

Saint Elizabeth of Hungary Roman Catholic Parish

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CHURCH BULLETIN – March 26, 2017 – 4th Sunday of Lent

One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see.

Founded in 1928

Readings: 🛄 1Sam 16,1b 6-7. 10-13a 🚇 Eph 5,8-14 🕮 Jn 9,1-41

WE OFFER THE HOLY MASS FOR:

9:00 for the healing of families for the Rosary Apostolate and for Sr. Marilina Gara Ferencért (felesége Franciska és gyermekei) **11:00** Egyházközségünkért (Nagy Imre és Ibolya) for the healing of Keith Cheung (wife Stella Cheung) Rosemary Rozinka Tallon felgyógyulásáért (családja) a Mária Kongregáció élő és +tagjaiért Szendi és Szervó családok élő és +tagjaiért (Szendi család)

Bonnay Lászlóért és Erzsébetért (Farkas család) +Juhász Andrásért (gyermekei)

Berden Istvánért (ifj. Berden Steve és családja) Gara Ferencért (felesége Franciska és gyermekei) +Haman Éváért (családja)

Törőcsik Józsefért (leánya Marika és családja) Monday (27)

7:30 for the intention of the Jesuit General for the Rosary Apostolate and for Sr. Marilina for the healing of Keith Cheung (wife Stella Cheung) for the healing of families

for Lu Tseng Chi and Evelyn Lu

for *parents* and family members (Piroska) Tuesday (28)

7:30 for our +Jesuits

for the Rosary Apostolate and for Sr. Marilina

for the healing of Keith Cheung (wife Stella Cheung)

for the healing of families

for Lu Tseng Chi and Evelyn Lu

for **†**Gorzó Magdolna (Piroska)

Wednesday (29)

7:30 for Jesuit vocations for the Rosary Apostolate and for Sr. Marilina for the healing of Keith Cheung (wife Stella Cheung) for the healing of families for Lu Tseng Chi and Evelyn Lu

7 PM a magyar politikai élet megtisztulásáért a tisztítótűzben szenvedő lelkekért

Thursday (30)

7:30 for the conversion of non believers for the Rosary Apostolate and for Sr. Marilina for the healing of Keith Cheung (wife Stella Cheung) for the healing of families for Lu Tseng Chi and Evelyn Lu for *Bécsi* Mátyás Jr. (Piroska) Friday (31) 7:30 for our benefactors (the Jesuits) for the Rosary Apostolate and for Sr. Marilina for the healing of Keith Cheung (wife Stella Cheung) for the healing of families for Lu Tseng Chi and Evelyn Lu 7 PM for Etelka and Pál Saturday (1) 7:30 for world peace for the Rosary Apostolate and for Sr. Marilina for the healing of Keith Cheung (wife Stella Cheung) for the healing of families for Lu Tseng Chi and Evelyn Lu for +Varazsdi Alajos, anniversary (Éva)

for +Yong-Ho Kim and +Mal-Ja Jeung (Maria Lee)

The Holy Father's March prayer intentions That **persecuted Christians** may be supported by the prayers and material help of the whole Church.

Funeral: Kiss Jusztina (85), Váradi Tibor (43)

The new website of our church with the latest news is now available: www.stetoronto.com.

PARISH EVENTS

Sunday (26) Lángos sale, followed by a dramatized story from the "One Thousand and One Nights," performed by the Lángos Punchers **&** Common Communion and meeting of the Congregation of Mary Wednesday (29) Day of Confession; confessions taken before the 7 PM Mass & Seniors Club at 1 PM Rosary at 6:30 PM, Mass at 7 PM, followed by adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Christian perspective discussion group at 7:45 PM in the Saint Stephen's room

Thursday (30) Making of rosaries at 6:30 PM.

Friday (31) 6:15 PM Way of the Cross, Mass at 7 PM Saturday (1) <u>Retreat</u> with Fr Ulrich Kiss SJ from 10-4 PM in the Hall ♦ Hungarian School and Scouts at St. Edward Catholic School ♦ Baby & Mother Club at 10 AM ♦ *"Mothers' prayers"* prayer group at 10 AM ♦ Confirmation Class at 1 PM ♦ First Communion Class at 1:30 PM

