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Saint Elizabeth of Hungary Roman Catholic Parish

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CHURCH BULLETIN – July 10, 2016 – 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbour as yourself.

Readings: Deut 30,10-14 Col 1,15-20

Lk 10,25-37

WE OFFER THE HOLY MASS FOR:

9:00 for holiness in families

for the Rosary Apostolate and for Sr. Marilina Bonnay Erzsébetért (Bonnay és Fayolle családok)

Gorzó Magdolna felgyógyulásáért †Fodor-Nagy Éváért (család)

†Göncz Istvánért (felesége és családja)

+Lecsek Árpádért, Vendelért és Máriáért (Göncz Mária)

†Takács Gyuláért (családja)

†Sasváry Gyuláért (Katona család)

for *Josephine Theresa Leela Jeganathan (Ayvun Jeganathan)

11:00 Rosemary Rozinka Tallon felgyógyulásáért (szülei, nővére, és gyermekei)

Erzsébetért, születésnap

Simonka Mária felgyógyulásáért (Hári Piroska) Bonnay Erzsébetért (Bonnay és Fayolle családok) Jeruska család élő és +tagjaiért (Benkő Erika)

- *Koszonits Imréért, 6. évforduló (felesége és családia)
- ♦Slavo Stankovicért (felesége Elizabeth)
- PRéthy Annáért (Forrai család)
- Nyerges-Bognár szülőkért (család)
- Nádudvardi Istvánnéért, 4. évforduló (Benkő Erika)

Monday (11) Saint Benedict

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

for the Rosary Apostolate and for Sr. Marilina

Tuesday (12)

7:30 for our *Jesuits for holiness in families

for the Rosary Apostolate and for Sr. Marilina

Wednesday (13)

7:30 for Jesuit vocations

for holiness in families

for the Rosary Apostolate and for Sr. Marilina

Thursday (14)

7:30 for the conversion of non believers for holiness in families for the Rosary Apostolate and for Sr. Marilina

Friday (15) Saint Bonaventure

7:30 for our benefactors (the Jesuits)

for holiness in families

for the Rosary Apostolate and for Sr. Marilina

for \$Lily Gomes

Saturday (16) Our Lady of Mount Carmel

7:30 for world peace for holiness in families

for Etelka and Pál

for the Rosary Apostolate and for Sr. Marilina

The Holy Father's prayer intentions for July

<u>Universal</u>: That indigenous peoples, whose identity and very existence are threatened, will be shown due respect

Evangelization: That That the Church in Latin America and the Caribbean, by means of her mission to the continent, may announce the Gospel with renewed vigor and enthusiasm

Baptism: Grace Gonzalez **Marriage:** Sándor Huber and Mireya Prieto

Funeral: Banyai Csilla (53)

PARISH EVENTS

July 17. Celebration of the 65th anniversary of ordination of Fr. Jaschko at the 11 AM Mass, followed by a reception in the Hall August 7. Homily of Fr. Segundino R. Laude from Philippines at the 11 AM Mass to support his mission August 13. Hungarian Pilgrimage to Midland; bus leaves at 8 AM, Mass at 11 AM by the Hungarian Monument, Stations of the Cross at 2:30 PM, leaving back at 4 PM, arriving to Toronto at 6 PM. The cost of the bus is \$35/person. Please let the office know ASAP September 6. Married Couples Club at 1 PM 18. Lángos sale.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ❖ Thank you for your commitment to the **Family of Faith** campaign. Please remember to honour the
 pledge that you made. Instead of our church, payments
 can be sent directly to: Donations Processing Centre,
 Family of Faith Campaign, 1155 Yonge Street, Toronto,
 ON, M4T 1W2.
- ❖ On Saturday, **September 10**, at 6 PM, the Archdiocese of Toronto is participating in a special dinner to support Christians in the Middle East, particularly those in Egypt, Syria and Iraq. The event will take place at the Madison Convention Centre in Woodbridge. Our keynote speaker is Fr. Henri Boulad, SJ, the renowned Melkite priest who serves as Director of the Jesuit-run Cultural Centre in Alexandria, Egypt. As a bold activist and inspiring speaker, Fr. Boulad provides an eloquent witness on behalf of religious minorities and an engaging approach to evangelization. Cardinal Collins will be in attendance, along with representatives of Eastern rite communities. Proceeds will go towards projects respectively supported by Fr. Boulad in Egypt and by the Catholic Near East Welfare Association in Syria and Iraq. For more details and to purchase tickets, visit boulad.eventbrite.ca.

