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## Saint Elizabeth of Hungary Roman Catholic Church

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No. 5 – Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time – January 31.

# CHURCH BULLETIN

Twenty five years on Sheppard – Where to now?

1Cor 12.31-13.13 Lk 4.21-30

**Responsorial Psalm:** "My mouth will tell, O Lord, of your deeds of salvation."

### PRAYER INTENTIONS:

9:00 +Gál Tiborért – leánya

+Lovrics Andrásért - Kristóf Julianna

+Arankáért

+Ihász Jánosért és +Jolánért

+Ladocsi Margitért

10:30 % egyházközségünkért

₩ Dobai Ágnes felgyógyulásáért – Ica

a Beteglátogató Csoport

₩ Mária Kongregáció élő és elhunyt tagjaiért

+Fodor Jánosért - családja

+dr. Turkai Dóráért - Szendi család

+nagyszülőkért – Engyel család

+Juhász Józsefért - Magdus és családja

+Borbély Károlyért – felesége és családja

+Csáthy Tamásért - családja

+feleségéért, Margitért - Feri

+Imregh Sándorért és +Károlyért – Jákó cs.

**12:00** +Miók Györgyért, az Afganisztánban elesett magyar hősért – Molnár János és Anamaria

## Monday (1);

7.30 special intention for Peter

8:00 for the earthquake victims in Haiti

#### Tuesday (2): The Presentation of the Lord

7.30 for the priests of St. Elizabeth Church8.00 for the priests of St. Elizabeth Church

#### Wednesday (3):

7.30 for the earthquake victims in Haiti

8.00 (1) for + László Tóth, +parents, +grandparents, and +siblings

(2) for fr. Jaschkó on his birthday - Piri

## Thursday (4);

7.30 for Paul - Etelka

8.00 for +Maczó Mária – Ferenc Acsai

Friday (5); St. Agatha

7.30 (1) for +Gilber and +Julie Tellis

(2) special intention for Phillip

8.00 for +fr. Orbán – Piri

7 p.m. (1) for +László Kovács

(2) for +Lajos Szendi

(3) for +Erzsébet Pomper - husband and friends

## Saturday (6); St. Paul Miki

7.30 for fathers' intention

8.00 for +Nagy, +Szabó and +Erdős family members

<u>Baptism</u>: Horváth Dzsenifer, Majzák Dániel <u>Funeral</u>: Dávid Sarolta, Endrődy Géza

#### Announcements

❖ Prayer Service re: Haiti - As previously announced we will hold a special collection this weekend in all parishes to support the relief efforts in Haiti. Locally, our Archdiocesan Office for Ecumenical & Interfaith Affairs is organizing a prayer service to be held on Monday, February 1, 2010 at St. Paul's Basilica.

❖ Faith Connections, Regis College, and TAVDA invite young adults (18-39) to LENTEN LISTENING: A BUSY PERSON'S RETREAT. This retreat will be an opportunity to meet with a spiritual guide in your own area three times during Lent. Beginning with a group gathering on Ash Wednesday, February 17, 7:00pm at Regis College (100 Wellesley St W, Toronto), and closing on April 8. Cost: \$25. Please register by February 5: 416-222-1426 ext 276 or faithconnections@csj-to.ca. More info: www.faithconnections.ca – a ministry of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Toronto.

\* "Is there more to life than this?" Faith Connections, Alpha Canada, and the downtown Christian ministries invite you to find out at ALPHA IN THE PUB for young professionals (21-39). Complimentary pub grub; cash bar. Tuesdays, from February 16 to April 27, 5:30pm at Fionn MacCool's Irish Pub (181 University Ave, Toronto). More info: call Alana at 416-689-2489, or visit: www.alphainthepub.com.

