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Saint Elizabeth of Hungary Roman Catholic Parish

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CHURCH BULLETIN – November 27, 2016 – 1st Sunday of Advent

Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming
at an unexpected hour.

Readings: Is 2,1-5 Rom 13,11-14

Mt 24,37-44

WE OFFER THE HOLY MASS FOR:

9:00 for holiness in families

for the Rosary Apostolate and for Sr. Marilina

for †Paul Lim and deceased family members (Lim)

†Molnár Erzsébetért (férje Molnár Gyula és családja)

†Malics Istvánért (felesége és családja)

for Faustine Leung

†Galambosy Józsefért és Erzsébetért (Galambosy cs.)

for †Bernadette Shedgwick (Teresa Marchie)

11:00 a Mária Kongregáció élő és †tagjaiért

Rosemary Rozinka Tallon felgyógyulásáért (családja)

Pouzár Magda családjáért

Juhász Sándor és Márta élő családtagjaiért

†Pál Józsefért (Krájcsics Rozália)

†Nagy Gáspárért, Brigittáért, és †szüleikért és
testvéreikért (Forrai család)

†Varga Eszterért (Varga László és családja)

†Sinyi Ottóért (KFT)

†Derényi Jenőért (KFT)

†Csihás Györgyért (KFT)

†Bukovec Jánosért (KFT)

†Fekete Annamáriaért, 6. évf. (férje dr. Fekete János)

†Kirsch Margaretért (Juhász Sándor és Márta)

†Padányi Carolynért (Juhász Sándor és Márta)

†Safián Ildikóért (Klári)

†Lechner Erzsébetért, évforduló (Majzik Valéria)

†Mohácsy Emilért, évforduló (Majzik Valéria)

†Versicsné Lujziért és +dr Kováts Imréért
(Farkas Ágnes és családja)

Nopper és Berger családok élő és †tagjaiért
(Berger Mária)

†Szele Lászlóért, 9. évforduló (felesége és családja)

†Czigler Katalinért (leánya Stefánia)

†Smagin Katalinért (Radocsay család)

Monday (28)

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

for the Rosary Apostolate and for Sr. Marilina

for Synchrony Canada

for †Paul Lim and deceased family members (Lim)

for †Bernadette Shedgwick (Teresa Marchie)

Tuesday (29)

7:30 for our †Jesuits

for holiness in families

for the Rosary Apostolate and for Sr. Marilina

for Synchrony Canada

for †Paul Lim and deceased family members (Lim)

for †Kim B. S. Mary, anniversary (Lee S. H. John)

for †Bernadette Shedgwick (Teresa Marchie)

Wednesday (30) Saint Andrew

7:30 for Jesuit vocations

for holiness in families

for the Rosary Apostolate and for Sr. Marilina

for Synchrony Canada

for †Paul Lim and deceased family members (Lim)

7 PM a magyar politikusok megtéréséért

Thursday (1) Saint Edmund Campion, Saint Robert Southwell, and their companions

7:30 for the conversion of non believers

for holiness in families

for the Rosary Apostolate and for Sr. Marilina

for †Paul Lim and deceased family members (Lim)

for John Lee, S.H and family

Friday (2)

7:30 for our benefactors (the Jesuits)

for holiness in families

for the Rosary Apostolate and for Sr. Marilina

for †Paul Lim and deceased family members (Lim)

for Bibiana Lee, S.M

7 PM Fischer Ritáért

Sajgó Szabolcs atyáért

†Kovács Lászlóért

†Szendi Lajosért (felesége Ica)

Saturday (3) Saint Francis Xavier

7:30 for world peace

for holiness in families

for Etelka and Pál

for the Rosary Apostolate and for Sr. Marilina

for †Paul Lim and deceased family members (Lim)

for Nagy and Erdős families (family)

for Isidore Lee, K. S

Baptism: Anna Brooks

The Holy Father's November prayer intentions

Universal: That the countries which take in a great number of displaced persons and refugees may find support for their efforts which show solidarity.

Evangelization: That within parishes, priests and lay people may collaborate in service to the community without giving in to the temptation of discouragement.

