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## Saint Elizabeth of Hungary Roman Catholic Church

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## CHURCH BULLETIN – Febr. 24, 2013 - 2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

### TRANSFIGURATION

### IN THE SHADOW OF THE CROSS

**Readings:** Gen 15.5-12,17-18 Phil 3.17-4.1  
 Lk 9.28-36

**Responsorial Psalm:** „The Lord is my light  
and my salvation” (Ps.27)

#### WE OFFER THE HOLY MASS FOR:

**9:00** halából, akik felgyógyulásáért imádkoztak  
(Hasulo Ica)

✠ Simonka István (Simonka Ferenc és családja)

✠ Ven Kadlick (Nóra)

✠ szülők, Tóth Emma és Géza (lányuk, Marika)

✠ Dolmányos Ferenc (felesége, gyermekei és unokái)

repose of the souls of Antonio & Guia Zarate

**11:00** az egyházközség (plébános)

Mária felgyógyulása (Ica)

a máriagyüdi Cursillo (torontói magyar Cursillo)

Hencz atya felgyógyulása (Szendi család)

Kaslik Péter felgyógyulása (Német Ágnes)

Sándor, Lakatos és Lehner családok

(Sándor Margit)

Hummel szülők (Jákó család)

✠ Géczy Izabella (Német Ágnes)

✠ Kapuvári Cecília lelki üdve (Bonnay család)

✠ Bíró Júlia lelki üdve (Bonnay család)

✠ szülők (Zoltán és Kata)

✠ Mária (Ica)

✠ Kosa Consty

✠ Koós-Hutas Gergelyné, Magyarország (fia, Gyuri)

✠ Nagy János (Öcsi és családja)

✠ Hein Alfred Dániel (Oszoli család és barátai)

✠ George Pável (felesége, Marika és családja)

✠ szülők, Tóth Emma és Géza (lányuk, Marika)

✠ Fabók Leslie (édesanyja)

✠ Nagy Sándorné Abelovszky Márta

(férje, lányai, unokái és családjaik)

✠ Fr. Bob Madden, St. Michael's College, U of T

(Julie, Terri és Frank)

#### Monday (25)

7:30 the healing of Dorothy Medina  
the intention of the Jesuit General

✠ Haraszi László (family)

✠ Csáthy Tamás (his widow)

✠ Marlon Fowell (Alexandra Fowell and family)

repose of the souls of Antonio & Guia Zarate

10:00 the funeral Mass of ✠ Nagy Gábor

#### Tuesday (26)

7:30 the healing of Edna Torres

✠ Varazsdi Anna (Évi and Zoli)

✠ Gáspár Éva (family)

✠ Nagy Sándorné Abelovszky Márta

(husband, daughters and their families)

our ✠ Jesuits

repose of the souls of Antonio & Guia Zarate

#### Wednesday (27)

7:30 Jesuit vocations

the special intention of Shirley Suarez

blessings on Pamela De Veyra on her birthday

repose of the souls of Antonio & Guia Zarate

7 PM béke a Kárpát-medencében

Fred Hein (Hári család)

#### Thursday (28)

7:30 the special intention of Wesley Aycardo

world peace

thanksgiving for passing an exam (Nelia)

intentions and wellbeing of Mary Celsus and family

repose of the souls of Antonio & Guia Zarate

#### Friday (1) World Day of Prayer

7:30 Árvai János (Lents Mihály and Anna)

the special intention of Patricia De Veyra

end of abortion

repose of the souls of Antonio & Guia Zarate

7 PM ✠ Lajos (felesége)

✠ Alexander Gáti (wife and family)

✠ Bognár László, évf. (Borúss Éva és Vass Erzsébet)

#### Saturday (2)

7:30 Etelka and Pál

blessings on Noel Viola

Nagy and Erdős families (Zoli and Marika)

repose of the souls of Antonio & Guia Zarate

3:30 Roma Hungarians in Toronto

#### PARISH EVENTS

**Today, February 24** Schnitzel and Bake sale of Caritas  
**March 2** Mass of the Roma Hungarians in Toronto  
**3** Lángos sale  
**6** All Day Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
**9** Day Time Savings begins ❖  
March Break – No Hungarian School  
**10** Bake Sale

to support the orphans of Fr. Bőjte ❖ Trip of the Altar Servers to Omnimax, Science Center.