Pilgrimage: a Spiritual Journey

The word "pilgrim," derived from the Latin peregrinum, conveys the idea of wandering over a distance, but it is not just aimless wandering. It is a journey with a purpose. It is a personal invitation from God, comprised of His offer and dependent upon the pilgrim's acceptance. God's call may vary but the purpose remains consistent: It is an individual summons to know God more fully. A pilgrimage is a spiritual journey in which the pilgrim joyfully responds "yes" to God's invitation, a journey to a holy, sacred place to usher the pilgrim into the presence of God. The pilgrim must embark on this journey with joyful anticipation, willingness to temporarily separate him or herself from the world and to offer him or herself in humble service to one another. A successful pilgrimage involves a commitment to leave behind one's problems and to focus instead on seeking to learn more about our heavenly Father. Also, a pilgrimage involves making one's heart full of desire for special graces, praises, petitions, thanksgiving, returning home transformed, renewed and restored by the abundant blessings received.

A pilgrimage is a time of prayer and to witness the miraculous signposts God has left for our return to Him. Ask God to bless you with a heart that will be receptive to the treasure chest of graces He desires to shower upon your pilgrimage. The success of your spiritual journey will depend upon your openness, faith, flexibility, and love.

Pilgrimages - journeys to sacred places - are as old as

civilization. Since the earliest times, such journeys have been made as acts of devotion, penance, or thanksgiving or in search of blessings or miracles. The concept crosses all ideological boundaries. In the ancient Near East, a portion of the harvest was carried to shrines to be offered to the gods in gratitude and homage. Muslim law prescribes a pilgrimage to Mecca, the birth place of Muhammad, for all who are able to undertake the journey. For Hindus, a pilgrimage to Varansi (Banares), to bathe in the sacred waters of Ganges, is considered an obligation.

After the death and resurrection of Jesus and the spread of Christianity, adherents felt a longing to tread in the footsteps of their Savior, His Holy Mother, and His chosen followers, the holy Apostles. Even in the early centuries, when millions of Christians were martyred for their Faith, the faithful flocked to the tombs of favorite saints to venerate their remains, sometimes at the risk of being martyred themselves. Some pilgrimages were done in penance for sin; some were done in petition for a special blessing or favor; and some were undertaken simply out of devotion.

The number of pilgrimages increased greatly in the fourth century, after Emperor Constantine I converted to Christianity and legalized the faith throughout the Roman Empire. He and his mother, Helena, were themselves the most influential of pilgrims. The historian Eusebius of Caesarea attributed to Constantine the discovery of Christ's tomb, the Holy Sepulcher; other accounts credit his mother with finding the True Cross.

Holy objects other then relics have given rise to many other popular shrines. At Czestochowa, Poland, the icon Our Lady of Czestochowa, also known as the Black Madonna, is believed to possess miraculous powers and has been venerated since fourteenth century. At the shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico City, millions come to see the peasant's cape on which the Blessed Virgin's image miraculously appeared following an apparition in 1531.

Numerous places have become the destinations of pilgrims because of apparitions of the Blessed Virgin, particularly in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. Framed among them are Lourdes in France and Fatima in Portugal; the Virgin appeared to young children and urged mankind's repentance and prayer. Pilgrims now number in the millions, and devotion has resulted in numberless reported favors and cures.

One of the earliest usages of the word "pilgrimage" is found in the writings of Saint Augustine of Hippo (354-430). His work, *Peregrinatio*, described a Christian spiritual journey as a kind of self-imposed exile of the pilgrim in which he searched for God's Truth in his wanderings while visiting the holy shrines of the Faith. "To fall in love with God is the greatest romance; to seek him the greatest adventure; to find him, the greatest human achievement." (catholicism.org).