

# Saint Elizabeth of Hungary Roman Catholic Parish

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CHURCH BULLETIN – December 27 – Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Founded in 1928

And Jesus increased in wisdom and in years, and in favour with God and human beings.

Wednesday (30)

**Readings:** Sir 3,2-6. 12-14 III 1 Jn 3,1-2. 21-24 Lk 2.41-52 WE OFFER THE HOLY MASS FOR: **9:00** for holiness in families for the Rosarv Apostolate and for Sr. Marilina Helen Comerford-ért (Derényi Sylvia) Derényi Jenőért (Derényi Szilvia és családja) Bartók Annáért (leánya és unokája) Dobos Helenért (Bédics család) Magdic Máriáért (Bédics család) Barna Józsefért és Barna Franciskáért (családjuk) Szendi Gáborért (Szendi család) 11:00 Zsuzsikáért Diosady Pálért (család) élő és 
Prokec és Pataki családokért (család) élő és †Pollak családért (család) a tisztítótűzben szenvedő lelkekért Varga Jánosért és Márijáért (lányuk és családja) \*Kirec Lajosért, Helenért, Lalikáért, Christopherért, Suzyért és Nancyért (Kirec és György család) Mátyás Margitért (fia és családja) Csida Sándorért (felesége Elizabeth és gyermekei) Ruff Ferencért (édesanyja Terézia és testvérei) Dobos Helenért (Vrabec család és Szendi Lajosné) Magdic Máriáért (Vrabec család) +Lukovits szülőkért (Radocsay Anna és családja) Monday (28) Holy Innocents for the intention of the Jesuit General 7:30 for holiness in families for the Rosary Apostolate and for Sr. Marilina for Zoli (Évi) blessings on David, Francis, and Simone Carvalho (Peter Carvalho) for the intentions of and blessings on Sarah and Ryan Carvalho (Peter Carvalho) 11:00 the funeral Mass of \*Kecskés Piroska Tuesday (29) for our +Jesuits 7:30 for holiness in families for the Rosary Apostolate and for Sr. Marilina for Willie & Thelma Cantos on their anniversary for the intentions of and blessings on Sarah and Ryan Carvalho (Peter Carvalho)

**7:30** for Jesuit vocations for holiness in families for the Rosary Apostolate and for Sr. Marilina for Rand & Eloisa on their anniversary for Linda Febria on her birthday for the intentions of and blessings on Sarah and Ryan Carvalho (Peter Carvalho) for +Derényi Jenő (Derényi Szilvia and family) Thursday (31) Saint Sylvester I for holiness in families 7:30 for the Rosary Apostolate and for Sr. Marilina 6 PM hálából (Juretic család) Friday (1) Mary, the Holy Mother of God; The Giving of the Holy Name of Jesus **11:00** for holiness in families for our benefactors (the Jesuits) Fischer Ritáért Sajgó Szabolcs atyáért +Kovács Lászlóért Derényi Jenőért (Derényi Szilvia és családja) Pekár Annáért és Saturday (2) Saint Basil the Great and **Gregory Nazianzen** for world peace 7:30 for holiness in families for the Rosary Apostolate and for Sr. Marilina for Etelka and Pál for blessings on Teresa and Maggie Chew (Peter Carvalho) for **+**Fodor-Nagy Éva (family) 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: Vazquez Rafael Funeral: Dobos Helen (78), Lakatos Gábor (43), Vincze József (49)

## PARISH EVENTS

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 23. Dinner and Dance of the Scouts.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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."

\*Lectio Divina with Cardinal Thomas Collins on January 10, 7 PM, St. Mary's Parish, 66A Main St. South, Brampton. Lectio Divina ("divine, or sacred, reading") is the name given to a spiritual tradition among Christians over the last two thousand years. This form of prayer involves three distinct stages: a) reading a short scripture passage b) reflecting on the passage and c) a short period of silence. We begin with Vespers (Evening Prayer) at 7 PM, followed by Lectio Divina from 7:30 to 8:15 PM. All are welcome to join Cardinal Collins for this special evening of prayer. Lectio Divina is recorded by Salt & Light Catholic Media for future broadcast. During the extensive renovations at St. Michael's Cathedral, Lectio Divina will be traveling to parishes around the archdiocese in 2015/2016. Visit our website or see poster for full listing of locations. https://www.archtoronto.org/lectio.

#### Peace and joy within the family based on mutual forgiveness

Speaking to the pilgrims gathered in St. Peter's Square for the Sunday Angelus, the Pope said that on this first Sunday after Christmas, the liturgy invites us to celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family.

He said that the Gospel narrates the Holy Family's painful exile as it searched for refuge in Egypt and said that Joseph, Mary and Jesus lived the dramatic condition of refugees, "marked by fear, uncertainty and difficulties".

Unfortunately today – Pope Francis said – millions of families face this same sad reality. Almost every day the television and the newspapers offer news reports about refugees that "flee hunger, war and other grave dangers, and go in search of security and a dignified life for themselves and their families".

And Pope Francis continued pointing out that in far away lands, even when they find work, "not always do

refugees and immigrants find a true welcome, respect, and appreciation for the value that they bring. Their legitimate aspirations clash with complex situations and difficulties that sometimes appear unsurmountable".

So – the Pope said – as we fix our gaze on the Holy Family of Nazareth in that time when it was forced into exile, "let us think of the drama of those migrants and refugees who are victims of rejection and exploitation, who are victims of human trafficking and slave labour".

Pope Francis went on to say: "let us also think of those other exiles – I would call them 'the hidden exiles' who may be marginalized within their own families – the elderly for example who sometimes are treated like burdens".

The Pope concluded his address pointing out that Jesus wanted to be part of such a family and be faced with these difficulties so that no one may feel excluded from God's loving closeness.

The Holy Family's escape to Egypt – he said – shows us that God is there where man is in danger, where man suffers, where he flees, where he is faced with rejection and abandon. But – he continued – God is also there where man has a dream and hopes to return to his homeland and to freedom, where he has a plan for his dignity and for the dignity of his family.

Finally, praying for families across the world, Pope Francis reminded those present that there are three key words to live in peace and joy within the family: "may I?", "thank you", and "sorry".

After the recitation of the Angelus prayer, Pope Francis asked the faithful to pray with him for families throughout the world.

## Pope Francis' prayer to the Holy Family

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, In you we contemplate the splendour of true love, to you we turn with trust. Holy Family of Nazareth, grant that our families too may be places of communion and prayer, authentic schools of the Gospel and small domestic Churches. Holy Family of Nazareth, may families never again experience violence, rejection and division: may all who have been hurt or scandalized find ready comfort and healing. Holy Family of Nazareth, make us once more mindful of the sacredness and inviolability of the family, and its beauty in God's plan. Jesus, Mary and Joseph, graciously hear our praver. (Pope Francis' Angelus Address for Holy Family Sunday -December 29, 2013).