Sunday (2) First ShareLife Sunday Schnitzel Lunch and bake sale on behalf of the Caritas * Lenten Concert of Scola Cantorum at 12 PM < meeting of the Altar Servers and Youth Club at 12 PM; catechesis in two age groups, followed by pizza lunch and bowling 4. Married Couples Club at 1 PM 7. Meeting of the Catholic Men's League at 1 PM 9. Palm Sunday * Bake Sale and Debreceni Sale of the Married Couples Club Family Festival from 12-5 in the Hall **10**. Lecture of Fr. Kiss Ulrich SJ in the Hall 13. Holy Thursday; 7 PM Lamentations; 7:30 Mass of the Last Supper and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until Midnight 14. Good Friday; 2 PM Way of the Cross, 3 PM Service of Our Lord's Passion and Veneration of the Holy Sepulcher until 10 PM 15. Holy Saturday: from 10 AM to 6 PM Veneration of the Holy Sepulcher; 7:30 PM Easter Vigil, Mass and Procession 16. Easter Sunday – Resurrection of the Lord: Masses at 9 AM and 11 AM; Blessing of the Food at the end of the 9 AM Mass (office closed) 17. Easter Monday; Masses: 7:30 AM (English), 11 AM (Hungarian) 18. Making of rosaries at 6:30 PM 23. Lunch of the Married Couples Club at 12 PM & Common Communion and meeting of the Congregation of Mary ***** Poetry afternoon at 12:30 PM: "The lyrical poetry of Arany János."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Theology on Tap West: Doing the Right Thing. Monday, March 27, 7 PM-9 PM. Boston Pizza, 50 Courtneypark Dr E, Mississauga. Faith Connections, the Office of Catholic Youth, and the local parishes invite young adults (19-39) to join us for an evening of thought-provoking theological discussion in a comfortable and relaxed setting, with special guest: Victor Dodig, CEO of CIBC. (Following our regular programming we will host an hour of professional networking. All are welcome to participate.) Munchies provided, cash bar, come and bring a friend! For more information call OCY at 416-599-7676 or visit www.faithconnections.ca.

♦ Adrian Ciani: "Sacred Ground; the Vatican, the American Catholic Church, and the Struggle for the Holy Land." Tuesday, March 28, 7-9 PM in Blessed Trinity Church, 3220 Bayview Avenue. Dr. Adrian Ciani, the Professor at Seneca College, and St. Augustine's Seminary, will present a talk on how the American Church tried to safeguard the holy sites during the conflicted times from the end of World War I to the establishment of Jordan in 1946 and Israel in 1948. Using original sources and documents, he will give an enlightening and informative presentation. No Registration Required. All are welcome. Organized by the Association of Hebrew Catholics and The Fellowship of St. Joseph.

Mary, Mother of God School Men's Charity Hockey Game & Family Skate! Priests and seminarians from Serra House, St. Augustine's Seminary, Oratory will join students, teachers, parents, and Alumni for our first ever Men's Charity Hockey Game. Bring family and friends to support our school and join in the fun at McCormick's Arena. March 31 from 7-9 pm. Tickets: \$20 per person, \$50 per family (which includes a family skate and the hockey game!) Tickets: 416-531-7897.

Pope Francis: The confessional is not the dry cleaners

Pope Francis warned against treating the confessional like the dry cleaners, a place to make a quick transaction, wipe away our sins and steal a false pardon. He also stressed the need for Christians to be truly ashamed of their sins.

Jesus tells Peter to forgive his brother not seven times, but seventy-seven times. Being forgiven and understanding that forgiveness, gives us, in turn, the ability to forgive others. This is shown in the actions of the debtor who is forgiven by his master, but who himself could not forgive another person who was in debt to him. He has not understood the mystery of forgiveness. This mystery is not like a transaction in a bank. Some confess their sins like a sort of checklist:

"If I ask 'Are you all sinners? - Yes Father, all of us and to obtain pardon for our sins? - We confess - And how did the confession go? – I go there, I say my sins, the priest forgives me, I'm given three Hail Mary's to pray and I leave in peace.' You have not understood! You have only gone to confession to carry out a banking transaction or an office task. You have not gone to confession ashamed of what you have done. You have seen stains on your conscience and have mistakenly believed that the confessional box is like the dry cleaners that removes those sins. You're unable to feel shame for your sins."

Entering into this mystery helps us to reform our lives. The marvel enters your heart. You have the power to enter into its knowledge. Otherwise you leave the confessional, meet a friend, begin to talk and gossip about someone else and continue sinning. If we don't have this knowledge we will be like the servant in the Gospel, who thought he could get away with not forgiving others, when he himself had been forgiven.

Today, let us ask the Lord for the grace to understand this, seventy times seven. Let us ask for the grace to be ashamed before God. It is a huge grace. To feel ashamed of our sins and then receive forgiveness and the grace of generosity to give it to others, because the Lord has forgiven all, so who am I to not forgive? (*Vatican Radio*).