



"See what love the Father has bestowed on us  
that we may be called the children of God.

Yet so we are."

1 John 3:1

**NOVEMBER 1, 2009  
ALL SAINTS**

**ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CHURCH**

**A JOYFUL WELCOME** to the newest members of the Christian community:

Thomas Riley Sander will be baptized this Sunday at the 9:00 Mass. We offer our prayers and best wishes to his parents, Jeffrey and Nessa Riley.

At the 11:00 AM Mass Nicklas Michael Miller and Lauren Kathryn Miller will be baptized. Our congratulations and prayers to their parents Mark and Jacquelyn Miller.

**PARISH PHOTO DIRECTORY.** Please get your pictures in as soon as possible for the parish directory. Photos are taken after any mass. Or you may send a digital photo via email ([photos@stelizabethportland.net](mailto:photos@stelizabethportland.net)), or drop off a photograph for us to scan and return. We want photos that clearly show your faces. Also, we are selling small business card-sized ads in the parish directory to offset some of the cost. If you have a business we would like to tell the parish about, please contact us. For questions or comments call or email Mark Myers at ([mark@St.ElizabethPortland.net](mailto:mark@St.ElizabethPortland.net), 503-244-3555).

**ST. ELIZABETH CHOIR** - If you would like to participate in our choir for our St. Nicholas celebration (December 4 at 6:00 or 6:30 PM) and Christmas Eve (December 24 at 4:00 PM and 9:30 PM) and Christmas Day (Dec. 25 at 10:00 AM), please sign up on the list in the parish hall. All practices will be from 7:00 PM to 8:25 PM. Rehearsal dates are as follows:

Tues. 10/27	Tues. 11/17	<b>Thurs.</b> 12/10
<b>Thurs</b> 11/5	Tues. 11/24	Tues. 12/15
Tues. 11/10	Tues. 12/1	Tues. 12/22 (Last Rehearsal)

**THE TRAVELING CRIB** has been set up in the parish hall for the month of November to collect baby items and maternity supplies for the Pregnancy Support & Adoption Services and Elizabeth House maternity home. Sponsored by Catholic Charities, this project makes the donation of critical items to clients in need more consistent throughout the year. A list of requested items can be found on the table next to the crib.

**BOOK IDEAS FOR CHRISTMAS** - Catholic Family Book Center sent us a flyer on books for children ages two through nine for the Thanksgiving/Advent/Christmas seasons. You can order these hard-to-find books directly by phone or on their website. Flyers are in the back of the Church.

**CENTRAL CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL** invites you to attend their Fall drama production, *The Visit*. Friday Nov. 6; Sat., Nov 7; Thurs. Nov. 12; Fri. Nov. 13, Saturday, Nov. 14 at 7:30 PM and Sun., Nov. 15 at 2:00 and 7:30 PM. Adults \$10, Students \$6. Contact Jane Towle at 503-235-3138 ext. 107 or email her at [jtowle@centralcatholichigh.org](mailto:jtowle@centralcatholichigh.org).

**NOW AND AT THE HOUR OF OUR DEATH: Preparing Medical Treatment, Finances, Death And Funeral** Saturday, November 7, 2009, 8:30 am to 1:00 pm. St. Mary Magdalene Church (The Madeleine), 3123 NE 24th Ave. See bulletin board.

**ADVENT DAY OF RECOLLECTION** - Sponsored by Catholic Charities Ministry to the Elderly Committee for those who minister to the sick and elderly in any way. Friday, December 4, 2009, 9:30 AM to 2:30 PM at St. Therese Parish, 1260 NE 132nd Ave.. Presented by Rev. Francis Chun. Call St. E's. office or see bulletin board.

Since the fourth century various Eastern Churches have commemorated a feast of all martyrs. By the sixth century this commemoration was celebrated at Rome. November 1 as date for this celebration in the West seems to have originated in Ireland and/or Britain where it was seen as a "harvest feast" at the close of the liturgical year. In 844, Pope Gregory IV established this date for all the Roman Church. Joined to the day was the commemoration of the dedication of the Pantheon as the church of St. Mary and All Martyrs.

"Who are all these people, all dressed in white? And where have they come from?" (Rev 7:13). The question demands an answer if All Saints is not to be a mere daydream unrelated to the reality of our lives. We are these people celebrating what we ourselves are in process of becoming. The solemnity of All Saints is the feast of the possible saint which each of us bears within.

There are several mistaken ideas about the saints who have preceded us. The first error is to imagine them only in their final state, a halo around their heads above some altar. In reality the saints are in our midst, even if "what we shall later be has not yet come to light" (John 3:2). They belong first of all to the earth, to that pilgrim people coming from the great trial of this life and climbing, in uninterrupted procession, toward the final city.

Often we run the risk of considering the saints as superhuman, escaping the common lot of mortals by their miracles and their exceptional strength of soul. There again, if we look closely, we see that their faults of character were not always overcome. The saints remained subject to their passions but placed them at the service of their holiness. For holiness itself is passion converted.

Saint Bernard liked to describe the Church between the two comings of the Lord "ante et retro oculata." That is, we are looking back toward the ideal of the beatitudes, and forward toward that huge crowd of the Book of Revelation whom we must soon join.

### LITURGICAL READINGS

Today: *All Saints* Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14/ Psalm 24/ 1 John 3:1-3/  
Matthew 5:1-12a

Monday: *All Souls* Wisdom 3:1-9/ Romans 6:3-9/ John 6:37-40

Tuesday: Romans 12:5-16ab/ Psalm 131/ Luke 14:15-24

Wednesday: Romans 13:8-10/ Psalm 112/ Luke 14:25-33

Thursday: Romans 14: 7-12/ Psalm 27/ Luke 15:1-10

Friday: Romans 15:14-21/ Psalm 98/ Luke 16:1-8

Saturday: Romans 16:3-9, 16, 22-27/ Psalm 145/ Luke 16:9-15

Next Sunday: 1 Kings 17:10-16/ Psalm 146/ Hebrews 9:24-28/ Mark 12:38-44

**COLLECTION FOR LAST SUNDAY:** \$3,019.34 **WORLD MISSIONS:** \$110.00 Thank you.

### **HOSPITALITY FOR NEXT WEEKEND:**

4:00 PM: Julie Zervis; 9:00 AM: Colleen and Jim Connolly; 11:00 AM: Peggy and Karl Smith  
If you cannot fulfill your assignment, please make sure you find a substitute. Thank you.

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### SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday: 8:30 a.m.

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Reconciliation: Saturday at 3:00 p.m.

Baptism and Anointing of the Sick: Please call the parish office.

Marriage: Six months' notice required.

### PARISH STAFF

Rev. James M. Kolb, C.S.P., Administrator

Joan Enright, Secretary - 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., Monday-Friday

Interested in joining St. Elizabeth Parish? Give us a call. 503-222-2168

Today is the great feast day of All Saints. In the Gospel reading, we hear how Jesus gathers His followers around him on a hillside and teaches them a recipe or a formula for being a good person. Jesus gives his followers the Beatitudes -- a recipe or formula for our hearts and our minds.

*One of the Beatitudes says: "Blessed are the merciful." What does it mean to be merciful? Can you think of a time when you were merciful to someone?*

*Another of the Beatitudes says: "Blessed are the peacemakers." Talk about some people you know who are peacemakers. What do they do? How do they do it? What can you do to thank someone who is a peacemaker?*

*Say the Our Father with your family or some friends and pray for peace in our world.*

