



**SEPTEMBER 13, 2009**  
**24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CHURCH**



**Boiluck - Saturday, September 26 at 5:00 pm**

**Please sign up if you can bring an entree, salad or dessert,  
and if you can help with set-up, serving or clean-up.**

**RCIA** - (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) - If you or someone you know would like to become Catholic or know more about the Church, please call the parish office, or indicate your interest on the sign-up sheet in the parish hall.

**CONFIRMATION** - If you are an adult or are in high school and have never been confirmed, please call the parish office or sign up in the parish hall. We are planning classes for fall.

**FIRST COMMUNION AND RECONCILIATION** - Classes will begin soon. Sign-up sheets are available in the parish hall, or call the parish office.

**THANK YOU FROM CATHOLIC CHARITIES!** - We are most grateful to all who contributed to the Catholic Charities 2009 Annual Campaign. Each year, Catholic Charities and its four Member Agencies and many Grantee agencies throughout western Oregon provide assistance to families in need. In these challenging economic times, your generous gifts have truly made a difference to people who are struggling....because of you, they have an opportunity for a better and fuller life. Thank you!

**INTRODUCTION TO THE OLD TESTAMENT-**

**Location:** St. Anthony Catholic Church, Tigard

**Instructor:** Sr. Catherine Hertel, SSMO

**When:** Saturday, October 31, November 7 and November 21, 2009, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

**Cost:** \$10 - audit; \$60 - credit \*plus required books. Bring your bible

**Note:** \*Students receiving credit must attend all classes.

Registration form available at [www.stanthonytigard.org](http://www.stanthonytigard.org). Mail audit registration form with check payable to St. Anthony Church, Attn: Agnes Zueger, 9905 SW McKenzie St., Tigard, OR 97223

**ST. JOHN FISHER 50TH JUBILEE SEPT. 19-20** - Join past and present parishioners, family and friends to celebrate St. John Fisher Parish's 50th Jubilee. Community picnic on Saturday from 1 to 4 pm and Mass on Sunday at 11:00am followed by a reception. Visit <http://www.johnfisher.org/>.



Who is Jesus? Already in Jesus' lifetime people asked themselves many questions about him. Some, although they were astonished by the authority of his words, said; "It is the carpenter's son." Others saw in him a traitor, a rebel, even one possessed by a demon. Still others considered him a prophet. For Peter, it is clear. Jesus is the Messiah. He will be the liberator, the savior of Israel. Even acknowledging him as Messiah, they misunderstood the type of liberation brought. When Jesus reveals to his disciples that his destiny leads to the cross, Peter rebels, immediately drawing down upon himself a severe reprimand: "Your idea of the Messiah is that of human beings, not that of God!" Jesus is not the political Messiah they are awaiting. One cannot contain him in human ideologies.

Today, what are they saying about Jesus? Is he a sort of Gandhi, a Martin Luther King, Jr., a Che Guevara, the first of the Marxists, a "superstar"? To limit ourselves to what "they" are saying about Jesus is to condemn ourselves to constant confusion. To touch the truth of his mystery, we must accept the personal question he asks us; "Who do you say that I am?"

An accumulation of facts about him will never replace a personal knowledge of Jesus and his cross. The cross is the moment of truth for the Christian. It is the test which verifies whether we are truly disciples of the Messiah, unexpectedly hidden behind the features of a suffering servant. To share life with the one we love, is the logic of friendship. It is to this vocation of friendship that Jesus summons us.

### LITURGICAL READINGS

Today: Isaiah 50:5-9a/ Psalm 116/ James 2:14-18/ Mark 8:27-35

Monday: *Exaltation of the Holy Cross*. Numbers 21:4b-9/ Psalm 78/  
Philippians 2:6-11/ John 3:13-17

Tuesday: 1 Timothy 3:1-13/ Psalm 101/ John 19:25-27

Wednesday: 1 Timothy 3:14-16/ Psalm 111/ Luke 7:31-35

Thursday: 1 Timothy 4:12-16/ Psalm 111/ Luke 7:36-50

Friday: 1 Timothy 6:2c-12/ Psalm 49/ Luke 8:1-3

Saturday: 1 Timothy 6:13-16/ Psalm 100/ Luke 8:4-15

Next Sunday: Wisdom 2:12, 17-20/ Psalm 54/ James 3:16 through 4:3/ Mark 9:30-37

**COLLECTION FOR LAST SUNDAY:** \$4,028.41    **SIMPLE SUPPER:** \$642.10    Thank you.

### HOSPITALITY FOR NEXT WEEKEND:

9:00 am: Karl and Barb Wetzel

11:00 am: Pat and Corky Fleck

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

In today's Gospel Jesus and his disciples are walking together. Jesus asks them "Who do you say that I am? Peter says to him, "You are the Christ." Jesus then foretells the story of his passion and resurrection, but the disciples did not understand. Jesus tells his disciples to take up their cross and follow Him.

*If Jesus were here with us today and asked you,, "Who do you say I am?" what would you say?*

*How does knowing who Jesus is help us be better disciples of Christ?*

