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CHURCH BULLETIN - November 24, 2013 - Christ the King

"Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom."

Readings: 2Sam 5.1-3 Col 1.12-20

Lk 23.35-43

WE OFFER THE HOLY MASS FOR:

9:00 Pintér-Pók Leyla (Móczár Mária)

♦ Molnár Erzsébet (férje, fia és 4 unokája)

- Málics István (felesége és családja)
- +Casimir Lagman (Adorján Gabriella)
- *Desmond Hayde (Adorján Gabriella)

11:00 Katalin névnapja (anyósa)

Tamás (édesanyja)

Kovács Mónika, születésnap (édesanyja és keresztanyja)

Fr. Eördögh felgyógyulása (Bonnay család) Börzsönyi Katalin (Farkas Sándor és Teréz) hálából, 45. házassági évforduló (Bea és Péter) Kistóth Béla felgyógyulása (Allard Mónika)

- **†**Szilárd Ilse
- **†**Balogh András (Bonnay család)
- **†**Storc Gizella (Somlai Anna és István)
- †Varga Eszter (férje és családja)
- ♦ Varga Eszter (Balogh László és családja)
- +Stadler Ilona (Áldoztató és Olvasó csoport)
- †dr. Bereczky Lajosné, 1.évforduló [szül. Palotai Katalin] (családja)
- †Babits és Cziráky szülők (Babits Kati és családja)
- †Padányi István, Ernő, Aykler Domokos és
 - †szeretteik, évfordulók (család)
- ♦Sikler Anna (férje)
- +Serke István és Mária (leánya és családja)
- Csernyik Erzsébet (Forrai család)
- †id. Forrai Gáspár (Forrai család)
- ♦feleség (Feri)
- **†**Csaba Margit és Krajcsovics Panni
- **†**Szendi Lajos (Szendi család)
- **†**Szendi és Szervó családtagok (Szendi család)
- †Ilona, Marcsa, Marjann, Dóra, Böske, Jenő (Szendi család)
- †Kovács László, születésnap (családja)
- *Berger András és Nopper szülők (Berger Mária)
- †szülők és nagyszülők (Bea és Péter)
- ♦Nádasdy és Rajotte családtagok (Örzse)

- +szülők, Erzsébet és György (Zydron Margit)
- †szülők (Stefánia)
- ♦Szele László, 6. évf (felesége és családja)
- *Fekete Anna Mária, 3.évf. (dr. Fekete János)

Monday (25) Saint Catherine of Alexandria

7:30 the intention of the Jesuit General

Tuesday (26) Saint John Berchmans SJ

7:30 our +Jesuits

Wednesday (27)

7:30 Jesuit vocations

7 PM a magyar politikusok megtérése

Thursday (28)

7:30 the conversion of non believers

Friday (29)

7:30 our benefactors (the Jesuits)

Saturday (30) Saint Andrew

7:30 world peace

Etelka and Pál

The Holy Father's November prayer intentions

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

<u>Missionary</u>: That as fruit of the continental mission, <u>Latin American Churches</u> may send missionaries to other Churches.

PARISH EVENTS

Today, 24. Youth Discussion Panel at 12 PM 30. Hungarian School, Scouts, First Communion classes ♣ 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 Pot Luck Christmas Luncheon at 12 4. All Day Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 7. Christmas program of the Hungarian School – younger children 8. Sausage sale of the Married Couples Club ♣ Christmas Concert of Scola Cantorum at 3 PM.

followed by reception 14. Christmas program of the Hungarian School – older children Christmas Party of the Kodály Dance Group at 3 PM 15. Crepe sale of the scouts 22. Bake Sale of the Altar Servers 24. Early Midnight Mass at 9 PM Christmas Carols at 11:15 PM, Scouts' Nativity play, followed by the Midnight Mass.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Do you come to our church kicking and screaming? Do you feel like an outsider? Let's fix that! Let's have a greater youth presence at St. Elizabeth's. Your opinion matters. What would inspire you and your friends to come more often and to become more active members of our community? What types of faith programs, recreational programs and volunteer programs would appeal to you at our church? What changes would you like to see? We are looking forward to seeing you at this meeting (forum) after mass today, Sunday, November 24th. There will be pizza, snacks and the chance to speak your mind! Please RSVP to ministrans.klub@yahoo.ca so that we make sure we have enough food. We will have a good time.

