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## Saint Elizabeth of Hungary Roman Catholic Church

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In July and August closed on Saturdays

**Masses:** Monday to Saturday at 7.30 AM in English  
Sundays at 9 and 11 in Hungarian

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## CHURCH BULLETIN – June 23, 2013 – 12<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### Who are you really for me, Jesus?

**Readings:** Zech 12.10-11 Gal 3.26-29 Lk 9.18-24

**Psalms:** „My soul thirsts for you, O Lord my God” (Ps.63)

#### WE OFFER THE HOLY MASS FOR:

**9:00** Gizella és Antal szülők (lányaik és unokáik)

✦ Herczeg Péter (fia és családja)

✦ Kovács Erzsébet édesanya (családjaik)

**11:00** az egyházközség (plébános)

✦ Palatics Olga (férje és családja)

✦ édesapa (Radocsay Mihály és családja)

✦ Nyerges-Bognár szülők (Haraszi család)

✦ Marton Márta (John & Marianne Heffner)

#### **Monday (24) Nativity of Saint John the Baptist**

7:30 our Jesuit provincial's intention

the repose of the soul of Conchita Lester

the repose of the souls of Jose and Perpetua Sazon

#### **Tuesday (25)**

7:30 Patrick Roh, special intention

the recovery of Beatrice Canicula

the conversion of atheists and non believers

#### **Wednesday (26)**

**7:30** blessings on the priests of St Elizabeth

✦ mother (Erika and family)

✦ Alexander Gati (wife and family)

**7 PM** a magyar politikai élet megtisztulása

✦ Szócs Józsefné Velisch Margit (88)

#### **Thursday (27) Saint Cyril of Alexandria, Blessed Nykyta Budka, Blessed Vasyly Velychkowsky**

7:30 the conversion of sinners

Etelka and Pál

blessings on Fr Jeff Shannon and Fr Fernando Suarez

#### **Friday (28) Saint Irenaeus**

7:30 thanksgiving from Gene and Linda Sazon

the healing of Matt Puno

✦ Kelecsényi Ferencné (Ilona), anniversary

(daughters and grandchild)

#### **Saturday (29) Saints Peter and Paul**

7:30 our benefactors (the Jesuits)

healing for Ilda Vaz and Rita Pinto

#### PARISH EVENTS

**Today, June 23:** „Glorification of God through organ pipes”; the concert of Imre Oláh after the 11 AM Mass  
**24** Lecture in English at 7 pm: Rev. Henri Boulad, S.J.: „Theosis and our daily life in the shadow of mosques and secularized societies”; introduction by Fr. Szabolcs Sajgó, S.J. **July 3** All Day Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

❖ **Changing leadership of our parish.** Fr. Tamás Forrai S.J., the provincial of the Hungarian Jesuit province needs the service of Fr. Szabolcs Sajgó S.J. in Budapest, Hungary. The new pastor, Fr. Jenő Rigó S.J. will arrive in the middle of July and starts his service as pastor of St. Elizabeth's on August 1st. Fr. Rigó visited us recently for one week in May. His last assignment was at St. Joseph's Church in Szeged, Hungary. Fr. Sajgó will celebrate the Sunday Mass last time as our pastor at 11.00 on July 28., then will prepare himself for his new responsibility at “Párbeszéd Háza”, a Jesuit center in Budapest, starting his task there in December. - *After the Mass on July 28 there will be a reception in the Hall. Everybody is most welcome.*

❖ **Glorification of God through the organ pipes.** The concert of Imre Oláh in our church today, June 23rd, after the 11 AM Mass. Program: Festive Toccata (Denis Bedard, b. 1950); Toccata and Fugue in D minor (Johann Sebastian Bach, 1685-1750); Trinitas (Elenor Daley, b. 1955): I. "And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of waters." Genesis 1:2; II. "To the thirsty I will give water without price from the fountain of life" Revelation 21:6; III. "And I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh" Acts 2:17. Songs of Praise (Robert Prizeman, b.1952); "Now thank we all our God" (Sigfrid Karg-Elert, 1877-1933). *Donations will proceed to help the victims of floods in Hungary.*

❖ **Lecture by Rev. Henri Boulad, S.J.** on Monday, June 24th at 7 PM: „Theosis and our daily life in the shadow of mosques and secularized societies.” Of Greek Melkite Catholic family, Fr. Henri Boulad, S.J.

**Baptism:** Darabos Emma, Gyenge Zsófi, Kenedi Tristan, La Gamba Bianca, La Gamba Katia, Lue Ella  
**Funeral:** Prodan Péter (45), Tóth Ilona (78)

has been an educator and Principal at the Jesuit Colleges in Cairo and Alexandria, has been very active as Vice President of Caritas in the Middle East and has established substantial missionary and educational programs in both The Sudan and Egypt. In addition to teaching at the Catholic Theological Institute in Cairo, his many writings and books have been translated to over 16 languages notably Arabic, French, English, Hungarian, and German. For over 30 years, Fr. Boulad has been invited to give lectures at several universities, and participate in conferences in North America and Europe in addition to several countries of the Middle East. He also was a distinguished guest in serious TV programs at EWTN in the United States and others in France. Some of his talks have been recorded and can be viewed on the Web.

