

Saint Elizabeth of Hungary Roman Catholic Church

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Masses in Hungarian: Sunday at 9 and 11 AM, Wednesday at 7 PM Jesuit Fathers: Rigó Jenő (pastor), László Marosfalvy (associate pastor), Balázs Jaschkó (retired)

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CHURCH BULLETIN – January 12, 2014 – Baptism of the Lord

And suddenly the heavens opened and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming down on him.

Readings: Is 42,1-4.6-7 Acts 10,34-38 Mt 3,13-17 WE OFFER THE HOLY MASS FOR:

- Adorján Károly megtérése (Gabriella) 9:00 John Soares lelki üdve (Gabriella)
- Ann Stuart lelki üdve (Gabriella)
- Gerencér Zoltán és Feri (Gerencér József és Marika)
- +Kökény Erzsébet (Gerencér József és Marika)
- Dolgos Margit (nővére)
- Császár István (édesanyja)
- Paul Lim & family (Patricia Lim)
- **11:00** Póta László jezsuita testvér felgyógyulása (Engyel család)
- Francesco Ko, special intention
- Kniss Margaret felgyógyulása (család)
- Dala Imre felgyógyulása (Radocsay család) Derénvi Jenő
- Fejes és *Károly szülők (Károly Antalné) a Szent Erzsébet templom +papjai (Forrai család)
- Myoung Sook Kim
- Bors Arthur Miklós (felesége Jessica Bors)
- Nemes Ernő (családja)
- Vida Mária (Allard család)
- Balogh György (Allard család)
- Tari család (Allard család)
- +Hóbor Sándor (Horváth Ilona és családja)

Monday (13) Saint Hilary

7:30 Paul Lim & family (Patricia Lim) the intention of the Jesuit General

Tuesday (14)

- 7:30 László's eye surgery (family)
- Paul Lim & family (Patricia Lim)
- our *+*Jesuits
- 7 PM Cursillo

Wednesday (15)

Paul Lim & family (Patricia Lim) 7:30 holy souls

Jesuit vocations

7 PM a magyar politikai élet megtisztulása

Thursday (16)

7:30 †Paul Lim & family (Patricia Lim)

the conversion of non believers Friday (17) Saint Anthony

7:30 our benefactors (the Jesuits)

Saturday (18)

- 7:30 Piroska, her name day and safe trip (sibling and goddaughter)
- Etelka and Pál

Paul Lim & family (Patricia Lim) the repose of the soul of Ken Muto world peace

The Holy Father's January prayer intentions

General: that all may promote authentic **economic development** that respects the dignity of all peoples. **Missionary:** that Christians of **diverse** denominations may walk toward the unity desired bv Christ.

PARISH EVENTS

12. Lángos sale **18.** Hungarian School, Scouts, First Communion classes **19.** Lunch of the Catholic Men's League **26.** Bake sale of Kodály dance group **1.** Dinner and Dance of the Scouts 2. Blessings of candles before the 9 AM Mass, blessings of throats after both Masses ***** Pancake Breakfast **CANCELLED! 4.** MCC at 1 PM 8. Trip of the junior scouts 8-9. Winter camp of senior scouts 9. First Communion at the 11 AM Mass. followed by reception in the Hall for the family members

ANNOUNCEMENTS

St. Padre Pio Church (5500 Major Mackenzie Dr.) is hosting a Mass of Comfort and Light on Wednesday, January 15 at 7 p.m. This liturgy is offered in support of those who have suffered the loss of a loved one through the death of a family member or a friend. All are welcome. For more information please contact St. Padre Pio Parish at 905-893-7879 or Deacon Curtis at newbeginnings.stpadrepiochurch@gmail.com.

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Pope Francis: Test the spirits

The Christian knows to guard his heart in order to distinguish what comes from God and what comes from the false prophets. That was the message of Pope Francis in the morning Mass at Casa Santa Marta, the first after the holiday season. The Pope said the way of Jesus is that of service and humility, a path that all Christians are called to follow.

Pope Francis took the words "Remain in the Lord," from the first Reading from the Apostle John, as the starting point for his homily. It is a "counsel for life," the Pope said, that John repeats "almost obsessively." The Apostle shows "one of the attitudes of the Christian who wants to remain in the Lord: to understand what's happening in one's own heart." For this reason he warns us, "Do not to trust every spirit, but test the spirits." It is necessary, the Pope said, to know "the discernment of spirits," to discern whether something helps us "remain in the Lord or takes us away from Him." "Our heart," he added, "always has desires, has cravings, has thoughts." But "are these from the Lord or do some of these things take us away from the Lord?" That's why the Apostle John exhorts us to "test" what we think and desire:

"If this goes along the line of the Lord, it will go well, but if not... Test the spirits to see if they really come from God, because many false prophets have come into the world. Prophets or prophecies or suggestions: 'I want to do this!' But this does not bring you to the Lord, it leads you away from Him. That's why vigilance is necessary. The Christian is a man or a woman who knows to keep watch over his or her heart. And many times our heart, and with so many things that come and go, seems a local market: everything, you can find everything there... No! We need to test things - this is from the Lord, and this is not – in order to remain in the Lord."

What, then, is the criterion to determine if something comes from Christ or from the antichrist? St. John, the

Pope said, has a clear "simple" idea: "Every spirit that acknowledges Jesus Christ come in the flesh belongs to God, and every spirit that does not acknowledge Jesus does not belong to God. This is the spirit of the antichrist." But what does it mean, "to recognize that the Word is come in the flesh?" It means "recognizing the path of Jesus Christ," recognising the He, "being God, He emptied Himself, He humbled Himself" even to "death on the Cross":

"That is the path of Jesus Christ: abasement, humility, humiliation as well. If a thought, if a desire takes you along the road of humility and abasement, of service to others, is from Jesus. But if it brings you to the road of sufficiency, of vanity, of pride, along the path of an abstract thought, it is not from Jesus. We think of the temptations of Jesus in the wilderness: all three proposals the demon makes to Jesus are proposals that intended to take Him away from this path, the path of service, of humility, of humiliation, of charity. But the charity accomplished with His life, no? To the three temptations Jesus says no: 'No, this is not my path!"

The Pope then invited everyone to think about what happens in their own hearts. What do we think and feel, what do we desire, do I examine the spirits? "Do I test what I think, what I want, what I desire - he asked - or do I accept it all" without discernment?

"So many times, our heart is a road, everything passes there... Put it to the test! And do I always choose the things that come from God? Do I know which are the things that come from God? Do I know the true criterion by which to discern my thoughts, my desires? Let us think of this, and let us not forget that the criterion is the Incarnation of the Word. The Word is come in the flesh: this is Jesus Christ! Jesus Christ who was made man, God made man, who lowered Himself, humbled Himself for love, in order to serve all of us. And may the Apostle John grant us this grace to know what is happening in our hearts, and to have the wisdom to discern what is of God and what is not of God." (Vatican Radio 2014-01-07)

Thoughts of St. Ignatius of Loyola

* Charity and kindness unwedded to truth are not charity and kindness, but deceit and vanity.

* The closer you bind yourself to God and the more wholeheartedly you give yourself up to his supreme majesty, the more liberal he will be to you.

* The true religious is he who is wholly free not only from the world but from himself as well.

* O God, if men only knew what thou art!

* The evils of vanity and vainglory arise from ignorance and blind self-love.

* He who is zealous soars with wondrous speed in a few moments to a degree of virtue that the slothful cannot reach after many years.