- ❖ FAITH CONNECTIONS' THEOLOGY ON TAP young adults (19-39) are invited to a social evening of thought-provoking discussion on "Catholicism & Homosexuality: A Journey of Discernment" with guests Dr. Moira McQueen, Canadian Catholic Bioethics Institute, and Denis Costello, Catholic Family Services of Toronto. Munchies provided, cash bar, come and bring a friend! Monday, February 22, 7:00pm at the Duke of York Pub (39 Prince Arthur Ave, Toronto). More info: call 416-222-1426 ext 276 or visit www.faithconnections.ca a ministry of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Toronto.
- ❖ Development and Peace & Faith Connections invite you to An Evening of Lenten Reflection: FOOD FOR BODY AND SOUL with Fr. Jim Profit, S.J., Executive Director of the Ignatius Jesuit Centre of Guelph. We'll reflect on the part food plays in the relationships between us, the Earth and God—a physical and spiritual appreciation of our daily bread is essential. Monday, March 8, 7:00pm at the Newman Centre (89 St. George St, Toronto). Refreshments will be provided, suggested donation: \$5. RSVP by March 5. Contact Vanessa Nicholas-Schmidt at 416-222-1426 ext 276 or faithconnections@csj-to.ca. More info: www.faithconnections.ca − a ministry of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Toronto.
- ❖ The organizers of the annual World Day of Prayer (in English), that will be held this year in our Church on March the 5<sup>th</sup>, at 1:30 PM, met last Friday here in St. Stephen Room. On this World Day of Prayer the prayers are said everywhere for Cameroun. The information leaflets and the prayers were composed by the women of Cameroun and the Canadian Interdenominational Council of Women adopted them to the Canadian circumstances. The organizers of prayers held in our Church represent seven denominations, three are Roman Catholic and four are Protestant. The motto of the day is "Praise the Lord, everything that is alive." After the prayer, a reception will follow in the Hall. Please mark this day in your calendar and come and participate.

#### Homework on Love

Fr. Munachi E. Ezeogu, cssp

The passage we have today in the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading, 1 Corinthians 13, is one of the best texts on love that you can find in the Bible. If you want to know what true love is, read that chapter over and over again. Many times in church we speak about the importance of love. In fact, we cannot speak too much about love because in the Christian life, love seems to be everything. Even God, we are told, is love. Today, however, I would not like us to listen to another speech on love. I would rather like to propose to you some practical exercises on love.

## A Checklist on Love

How much of a loving person are you? An exercise based on this reading helps us to find that out easily. The text, taken from the New International Bible, version reads:

**Love** is patient, **love** is kind. **It** does not envy, **it** does not boast, **it** is not proud.

It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs.

**Love** does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. **It** always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. (1 Corinthians 13:4-7)

Now let us read the passage again putting "JESUS" and "HE" wherever we find "LOVE" and "IT." You can see that it read smoothly. You can still agree with every line of the passage. Next read the passage again, this time substituting your name, "NN", and the pronoun "I". Do you still agree with every line in the passage? How do you score yourself on a scale of 1 to 10? That shows how loving a person you are.

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An adult education teacher once gave his class an assignment to go to someone they love before the following week's class and tell them that they loved them. They would then give their report at the next class. It had to be someone to whom they had never said those words before, or at least not for a very long time. At the next class, one man stood up and recounted his story to the class. "I was quite angry with you last week when you gave us this assignment. I felt like, who were you to tell us to do something so personal? But as I was driving home, my conscience started talking to me. It was telling me that I knew exactly who I needed to say "I love you" to.

Five years ago, my father and I had a terrible argument which we have never resolved. We have avoided seeing each other unless it was absolutely necessary and even then we hardly spoke to each other. So last week by the time I had gotten home after class, I had convinced myself to tell my father that I loved him. It's strange, but just making the decision seemed to lift a heavy load off my chest. When I told my wife, she jumped out of bed, gave me a big hug and for the first time in our married life saw me cry.

The next day at 9AM, I called my father to tell him I wanted to come over after work and talk to him. He reluctantly agreed. By 5:30, I was at the house. When my father answered the door, I didn't waste any time. I took one step inside and blurted out "Dad, I just came over to tell you that I love you." Well, it was as if a transformation had come over him. Before my eyes, his face softened, the wrinkles seemed to disappear and he too began to cry. He reached out and hugged me, saying "I love you too, son, but I've never been able to say it." My mother walked by just then with tears in her eyes. I didn't stay long, but I hadn't felt that great in a long time.

Two days after my visit, my dad, who had heart problems but hadn't told us, had an attack and ended up unconscious in the hospital. I still don't know if he'll make it. So my message to all of you in this class is: don't wait to do the things you know need to be done. If I had waited, I may never have another chance to do what I did."

And so my friends, your homework for this week is, go home and tell someone you love them before next Sunday. And it has to be someone you really love, but to whom you have never said those words before, or at least not for a very long time now. One day it will be your turn to tell us your own wonderful story of love.