

# Founded in 1928

### Saint Elizabeth of Hungary Roman Catholic Church

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## CLOTHED WITH POWER FROM ON HIGH

**Readings:** 

Acts 1.1-11 

Heb 9.24-28;10.19-23

Lk 24.46-53

**Resp. Psalm:** "God has gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of a trumpet" (Ps.47)

#### WE OFFER THE HOLY MASS FOR:

♦ Molnár Erzsébet (férje, fia és 4 unokája)

- ♦Katona László (felesége és családja)
- ♦Németh Ottóné (öccse)
- **†**John Lim (Patricia Lim)

11:00 az egyházközség (plébános)

Leskovszky Zoltán, születésnap (családja)

sikeres műtét

Sinka Ilona, anyák napja (Laci, Ilonka, Évike, Ildikó, Pisti és család)

hálából (Fazekas Anna)

Balogh András jobbulása, születésnap (Bonnay cs.)

édesanya, Sepa Mária (Erzsike és Ilonka)

Mecseki és Kolozsi édesanyák és nagymama (Zentai Júlia és Frigyes)

Kovács Klári (kiscsoportja)

**†**Börcsök édesanya (család)

- †Domok József és szülei (Domok Piroska)
- **†**Theresa de Vietoris (daughter and family)
- †Szemák Márton, Pál, és †szüleik (Forrai család)
- †leányuk (szülei)
- †Leskovszky Irma (Halmágyi Erzsébet és családja)
- PRev. Alex. Barna és Mrs. Olga Barna

(gyermekei, Angelika, Gabriella, Alexander)

tisztítótűzben szenvedő lelkek (Gabriella és Júlia)

- ♦Elek Ilona (család)
- +Horváth Mária (bérmakeresztlánya)
- ♦Bíró Olga (keresztlánya)
- \*Berec Piroska (férje, István és családja)
- †szeretteik (Fazekas János és Anna)
- \*Kiss Károly (testvére, Horváth Piri és családja)
- †édesanya és †anyós (Bonnay Erzsébet)
- †édesanya és †anyós (Margit)
- ♦Mentés László és Kató, MO (Bonnay Erzsébet)
- +Hencz György plébános (Szendi család)
- †Kurencs Anna (leánya, Erzsébet)
- ♦Vilma, Erzsébet, Klementina, Anna és Anna (lányuk)

*Monday (13)* Our Lady of Fatima

7:30 thanksgiving to Blessed Mother Mary our Jesuit provincial's intention

- †Varazsdi Alajos (Évi and Zoli)
- **†**Alonso Sandigo Sandoval
- ♦John Lim (Patricia Lim)

### Tuesday (14) Saint Matthias

7:30 healing of Carlos Ramos

the conversion of atheists and non believers

the repose of the soul of Concordia Valera the repose of the soul of Celine Chiu Ko

†John Lim (Patricia Lim)

## Wednesday (15)

7:30 the repose of the soul of Hilaria Soriano the conversion of sinners

**†**John Lim (Patricia Lim)

7 PM a magyar politikai élet megtisztulása

#### Thursday (16) Saint Andrew Bobola SJ

7:30 Etelka and Pál

our benefactors (the Jesuits)

the repose of the soul of Guia Zarate

♦John Lim (Patricia Lim)

### Friday (17)

7:30 the Holy Father's general intention the repose of the soul of Perpetua Sazon the repose of the soul of Theresa Leela Jeganathan

♦John Lim (Patricia Lim)

#### Saturday (18) Saint John I

7:30 Alföldi-Borúss Katalin, birthday (parents) recovery of Borúss Tamás (family)

the repose of the soul of Rosario Viola

♦John Lim (Patricia Lim)

2 PM the Roma Hungarians of Toronto

Baptism: Hering Matthias Funeral: László Mária (92)

#### **PARISH EVENTS**

Today, May 12: Mother's Day; May God Bless all our mothers! ❖ Confirmation with bishop Ferenc Cserháti at the 11 AM Mass followed by reception 18 No Hungarian School or Scouts ❖ Mass for the Roma