❖ St Elizabeth Scola Cantorum conducted by Imre Oláh invite you and your family for their annual Christmas Concert! Program: Christmas Carols, Vivaldi: Gloria. When: Sunday, December 8, at 3 p.m. Where: St. Elizabeth RC Church (432 Sheppard Avenue East, Toronto). Tickets: Adults \$15; Students \$5. Following the concert the choir invites the audience to stay for a reception. Tickets and further information: scola.cantorum@gmail.com or 416-441-9300.

Christ the King

I hope that all of us have struggled with this idea that Jesus is a king. If we haven't, we should, because there is hardly anything in the scriptures that is more clear than that Jesus rejected the whole idea of being a king! In fact, most of the prophetic writing of the Old Testament is an indictment of kingship.

If Christ is King, what is he King of? What is his kingdom all about?

What is it — and when is it? This phrase "the kingdom of God" appears over 80 times in the Gospels; yet these questions do not have simple answers.

What is it? We do know that it is something to strive for. It is more difficult to enter it if you are rich. It is easier to get into it if you are childlike. Its good news was proclaimed by Jesus and his disciples. It belonged to the poor, the humble, and those persecuted for the sake of righteousness. It has humble beginnings and grows like seed and yeast. It is not here or there but rather it is among us.

I think it is simply this: If the fullness of the Kingdom at the end of time is when we live in that perfect world where God had intended us to live, where social hierarchies do not exist, where there is no class or ethnic discrimination, where there exists an unquestioning trust in God and his providence, where all people operate with selfless love of others, where love conquers sin, where wholeness conquers sickness, where peace conquers suffering, where life conquers death, where hope conquers despair, where redemption conquers damnation, where fellowship conquers loneliness, then our glimpses are glimpses of these things here and now. And so how should we act while we wait for this kingdom and cry "Thy Kingdom come"? "Be the servant, the slave of all," Jesus said. "That is why I came."

Do we as a nation really enter the international community with that kind of an attitude? It is laughable to even think that that is how we are acting. Supposedly we are a religious nation. More people in the United States go to church on Sunday than almost any other nation in the world, yet are we following the way of God as shown to us in Jesus or are we trying to dominate through the force of arms? Jesus gave himself over to death rather than to kill. He tried to teach us that there is another way, and we keep rejecting it. Don't we?

St. Paul in our second lesson today says the same thing. Listen again to what Paul said: "Through him" — this is through Jesus — "God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven." To reconcile all things through Jesus. That would be Muslims, Buddhists, Hindus, Christians and Jews. Everyone can be reconciled to God through Jesus. "Through his blood shed on the cross" – Jesus' blood – "God establishes peace on earth as in heaven." And that's the only way.

So we can worship Jesus as the king today if we wish, but remember that he objected to any idea of kingship that resembles anything you will see in this world. Jesus gave kingship a whole new meaning

If we are going to worship Jesus as our king, we are going to do it according to his way. The one who is to be first has to be the servant and the slave of all, has to follow the way of Jesus in the way of reconciliation and love. That's how we will bring peace into our own lives and into the world. And that is the only way.

The kingship of Christ is not about power, certainly not the political or juridical power to "save yourself and us" from the ignominy of crucifixion. But, ironically, his power to save is revealed as he tells the criminal, "today you will be with me in Paradise."

So let us see Kingship in this new Christian light, and savor the Good News that we hear today.

Fr. Ron Stephens, St. Andrew's Parish, Warrenton VA