

Saint Elizabeth of Hungary Roman Catholic Church

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

Jesuit priests: Szabolcs J. Sajgó (pastor), László Marosfalvy (associate pastor), Balázs Jaschkó (retired)
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CHURCH BULLETIN - July 21, 2013 - 16th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Founded in 1928

THERE IS NEED OF ONLY ONE THING

Readings: Gen 18.1-10 Col 1.24-28

Lk 10.38-42

Psalm: "O Lord, who may abide in your tent?" (Ps. 15)

WE OFFER THE HOLY MASS FOR:

9:00 M. Gizi (szerettei)

♦ Mátés Anna (fiai, Miklós és Ervin)

- Prenkó András (családja)
- **†**Selgrad Mária és Irene (Mózes Elizabeth)
- ♦Kovács Erzsébet édesanya (családjai)
- ♦Hanula Ibolya

11:00 az egyházközség (plébános)

Trisztán és Nicole esküvőjére (Papa és Mama)

Magyar Gizi felgyógyulása (Jeney család)

Fisic Andrea felgyógyulása (édesanyja, Annamária)

Judit felgyógyulása (N.N.)

Bokán Mária, születésnap (Erzsike)

Gelesits László (felesége és családja)

Hein Fred és Mária (családja)

- ♦Kósa Károly
- *Kelecsényi Ferenc, születésnap (lányai és unokája)
- †Nánási Oszkár (özvegye és fia)
- ♦Joe Francis
- †szülők (Radocsay Anna és családja)
- ♦Wohlfart János (szerettei)
- ♦Wohlfart János (Sztanyó László és Mária)
- ♦Hidasi Lajos és ♦Cristiano Pangrazio (családjaik)
- **†**Fazekas Zsuzsanna

Monday (22) Saint Mary Magdalene

7:30 our Jésuit provincial's intention blessings on Fr. Blaise Jaschkó on the 62nd anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood

†János Csizmazia (children and family)

Tuesday (23) Saint Bridget

7:30 the conversion of atheists and non believers †dr. Lendvay Lajos (family)

Wednesday (24) Saint Sharbel Makhluf

7:30 the conversion of sinners

†Mary Francis

7 PM a magyar politikai élet megtisztulása

Thursday (25) Saint James

7:30 Etelka and Pál

our benefactors (the Jesuits)

Friday (26) Saints Anne and Joachim

Saturday (27)

7:30 blessings on Fr. Vic De Jesus SJ, on his

Baptism: Bozóki Lily, Papp Dana, Rodrigues Michelle, Rozsalyi Sophia, Sándor Gabriel

Funeral: ifj. Hajtó Ernő (67), Hanula Ibolya (83)

PARISH EVENTS

July 28 the farewell reception for Fr. Sajgó in the Hall at noon; all are welcome! August 7 All Day Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 17 Pilgrimage to Midland September 3 Married Couples Club at 7 PM 7 Registration to Hungarian School, Kindergarten, Scouts & Concert of Katalin Pitti in the church at 6 PM.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ❖ Due to renovations, the **church parking lot will be closed on Monday(22) and Tuesday(23).** In case it rains, the opening might be delayed.
- ❖ 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. arrived. He starts his service as pastor of St. Elizabeth's on August 1st. Fr. Rigó visited us recently for one week in May. He joined the Jesuit Order 18 years ago at the age of 32 and then studied in in Germany and England. He was ordained in 2006. On June 30th 2013 he gave over the leadership of the Saint Joseph church in Szeged to Fr. István Hesz. Welcome, Fr. Jenő!
- 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.

