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CHURCH BULLETIN - November 3, 2013 - 31st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost."

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WE OFFER THE HOLY MASS FOR:

9:00 Farkas Mária, 90. születésnap

(családja, valamint Ibolya, Kinga és Nóra)

- ♦Tóth László (özvegye)
- †szülők és testvérek (Mrs. I. Tóth)
- ♦Kovács Erzsébet édesanya (családjai)
- **†**KFT tagok (Kovács György és családja)
- **†**Bognár Fanka (család)

11:00 Pék Ferenc felgyógyulása

(nővére és öccse Magdus és Zoli)

élő és †Ciszterci tanárok és diákok

(Ciszterci Öregdiák Szövetség)

Mária Kongregáció élő és †tagjai (kongreganisták) élő és †Szendi és Szervó családtagok (Szendi Ica)

- Palatics Olga (férje és családja)
- ♦Wohlfart János (Bolyki Margit)
- ♦Csonka István (édesanyja és húga)
- Csizmazia János (Csizmazia Colette és családja)
- †szerettei (Sikler Imre)

56-ban elesett hősök (Radocsay Mihály és családja)

- ♦Koszonits Imre (felesége és családja)
- †Kiss és Koszonits szülők és testvérek (Koszonits Ilona és családja)
- †Domokos Antal és †Nagy Erzsébet (Forrai család)
- *Bátori és Horváth szülők és testvérek (Bátori család)
- +Gajárszky Károly (felesége és családja)
- ₱Elek szülők (család)
- †Horváth Béla és Mária (bérmakeresztlánya)
- +Horváth nagyszülők (család)
- †édesanya és †férj (Erzsi)
- †családtagok (Poroszlav család)

Monday (4) Saint Charles Borromeo

7:30 the intention of the Jesuit General

*members of the Zarate and Sazon families

Tuesday (5) All Saints of the Society of Jesus

7:30 the repose of the soul of Mrs. Gerona

†members of the Aycardo and Viola families

our +Jesuits

Wednesday (6)

7:30 Jesuit vocations

†members of the M.E. 6 class

7 PM •Bíró keresztszülők (keresztlányuk)

†dédnagymama (Babi)

a tisztítótűzben szenvedő lelkek (Szendi Ica)

béke a Kárpát-medencében

Thursday (7)

7:30 world peace

blessings on Adrianne and James

the repose of the souls of Barbara Fernandes and Julie Maloney

Friday (8)

7:30 the healing of Deling

†Agnes Fernandes and Eva

the repose of the souls of Bella and Maria de Souza

Saturday (9) Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

7:30 Etelka and Pál end of abortion

The Holy Father's November prayer intentions

General: That **priests** who experience difficulties may find comfort in their suffering, support in their doubts, and confirmation in their fidelity.

Missionary: That as fruit of the continental mission, **Latin American Churches** may send missionaries to other Churches.

Baptism: Cook Kaitlyn **Funeral:** Stadler Ilona (79)

PARISH EVENTS

Today, 3. Lángos and Sausage sale **5.** Married Couples Club meeting at 1 PM **6.** All Day Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament **9-10.** Bazaar.

9. Hungarian School, Scouts, First Communion classes 17. Festive Luncheon in honor of our patron, Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, at 12:30 pm; for tickets please call 416-856-5369 (Nagy Rita) 30. Bake Sale of the Hungarian School in the Gym ❖ Hunters Dinner and Dance 1. Bake Sale of the Hungarian School in the Hall 3. Married Couples Club meeting at 1 PM.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

New Beginnings. Come and join us for an informative evening. Guest Speakers Meyrick and Betty D'Sylva. Topic: "Coping with Life after Loss." Tuesday, November 5, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at Archdiocese of Toronto Pastoral Centre, 1155 Yonge Street, 4th Floor Meeting Room. Inquiries Deacon James Shaughnessy MSW., RSW., Psyn. D. 416-921-1163 ext. 2227 or email: jshaughn@cfstoronto.com

All Saints Day

Being a Saint means living close to God, to live in his family. And this is the vocation of us all, vigorously reaffirmed by the Second Vatican Council and solemnly proposed today for our attention.

But how can we become holy, friends of God? We can first give a negative answer to this question: to be a Saint requires neither extraordinary actions or works nor the possession of exceptional charisms. Then comes the positive reply: it is necessary first of all to listen to Jesus and then to follow him without losing heart when faced by difficulties. "If anyone serves me", he warns us, "he must follow me; and where I am, there shall my servant be also; if any one serves me, the Father will honour him" (Jn 12: 26).

Like the grain of wheat buried in the earth, those who trust him and love him sincerely accept dying to themselves. Indeed, he knows that whoever seeks to keep his life for himself loses it, and whoever gives himself, loses himself, and in this very way finds life (cf. Jn 12: 24-25).

The Church's experience shows that every form of holiness, even if it follows different paths, always passes through the Way of the Cross, the way of self-denial. The Saints' biographies describe men and women who, docile to the divine plan, sometimes faced unspeakable trials and suffering, persecution and martyrdom. They persevered in their commitment: "they... have come out of the great tribulation", one reads in Revelation, "they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb" (Rv 7: 14). Their names are written in the book of life (cf. Rv 20: 12) and Heaven is their eternal dwelling-place.

The example of the Saints encourages us to follow in their same footsteps and to experience the joy of those who trust in God, for the one true cause of sorrow and unhappiness for men and women is to live far from him. Holiness demands a constant effort, but it is possible for everyone because, rather than a human effort, it is first and foremost a gift of God, thrice Holy (cf. Is 6: 3). In the second reading, the Apostle John remarks: "See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are" (I Jn 3: 1).

It is God, therefore, who loved us first and made us his adoptive sons in Jesus. Everything in our lives is a gift of his love: how can we be indifferent before such a great mystery? How can we not respond to the Heavenly Father's love by living as grateful children? In Christ, he gave us the gift of his entire self and calls us to a personal and profound relationship with him.

Consequently, the more we imitate Jesus and remain united to him the more we enter into the mystery of his divine holiness. We discover that he loves us infinitely, and this prompts us in turn to love our brethren. Loving always entails an act of self-denial, "losing ourselves", and it is precisely this that makes us happy.

Jesus says: Blessed are the poor in spirit, blessed those who mourn, the meek; blessed those who hunger and thirst for justice, the merciful; blessed the pure in heart, the peacemakers, the persecuted for the sake of justice (cf. Mt 5: 3-10).

In truth, the blessed par excellence is only Jesus. He is, in fact, the true poor in spirit, the one afflicted, the meek one, the one hungering and thirsting for justice, the merciful, the pure of heart, the peacemaker. He is the one persecuted for the sake of justice.

The Beatitudes show us the spiritual features of Jesus and thus express his mystery, the mystery of his death and Resurrection, of his passion and of the joy of his Resurrection. This mystery, which is the mystery of true blessedness, invites us to follow Jesus and thus to walk toward it.

To the extent that we accept his proposal and set out to follow him - each one in his own circumstances - we too can participate in his blessedness. With him, the impossible becomes possible and even a camel can pass through the eye of a needle (cf. Mk 10: 25); with his help, only with his help, can we become perfect as the Heavenly Father is perfect. (Pope Benedict XV)

Thoughts of St. Ignatius of Loyola

- * The devil often acts in such a way as to curtail the time set apart for meditation or prayer.
- * The closer we draw to God, the better disposed we are to receive the gifts of his divine bounty.
- * Every Christian ought in love to prefer rather to turn to good another's doubtful opinion or proposal than to condemn it.
- * As often as we manifest others' failings we show up our own.