❖ **Books by Fr. Henri Boulad S.J.** The next three books in English will be here for sale and dedication by the author on Monday evening: *All is Grace*, *Freedom beyond freedom* and *Jesus in these days*.

❖ Angie Alimi, the daughter of Sándor Ilona, teacher in our Hungarian School, will receive the **Ontario Volunteer Service Awards** on June 24<sup>th</sup> in Isabel Bader Theatre.

❖ **New Hungarian Canadian professionals.** The Hungarian Canadian Engineers' Association's Toronto Branch recently celebrated the graduation of some of our dedicated young fellows: László Diósady, Ph.D., dr. Nóra Magyaródy, András Tausz, Ph.D, together with Tawnya Cummins and Bianca Kurucz. The awards presentation and the congratulatory greetings were made by Major Corneliu Chisu MP and Prof. Levente Diósady. Congratulations, Brothers and Sisters, we're proud of you!

❖ **Flower pots at the entrance of our church.** Thanks to an anonymous donor who placed those beautiful flowers on top of the stairs.

❖ **Office hours in July and August:** 9:30 - 3:30 on weekdays (Mondays closed); closed on Saturdays; 10-12:30 on Sundays.

❖ **The Shepherd's Trust** would like to thank everyone who contributed to their 2012 collection, responding to the needs of our retired priests. This year's campaign brought in \$1,589,345.74, a 2.2% increase over the results for 2011. If you have any questions regarding the campaign, please call 416-934-3400 x 524.

## The Big Question - what do YOU say?

A person anywhere in the vicinity of the Sea of Galilee, who looks towards the north, will see a high mountain, Mt Hermon (9,233 ft. or 2,814 metres). One day, somewhere in the foothills of this mountain, where Jesus had brought his disciples, to rest and pray, he asked them rather disconcertingly, "Who do people say that I am?" His disciples listed for him some of the

popular rumours that were circulating about him, that he was John the Baptist restored to life, or a reincarnation of Elijah, one of the greatest prophets in Jewish history.

Then came a breathless silence, and he put the question which meant so much to him, "Who do you say that I am?" It is never enough to know what other people have seen in Jesus. Christianity never consists in knowing about Jesus; it always consists in knowing Jesus, and this in a more intimate and personal way. In other words, the discovery of Christ must ultimately come from a person-to-person experience between each of us and Christ, an experience moreover that matures within the Christian community that begets it and plays such a prominent part in sustaining it.

Today's gospel contains a central question in the gospel: "Who do you say that I am?" If we reply that he is someone we are prepared to follow, Jesus leaves us in no doubt as to what that will imply.

Imagine, if you can, Jesus posing that same question to a group of intellectual theologians. The answer would go something like this: "You are the eschatological manifestation of the ground of our being; the kerygma in which we find the ultimate meaning of our interpersonal relationships." I could well imagine that Jesus' reply would be: "WHAT?!"

"And you, who do you say that I am?" Jesus is a personal God, who asks personal questions. "Will you also go away?" "Do you love me more than these?" The question is addressed to me personally, and the answer must come from me personally. I will not find that answer in a book, but in my heart.

The complete answer to the question is "You are my Saviour, my Lord and my God." "You are Saviour in the room of my past; the Lord of the room of my future, and you are God in the room of today." God is totally a God of now. "I am who I am." If he is Saviour, then I don't have to be back in the past, with regret, guilt, or self-condemnation. If he is Lord, then I don't have to live in the future, with worries, anxieties, and fear. I need have no fear of the future, if I believe that he holds the future. If he is God today, then "there is nothing impossible with God."

Suffering, like death, will always remain a permanent part of the human condition - just as the cross will remain forever at the core of Christianity. For the first time in history, in this post-Christian era, it is probably more worn as an ornament rather than as a religious symbol. A pretty thing we wear around our necks, rather than a cruel burden that we carry on our shoulders - but a burden that makes us Christian. What Christ said in today's gospel, he says to all: "If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross every day and follow me."

If we are to follow him, then we must join him on the journey. We must take up the cross of daily living, and of fidelity to his call, so that he can lead us into the fullness of life. If we choose to follow him, there will be little in the way of earthly glory involved in the journey. Just as he was rejected, misunderstood, and alienated, because he refused to conform to the standards of this world, so we, too, can expect the same, if we take him seriously.

The cross is not too well understood. Someone suffers a misfortune, and may be looked upon as someone who has a great cross to bear. That is not true, because misfortunes also happen to pagans as well as Christians. The cross is always a blessing, and it does not crush or destroy. "My yoke is sweet, and my burden is light." The cross is made up of splinters. The cross is anything I have to do because of my decision to follow Jesus. If I follow him, then I must forgive, I must share, I must live in a certain way. "The greatest among you are those who serve." Those who serve are the happiest people on earth.

I could find the answer to today's question within my own heart, and not anywhere else. Travelling with Jesus each day brings me into a personal conviction about the reality of my answer to his question. It is a question of letting go, and letting God work. I have to open one hand, and let go of the past, open the other hand, and let go of the future, open my heart, and accept the gift of today ([www.biblical.ie/](http://www.biblical.ie/)).