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Saint Elizabeth of Hungary Roman Catholic Church

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CHURCH BULLETIN

Sixty years in the service of Hungarians in Toronto The Hungarian Jesuits

1949 – 2009

Readings: Deut 4.32-34,39-40; Rom 8.14-17;

Matt 28.16-20

Responsorial Psalm: "Blessed the people the Lord

has chosen as his heritage."

PRAYER INTENTIONS:

9:00 器 egyházközségünkért - plébános

- +Herzsenyák szülőkért unokái
- → +Kádár szülőkért és +testvérekért cs.
- +szociális nővérekért Kristóf Julianna

- # for Tony Elias jr. de Souza család

- Szendi és Szervo család élő és elhunyt tagjaiért
- → +Kocsi Lajosért és +Ariannáért fiuk és cs.
- +Juhász Piroskáért gyermekei
- +Lászlóért és +Irénért Telch család
- +Kósa Károlyért
- +édesapjáért Radocsay Mihály és cs.
- → +Kendró Erzsébetért (Mo) Mihalik család
- +Szabó Tiborért felesége, Gizella
- +Bonnay Lászlóért Csermely Krisztina
- +Horváth Istvánért Jenei család
- +Serke Lászlóért testvére

hálából, Marikáért – bérmakeresztanyja

> # Jaschkó atya felgyógyulásáért és Bojtos mama sikeres műtétjéért - Bojtos család

évfordulójára, hálából - család

+Fejes Ferencért – a cserkészbarátok

Monday, June 8;

for the deceased members of Joanna's family 7.30 11.00 funeral mass + Miklós Rozika

Tuesday, June 9; St. Ephrem

No morning Mass today

Wednesday, June 10;

No morning Mass today

Thursday, June 11; St. Barnabas, the apostle

- (1) for the deceased parents of Acsai Ferenc 7.30
 - (2) for Etelka and Paul
 - (3) for Eileen Riordan's special intention

Friday, June 12;

(1) for the deceased members of Peter's family

(2) for +Gregory Milanovszki – Papp Katalin

Saturday, June 13; St. Anthony of Padua

(1) in veneration of St. Anthony - Csányi Margit 7.30

> (2) for the deceased members of the Pataki and Prokec families

12.30 marriage of Claudio Esposito & Demeter Judit

Baptism: Steven Székely, Nóra Mária Szolocsinszky Confirmation: Baksay Erzsébet, Bácsi Bernadett Erzsébet és Tamás István, Borbély Krisztina, Farkas Lőrinc Péter, Harmath Zakariás András, Hegedűs Péter, Horváth Regina Teréz, Királyfalvy Attila Péter és Viktor Péter, Kovács Dávid Gábor, Lukasiewicz András István, Szárics Ida Teréz, Szolocsinszki Nóra Mária, Záhonyi Mónika Anna

Marriage: Claudio Esposito & Demeter Judit (3)

June 12 Friday at 8:00 pm at St Elizabeth of Hungary RC Church (432 Sheppard Ave., E. Toronto) András Wéber and friends. Benefit concert for the revitalization of St. Elizabeth Scola Cantorum Choir. Zsigovics Ágnes soprano, Ran Kim organ, Peleg Jozsef violin, Ivan Ivanovics viola, Marta Kosek oboe, Calum Macleod double bass and Scola Cantorum.

Back to the Basics (Fr. Phil Bloom)

A number of years ago our educational system spent a lot of time helping students feel good about themselves. It worked for a while, but when the students graduated, a high percentage could not correctly fill out an application or reconcile a bank statement. When their checks bounced and they did not get hired, their self-esteem took a nosedive. Many educators recognized the mistake and pretty soon we had a movement called, "back to the basics." It emphasized teaching students the fundamentals of arithmetic, writing and reading.

In regard to teaching the faith, something similar needs to happen - and, thanks be to God, to a certain degree is happening. At one time religious educators placed great emphasis on teaching children that God loves them. Nothing wrong with that. None of us can hear that message too often. However, we need to know the foundation for God's love, why he loves us and how we participate in that love. This Sunday we return to basics: the Trinity, the great mystery upon which the Christian faith (and ultimately the universe itself) is founded.

Early Christians summed up the mystery of the Trinity in these words: The Father is God, Jesus his Son is God and the Holy Spirit is God, but there are not three Gods, but one God. As the Athanasian Creed says, "We worship one God in three persons and three persons in one God, without confusing the persons or dividing the divine substance." The persons are distinct: Father, Son and Holy Spirit, but the substance is one: God.

This bare definition points to a reality we can glimpse, but not capture. It is like the sun; we can take a glance, but its brightness causes us to turn away. Yet that very brightness makes it possible for us to see everything else. So it is with the Trinity. Jesus has given us a glimpse of his relation to the Father. The energy, the love between them is itself a third divine person, the Holy Spirit. If the universe sprung from the interplay of those ever existing Persons, then the things you and I experience must somehow reflect that mystery: for example, the self-giving between human beings, the elusive nature of the human mind and perhaps even physical phenomena, such as gravity and light, which we constantly experience and measure, but really don't know what they are.

St. Paul tells us that when we pray, the mystery of Trinity overtakes us. In our prayer we talk to God, but at its deepest level prayer is (take a deep breath) God speaking to God. The Spirit within us calls out "Abba," that is, "Father." The Spirit within us proclaims that Jesus is Lord and that through him we too are somehow share in his sonship.

We need to keep these basics before our minds - and teach them to our children. Some people have gotten the idea that the Trinity was invented in the fourth century. Well, today we hear Jesus telling his apostles to baptize in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. A document called the Didache or Teachings of the Twelve - which may have been written as early as 50 A.D. - gives this mandate: "After the foregoing instructions, baptize in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, in living [running] water. If you have no living water, then baptize in other water, and if you are not able in cold, then in warm. If you have neither, pour water three times on the head, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."

In other words, what matters is not the temperature or quantity of water, but the Trinitarian reality. It is time to return to the basics: our participation in the life of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

LifeCanada strongly opposes a dangerous new bill that would legalize assisted suicide and euthanasia in Canada.

Bill C-384 was introduced by Bloc MP Francine Lalonde in Parliament on May 13, 2009. The legislation would permit assisted suicide and euthanasia for anyone 18 or older who is experiencing "severe physical or mental pain" and has tried or refused appropriate treatment.

"These people need help, not a suicide prescription," said Gudrun Schultz, Executive Director of LifeCanada/VieCanada. "Suicide already takes the lives of 4,000 Canadians every year. Each one of these is a tragedy. We should be trying to reduce that number with appropriate support and health care. This bill will lead to just the opposite---more deaths."

Suicide is the second leading cause of death among young people in Canada, following accidental death. Seniors are another high-risk group, more than twice as likely as the general population to end their lives by suicide out of loneliness, depression or physical pain.

"Beneath the language of "compassion" and "dignity", assisted suicide remains an act of violence. It indicates a society that abandons desperate people who need love and appropriate care. We urge Canadians to reject this bill." For more information contact Gudrun Schultz at 866-780-5433 or Dr. Delores Doherty at 709-754-2068