

## Saint Elizabeth of Hungary Roman Catholic Church

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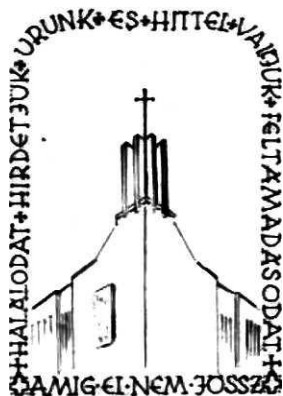
**Office hours:** Tuesday to Saturday 9:30 to 3:30, Sunday 10 to 1

**Masses:** Monday to Saturday at 7.30 AM in English

Sundays at 9 and 10.30 in Hungarian, at 12 bilingual

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in 1928

# 6<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 13, 2012 CHURCH BULLETIN 20/2012

**Readings:** Acts 10.25-26, 34-35, 44-48

1Jn 4.7-10 Jn 15.9-17

**Resp. Psalm:** *The Lord has revealed his victory  
in the sight of the nations." (Ps 98)*

### WE OFFER THE HOLY MASS FOR:

**9:00** +Varazsdi Alajos (Évi és Zoli)

+Molnár Erzsébet (férje, fia és unokái)

+Németh Ottóné, szül. Házi Teréz (öccse)

+John Lim (Patricia Lim)

**10:30** Herczeg Alajos és Mónika 50. házassági  
évfordulója, hálaból

John és Elizabeth Gugg (leányuk és családja)

Mária Kongregáció élő és +tagjai (kongreganisták)

+Elek Ilona (család)

+Sepa Mária (lánya, Erzsike és Ilonka)

+Cser Erzsébet

+felesége, Margit (Feri)

+Fabók Leslie (édesanyja)

+édesanyjuk, Kiss Katalin (Fésűs és Nagy családok)

+Szakál Ferenc (családja)

+édesanya (fia, Radocsay Mihály és családja)

+János, József és Teréz testvérek (Magda)

+Papp Valéria (lánya, Zsuzsa és családja)

+Bek és Belső családtagok (Illus)

**12:00** az egyházközség (plébános)

+Balatoni nagypapa (családja)

+Theresa de Vietoris (daughter and family)

+Bodó István (Balatoni család)

+Luciano Rinaldi (Balatoni család)

### Monday (14) Saint Matthias

7:30 healing of Steven Park  
world peace

+John Lim (Patricia Lim)

### Tuesday (15)

7:30 successful surgery of Gene Sazon  
end of abortion

+John Lim (Patricia Lim)

### Wednesday (16) Saint Andrew Bobola SJ

7:30 thanksgiving from Sazon family  
the intention of the Jesuit General

+John Lim (Patricia Lim)

7 PM a magyar politikai élet megtisztulása

### Thursday (17)

7:30 souls in purgatory  
our deceased Jesuits

+John Lim (Patricia Lim)

### Friday (18) Saint John I.

7:30 Adrienne, special intention  
Jesuit vocations

+John Lim (Patricia Lim)

### Saturday (19)

7:30 Etelka and Pál

+John Lim (Patricia Lim)

**Baptism:** Gembesh Jasper and Justina

## EVENTS

**Today: Mothers' Day. Greetings to all the mothers  
of the world! ❖ First Communion** at the 12 o'clock  
Mass followed by lunch for the families

**20 Confirmation** at the 10:30 Mass with bishop  
Ferenc Cserháti, followed by a reception

**26 Registration to Hungarian School ❖ Baroque  
concert of St. Elizabeth Scola Cantorum choir at 7 PM**

**27 Lángos sale June 2 Closing ceremonies of the  
Hungarian School, the Scouts, and the Hungarian  
High School 3 ShareLife collection ❖ Seniors' tea  
party at 3 PM (United Hungarian Fund) 9 Closing  
ceremony of the Hungarian School**

❖ Invitation to the annual concert of **St. Elizabeth  
Scola Cantorum** choir "BAROQUE" on Saturday, May  
26<sup>th</sup>, 7 p.m. at St. Elizabeth RC Church. The program  
includes: Bach: Jesu, meine Freude, Vivaldi: Gloria  
and Telemann: 117. Psalm. Tickets: Adults \$18; Senior  
\$15, Student \$10. Following the concert the choir  
invites the audience to stay for a reception and silent  
auction. Information: [scola.cantorum@gmail.com](mailto:scola.cantorum@gmail.com) or  
416 441 9300 or <http://www.scolacantorum.ca/>.

❖ **Marian Day of Prayer** on May 19 from 9:00 a.m. to  
5 p.m. "Blessed the pure of heart." (Matt. 5:8).  
Speakers include: Fr. Tom Lynch on contraception,  
Marino Restrepo on his conversion from self-described

decadent lifestyle, Sr. Ana Maria on the Rosary, Barnabas Nwoye on the Precious Blood devotion. Basilian Marian Shrine of Gratitude, 3100 Weston Road (at Sheppard), Toronto. For tickets/info: [www.MarianDay.ca](http://www.MarianDay.ca), or call 416-251-4245.