**16 March Break – No Hungarian School and Scouts 17** Anniversary of the Consecration of our church; Luncheon at 12:30; to order tickets, please call Nora at 416-493-5133 (adults \$25, youth \$10, free under the age of 6) ❖ Saint Elizabeth Scola Cantorum Lenten Concert, conducted by Imre Oláh at 2:30 ❖ commemoration of the 1848 Revolution in the Hall at 5 PM **24 Palm Sunday** ❖ Bake Sale of the Married Couples Club.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

❖ The **World Day of Prayer** is being held at Blessed Trinity R.C. Church, (Finch and Bayview) on Friday, March 1st, at 1:30 P.M. with refreshments to follow. Everyone is welcome. There will be 6 neighbouring churches taking part – Church of the Incarnation, Forest Grove United, Trinity Presbyterian, St. John's Anglican, St. Elizabeth R.C. and Blessed Trinity R.C. Church. The women of France have written the Service this year. And the theme is "I WAS A STRANGER AND YOU WELCOMED ME." Frances Horvath, Irene Birinyi and Anne Hermann, will be the 3 people from our church taking part in the Service.

❖ **24 hour adoration.** The Year of Faith, announced by the Holy Father, started in October. Every first Wednesday of the month at 8 a.m. we expose the Blessed Sacrament until 7.30 a.m. the next morning. Please let us know, which hour of the day or night you wish to spend with our Savior. It is possible to sign up for more hours. "Officially", we need 2 or 3 persons for every hour. **Next date: March 6.**

❖ **Card. Thomas Collins, Archbishop of Toronto, will depart for Rome on Sunday, Febr. 24** to participate in the final papal audience of Pope Benedict XVI and begin preparations for the upcoming conclave, including meetings with the Holy Father and College of Cardinals.

Following the audience on February 27 and a meeting with cardinals the next day, His Holiness, Pope Benedict XVI will officially resign his role as the spiritual leader of more than 1 billion Catholics effective 8 p.m. on February 28. Cardinals representing the global church will then gather to meet and pray in a General Congregation before those eligible to vote will enter the conclave, where they will remain until a successor has been named.

The Archdiocese of Toronto's Office of Public Relations & Communications has created a special online space: [www.archtoronto.org/pope](http://www.archtoronto.org/pope) where visitors can offer messages of gratitude to Pope Benedict XVI, learn more about the conclave process and view profiles of the 117 cardinals who will participate in the 2013 conclave.

The Archdiocese of Toronto is Canada's largest diocese, encompassing 42 municipalities stretching from Toronto north to Georgian Bay and from Oshawa to Mississauga. It is home to 1.8 million Catholics and 225 churches, with Mass celebrated in more than 30 different languages each week.

Card. Thomas Collins, spiritual leader of 1.8 million Catholics and elector in the 75th Conclave of the Roman Catholic Church will meet with the media after presiding at the 12 noon Sunday Eucharist at St. Michael's Cathedral on Sunday, February 24.

❖ On Tuesday, February 26, Stephen Bede Sharper, the acclaimed *Toronto Star* columnist and U of Toronto professor, will discuss his new book, *For Earth's Sake*, at the Paulist Centre. His presentation on faith and ecology, entitled "**Falling in Love with the Earth**", will look at how we have distanced ourselves from the very planet on which we live. Widely known and respected for his insights into how we have fallen short in our care for planet earth, Dr. Sharper will suggest directions that still lie open to us if our children's children are to inherit a habitable world. Beginning at 7:00 PM in the auditorium of the Paulist Centre, 830 Bathurst Street (across from the Bathurst subway station) on Tuesday, February 26, this presentation is open to the public. Copies of Dr. Sharper's book will be available for purchase.

❖ **Tamás Dobozy: "On a Life Lived Between Nations, or Fishing in Hungarian"**. The Hungarian Helicon Society invites you to the literary program of Prof. Dobozy, the author of "Siege 13", which was awarded on Nov. 7, 2012 as the winner of the Rogers Writer's Trust Fiction Prize, one of Canada's Big Three Literary Awards. Edwards Gardens (corner of Leslie Str and Lawrence Ave), today at 2 p.m.

