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Saint Elizabeth of Hungary Roman Catholic Parish

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CHURCH BULLETIN – December 20, 2015 – 4th Sunday of Advent

Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb.

Readings: Mic 5,2-5a
 Heb 10,5-10
 Lk 1,39-45

WE OFFER THE HOLY MASS FOR:

9:00 for holiness in families

for the Rosary Apostolate and for Sr. Marilina Szabó Iona felgyógyulásáért (Mária) Marosfalvy atyáért (Szent Mónika imacsoport) Derényi Jenőért (Derényi Szilvia és családja) Kovács Erzsébet édesanyáért (családjai) Rotár Ilonáért (Zoltán és Zita) Dobos Helenért (Szabó Ibolya és Kinga) Mátés Ernőért (Miklós és Ervin) szülőkért és testvérekért (család) Csiszár nagyszülőkért és testvérekért

11:00 Pitiért, Laciért és Bencéért (család)

Jenő atyáért (Szent Mónika imacsoport) Rebekáért, 18. születésnap (mama) Wohlfart Jánosért Babits és Cziráky szülőkért (Kati és családja) Babits Györgyért (Kati és családja) Czapáry Miklósért (Kati és családja) Rády Péntek Zsuzsáért (Anikó Miklós) Hauser Lajosért (Juhász Márta és Sándor) Medgyessy Mihályért (családja) Székely és Bokor családjáért (András és Éva) Molnár Józsefért, 5. évforduló, és Virág Máriaért, 13. évforduló (Attila és Donát) szülőkért (Bródy Julianna) Bródy Józsefért (Julianna) Böjte Júliáért (Szikora Erzsébet)

Monday (21)

7:30 for the intention of the Jesuit General for holiness in families for the Rosary Apostolate and for Sr. Marilina for the intentions of and blessings on Sarah and Ryan Carvalho (Peter Carvalho) blessings on Glo Mirasol on her birthday for the good health of Susan Pablo for Mar Pablo for Fr Don Beaudois SJ for Armando Sanchez Alegria (Sanchez family)

Tuesday (22)

7:30 for our Jesuits for holiness in families for the Rosary Apostolate and for Sr. Marilina for blessings on Art & Auring and Paul & Olive on their anniversary for the intentions of and blessings on Sarah and Ryan Carvalho (Peter Carvalho) for blessings on Art and Aurora on their anniversary for the recovery of Lawrence Pangilinan for the healing of Helen Kauffman for Olivia and Joey Faminial for Armando Sanchez Alegria (Sanchez family)

1 PM the funeral Mass of Lakatos Gábor

Wednesday (23)

7:30 for Jesuit vocations for holiness in families for the Rosary Apostolate and for Sr. Marilina for Gil & Precy Lagman on their anniversary for blessings on Aidan Cole Sazon on his birthday for the intentions of and blessings on Sarah and Ryan Carvalho (Peter Carvalho) for Derényi Jenő (Derényi Szilvia and family) for Armando Sanchez Alegria (Sanchez family) for Elsie Ballesteros and Rosario Bogaling

Thursday (24)

7:30 for the conversion of non believers for holiness in families for the Rosary Apostolate and for Sr. Marilina for the intentions of and blessings on Sarah and Ryan Carvalho (Peter Carvalho) for Pekár Anna and her family members (Mária) **9 PM** férjért és édesanyáért (Erzsi) ifj. Deutsch Lajosért (Erzsi) Pozsonyi Máriaért, évforduló (Erzsébet) **Midnight Mass** Éviért és Zoliért Andreáért és Lianne-ért (Évi és Zoli) thanksgiving (Nelia) Varazsdi Annáért és Alajosért (Évi és Zoli) Pécsi nagymamáért (Krisztina Viktória, Erik és Éva) Horváth Máriaért és Béláért (bérmalányuk) Juretic család élő és szeretteiért (Juretic család) a tisztítóútzben szenvedő lelkekért (Juretic család)

Friday (25) Nativity of the Lord

9:00 for holiness in families

for the Rosary Apostolate and for Sr. Marilina

Deutsch Lajosért és Iliért, hálából (Nóra)

✦ Málics Istvánért (felesége és családja)

Málics Istvánné ✦fiáért (Málics Istvánné és családja)