PARISH EVENTS

27. First Sunday of **Advent** ❖ Bake Sale on behalf of the orphans of Fr. Bojte ❖ Biscuit sale of the scouts **3.** Hungarian School and Scouts at St. Edward Catholic School ❖ First Communion and Confirmation Classes at 1:30 PM **4.** Family Mass at 11 AM ❖ Sausage sale of the Married Couples Club **6.** Married Couples Club at Noon **10.** Christmas Folk Dance House of Kodály at 6 PM **11.** Christmas Concert of Scola Cantorum at 3 PM, followed by a reception in the Hall **14.** Day of Confession; confessions between 6-8 PM **18.** Bake Sale of the Altar Servers and Youth Club **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) **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).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

❖ St Elizabeth **Scola Cantorum** conducted by Imre Olah and the Children's Choir conducted by Christa Lazar invite you and your family for their annual Christmas Concert on Sunday, **December 11**, at 3 p.m. at St. Elizabeth RC Church. Tickets: Adults \$20; Students \$10. Following the concert the choir invites the audience to stay for a reception and silent auction. Tickets and further information: 416 300 9305 or scola.cantorum@gmail.com.

❖ **Advent Retreat** at Divine Retreat Center **December 10 - 11**, 9 AM – 6 PM Led by Fr. Sam Samuel VC Director, DRCT, at 69 William Street, Weston. Pre-registration required: \$50/person. Families are welcome, so you will journey with the Holy Family in 2017. Please call the center: 647-660-1314.

❖ Now that **euthanasia/assisted suicide** is legal in Canada, doctors in Ontario are being forced to help arrange for the killing of their patients. If your family doctor or surgeon objects to providing a referral for assisted suicide/euthanasia, they could be fined, disciplined or even removed from their practice. Many may be forced to retire or move outside of the province if the provincial government does not recognize their freedom of conscience. Please visit www.CanadiansforConscience.ca to learn more and write directly to your Member of Provincial Parliament.

Those who watch for Christ First Sunday of Advent

Every now and then when the world seems to be falling apart and problems appear to be insurmountable, I recall with gratitude the heroes of the Velvet Revolution who helped to bring down the reign of Communism twenty years ago. I cherish the words of hope of former Czech president Vaclav Havel, during his days of imprisonment. Those words captivated the imagination of many people as we witnessed the Communist regime finally come to an end:

The more unpropitious the situation in which we demonstrate hope, the deeper that hope is. Hope is definitely not the same thing as optimism. It is not the conviction that something will turn out well, but the certainty that something makes sense, regardless of how it turns out. In short, I think that the deepest and most important form of hope, the only one that can keep us above water and urge us to good works, and the only true source of the breathtaking dimension of the human spirit and its efforts is something we get, as it were, from 'elsewhere'.

Advent confronts us and wakes us from our stupor. What is the work of Advent for each of us this year? We are invited to quietly prepare our hearts and our lives for the coming of the ever-greater one in the flesh. For what or for whom are we waiting in life? What virtues or gifts are we praying to receive this year? What material things do we seek? The people, qualities, things we await give us great insights into who we are. Advent, far from being a penitential time or a time of despair, is a time of rejoicing in hope and a time of patient waiting. God knows how impatient we are as a people and as individuals. Nevertheless, patience is a blessed virtue for which we should pray during Advent.

Let me leave you with this moving reflection on hope by the late Fr. James Keller, M.M., Founder of The Christophers:

Hope looks for the good in people instead of harping on the worst. Hope opens doors where despair closes them. Hope discovers what can be done instead of grumbling about what cannot. Hope draws its power from a deep trust in God and the basic goodness of human nature. Hope "lights a candle" instead of "cursing the darkness." Hope regards problems, small or large, as opportunities. Hope cherishes no illusions, nor does it yield to cynicism. Hope sets big goals and is not frustrated by repeated difficulties or setbacks. Hope pushes ahead when it would be easy to quit. Hope puts up with modest gains, realizing that "the longest journey starts with one step." Hope accepts misunderstandings as the price for serving the greater good of others. Hope is a good loser because it has the divine assurance of final victory (Fr. Thomas Rosica, CSB, saltandlighttv.org).