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Saint Elizabeth of Hungary Roman Catholic Parish

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CHURCH BULLETIN – February 14, 2016 – 1st Sunday of Lent

It is written, "Man does not live by bread alone."

Readings: Deut 26,4-10 Rom 10,8-13

Lk 4.1-13

WE OFFER THE HOLY MASS FOR:

<u>9:00</u> for holiness in families Gerencér Laios felgyógyulásáért

(Gerencsér József és Marika)

Rókus Imréért (családja)

- †Derényi Jenőért (Derényi Szilvia és családja)
- †Annáért (húga Mária és családja)
- †Dobos Helenért (szerettei)
- †testvérért (Gizella)

11:00 Jáhn Reed felgyógyulásáért

(Fodor Sándor és Irén)

- **†**Szilárd Ilséért
- †dr. Papp Gáborért és Katalinért, születésnap és évforduló (családja, valamint Caroline és családja)
- +szülőkért (Radocsay Mihály és családja)
- *Bodó Edithért (Nagy Lajos és családja)
- **†**Fodor Katharináért (Fodor Sándor)
- **†**Keith Reily-ért (Fodor Sándor és Irén)
- Pangrazio Cristiano-ért, 4. évforduló (család)
- +Hein Fredért, 3. évforduló (család)
- †szülőkért és nagyszülőkért (Léránt Etelka)
- ♦Szakolcai Ákosért (édesanyja és családja)
- †Kolmann Lászlóért (lánya és családja)
- Cloer Ernst-ért (lánya és családja)

Monday (15) Saint Claude La Colombiére

7:30 for the intention of the Jesuit General for holiness in families

Tuesday (16)

7:30 for our †Jesuits

for holiness in families

Wednesday (17)

7:30 for Jesuit vocations

for holiness in families

7 PM a magyar politikai élet megtisztulásáért

†Derényi Jenőért (Derényi Szilvia és családja)

Thursday (18)

7:30 for the conversion of non believers for holiness in families

♦Varazsdi Annáért (Évi és Zoli)

Friday (19)

7:30 for our benefactors (the Jesuits)

for holiness in families

7 PM *Takács Sándorért és Rózsáért

(Kozma Jolanda)

Saturday (20)

7:30 for world peace for holiness in families for Etelka and Pál

The Holy Father's prayer intentions for February

<u>Universal</u>: That we may take good care of creation—a gift freely given—cultivating and protecting it for future generations.

Evangelization: That opportunities may increase for dialogue and encounter between the Christian faith and the peoples of Asia.

PARISH EVENTS

14. First Sunday of Lent ❖ Cabbage Roll sale 15. Family Festival 20. Hungarian School, Scouts, First Communion and Confirmation classes ❖ Mass of the Hungarian School at 11:30 AM 21. Fundraising Schnitzel lunch and bake sale on behalf of Caritas 28. Lunch of the Scouts March 1. MCC meeting at 1 PM 6. Lángos sale ❖ Family Mass at 11 AM ❖ Meeting of the Altar Servers after the 11 AM Mass 13. Festive Luncheon at 12:30 to commemorate the anniversary of the Dedication of our Church; to order tickets please call the office (\$30) ❖ Lenten Concert of Scola Cantorum Choir at 3 PM.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

❖ "Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy." Our Lord encourages us with a timely reminder about what our actions truly should be − to show mercy to others. Does showing mercy mean to take the time delivering food for the local food bank in our neighbourhood? Do we have time to help by serving on a weekend in the soup kitchen in our city or praying for a family who is dealing with a personal crisis? Or maybe the refugee family who needs some volunteer

help resettling their family to a new life here in Canada. In essence, ShareLife becomes that connective bridge between the pulpit and the street. When we are called to action in the Catholic community, we know of so many ways we can make a difference by working together in the lives of those in need. Annually, we share in helping over 114,000 individuals, thanks to the support received through our collective efforts. Please help us celebrate our **ShareLife**'s 40th anniversary by supporting our annual Archdiocesan appeal during this Lenten season!(Thomas Cardinal Collins, Archbishop of Toronto). Sunday **March 13**, is ShareLife Sunday. Please give generously. You can work wonders!