✦ Katona Lászlóért (felesége és gyermekei)

for ✦ Alexander Gáti (his wife and family)

11:00 Norbertért és Edmundért (Nusi)

Lászlóért, hálából (Nóra)

✦ Tóth Antalért (felesége)

✦ Filo Erzsébetért (testvére Margit)

✦ Márton Erzsébet édesanyjáért (leánya Margit)

Saturday (26) Saint Stephen, the First Martyr

11:00 for holiness in families

for the Rosary Apostolate and for Sr. Marilina

Juretic család élő és ✦ szeretteiért (Juretic család)

✦ Derényi Jenőért (Derényi Szilvia és családja)

✦ Wohlfart Jánosért

3 PM for Etelka and Pál

✦ Emilért (felesége)

✦ Péterért (édesanyja)

The Holy Father's prayer intentions for December

Universal: That all may experience the mercy of God, who never tires of forgiving.

Evangelization: That families, especially those who suffer, may find in the birth of Jesus a sign of certain hope.

Baptism: Csech Violetta

PARISH EVENTS

20. Bake Sale on behalf of the Altar Servers Club

Christmas Masses:

24. Early Midnight Mass at 9 PM ✦ Christmas Carols at 11:15 PM, Scouts' Nativity play, followed by Midnight Mass

25. Christmas Day - Sunday Mass Schedule: 9 AM and 11 AM

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. New Year's Eve; thanksgiving Mass at 6 PM ✦ New Year Eve's Party at 7 PM; please call the office for tickets (\$70)

2016 January 1. New Year's Day; there is only one Mass on this day at 11 AM (in Hungarian) **9.** Hungarian School, Scouts, First Communion and Confirmation classes **10.** Family Mass at 11 AM ✦ Lunch of the Catholic Men Association **17.** Lángos sale.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

✦ Men's Conference on **March 19.** Join Cardinal Thomas Collins, Matt Fradd and Deacon Harold Burkes for Serviam Ministries' 1st annual Band of Christian Brothers Men's Conference at Canada Christian College in Toronto. The day will strengthen and challenge men to grow in faith and virtue while also addressing the struggles that men face. Special Father/Son rates available. Tickets: 1-888-522-2070.

✦ During the Christmas Holidays, the **church office will be closed** on December 24, 25, 26, 31 and January 1.

✦ Kolbe Eucharistic Mini-Retreat Celebrate the **Year of Mercy** on **January 9,** 2 PM, at St. Brigid's Church, 300 Wolverleigh Blvd. We will have Eucharistic Adoration, prayer, and praise and worship. Father Jim Gauthier, S.F.M. will give an inspiring talk titled "St. Margaret Mary: An Apostle of God's Merciful Love."

Pope Francis: Do I allow God to love me?

On this holy night, while we contemplate the Infant Jesus just born and placed in the manger, we are invited to reflect. How do we welcome the tenderness of God? Do I allow myself to be taken up by God, to be embraced by him, or do I prevent him from drawing close? "But I am searching for the Lord" – we could respond. Nevertheless, what is most important is not seeking him, but rather allowing him to seek me, find me and caress me with tenderness. The question put to us simply by the Infant's presence is: do I allow God to love me?

More so, do we have the courage to welcome with tenderness the difficulties and problems of those who are near to us, or do we prefer impersonal solutions, perhaps effective but devoid of the warmth of the Gospel? How much the world needs tenderness today! The patience of God, the closeness of God, the tenderness of God.

The Christian response cannot be different from God's response to our smallness. Life must be met with goodness, with meekness. When we realize that God is in love with our smallness, that he made himself small in order to better encounter us, we cannot help but open our hearts to him, and beseech him: "Lord, help me to be like you, give me the grace of tenderness in the most difficult circumstances of life, give me the grace of closeness in the face of every need, of meekness in every conflict".

Dear brothers and sisters, on this holy night we contemplate the Nativity scene: there "the people who walked in darkness have seen a great light" (Is 9:1). People who were unassuming, people open to receiving the gift of God, were the ones who saw this light. This light was not seen, however, by the arrogant, the proud, by those who made laws according to their own personal measures, who were closed off to others. Let us look to the crib and pray, asking the Blessed Mother: "O Mary, show us Jesus!".