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Saint Elizabeth of Hungary Roman Catholic Church

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CHURCH BULLETIN – January 11, 2015 – Baptism of the Lord

You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.

Readings: 📖 Is 42,1-4.6-7 📖 1Jn 5, 1-9 Mk 1,7-11 WE OFFER THE HOLY MASS FOR: **9:00 †**Derényi Jenőért (Klára és Tibor) Presentation Pr Balazsic Józsefért (Balazsic Ferenc és családja) Paul Lim & family (Patricia Lim) **11:00** Vermes Marika sikeres műtétjéért és felgyógyulásáért (Sztanyó László) Márta élő és †szeretteiért (Márta) Farkas Gáborért és nejéért (Illés család) nagyszülőkért, Balázs Hegedűs Ferenczért és Éváért (Anamária) *Poroszlai Istvánért, évforduló (család) Murguly Jánosért (felesége és családja) Balatoni Pálért (Markovits család) Participation Participation Participation Participation (file Zelena József és Ildikó) Monday (12) Saint Marguerite Bourgeoys 7:30 the intention of the Jesuit General fo Honorada Ryu, special intention Healing of Gene Sazon Michael Lee (Miriam Leung) Paul Lim & family (Patricia Lim) 10:30 the funeral Mass of +Studt Sebastian Tuesday (13) 7:30 our +Jesuits Paul Lim & family (Patricia Lim) ♦Bella Cruz Wednesday (14) 7:30 Jesuit vocations Healing of Raffy Zamora and Fr Don Beaudois SJ Paul Lim & family (Patricia Lim) +grandparents (Lents Mihály and Anna) **7 PM** a magyar politikusok megtéréséért Derényi Jenőért (Klára és Tibor) Thursday (15) **7:30** the conversion of non believers for the holv souls Conversion of Patricia and Pamela Paul Lim & family (Patricia Lim) Friday (16) **7:30** our benefactors (the Jesuits) Healing of Mar and Susan Pablo

Our beloved Jesuit Brother <u>**Rudolf Feigl**</u> passed away at age 93 in Hamilton.

The funeral Mass will be on Saturday, January 17th 2015 at 2 PM in the Saint Elizabeth of Hungary Church in Toronto, followed by a reception. The Vigil will be on the previous day, Friday evening at Kane Funeral Home.

The Holy Father's January prayer intentions <u>Universal</u>: That those from diverse religious traditions and all people of good will may work together for peace.

<u>Missionary</u>: That in this year dedicated to consecrated life, religious men and women may rediscover the joy of following Christ and strive to serve the poor with zeal.

Funeral: Soter Imre (81)

PARISH EVENTS

 Sausage and meat lunch of the Catholic Men's League (\$15) 17. Hungarian School, Scouts, First Communion and Confirmation classes 18.
Ecumenical prayer service at 3 PM, followed by reception in the Hall 24. Dinner and Dance of the Scouts **25.** Bake Sale of Kodály ensemble **1.** Blessings of candles before the 9 AM Mass, blessings of throats after both Masses ***** Cabbage rolls and debreceni sale of the MCC **3.** MCC meeting at 12 PM **7.** Farsang Dinner and Dance of the Altar Servers and Youth Club at 6 PM **8.** Bake Sale to support the orphans of Fr. Böjte.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

✤ Helicon invites you to a presentation: "A Life in Music", by concert production impresario Glatz Attila on Sunday, January 25th, 2-4 p.m. at St. Elizabeth Church Hall. This covers Attila's career as a unique performer and promoter with a prominent "Hungarian connection". Admission: \$10.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2015
Ecumenical Prayer Service with His Eminence
Thomas Cardinal Collins, Anglican Archbishop Colin
Johnson, Evangelical Lutheran Bishop Michael Pryse,
Slovak Catholic Bishop John Pazak, Moderator of the
Presbyterian Church Rev. Dr. Harris Athanasiadis, and
other city-wide religious leaders on Sunday, January
25, 4 PM. Yorkminster Park Baptist Church, 1585
Yonge Street (2 blocks North of Yonge Street and St.
Clair Avenue at Heath Street). Parking is available,
Refreshments to follow in parish hail. For further
information, please contact the Office of Ecumenical
and Interfaith Affairs at 416- 934-3400 ext. 344 or
vkwok@ archtoronto.org.

 Faith and Reason Lecture Series: Theology of the Family with Fr. Thomas M. Rosica, on Wednesday, January 28, from 7-8:30 PM at the Newman Centre, 89 St. George St. More information: sonal.castelino@newmantoronto.com.

 Come and See Weekend for young men discerning a possible call to the priesthood. The Love of Christ urges us on to radically respond to His call to follow Him whole-heartily. Jesus is inviting you to spend time with Him so that you may discover His call. January 30th to February 1st at St. Augustine's Seminary. This will be an opportunity for young men of 18 years and older to spend a weekend with time for time of prayer, reflection and information on the process of becoming one of Christ's disciples through the Catholic priesthood. For more info please contact the church office.

✤ For the February 1 sale you can order cabbage rolls and debreceni from Emma Varga: 416-225-9024.

Pope Francis: love leads us to God

(Vatican Radio) Pope Francis reminded the faithful that Christian love is to be expressed with concrete acts, and he pointed out that words are not enough.

Speaking during his homily on Thursday morning during Mass at the Casa Santa Marta, the Pope said that God leads the way with love, and that it is through love that we get to know God. Reflecting on what he called the "key word" in the liturgy during this time of the year, Pope Francis said Jesus 'manifests' himself at the Epiphany, at the Baptism, at the Wedding of Cana, but he asked: "how can we know God?" Francis explained that this truth is explained less by the intellect than by the heart.

"God is love! It is only on the path of love that you can know God. 'Reasonable love', 'love accompanied by reason'. But love! And how can we love what we do not know? Love your neighbors". This, the Pope said, is the doctrine of two Commandments: the most important is 'You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself'. And he pointed out that "to get to the first we must ascend the steps of the second: that means that through our love for our neighbor we can get to know God, who is love. Only through loving can we reach love".

"He who loves knows God; he who does not love has no knowledge of God because God is love". But, Francis stressed: "it's not the love of a 'soap opera'. No, it is solid, strong and eternal. "It 'manifests' itself in the Son, in the Son of God who has come to save us. It is a concrete love made of works and not of words. To know God we must walk through life in love, love for our neighbor, love for those who hate us, love for all".

Pointing out that God sent us his only Son to free us from sin, Pope Francis said that in the person of Jesus we can contemplate the love of God, and following His example, we can climb the steps, one by one, to God's love, to the knowledge of God who is love. Recalling the words of the prophet Jeremiah, the Pope said that God's love precedes everything ... He precedes us. "The prophet Jeremiah said that God was like the flower of the almond-tree, as it is the first tree that flowers in spring, meaning that God always flowers before us. When we arrive, He is already there waiting for us. ... He is always there before us".

Turning his attention to the Gospel reading of the day that tells of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes, The Pope said the Lord had compassion for the many people who had flocked to listen to Jesus "because they were like sheep without a shepherd, they had no orientation", today – Francis said – so many people have no orientation, but God precedes just as he preceded the disciples who hadn't understood what was going on.

"God's love always awaits us; it always takes us by surprise. Our Father who loves us so much is always ready to forgive us. Always! Not once, always!"

Pope Francis concluded asking the Lord to give us the grace to be acquainted and to get to know God on the path of love.