

Saint Elizabeth of Hungary Roman Catholic Church

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Office hours: Tuesday-Saturday 9:30-3:30, Sunday 10-12:30, closed on Monday Masses in English: Monday - Saturday at 7:30 AM

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) Office Staff: Julius Gáspár, Gábor Rochlitz, Anna Szárics

CHURCH BULLETIN – February 2, 2014 – Presentation of the Lord

The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

Readings: A Mal 3,1-4 A Heb 2,14-18 A Lk 2,22-40

WE OFFER THE HOLY MASS FOR:

<u>9:00</u> elsőáldozók kirándulása

Herzsenyák szülők (leányuk és unokái)

- Varga István és Katalin (Ilus és gyerekei)
- Szűcs Antal és Rózsika (Dobos Helen)

+Ernst (felesége és családja)

*Kocsis Erzsébet (Magyar Ház Nyugdíjas Klubja)

<u>11:00</u> házassági évforduló (Zubovits Teréz és Károly) Peter Roh

Mária Kongregáció élő és †tagjai (kongreganisták) Bózsing László felgyógyulása (Klári)

Pongó Antal felgyógyulása (felesége)

Remsei Mária, születésnap (lánya és 6 unokája) Aiden keresztelésére és szüleiért (Kuhár család) Hedley Margit

Papp család és István

- PNémedi szülők (lányuk és családja)
- Premsei István (család)
- PRemsei József (Amber, Megan, József)
- +Ernst Cloer (lánya és családja)
- ₱Balog Gyulané Sarolta (Wohlfart Anna)
- ♥Wohlfart János (szerettei)

♥Gaál Bela és Kovacsik László (Mrs. Benyó)

Póta László jezsuita testvér (Karitász)

Fodor János (családja)

Monday (3) Saint Blaise, Saint Ansgar

7:30 Fr. Jaschkó, on his birthday (Piri) Blessings on Pauline Sazon on her birthday the intention of the Jesuit General

Tuesday (4) Jesuit Martyrs of the Missions

7:30 Blessings on Fr Jaschkó the repose of the soul of Eduardo Florendo our †Jesuits

Wednesday (5) Saint Agatha

Thursday (6) St. Paul Miki SJ and companions

7:30 Healing of Henry Sava

Blessings on Rebecca Warren on her birthday the conversion of non believers

Friday (7)

7:30 our benefactors (the Jesuits)

Blessings on Fr. Fernando Suarez on his birthday

7 PM Családtagok megtérése Szabolcs atya

<u>Saturday (8)</u> Saint Jerome Emiliani, Saint Josephine Bakhita

7:30 Etelka and Pál

Thanksgiving from Gene and Linda Healing of Deacon Dick Mann of St Timothy parish world peace

The Holy Father's February prayer intentions

<u>General</u>: that the Church and society may respect the wisdom and experience of **older** people. <u>Missionary</u>: That priests, religious, and lay people may work together with generosity for evangelization.

 Keresztelő: Losonti Kaia, Mateka Maximus, Nagy Anna
 Temetés: Kékesi Mária (83), Kocsis Erzsébet (84), Simkó László (80)

PARISH EVENTS

February 2. Blessings of candles before the 9 AM Mass, Blessings of Throats on the Feast of Saint Blaise after both Masses
4. MCC at 12 PM 8. Hungarian School, Scouts, First Communion and Confirmation classes
9. First Communion at the 11 AM

Mass, followed by reception in the Hall for the family members \clubsuit Altar servers meeting at 12:00 – planning of the participation on the Steubenville Toronto Conference **17.** Family Fun Day with Potluck lunch – food donations are appreciated **22.** Mass of the Hungarian School at 9:45 \clubsuit Farsang Dinner and Dance at 6:30 PM **2.** Schnitzel and bake sale (Caritas).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

On Tuesday, February 4 at 7 p.m. Catholic Family Services of Toronto and New Beginnings invite you to an inspirational talk with Maureen McDonnell, Assistant Professor of Pastoral Theology at Regis College, The Jesuit School of Theology at the University of Toronto. The event will take place at the Catholic Pastoral Centre: 1155 Yonge St (at Shaftesbury Ave.). 4th Floor, and the topic will be "Presence: Opening Up to God's Love in Our Experience of Loss." For further information, please contact Deacon James Shaughnessy MSW., RSW., Psyn.D. 416-921-1163 ext 2227 or by email jshaughn@cfstoronto.com.

