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CHURCH BULLETIN – December 1, 2013 – 1st Sunday of Advent

„Therefore you also must be ready, or the Son of Man
is coming at an unexpected hour.”

Readings: Is 2.1-5 Rom 13.11-14
 Mt 24.37-44

WE OFFER THE HOLY MASS FOR:

9:00 ✠Kökényesi Erzsébet (Helen Dobos és család)
✠Kocsis Isabelle (Helen Dobos és család)
✠John Tierney (Helen Dobos és család)

11:00 szülők (Erzsike és Ilonka)
Berger András (Kovács Klári és családja)
Berger András felgyógyulása (Nóra)
Sztanyó Mária, születésnap (Mária)
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Szendi Ica szándéka (Szendi Lenke)
Zsuzsa és Hunter szándéka (Szendi Lenke)
Mária Kongregáció élő és ✠tagjai (kongreganisták)
élő és ✠Szendi és Szervó családtagok (Szendi Ica)
✠Horváth György (lánya és családja)
✠Sikler Anna (férje)
✠József és Mária Töröcsik (lánya Marika és családja)
✠Mersich Béla
✠édesapa (családja)
✠Szalai Sándor, Olga és Györgyi (Forrai család)

Monday (2)

7:30 the intention of the Jesuit General

Tuesday (3) Saint Francis Xavier SJ

7:30 our ✠Jesuits

Wednesday (4) Saint John Damascene

7:30 Jesuit vocations

7 PM béke a Kárpát-medencében
a tisztítótűzben szenvedő lelkek (Szendi Ica)

Thursday (5)

7:30 the conversion of non believers
✠Zsótér Magdolna (dr. Zsótér Tamás & fam.)

Friday (6) Saint Nicholas

7:30 our benefactors (the Jesuits)
✠Nicklaus Tolnai (Nenita Tolnai)
7 PM ✠Lajos (felesége)
✠Sister Columba (Hári Piroska)

Bálintok

Szabolcs atya

Saturday (7) Saint Ambrose

7:30 world peace

Etelka and Pál

Nagy and Erdős families (Zoli and Marika)

✠Kovács László, anniversary (family)

Bálints

The Holy Father's December prayer intentions

General: That **children** who are victims of abandonment or violence may find the love and protection they need.

Missionary: That Christians, enlightened by the Word incarnate, may prepare humanity for the **Savior's coming**.

Baptism: Fazekas Kaden, Koszti Péter

PARISH EVENTS

Today, 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.** Hungarian School, Scouts, First Communion classes ✧ Christmas program of the Hungarian School – younger children **8.** Sausage sale of the Married Couples Club ✧ Skating Trip of the Altar Servers after the 11 AM Mass to the City Hall, Nathan Phillips Square ✧ 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.** Langos 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 **25.** **Christmas** (Sunday Mass Schedule) **26.** Saint Stephen's Day; Mass at 11 AM and 3 PM (**No English morning Mass at 7:30 AM!**) ✧ Senior's Christmas in the Hall at 3 PM;

please bring with you some sweet baked donations if you can **31**. Thanksgiving Mass at 6 PM ♦ New Year Eve's Party at 7 PM.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

♦ 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.

♦ New Beginnings: For those who have lost a loved one through **Death, Separation or Divorce**. Come and join us for an informative evening: Our Facilitator is Father Fred Scinto C. R., Topic: *"I am in Grief: How do I face the Christmas Holidays"* Date: December 3, 2013, Time: 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Location: Archdiocese of Toronto Pastoral Centre - 1155 Yonge St., 4th Floor, Toronto, ON. (It is on the North East corner of Yonge and Shaftebury - Free underground parking off Shaftebury and we are beside the Summerhill subway station.) Pre registration is NOT required. Enquiries: Deacon James Shaughnessy, MSW., RSW., Psyn.D. 416-921-1163 ext 2227 or email jshaughn@cfstoronto.com.

♦ Don't miss **Christmas Spectacular** at Timothy Eaton Memorial Church! Ring in the most wonderful time of year with beautiful choral music in the welcoming atmosphere of Timothy Eaton Memorial Church. The TEMC Sanctuary Choir, Mass Choir and Children's Chorus are joined by friends in the Salvation Army North York Temple Band for a glorious celebration of Christmas. Works include the *O Magnum Mysterium* by Morten Lauridsen and the uplifting *Hallelujah* chorus from Handel's Messiah with full band and choir. And bring your top singing voice to join in on favourite carols! Directed by Elaine Choi and Glenn Barlow and featuring organist Christopher Dawes, Christmas Spectacular takes place Saturday, **December 7** at 4pm. Timothy Eaton Memorial Church (230 St. Clair Ave West). Call 416-925-5977 for tickets, or purchase at the door.

♦ St. Bernadette's Family Resource Centre is pleased to sponsor the Toronto-area premiere of **"Mary of Nazareth"**, an epic new motion picture from Ignatius Press on the life of Mary, mother of Christ, from her childhood through the Resurrection of Jesus (This film is not recommended for children under 11 years due to scenes showing the massacre of the Holy Innocents and the Crucifixion.) Dates: December 5, 12, 29. Time: Saint Exhibit: 6:15 p.m., film: 7:15 p.m. Place: Don Bosco High School Auditorium, 2 St. Andrew's Boulevard, Toronto, ON (5 minutes south from HWY

401, off Islington Avenue). Tickets: \$12 adults, \$10 seniors, \$5 youth 12-18 years.

The Holy Father's missionary prayer intentions for December

In this holy season of Advent, we do not simply look back to the first Christmas, but look to our world today and examine where the Savior Jesus Christ wants to come to dwell with us now. Jesus Christ, born in Bethlehem 2000 years ago, is eager to be born anew in our world. In the words of the medieval mystic Meister Eckhart, "If Christ were born 1000 times in Bethlehem, but not in you, it would all be in vain."

Jesus Christ comes as a gift, but also as a challenge. Thus we must look at ourselves, and reflect on where the peace, joy, light and love of Jesus Christ could and should be more present in our personal lives and in our relationships. Pope Benedict reminded us of this last Advent when he said: "As we prepare for Christmas, it is important that we find time for self contemplation and carry out an honest assessment of our lives."

Yet the full meaning of Christmas does not stop with us but goes one step farther. We must look beyond ourselves. In accord with the Holy Father's intention for the month, we do our part to "prepare humanity for the Savior's coming."

Like the mighty Advent figure John the Baptist, by our prayers, good example, and Christ-like actions, we point the way to Jesus so that indeed he can be born afresh in our world. Again, with Meister Eckhart: "What help is it to me that the Father gives birth to his son, unless I too give birth to him!" The United States Bishops in a pastoral letter on Mary some years ago wrote: "All who truly follow Christ, become like mothers of Christ, for by their faith they bring him to birth in others."

Following the example of Mary we try to live the prayer of St. Francis of Assisi and become instruments of God's peace, joy, and love in our world. If we do our part in preparing humanity for the Savior's coming, then indeed it will be a more joyous and peace-filled Christmas celebration and a Blessed New Year.

Rev. Peter Schineller, S.J.

Thoughts of St. Ignatius of Loyola

* Use and experience teach that it is not the lazy and listless, but the ardent and eager, who enjoy calm and peace of mind in God's service.

* The more detached and solitary a soul becomes, the better fitted it grows to seek and find its Creator.

* Great is the error of those who, blinded by self-love, think that they are being obedient when by some argument they bring their superior to agree to what they themselves want.