



19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CHURCH

THE FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY is Monday, August 15. Mass will be celebrated at 8:30 a.m. and at 7:00 p.m.

CONGRATULATIONS TO PATRICIA LOUGHLIN AND GRIFFIN TORMEY who were married here Saturday, August 6. May you have a long and happy life together, and God keep you always.

SAVE THE DATE! Our parish picnic is set for Saturday, September 10. Details to follow.

DEATH PENALTY REPEAL PANEL DISCUSSION HERE SUNDAY, AUGUST 21

We will have a Death Penalty Repeal panel discussion between masses from 10:00 am sharp to 10:45 am in the Fireside Room here at St. Elizabeth's. The panel will include our State Senator Ginny Burdick, David McNeil, an attorney interested in repeal, and Ron Steiner, chair for Oregonians for Alternatives to the Death Penalty.

SHOP THE ADIDAS EMPLOYEE STORE - In an effort to reach out to the community, adidas has extended an invitation to St. Elizabeth Parish to visit their employee store and enjoy a 50% discount off retail prices from August 1 through August 14, 2011. You will need to bring a completed invitation form (to be found in the gathering space of the church) with you and present it at the time of checkout. The form is valid only at the adidas Village Store located at 5055 N. Greely Avenue, Portland, OR 97217. You may also share this invitation with family and friends. During the time period that you are invited to shop, you are not limited to a number of visits or the number of guests you may bring.

IT'S FUNDRAISING NIGHT AT BEN AND JERRY'S - Theresa and Janelle Myers will be running the October Chicago marathon in support of Imerman Angels, a nonprofit dedicated to matching cancer patients with a survivor "angel" to guide them through treatment and recovery. Come to the Ben and Jerry's Hawthorne location at 1428 SE 36th on August 10 from 6 to 8 PM to enjoy some scrumptious ice cream and help them on their way to their goal: a portion of the sales during this time will be donated to Imerman Angels. Thanks for your support, and hope to see you there!

BOOK REVIEW- *Letters from a Distant Shore*

You are invited to read a very special true story of faith and family and the miraculous power of prayer from Catholic author **Marie Lawson Fiala**. Marie will be visiting St. Elizabeth's in early Fall 2011 for a parish discussion Date TBA.

Tragedy shattered Marie Lawson Fiala's life as a wife, mother, and lawyer when her 13-year-old son, Jeremy, was felled by a massive hemorrhage from a ruptured artery deep in his brain. Within an hour, Jeremy was in a coma, sustained only by machines. This memoir of a mother's ferocious care and fierce determination to bring her child home alive and functioning despite devastating loss will win the hearts of families who have ever suffered from physical trauma with loved ones. ***Letters from a Distant Shore*** is available for purchase on amazon.com

When a strong wind halts the passage of their boat, the disciples believe they see a ghost approaching them. They do not think it is Jesus whom they left in prayer on the mountain. But he is following them, moving like a shadow across the water in order to save them from the danger they face. Through the turbulence of the waves his voice reaches them. Peter, at first hesitant finally throws himself into the water at the call of his Master. Suddenly he is caught in the squall and is about to go under. Jesus reproaches him: "How little faith you have, why did you falter?" At the voice of him who sustains his enthusiasm, Peter comes up from the baptism of fear and death into which he had sunk. The waves subside, the wind abates, and those in the boat give their hearts over to faith.

On the hostile sea of this world, the ship of the Church breaks through the waves, rising above the assaults of evil. The master is not visibly present. His return is awaited at the end of the night. The Church must steer its course toward the harbor of salvation by the light of the powerful word of the risen Lord.

Soon after the resurrection, the faith of the disciples foundered. They experienced doubt and fear in the face of him whom they perceived as a spirit. (Luke 24:37). In the person of a weak but enthusiastic Peter, the faith of the disciples finds its expression. This is our faith. If we turn resolutely toward Christ in obedience to his call, our faith can never be overcome by fear and doubt.

LITURGICAL READINGS

Today: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time. 1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a/ Psalm 85/
Romans 9:1-5/ Matthew 14:22-33

Monday: St. Dominic. Deuteronomy 10:12-22/ Psalm 147/ Matthew 17:22-27

Tuesday: Deuteronomy 31:1-8/ Deuteronomy 32:3-4, 7-9, 12/ Matthew 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday: St. Lawrence. 2nd Corinthians 9:6-10/ Psalm 112/ John 12:24-26

Thursday: St. Clare. Joshua 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17/ Psalm 114/ Matthew 18:21 through 19:1

Friday: Joshua 24:1-13/ Psalm 136/ Matthew 19:3-12

Saturday: Joshua 24:14-29/ Psalm 16/ Matthew 19:13-15

Next Sunday: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Isaiah 56:1,6-7/ Psalm 67/
Romans 11:13-15, 29-32/ Matthew 15:21-28

COLLECTION FOR LAST SUNDAY: \$4,262.25 Thank you.

HOSPITALITY FOR NEXT WEEKEND:

9:00 AM: Mary Swick 11:00 AM: The Nisbet Family

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

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Matthew 14:22-33

In today's Gospel reading from Matthew, Jesus grants Peter's request to come to Him over the water. Peter gets out of the boat and begins to walk on the top of the waves. When he realizes that walking on water is not "possible," Peter becomes frightened. At that moment, he becomes aware of the danger of his situation and begins to sink. Peter calls out to Jesus to save him. Jesus does this, but then scolds Peter for his lack of faith.

While you probably have not had the opportunity to walk on water, can you remember a time when you were unable to do something because you depended only on yourself and didn't really believe that you could do it? Share your experience.

In what areas of your life do you need more trust in God's care for you? What are some things you can do that will help you have more trust in God's love and care for you?