

FEBRUARY 28, 2010

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CHURCH <u>FOOD SUNDAY</u> - Next Sunday is Food Sunday. Please bring some non-perishable food for the Immaculate Heart Parish food bank to help feed the hungry.

SIMPLE SUPPER COLLECTION will be taken up next Sunday for the support of our two monthly dinners on Burnside. Baskets for your free will offering are at the entrances to the church.

LENTEN EMBER DAY - March 10

<u>LENTEN PRAYER SERVICE/SOUP AND BREAD SUPPERS</u> - On Tuesdays of Lent we will gather for a simple meal of soup and bread following a 6:00 p.m. Lenten prayer service. **We need volunteers to sign up to help with set-up, serving and clean-up.**

ARCHBISHOP'S CATHOLIC APPEAL - Thanks to all our parishioners who have made their gift to the 2010 Archbishop's Catholic Appeal. Every gift means so much! If you have not yet made a gift or pledge, please fill out a commitment card located in the back of the church and return it to the office in the coming days

<u>OPERATION RICE BOWL</u> - As part of our community's observance of Lent, we ask all families to participate in Catholic Relief Services Operation Rice Bowl, a program of prayer, fasting, learning, and giving. Please take home a Rice Bowl packet and follow this simple yet powerful Lenten practice.

<u>VOLUNTEERS, WE NEED YOU!</u> We need more ministers to take Communion to patients at OHSU. Training is provided. If you can help once a week, once every two weeks, or even once a month the patients would greatly appreciate it. Call the parish office or sign up in the back of the church.

<u>PARISH PHOTO DIRECTORY</u> - The Directory will be finalized soon. For questions call or email Mark Myers at (<u>mark@StElizabethPortland.net</u>, or 503-244-3555).

CATHOLIC CHARITIES MINISTRY TO THE ELDERLY COMMITTEE is sponsoring a Lenten Day of Recollection on Friday, March 5, 2010, 9:30 am to 2:00 pm, at St. Joseph the Worker Parish, 2310 SE 148th Avenue, for those who minister to the sick and elderly in any capacity. There will be a special presentation by Dorothy Coughlin, Director of the Archdiocesan Office for People with Disabilities. The cost is \$15, which includes lunch. Pre-registration is required. Please mail your name, address, phone number, parish name and check for \$15 to: Day of Recollection, Catholic Charities, 231 SE 12th Ave, Portland, OR 97214. (Please make checks payable to Catholic Charities.)

ARE YOU PRO-LIFE? Find out how you can get involved and make a difference February 17-March 28. Visit 40daysforlife.com.

PARISH MISSION - "Living Lent." - March 8-10, 2010, Monday-Wednesday from 7 to 8 PM, St. Anthony Church, Tigard, presented by Deacon Owen Cummings.

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Every year the first two Sundays of Lent present the whole gamut of human existence, the whole range of the history of salvation. On the first Sunday of Lent the temptation of Jesus recalls the temptation of every human being since the beginning. On this second Sunday of Lent the transfiguration of Jesus holds out the transformation in glory which is the goal of every human hope.

The transfigured Jesus, however, models not only the goal of the Christian but also our ongoing life. The passage forms a fitting climax to the instruction on discipleship which immediately precedes it (Luke 9:23-27). First of all, Luke emphasizes that Jesus' transfiguration took place "while he was praying," an action integral to Christian life (cf. Luke 18:1). Secondly, he speaks with Moses and Elijah concerning his exodus, his transit to the Father through death, resurrection, and exaltation, which is announced in the first passion prediction (Luke 9:22). The disciples also are called to take up the cross and follow Jesus in order to arrive at life. Then they will see the glory of the Son of Man and the Father (9:23-27). This appearance is a foretaste of that glory. Finally, at the transfiguration the voice from the cloud, heard at Jesus' baptism, is heard again, this time commanding, "Listen to him." The disciples are those who "listen to the word of God and keep it."

Thus we see in the transfigured Jesus both the goal and the way. We must not confuse the one for the other. The transfiguration marks only a temporary halt in the journey to Jerusalem, only a pause in this exodus. We who follow Jesus must continue to the end, strengthened by the glorious hope to which we are called.

LITURGICAL READINGS

Today: Second Sunday of Lent Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18/ Psalm 27/

Philippians 3:17 through 4:1/ Luke 9:28b-36 Monday: Daniel 9:4b-10/ Psalm 79/ Luke 6:36-38

Tuesday: Isaiah 1:10,16-20/ Psalm 50/ Matthew 23:1-12

Wednesday: Jeremiah 18:18-20/ Psalm 31/ Matthew 20:17-28 Thursday: Jeremiah 17:5-10/ Psalm 1/ Luke 16:19-31

Friday: Genesis 37:3-4,12-13a,17b-28a/ Psalm 105/ Matthew 21:33-43,45-46

Saturday: Micah 7:14-15,18-20/ Psalm 103/ Luke 15:1-3,11-32

Next Sunday: Third Sunday of Lent Exodus 3:1-8a,13-15/ Psalm 103/

1 Corinthians 10:1-6,10-12/ Luke 13:1-9

COLLECTION FOR LAST SUNDAY: \$3,158.15 ASH WEDNESDAY: \$524.39 Thank you.

HOSPITALITY FOR NEXT WEEKEND:

4:00 PM: Clay and Caroline Carter

9:00 AM: Karl and Barb Wetzel 11:00 AM: Jim and Karyl Frazer

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.

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 9:28b-36

Jesus took Peter, James and John and went up on the mountain to pray. While he was praying, his face changed and his clothes became dazzling white. From a cloud came a voice saying, "This is my Son, my Chosen, listen to him."

How do you listen to God? Tell about your favorite way and place to listen to God.

We encourage parents to reflect on these questions at home each week with their children and family.

> Start talking. Share your faith!!