



January 16, 2011

**2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CHURCH**

**CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION CAMPAIGN** - This weekend there will be a second collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign. The collection helps support the communication efforts of the US Conference of Catholic Bishops and this archdiocese. Today communication efforts include print, radio, television and a multitude of communication resources via the internet. Each is unique and plays a role in assisting the church in proclaiming the Gospel to Catholics and society as a whole.

**THANK YOU TO ALL** who made a pledge to *Sharing Our Faith, Shaping Our Future* all-parish campaign. We have nearly reached our goal. If you have not yet had an opportunity to make your pledge, we encourage you to do so. Forms are available in the back of the church. There will not be an Archbishop Annual Catholic Appeal in 2011.

**ST. CLARE CATHOLIC CHURCH** invites all to **A G.I.F.T.** (Gathering of Inter-Faith Traditions) on January 22, 2011 from 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm in their Parish Hall (on SW Spring Garden Street, between SW 19th and SW 17th Avenues). This potluck event has been organized to promote community building with other faith communities in SW Portland, hospitality, social outreach, and peace and justice. Please bring a salad or dessert. St. Clare, as host, will provide the main entrees that will be respectful of special diets particular to our faith traditions. For more information, see bulletin board or call 503-244-1037.

**RALLY FOR LIFE** - Archbishop John G. Vlazny will speak at the Rally for Life to be held this Sunday, January 16, at the Capitol Mall Plaza in Salem. The rally will run from 2:30 - 3:30 pm. The rally is held to remember those children lost to abortion since 1973. The rally is sponsored by Oregon Right to Life, the Oregon Family Council and Christian News Northwest.

**POINSETTIAS** - Please feel free to take home a poinsettia this weekend.

**OFFERTORY ENVELOPES** are available in the back of the church. Please check off your name on the list when you take your packet. If you would like to begin using envelopes, please record your name on a blank line and take the corresponding packet.

**RESTORED & REMARRIED** - Whether you consider yourself a step family or a blended family, *Restored & Remarried* is a hands-on resource for you. Been remarried for awhile or just contemplating the idea? *Restored & Remarried* will encourage and equip couples for the step family adventure. This seminar is fun and interactive and it's most definitely, "guy friendly."

January 22 & 23 @ 7pm - 9pm Friday & 9am-4pm Saturday,

Northwest Family Services - Youth and Family Center, 6200 SE King Road, Portland, 97222

\$35 per couple. Includes lunch, refreshments and materials.

Registration online @ [www.LastingRelationships.org](http://www.LastingRelationships.org) or call 503-546-6377

**OPEN HOUSE - VALLEY CATHOLIC SCHOOL - Sunday, January 23**

Located off Murray Blvd., between Farmington and TV Highway in Beaverton

Early Learning School: 11:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Elementary School: 12:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Middle School: 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

[www.valleycatholic.org](http://www.valleycatholic.org)

Faithful to his role as precursor, John the Baptist turns the attention of the people of Jerusalem away from himself. They are forced to inquire whom he means when he says: "There is one among you whom you do not recognize" (John 1:26). John himself is the "voice" of the "Word" whom he precedes (John 1:23).

According to Jewish tradition, the Messiah had to remain hidden until Elijah anointed him and publicly revealed him to Israel. On the day on which John baptized his cousin Jesus he recognized him as Messiah and gave witness. He saw the Spirit of God come down upon Jesus in the Jordan. Enlightened by the Scriptures, he recognized in him the Lamb of God, the Servant of God chosen to baptize in the Spirit. "This is God's chosen One" (John 1:34).

In presenting Jesus the Fourth Gospel announces the baptism of death which he must receive to take away the sin of the world. But it also suggests Christ's superiority and divine pre-existence which are recognized by the Baptist: "He was before me" (John 1:30).

There are two ways in which the testimony of this gospel to Jesus Christ can be emptied of its meaning. We can raise Jesus up to the heavens, proclaiming him an inaccessible God whose salvation is confined to eternity. Or we can abase him, seeing in him nothing more than a compassionate human being. We can totally identify the Christ with neither earth nor heaven.

"Because of his infinite love he became what we are, in order to perfect us to be what he is."

*(Irenaeus of Lyons, Adv. Haer., V. praef.; cf. 2 Cor 5:21)*

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### LITURGICAL READINGS

Today: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Isaiah 49:3,5-6/Psalm 40/  
1 Corinthians 1:1-3/ John 1:29-34

Monday: Hebrews 5:1-10/Psalm 110/Mark 2:18-22

Tuesday: Hebrews 6:10-20/Psalm 111/Mark 2:23-28

Wednesday: Hebrews 7:1-3,15-17/Psalm 110/Mark 3:1-6

Thursday: Hebrews 7:25-8:6/Psalm 40/Mark 3:7-12

Friday: Hebrews 8:6-13/Psalm 85/Mark 3:13-19

Saturday: Hebrews 9:2-3,11-14/Psalm 47/Mark 3:20-21

Next Sunday: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Isaiah 8:23-9:3/Psalm 27/  
1 Corinthians 1:10-13,17/Matthew 4:12-23

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**COLLECTION FOR LAST SUNDAY:** \$3,405.25 Thank you.

**HOSPITALITY FOR NEXT WEEKEND:**

4:00 PM: Anne and Tom Barwick

9:00 AM: Patty Frahler and Bob Bentley

11:00 AM: Pat and Corky Fleck

If you cannot fulfill your assignment, please make sure you find a substitute. Thank you.

## St. Elizabeth of Hungary Church

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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

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## 2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Ordinary Time is somewhat misnamed. Far from ordinary, these times are meant for extraordinary things, and what's more, we are meant to make them that way. We, the people of God, are meant to show the world his glory. Each and every one of us is to be a missionary of Christ to the world. If there is one problem in our Church today that we all need to address is that we have forgotten what the Lord demands of us; we are called to lead the world to God.

