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Saint Elizabeth of Hungary Roman Catholic Parish

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CHURCH BULLETIN – July 19, 2015 – 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

He had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd.

Readings: Jer 23,1-6 Eph 2,13-18 Mk 6,30-34

WE OFFER THE HOLY MASS FOR:

9:00 for priestly and religious vocations

for holiness in families

for the Holy Discalced Carmelite Vocations

testvéreért, Terézért (Mária és a család)

szülőkért és nagyszülőkért (gyermekük és unokáik)

✙ Derényi Jenőért (Derényi Szilvia és családja)

✙ Kovács Erzsébetért (családja)

✙ Drenkó Andrásért (család)

✙ Galambosy Józsefért és Erzsébetért (Galambosy cs.)

11:00 Márta élő és ✙ szeretteiért (Márta)

✙ Wohlfart Jánosért (szerettei)

✙ Kósa Károlyért

✙ barátokért (Sándor)

✙ Szőke Istvánért, születésnap (családja)

✙ Oros Erzsébetért (Babi)

✙ Hidasi Lajosért (családja)

✙ Schröder Istvánért és Éváért (családja)

✙ szülőkért (Dózsa család)

✙ Balogh Lászlóért (Kótai Beáta)

Monday (20)

7:30 for the intention of the Jesuit General

for priestly and religious vocations

for holiness in families

for the Holy Discalced Carmelite Friars/Brothers

for the healing of Noel and Patricia

Tuesday (21)

7:30 for our ✙ Jesuits

for priestly and religious vocations

for holiness in families

for the Holy Discalced Carmelite Friars/Brothers

blessings on Juliet Rasco on her birthday

for ✙ Joe Francis

Wednesday (22) Saint Mary Magdalene

7:30 for Jesuit vocations

for priestly and religious vocations

for holiness in families

for the Holy Discalced Carmelite Friars/Brothers

for ✙ Derényi Jenő (Derényi Szilvia and family)

for ✙ Malcolm Lai

for ✙ Csizmazia János (daughter Colette, son Todd and family)

Thursday (23) Saint Bridget

7:30 for the conversion of non believers

for priestly and religious vocations

for holiness in families

for the Holy Discalced Carmelite Friars/Brothers

for the protection of Fr Fernando Suarez

Friday (24)

7:30 for our benefactors (the Jesuits)

for priestly and religious vocations

for holiness in families

for the Holy Discalced Carmelite Friars/Brothers

for the healing of Gene Sazon

for blessings on Inky Luso on her birthday

for ✙ Mary Francis

Saturday (25) Saint James

7:30 for world peace

for priestly and religious vocations

for holiness in families

for Etelka and Pál

for the Holy Discalced Carmelite Friars/Brothers

for blessings on Rusty Sazon on his birthday

The Holy Father's prayer intentions for July

Universal: That **political** responsibility may be lived at all levels as a high form of charity.

Evangelization: That, amid social inequalities, **Latin American Christians** may bear witness to love for the poor and contribute to a more fraternal society.

Funeral: Gödri Ilona (64)

PARISH EVENTS

27. Lecture of Fr Henri Boulad in English in the Hall at 7 PM: "No one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again" (Jn 3,3). What is involved and how is it possible? Evolution or revolution? Eternal life or Resurrection?

August 9. Collection for the Scarboro Missions and the Catholic Missions in Canada **15.** Annual Pilgrimage to Midland; bus leaves at 8 AM, Mass in Hungarian at 11 AM, Way of the Cross at 2:30 PM,

arriving back at 6 PM. Please call the office ASAP if interested (\$35) **16.** Fr. Chris from India will preach at the 11 AM Mass to help the Catholics in India.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

❖ Dinner for *Caritas Egypt* on **July 28**, 6 PM at St. George Centre, 9116 Bayview Ave, Richmond Hill. Egypt has always been a pivotal and influential nation. Like all countries in the region, its people have suffered hardships that make it difficult for Catholic Charities to deliver their mission of outreach to the poor. Please join Egyptian priest **Fr. Henri Boulad** SJ and Cardinal Thomas Collins for a dinner in support of Egypt's Catholic Charities. COST: \$75 with a tax receipt for a portion of the price. Tickets: 416-275-2151.