❖ Willowdale Presbyterian Church (38 Eglerslie Avenue, North of Sheppard, West of Yonge) is having a **rummage sale** on Saturday June 2, from 10-1. Art, books, jewelry & accessories, housewares, sports equipment, toys, games, DVDs, CDs, etc. Info: 416-221-8373 or [wpch@mycybernet.net](mailto:wpch@mycybernet.net).

❖ The **ShareLife** Community Challenge! A generous parishioner in the Archdiocese has committed \$650,000 toward matching all new and increased gifts to the 2012 ShareLife campaign.

❖ Weekend of prayer and contemplation are offered for **single women**, aged 30 - 50, May 25 - 27. Location: 3377 Bayview Ave. See posted flyer for more information. To register, call 416-927-0720.

❖ All-Day Catholic Event – **New Evangelization** featuring Guest Speaker Michael Voris. The topics being discussed will touch upon the challenges that the Church faces today, how we can respond to these challenges with charity and boldness, and how to deepen our faith and share it with others. Guest performers: Critical Mass, Mags, & Kathleen Dunn. Location: 50 Gervais Drive, Toronto (Don Mills & Eglinton). Date: Saturday May 26, 2012. For more information and to order tickets: 1-888-522-2070 or [www.CatholicChapterHouse.com](http://www.CatholicChapterHouse.com).

❖ **The Shepherd's Trust** would like to thank everyone for their support of the Trust. Your generosity during the November collection was evident, we received \$1,296,000 from Diocesan Parishes and \$328,000 from Religious Order Parishes towards the retirement needs of our clergy. Again, thank you for caring for those who have always cared for us! [www.shepherdstrust.org](http://www.shepherdstrust.org).

## Servants or Friends

By Fr Munachi E. Ezeogu, cssp

I once met a man who told me he had declared war on his pastor because he allows people to receive communion in the hand standing rather than on the tongue kneeling. "They are denying the real presence," he argued, "If they knew that they are actually receiving Christ, they would kneel to receive." In reply I asked him a revealing question, "What would you do if Jesus appeared to you?"

"Oh!" he replied, "I would immediately fall on my knees."

"Good," I said, "But there are people who would simply throw themselves on him out of sheer joy and love for him. Would you say that such people are irreverent?" He kept quiet for a moment as he began to see that it was probably less a question of discerning the presence of Christ in the Eucharist and more a question of one's personal relationship and faith approach to Jesus.

Today's gospel gives us two models of personal relationship to Jesus: as a servant (in Greek *doulos* means *slave*) or as a friend. At any given point in our faith journey one of these two models is dominant. Either we see our relationship to Christ mainly in terms of master-servant or in terms of friend-friend. With the exception of mystics, traditional lay spirituality in the church has usually followed the master-servant model. Jesus is seen more as a master to be feared, respected and obeyed than as a friend to love in intimacy and familiarity. Today's gospel challenges us to rethink our relationship with Christ because, evidently, Christ himself prefers to relate with his disciples as friend to friend rather than as master to servant: "*I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends*" (John 15:15).

Jesus says that he would no longer call his disciples servants. This seems to indicate that he called them servants until then. Our relationship with Christ goes through different stages. First it starts off as a master-servant relationship when we are new to the faith, but then as our relationship with Christ deepens it changes into a less formal friend-friend type of relationship. Why, then, do so many of us stick to the master-servant way of relating to Christ as if it were the only way? Today's gospel is a call for us to move beyond the infant stage, the servant-master relationship, and go over to the adult stage, the friend-friend way of relating to Christ. This will change the way we pray and the way we live. We shall begin to pray better (John 15:7) and to experience more peace and joy in our lives, as people do who are in love.

One objection that is often raised by those who promote the master-servant model of relating to Christ is the concern that we are unworthy. Sure enough, we are not worthy. But Jesus has already taken that into consideration. He reminds us that "*You did not choose me but I chose you*" (John 15:16). If he has decided to chose us in our unworthiness and to love and accept us as we are, then we should not fix our gaze on ourselves and ask, "Who am I, Lord, that you should love me?" Rather we should fix our gaze on him and ask, "Who are you, Lord, that you love me so?"

How can we tell the difference between the irreverence and disrespect shown by those who have no serious relationship with the Lord and true familiarity which grows out of a loving relationship with Him? The key is keeping the Lord's commandments. Yes, God loves and accepts us as we are, but God loves us too much to leave us as we are. We love babies as they are, yet we want them to grow up. God expects us, similarly, to grow in His love. His offer to us of friendship and intimacy with him should not be an excuse for callousness and indifference. Just as God showed His love for us in deed by sending his Son to die for us, so is true love for God always shown in deed by the way we keep the twin commandments of love of God and neighbour. By this we can know if we are truly Christ's friends, because, "*You are my friends if you do what I command you*" (John 15: 14).