Masses today to distribute the containers for coins collection during Lent. On behalf of Campaign Life Catholics and Campaign Life Coalition, thank you for your participation and your generosity. To get more information about **Coins for Life** and CLC or if you are interested in volunteering, please call 416-204-9749 or visit www.coinsforlife.org.

#### Saints Perpetua and Felicity (March 7)

No saints were more uniformly honored in the early Christian era than Saints Perpetua and Felicity. The two women were arrested and imprisoned, along with three other Christians, in Phoenician Carthage in 203 A.D. Perpetua was 22-year-old noblewoman with a son a few months old; Felicity a slave with a child not yet born. Their crime was defying Emperor Septimus Severus' prohibition of conversions to Christianity. The account of their martyrdom and courage is one of the earliest historical accounts of Christianity, and one of the most feminist. Read in African churches for the next several centuries, it was treated as nearly equivalent to scripture.

While the five (along with their instructor in faith) were being held awaiting execution, Perpetua's father urged his favorite child to save her life and the life of her baby by renouncing her faith. "Father," she answered, "do you see this vessel--waterpot or whatever it may be?...Can it be called by any other name than what it is?" "No," he replied. "So also I cannot call myself by any other name than what I am - a Christian."

At a trial shortly thereafter, Perpetua refused to offer a sacrifice for the prosperity of the emperors. When the court asked "Are you a Christian?" she answered, "Yes, I am," thereby condemning herself to death.

Felicity had been afraid, that she would not suffer with the rest, because Roman law forbade the execution of pregnant women. In answer to her prayers, her child was born while she was in prison, and was promptly adopted by a Christian couple.

Perpetua had managed to convert their jailer to Christianity, and so the captives were treated well in their final days. The prisoners turned their last meal into an agape, a lovefeast, and spoke of the joy of their own sufferings - thereby astonishing most witnesses, and converting some.

When the day of the Games arrived, Perpetua and Felicity went to the amphitheater "joyfully as though they were on their way to heaven," as Perpetua sang a psalm of triumph. One of the men, Saturnius, although prepared for martyrdom, was terrified of bears. Saturnius was first exposed to a wild boar, which turned upon its keeper, and promptly killed him. Saturnius was then tied up, and exposed to a bear, which refused to come out of its den. As Saturnius had hoped, he was quickly killed by a single bite from a leopard. As he died, he said to his newly-converted jailer, "Farewell: keep the faith and me in mind, and let these things not confound but confirm you."

A wild heifer was sent against the women. The heifer tossed Perpetua, who got up, straightened her hair, and helped Felicity regain her feet. Absorbed in ecstasy, Perpetua was unaware that she had been thrown, and did not believe it until Felicity showed her the marks on her body.

Having survived the animals, the women were to be executed. They exchanged a final kiss of peace. A nervous gladiator tried to kill Perpetua, but failed to finish the job until she guided the knife to her throat. "Perhaps so great a woman...could not else have been slain except she willed it," the Passion observes.

Although the execution in the Coliseum was intended as entertainment, and enjoyed as such by most of the jeering crowd, some of the spectators, inspired by the martyrs' fearlessness, became converts; nor were these spectators the last people who would be encouraged by Perpetua and Felicity, who, even at the cost of their lives, worshipped God and not the state.