Three suggestions for a Christian Vacation

Have you ever felt burnout? Been just plain tired? Almost everyone has been known to say "I need a break, I can't wait for vacation!"

It's unfortunate, but our American work ethic tends to make us feel guilty about "taking time off." We worry it will affect our work performance reviews or somehow make us look like slackers. We even have a saying, "idle hands are the devil's workshop!" But, even the Pope takes off the month of July and August and goes to his "vacation home" like all the rest of the sensible Europeans.

The Baptismal vocation (to proclaim the Good News of Jesus) requires Vacation. Even the commandments of God remind us each week that we're not made for work but to make our life a journey with the hope of resting in him. We're supposed to take a "vacation" every week. It's called Sunday! God rested after a week of work. And so we are supposed to, also. The obligation of keeping Sunday was given us to renew us in our vocation. The Sunday obligation isn't just attend Mass, but to take a day to pray and REST! And, by extension, occasionally it's o.k. to take some downtime over the course of several days to renew ourselves in the Christian's life work.

But the downtime is not for escaping! Students often think of summer vacation as an escape from educational work. But there are learning opportunities in summer, they just seem more fun!

We can never escape the presence of God. Vacation time is a good time to reconnect with the Spirit of God. Pope Benedict XVI gives three suggestions for a "Christian Vacation" that serves the purpose of reconnecting with God and being refreshed to return to our vocational mission as Christians

1. Go somewhere where you experience the beauty of God and the diversity of his human creation. See in nature and people different from yourself the face of God from another perspective who is revealed in the beauty of nature and diversity of humanity.

2. Take a Bible along...read a part of it you're not familiar with, instead of an escapist novel. At least keep up the spiritual practices of prayer you do at home.

3. Visit a sacred or religious place at least once on the vacation. Be surprised by the different expressions of spirituality that lead people to God.

As Christians, though, we don't take vacation for selfish reasons. We can't take some down time only as "Me Time." That's selfish. In our rest, rediscovering the presence of God in our lives is meant to lead us back to mission. We take vacation so that we're made strong again to carry out the work of a Christian, to proclaim the compassion of Jesus in word and deed. We rest so that we can bring new enthusiasm to our ministry as parent, priest, caregiver to those in need. That is an unselfish attitude toward taking time off.

And Lord knows, there's a lot of people out there waiting to be comforted, people who have no one to point them in the right direction that will give them a peace of mind, a sense of well-being, a hope in a better life.

We probably all heard about the shooting in Colorado. The news was horrible and unsettling. Evil reared its head and tore apart the lives of so many innocent people. How are we to respond as Christians?

We can respond with the strength that comes from resting in the Lord, renewing ourselves Sunday after Sunday by resting, taking time off to contemplate the presence of the Lord in our midst. Those times of rest help us remember that evil doesn't triumph. Resting in the Lord trains us to see that God's love was present even in the midst of tragedy. For what do we become present to in our Sunday rest at the altar of the Eucharist? The sacrifice of love that turns death into life.

We can remind those who question where was God in the midst of bullets and terror there were people trying to help each other out of the theater to safety. Some even gave their lives falling on loved ones to protect them from bullets. Strangers comforting the frightened. Jesus was there sharing the horror and in his human weakness still loving people. Ultimately, with the vision that comes from resting in the Lord horrible events remind us that we NEED what only Jesus can give, a reconciled humanity that sees each other as brother and sister to be helped to live, not destroyed.

Only if we balance the work of being Christian with the need to have our spirits re-created through rest and reflection, will we be the shepherds that will lead the human flock to the day when we rest forever in the Lord, a reconciled humanity. We are those shepherds, renewed by Sunday Eucharist and our time with the Lord (*Fr J.Crascher*).