



*They shall bring all your brothers and sisters from all the nations,
to Jerusalem, my holy mountain, says the Lord*

Isaiah 66: 20

21st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 22, 2010

ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CHURCH

SHARING OUR GIFTS, SHAPING OUR FUTURE



SHARING OUR FAITH,
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A Campaign for the Archdiocese of Portland

In the next weeks we and the Archdiocese will be communicating with you about the next steps in the Capital Campaign. Soon after that we will schedule meetings to answer any questions you have. During that interval we encourage you to consider how you can best contribute to this five year campaign to support the many missions of our own parish and assure a successful future for the critical ministries of the Church of Western Oregon

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) If you or someone you know would like to become Catholic or know more about the Church or if you are an adult or are in high school and have never been confirmed, please call the parish office to indicate your interest. Preparation meetings will begin in September.

CATHOLIC FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES

SUMMER WEEKEND RETREAT August 27, 28, 29

Journey Together in Hope - a retreat for Catholic families who have family members with disabilities will be held the weekend of August 27, 28, 29 at Aldersgate Conference Center, just outside of Salem in Turner, Oregon. This weekend is designed to bring together Catholic families with children (all ages) with disabilities to have fun together, to celebrate, to share faith, to rest and relax, and to build supportive friendships. For registration information, call the Archdiocesan Office for People with Disabilities at 503-233-8399 or email dcoughlin@archdpdx.org. Scholarship funds are available.

5TH ANNUAL MUDDY BOOT ORGANIC FESTIVAL AT ST. PHILIP NERI PARISH will take place September 10-12, 2010. Keynote Address on Friday, Sept. 10, with filmmakers Curt Ellis and Ian Cheney, award winning creators of the films "King Corn," "Big River," and "Truck Farm." In keeping with our theme, "Nourishing Spirit: City to Farm," Curt and Ian will give an engaging multimedia presentation about the current enthusiasm for urban farming and the challenges faced by rural farmers. Tickets are available at TicketsOregon.com or Muddyboot.org.

On Saturday and Sunday there will be an outdoor celebration with music, food, beer & wine, children's activities and panel discussions. We hope the weekend's activities will inspire us to get connected with the sources of our food, as we strive to care for God's creation.

THIRTEENTH ANNUAL WILLIAM BYRD FESTIVAL, sponsored by Cantores in Ecclesia August 13-29, 2010. See calendar of events, locations and services on the bulletin board or go to www.byrdfestival.org. Ticket hotline: 1-800-838-3006 or www.brownpapertickets.com.

COLLECTION FOR LAST SUNDAY \$3960.00 Thank you.

HOSPITALITY FOR NEXT WEEKEND

9:00 AM Dave & Agnes Craford 11:00AM Karl & Peggy Smith 4:00PM James & Rebecca Wright
If you cannot fulfill your assignment, please make sure you find a substitute. Thank you.

"Are they few in number who are to be saved?" This question has been repeated through the centuries. Faced with the demands of the gospel or with the fact that millions never hear the gospel, laity and theologians alike have experienced a certain anxiety. The discussion often takes place in an atmosphere of certainty that we are on the right side.

Yet the theoretical question concerning the number of elect is fruitless. We have been forewarned that the door which leads to salvation is narrow. What matters is to act, to do courageously all that lies within our power to enter. There are no guaranteed reservations that will assure us access to the banquet. We must not mistake the door. Neither ethnic identity nor religious heritage substitutes for life in Christ.

Our religious tradition tends toward one of two extremes. Either we rest smug in the conviction that baptism alone suffices or we suffer the delusion that we can earn salvation by spiritual athletics. The narrow door opens between these two.

LITURGICAL READINGS

Today: Isaiah 66:18-21/Psalm 117/Hebrews 12:5-7,11-13/Luke 13:22-

Monday: 2Thessalonians 1:1-5,11-12/Psalm 96/Matthew 23:13-22

Tuesday: Revelation 21:9b-14/Psalm 145/John 1: 45-51

Wednesday: 2Thessalonians 3:6-10,16-18/Psalm 128/Matthew 23: 27-32

Thursday: 1Corinthians 1: 1-9/Psalm 145/Matthew 24: 42-51

Friday: 1Corinthians 1: 17-25/Psalm 33/Matthew 25:1-13

Saturday: 1Corinthians 1: 26-31/Psalm 33/Matthew 25:14-30

Next Sunday: Sirach 3:17-18,20,28-29/Psalm 68/Hebrews 12:18-19,22-24a/Luke14:1,7-14

COMMUNITY PASTORAL CARE SKILLS *"naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me"* (Matthew 25:36) A three day class will introduce students to a theology of "visitation" to the homebound. The student will learn about pastoral visiting in the parish community, good communication and assessment skills and "best practices" for Eucharistic Ministers to the homebound. Class is open to any person who is interested in learning about the ministry to the homebound as well as those currently serving in the ministry.

Saturdays September 11, 18 & 25, 2010 at St. Anthony Church in Tigard.

Instructor: Christine M. Auerbach, adjunct professor for the Archdiocese of Portland Ministry Formation Program. More information and registration materials on the bulletin board.



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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.

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

Family Faith Sharing Questions

Luke 13:22-30

Luke uses one of Jesus' favorite teaching methods in the Gospel this Sunday---the parable. A parable uses one situation or story to explain the meaning of other situations. In this week's Gospel passage, Jesus uses a parable about a wedding feast to teach us about humility. But, it is also a lesson about the "heavenly banquet," to which God is inviting us! This invitation is FREELY given to ALL of us. There isn't anything we can do to earn it and it is not based on how rich or poor we are. The invitation is a gift and shows us the goodness of God. As we think about it, it is humbling to realize how much God loves us. As Christians, we are called to treat other people the same way.

What does it mean for you to be "humble before God"?

What opportunities are available in our community to care for the people who seem to be "least" in the Kingdom of God?

How can we best respond to the cry of the poor and make it an example of accepting the invitation to the banquet?