Hungarians at 2 PM 19 Pentecost 25 Pre-Registration for the Hungarian School from 9:30-12:30 ❖ Saint Elizabeth Scola Cantorum concert at 7 PM 26 Third collection of ShareLife ❖ Lángos sale June 1 Closing ceremonies of Hungarian School, Scouts, and High School 2 Crepe Sale of the Scouts 4 MCC meeting at 7 PM 5 All Day Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 8 Closing ceremonies of Hungarian School.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- ❖ Dr. Ferenc Cserháti, since 2007 the bishop of Hungarians living abroad, is our guest again for a few days. Please give a warm welcome to our bishop! Thank you for administering the sacrament of Confirmation to our brothers and sisters!
- ❖ Fr. Jenő Rigó is our guest for a weak. He joined the Jesuits in 1995, studied in Germany and England, was ordained for the priesthood in 2006. Presently he is the director of Szent József church in Szeged, Hungary. Welcome to Toronto, Father Jenő!
- ❖ INVITATION to the annual concert of St. Elizabeth Scola Cantorum choir "Music from the Romantic Period." The program includes: Faure: Requiem and Mendelssohn: Psalm 95. Saturday, May 25th, at 7 p.m., St. Elizabeth of Hungary RC Church (432 Sheppard Avenue East, Toronto). Tickets: Adults \$20; Student \$10. Following the concert the choir invites the audience to stay for a reception. Further information: scola.cantorum@gmail.com or 416-441-9300 or http://www.scolacantorum.ca/.
- ❖ The **ShareLife** collection at our church stands so far at \$7,625. If you wish to join, you can do so until July 31<sup>st</sup>. The next Sunday collection is on May 26. From the donations collected last year, ShareLife was able to provide compassion and care to nearly 250,000 people across the Archdiocese. Many people were able to start a new, better life thanks to your donations.

#### Did Jesus Think of Us?

Ernest Munachi Ezeogu, C.S.Sp.

The 1973 movie, *Message to My Daughter*, is the moving story of Miranda, a completely disoriented teenage girl who saw the world as "meaningless, cruel and stupid." Miranda did not know her mother. She died when Miranda was only two years old. Miranda felt unloved and was incapable of loving anyone. Then she discovered some tapes on which her dying mother had recorded a "message" for her. As she listened to the words of her long-dead mother, she realised that she was not the unloved child she thought she was. Her mother had thought of her and had loved her very tenderly. This discovery brought about in her a complete change in the way she saw herself and the world around her. She was finally able to accept herself and put her life together.

When we read the gospels and the promises of Jesus to his disciples, do we not sometimes wonder whether Jesus actually thought of us, or whether he only had in mind his disciples who were right there before him. Today's gospel passage is unique in the sense that this is the only place in the gospels where we get the assurance

that Jesus thought not only of his immediate disciples but of us as well. The rendering of John 17:20 in the International Children's Bible brings out more clearly the point we are making: "I pray for these men. But I am also praying for all people who will believe in me because of the teaching of these men."

It makes a lot of difference for us to know that Jesus thought of us, that he had us in mind as he died and gave his life for the salvation of the world, that he actually prayed for us. We know that God always hears the prayer of Jesus. So, if Jesus prayed for us we would like to know what it was that he prayed for us about. What Jesus asked the Father in our behalf is basically one thing: unity.

Father, I pray that all people who believe in me can be one. You are in me and I am in you. I pray that these people can also be one in us, so that the world will believe that you sent me (John 17:21 ICB).

Jesus' prayer for Christian unity is much more relevant to the church in the modern world than it was to the church of the early Christians. The church of the early Christians knew nothing about the great walls of division separating Christians from Christians today. The fragmentation of the Christian church in our time has been described as a scandal to the world. How can Christians preach love and forgiveness to the world when they cannot love and forgive one another? How can Christians preach reconciliation and peace in the world when they cannot be reconciled and live in peace with one another? Lack of unity among Christians remains one of the greatest obstacles in the way of Christian witnessing to an unbelieving world. No wonder Jesus prayed that we all may be one "so that the world will believe."

Jesus went on to say, "I have given these people the glory that you gave me. I gave them this glory so that they can be one, the same as you and I are one" (John 17:22 ICB). In other words, Jesus has bequeathed glory to the church. But this glory can only manifest itself when the unity among Christians reflects the unity between Jesus and the Father. Lack of unity takes away from the glory which Jesus intended for the body of believers.

Finally Jesus prayed for us so that the love with which the Father has loved him may be in us (verse 26). The unity for which Jesus prayed is a unity based on divine love. It is a unity that is possible only with the love of God in us. It is not a unity based on human wisdom, on power or on diplomacy. It is not a unity of uniformity or a unity which deprives others of their individuality but a unity in the essentials that makes room for diversity. The famous saying that goes back to St. Augustine is a good guide for the church as it works its way slowly toward the unity for which Jesus prayed: "In essentials unity, in non-essentials liberty; in all things, charity."

As we wait and pray for a rekindling of the fire of divine love in the hearts of the faithful at Pentecost, let us all resolve, in our own little ways, to work for the realisation of the full unity of all Christians for which Jesus prayed. And the best way to work for this unity is to live in the love of God and our neighbour.