- ❖ Parish "Council" 2013. On the spring meeting of the representatives of our church the idea came up that it would be desirable to analyze together in more detail the situation of our parish, the challenges of our society, our possible responses, to work out a pastoral plan for the upcoming years in view of our special circumstances. So far we had two preparatory sessions; the actual "council" will take place in fall. Here is the list of the topics that were compiled on the preparatory meetings: 1) pastoral service 2) the preservation of Hungarian Culture in Canada 3) mission towards and including our youth 4) social service 5) church groups 6) our relations with the Canadian Church and society 7) the material and real estate issues of our parish. We welcome your ideas and suggestions, preferably in writing, about the above mentioned issues and the possibilities you see for renewal. Please let the pastor know, if you wish to organize a discussion group representing the English speaking members of our parish community. Everyone is encouraged to pray asking the Spirit to lead our parish through this period of change and renewal.
- ❖ Forty years ago, on July 20th, 1969 two human beings changed history by walking on the surface of the moon. Buzz Aldrin took communion on the surface of the moon. Some months after his return, he wrote about it in Guideposts magazine. It is interesting to think: the very first liquid ever poured on the moon, and the very first food eaten there, were the communion elements; and that some of the first words spoken on the moon were the words of Jesus Christ, who made the Earth and the moon and Who, in the immortal words of Dante, is Himself the "Love that moves the Sun and other stars." See the full article here: http://www.snopes.com/glurge/communion.asp

Lord of the Work and Work of the Lord

A certain Catholic missionary was doing a very good job in his mission village in the African interior. In a few years he had baptized many people and built a church, a school and a health centre. Owing to his restless work schedule he took ill and had to be flown back to his native country in Europe for treatment. After many months he was well enough to return to Africa. To his surprise and utter disappointment he discovered that the whole village had abandoned his church and turned to a local evangelical preacher. Even the church he built now had an evangelical signboard in front of it. "What went wrong?" he asked himself. How did his flourishing mission collapse overnight. "What did I do wrong?" he asked his former church members. The truth hit home one day when a woman said to him, "Father, you did a lot for us. You gave our children clothes and built up our village. But there was one thing you did not do. You did not bring us to know Jesus as our personal Lord and Saviour." Doing the work of the Lord is great. But knowing the Lord of the

work comes first.

Today's gospel is the story of two sisters, Martha who is busy with the work of the Lord, and Mary who is more interested in knowing the Lord of the work. For Martha service comes first, for Mary relationship comes first. Like the missionary in our story, Martha must have been shocked to hear the Lord himself saying that it is relationship with him that comes first, for without it our service is meaningless.

There are people who see Martha in this story as the material girl and Mary as the spiritual one. The association of Martha with materialism is easier to make in the English language where the name Martha seems to rhyme with the word "matter." But this way of thinking in terms of separation between spirit and matter does not belong to the gospel of Luke. Rather Luke presents Martha and Mary as two sisters who are both interested in the Lord, two women who both want to please the Lord. The difference between them is the manner in which they go about trying to please the Lord. Martha takes the way of service or working for the Lord. Mary takes the way of relationship or being with the Lord.

Mark tells us that when Jesus called the apostles to follow him, he called them for a dual purpose: "to be with him, and to be sent out to proclaim the message" (Mark 3:14). The need, on the one hand, to be with the Lord, to know him, to fellowship with him and be nourished by his word and, on the other hand, to do the Lord's work, to serve the Lord in others, to proclaim his message of love in word and deed, brings us to a conflict. Which one comes first? How much of my time should I devote to being with the Lord, to prayer and listening to God's word, and how much time to doing the work of the Lord? In spite of the urgent need to throw ourselves into the work of the Lord, it is only logical to say that my relationship with the Lord of the work comes before my involvement with the work of the Lord.

The point of the story of Jesus with May and Martha is not to invite us to choose between being a Martha or a Mary. The true disciple needs to be both Martha and Mary. The point of the story is to challenge our priorities so that we come to see that fellowship with the Lord, being with the Lord and hearing his word should always precede the work we do for the Lord. Do we have a program of daily fellowship with the Lord? Many people fulfill this by assisting daily in the Eucharist where they can also hear the word of God. Others schedule a holy hour or quiet time when they can pray and read the word of God. Whatever way we fulfill this need, today's gospel invites all Christians first to be a Mary who sits with devotion at the Lord's feet listening his word, and then also to be a Martha who throws herself with energy into the business of serving the Lord (Rev. Fr Ernest Munachi Ezeogu, C.S.Sp.)