- ❖ The World Day of Prayer is being hosted by Trinity Presbyterian Church on Friday March 4, at 2 PM. The Church is located on 2737 Bayview Ave., just south of the 401. The women of Cuba have organized the Service this year. The theme this year is *Receive children*. *Receive me*. There are 7 churches taking part Blessed Trinity R.C., St. Gabriel's R.C., St. Elizabeth's R.C., Forest Grove United, St. John's United, Church of the Incarnation and Trinity Presbyterian. Refreshments are served after the Service. There were only 4 representations from St. Elizabeth's last year including Father Jaschko. Hope more will attend. Men are also welcome. Irene Birinyi and Ann Somlai will be readers at this Service. Father Jaschko plans to attend this service as well.
- ❖ Lift Jesus Higher Rally: "The Unshakeable Kingdom", on March 5, from 9 AM at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre, North Building, Lower Level, 255 Front St. W. Our keynote speaker is Deacon Larry Oney, a noted author, evangelist and CEO of Hope and Purpose Ministries. Others: Ralph Martin, Sr. Ann Shields and Peter Herbeck. Also includes High Mass (Sunday liturgy) celebrated by His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins, Archbishop of Toronto; confessions; Eucharistic healing procession and uplifting Christian music. Info: 416-251-4255 or 905-833-0360 or www.lift-jesus-higher-rally.org. Cost: Adults \$20, Youth (ages 13-18) \$15, Children \$5.

Pope Francis: The corporal and spiritual works of mercy must never be separated

In the Bull of Indiction of the Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy, I asked that the season of Lent in this Jubilee Year be lived more intensely as a privileged moment to celebrate and experience God's mercy. It is the beauty of the saving love of God made manifest in Jesus Christ who died and rose from the dead, that first proclamation which we must hear again and again in different ways, the one which we must announce one way or another throughout the process of catechesis, at every level and moment. Mercy expresses God's way of reaching out to the sinner, offering him a new chance to look at himself, convert, and believe, thus restoring his relationship with him. In Jesus crucified, God shows his desire to draw near to sinners, however

far they may have strayed from him. In this way he hopes to soften the hardened heart of his Bride.

God's mercy transforms human hearts; it enables us, through the experience of a faithful love, to become merciful in turn. In an ever new miracle, divine mercy shines forth in our lives, inspiring each of us to love our neighbour and to devote ourselves to what the Church's tradition calls the spiritual and corporal works of mercy. These works remind us that faith finds expression in concrete everyday actions meant to help our neighbours in body and spirit: by feeding, visiting, comforting and instructing them. On such things will we be judged. For in the poor, the flesh of Christ "becomes visible in the flesh of the tortured, the crushed, the scourged, the malnourished, and the exiled to be acknowledged, touched, and cared for by us. It is the unprecedented and scandalous mystery of the extension in time of the suffering of the Innocent Lamb, the burning bush of gratuitous love. Before this love, we can, like Moses, take off our sandals, especially when the poor are our brothers or sisters in Christ who are suffering for their faith.

In the light of this love, which is strong as death (cf. Song 8:6), the real poor are revealed as those who refuse to see themselves as such. They consider themselves rich, but they are actually the poorest of the poor. This is because they are slaves to sin, which leads them to use wealth and power not for the service of God and others, but to stifle within their hearts the profound sense that they too are only poor beggars. The greater their power and wealth, the more this blindness and deception can grow. It can even reach the point of being blind to Lazarus begging at their doorstep (cf. Lk 16:20-21). Lazarus, the poor man, is a figure of Christ, who through the poor pleads for our conversion. As such, he represents the possibility of conversion which God offers us and which we may well fail to see.

For all of us, then, the season of Lent in this Jubilee Year is a favourable time to overcome our existential alienation by listening to God's word and by practising the works of mercy. In the corporal works of mercy we touch the flesh of Christ in our brothers and sisters who need to be fed, clothed, sheltered, visited; in the spiritual works of mercy – counsel, instruction, forgiveness, admonishment and prayer – we touch more directly our own sinfulness. The corporal and spiritual works of mercy must never be separated. Such attentive listening will best prepare us to celebrate the final victory over sin and death of the Bridegroom, now risen, who desires to purify his Betrothed in expectation of his coming.

Let us not waste this season of Lent, so favourable a time for conversion! We ask this through the maternal intercession of the Virgin Mary, who, encountering the greatness of God's mercy freely bestowed upon her, was the first to acknowledge her lowliness and to call herself the Lord's humble servant (w2.vatican.va).