



January 23, 2011

**3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CHURCH**

## CONGRATULATIONS, FR. JIM



Dear Father Kolb,

Congratulations! You were recently nominated for a Golden ROSE Award. Your nomination story was reviewed by the Service Excellence Reward and Recognition Committee and based on your overall score, story merit/content and remarkable efforts in one or more of OHSU's five areas of strategic importance: Service, People, Quality, Growth, and Finance, you have been selected as one of the five Golden ROSE Award recipients for January.

There will be a special celebration to honor your service excellence. You will be presented with an engraved award and will also receive a generous gift!

Bernadine Delaney  
Program Coordinator, Service Excellence  
Oregon Health & Science University

**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's Annual Catholic Appeal in 2011.

**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.

**LENT WILL BE COMING SOON.** There will be opportunities again this year to participate in faith sharing groups.

The light and the Good News are always being offered to us, for the work of evangelization goes on. But we are not simply to observe the work or to be the recipient of it--we are to share in it. The prophecy read today and the Gospel pericope are addressed to us in order to stir us to action. In fact, Christ stirs us to action at two levels. First, there is the inner spiritual movement incumbent upon us: the kingdom is at hand, proclaimed to us by the light we received at our baptism, and we must therefore unwearingly carry on the work of our own conversion. But we must also leave all things and follow Christ in order to share with him the task of preaching the gospel.

The gospel is demanding, for we must take steps that are costly to our weak nature if we are to see the light and accept it. And yet the extension of the kingdom depends in part on us. The Church is already established, of course, and its supporting pillars are the apostles. But each of us is called to work for expansion of the Church and the spreading of the Good News. The sacrifices required of us in the pursuit of this goal may be hard ones. The apostles, the first men whom Christ called, responded without hesitation; not everyone else would do so, and the rich young man, though he had observed all the commandments, gave up when it came to following Jesus.

(Adrian Nocent, O.S.B., *The Liturgical Year*, vol. 1, Liturgical Press, 1977, p. 345)

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## LITURGICAL READINGS

Today: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Isaiah 8:23-9:3/Psalm 27/

1 Corinthians 1:10-13,17/Matthew 4:12-23

Monday: Hebrews 9:15,24-28/Psalm 98/Mark 3:22-30

Tuesday: Acts 22:3-16/Psalm 117/Mark 16:15-18

Wednesday: 2 Timothy 1:1-8/Psalm 96/Mark 4:1-20

Thursday: Hebrews 10:19-25/Psalm 24/Mark 4:21-25

Friday: Hebrews 10:32-39/Psalm 37/Mark 4:26-34

Saturday: Hebrews 11:1-2,8-19/Luke 1:69-75/Mark 4:35-41

Next Sunday: Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Zephaniah 2:3;3:12-13/Psalm 146/

1 Corinthians 1:26-31/Matthew 5:1-12a

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**COLLECTION FOR LAST SUNDAY:** \$4,654.40

**CATHOLIC COMMUNICATIONS CAMPAIGN:** \$675.00 Thank you.

### **HOSPITALITY FOR NEXT WEEKEND:**

9:00 AM: Gina, Julia, and Lena Bainbridge 11:00 AM: Julie and Lee Steiner

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

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"Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand" (Matthew 4:17). Tied with these words of Christ is the story of how Peter, Andrew, James, and John dropped everything, literally everything, to follow the Lord. And this leads to a deeper question of what it means to repent. What couldn't we leave behind in order to follow the Lord? What couldn't we drop, let go of, leave behind, in order to follow the Lord? What ever that is, that is what we need to repent of. But this passage is not really a demand: rather it is an invitation to take things on faith. We all know that when we try to control life, even our own life, things never work out as we plan. Only when we repent of our attachment to control can God's plans come about.