♦ Is there a God? This question will be explored at the inaugural event of the Chesterton Debate Series, sponsored by the Office of Catholic Youth and the Archdiocese of Toronto. The debate takes place on Friday, Feb. 7, at 7 p.m. at the Isabel Bader Theatre (93 Charles St. W.). Fr. Philip Cleevely, CO, an Oxfordand Cambridge-educated philosophy professor at St. Philip's Seminary, will argue the Catholic position. Representing the atheist position is Justin Trottier, the founder of the Centre for Inquiry Canada and one of the country's foremost advocates of secularism and skeptical inquiry. Stephen LeDrew, long-time host and commentator for CP24, will moderate the debate. Tickets cost \$10. Online registration begins January 10 at www.ocytoronto.org.

Pope Benedict XVI: it is beautiful to be old I come to you as Bishop of Rome, but also as an old man visiting his peers. It would be superfluous to say that I am well acquainted with the difficulties, problems and limitations of this age and I know that for many these difficulties are more acute due to the economic crisis. At times, at a certain age, one may look back nostalgically at the time of our youth when we were fresh and planning for the future. Thus at times our gaze is veiled by sadness, seeing this phase of life as the time of sunset. This morning, addressing all the elderly in spirit, although I am aware of the difficulties that our age entails I would like to tell you with deep conviction: it is beautiful to be old! At every phase of life it is necessary to be able to discover the presence and blessing of the Lord and the riches they bring. We must never let ourselves be imprisoned by sorrow! We have received the gift of longevity. Living is beautiful even at our age, despite some "aches and pains" and a few limitations. In our faces may there always be the joy of feeling loved by God and not sadness.

In the Bible longevity is considered a blessing of God; today this blessing is widespread and must be seen as a gift to appreciate and to make the most of. And yet frequently society dominated by the logic of efficiency and gain does not accept it as such: on the contrary it frequently rejects it, viewing the elderly as nonproductive or useless. All too often we hear about the suffering of those who are marginalized, who live far from home or in loneliness. I think there should be greater commitment, starting with families and public institutions, to ensure that the elderly be able to stay in their own homes. The wisdom of life, of which we are bearers, is a great wealth. The quality of a society is also judged by how it treats elderly people and by the place it gives them in community life. Those who make room for the elderly make room for life! Those who welcome the elderly welcome life!

Dear friends, at our age we often experience the need of the help of others; and this also happens to the Pope. In the Gospel we read that Jesus told the Apostle Peter: "when you were young, you girded yourself and walked where you would; but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will gird you and carry you where you do not wish to go" (Jn 21:18). This sentence makes us think about that fact that the need for help is a condition of the elderly. I would like to ask you to seek in this too a gift of the Lord, because being sustained and accompanied, feeling the affection of others is a grace! This is important in every stage of life: no one can live alone and without help; the human being is relational. And in this case I see, with pleasure, that all those who help and all those who are helped form one family, whose lifeblood is love.

Dear elderly brothers and sisters, the days sometimes seem long and empty, with difficulties, few engagements and few meetings; never feel down at heart: you are a wealth for society, even in suffering and sickness. And this phase of life is also a gift for deepening the relationship with God. The example of Blessed Pope John Paul II was and still is illuminating for everyone. Do not forget that one of the valuable resources you possess is the essential one of prayer: become interceders with God, praying with faith and with constancy. Pray for the Church, and pray for me, for the needs of the world, for the poor, so that there may be no more violence in the world. The prayers of the elderly can protect the world, helping it more effectively than collective anxiety. Today I would like to entrust to your prayers the good of the Church and peace in the world. The Pope loves you and relies on all of you! May you feel beloved by God and know how to bring a ray of God's love to this society of ours, often so individualistic and so efficiency-oriented. And God will always be with you and with all those who support you with their affection and their help. (Visit to the community of Sant'egidio's Home for the elderly, 12/11/2012).