❖ The 7th Annual **Jesuit Provincial's Dinner** will be held on April 10, 2013 at Le Parc Dining and Banquet Hall. This year besides recognizing the 50th Anniversary Jesuit Jubilarians, Fr. Wayne Bolton, Fr. John Burns, Br. James Deshayé, and Scholastic George O'Neill, The Loretto Sisters (IBVM) are being honoured with the "Magis Award" for their outstanding work and dedication. Tickets are available by calling 416-481-9154 or e-mailing [jdo@jesuits.ca](mailto:jdo@jesuits.ca).

### Lord, That We May See!

Rev. Fr Ernest Munachi Ezeogu, C.S.Sp.  
In 2 Kings 6 we are told the story of how the Syrian army moved in by night and surrounded a city in which Elisha the prophet of God was staying. Their aim was to capture Elisha because he was using his prophetic powers to render intelligence services to the king of Israel. Elisha's servant Gehazi woke up in the morning to discover that they had been caged in by enemy forces and was naturally overtaken by fear and doubt. How would the man of God pull through this? When Elisha saw how Gehazi was panicking he tried to calm him down by saying to him "**Fear not, for those who are on our side are more than those on their side**" (2 Kings 6:16). But who would believe that? So Elisha prayed, "**O Lord, please, open his eyes that he may see**" (verse 17). And God opened the eyes of Gehazi and he saw that all the surrounding mountainside was full of horses and chariots of fire forming a protective wall around Elisha. His fears were allayed. That day Elisha had an easy victory over his enemies.

take up our daily crosses and follow Jesus, knowing that the cross of Lent is followed by the crown of Easter.

Our Gospel today comes after the passage where Jesus had told his disciples that **“The Son of man must suffer many things, and be rejected by the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised”** (Luke 9:22). This was no good news to the disciples who expected Jesus, as the Messiah, to confront and topple the Roman army of occupation and restore the kingdom to Israel (Acts 1:6). Many of them would have begun to have second thoughts: Is Jesus really the expected Messiah? Is he really the Anointed of God who is to come? Should we go along with him to the showdown in Jerusalem or should we back off before it is too late? At this point Jesus must have felt very much like Elisha in front of his perplexed servant Gehazi. So Jesus decides to do pretty much what Elisha did.

So one fine morning, a few days after, Jesus invites the three leaders of the group of apostles, Peter, James and John, to go with him for a prayer session on the mountains. The mountain is a place of encounter with God. Moses encountered God on the mountain, and so did Elijah. On the mountain Jesus goes into prayer. And the eyes of the apostles, their spiritual eyes, were opened and they caught a glimpse of the true reality of Jesus that their physical eyes never saw. Then they saw that the whole heavenly court was on the side of Jesus. And they heard the voice of the invisible God, **“This is my Son, my Chosen, listen to him”** (Luke 9:35). This was all the confirmation they needed. Jesus was indeed the expected one. Heaven itself has borne witness. Now they would listen to him and follow him all the way to the shameful suffering and death in Jerusalem. But no matter what happens they are now sure of one thing: God is on the side of Jesus; final victory will definitely be his.

How often do we experience the absurdities of life such that our minds are filled with doubt and we ask, “Where is God?” Think of people who have experienced the scandalous lives, the deep-rooted individualism and insensitivity of church people, and they ask, “How can God be in this place.” Many of these end up giving up the faith. Think of people who are traumatized by their experience of social injustice and discrimination. They apply for a job and people who are less qualified than they get the job because they have the right connections or the right accent. They see people advancing in society through unfair means and they ask, “Where is God?” Or you may know someone undergoing personal and family crisis such as terminal illness, breakdown of relationship between husband and wife, between parent and child, between friends.

Don't we sometimes feel like the whole world is collapsing on our heads? At times like these we need to go up the mountain of prayer and ask God to open our eyes that we may see. When God grants us a glimpse of eternity then we shall realize that all our troubles in this life are short-lived. Then shall we have the courage to accept the apparently meaningless suffering of this life, knowing that through it all God is on our side. All it takes is a little glimpse of heaven to empower us to