



July 3, 2011

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CHURCH

We will have Mass on Monday, the Fourth of July, at 8:30 AM.

A JOYFUL WELCOME to the newest member of the Christian community, **Hannah Denise Koudelka**, who was baptized last Sunday, June 26. We offer our prayers and best wishes to his parents, Kurt and Caroline Koudelka.

HOLE-IN-ONE MAKES GOLF SCRAMBLE HISTORY - First-time St. Elizabeth scramble golfer John Montang provided the excitement of the day at the Resort at the Mountain with a Hole-in-One on the 4th hole of Foxglove, a 104-yard par 31! One hop backwards found the cup. Congrats John! That shot helped the team of Shawn Duffy, John Montang, Greg and Maryla Kaminski to come in at 3 under par. Also at -3 was the team of Joshua and Justin Barwick and Tim Taylor. The Duffy team claimed 2nd place with just an inch more tape remaining. But neither team could find another birdie to catch the 1st place finishers Karl Smith, Sharon and Dominic Galluzzo, and Mitch Siekmann, posting a solid 4 under par! (A select committee has been formed to investigate the special blessing Mitch gets from Father Jim each year prior to the scramble.) It was great that Father Jim could join us again for the after-competition fun and to award the prizes. There were many other winners: for Long Drive, KP, Long Putt, and Most Lost Balls. In short, there were some terrific golf shots on a beautiful day, but above all, it was a great time to spend with friends in the St. Elizabeth community!

Thank you once again, Greg, for organizing and providing the leadership for our Golf Scramble. It was a great parish occasion!

Fr. Jim (non-golfer)

GRIEF RECOVERY WEEKEND - Are you, or someone you love, grieving the end of a marriage from a death or a divorce? A grief recovery retreat for the widowed, separated and divorced will be held the weekend of July 15-17 at The Griffin Center in Milwaukie, near Clackamas Town Center. (Registration by July 11 is recommended.)

The retreat consists of presentations by Beginning Experience team members, periods for private personal reflection and sharing in small groups. The weekend begins on Friday evening and concludes Sunday afternoon. The cost of \$195 includes lodging for two nights in a double room, meals and resource materials. Special arrangement may be made for payment, and partial scholarships are available.

Please call Margi Harp at 503-390-7971 for more information, or email margi8280@comcast.net. Additional information may be found on the website of International Beginning Experience at www.beginningexperience.org.

SUMMER CONCERT AT THE GROTTA - The plaza of the Grotto in Northeast Portland is the setting for a summer's evening concert, at 6:00 PM, Sunday, July 10. The music will resonate off the cliffs and tall firs as The Portland Pacific Wind Symphony performs a benefit outdoor concert for the Catholic Sanctuary.

MONASTIC VOCATIONS DISCERNMENT RETREAT. Mount Angel Abbey sponsors vocation discernment retreats for men between the ages of 16-45, several times per year. The next retreat is scheduled for Friday through Sunday, July 22-24th, 2011. If you are interested in making a Monastic Discernment Retreat, please contact Fr. Odo Recker, OSB at 503-845-3242 or Odo.Recker@mtangel.edu. More information at www.mountangelabbey.org.

Barth, in his dream, was appointed to examine Mozart in theology. He wanted to make the examination as favorable as possible, and in his questions he alluded pointedly to Mozart's masses.

But Mozart did not answer a word.

I was deeply moved by Barth's account of this dream and almost wanted to write him a letter about it. The dream concerns his salvation, and Barth perhaps is striving to admit that he will be saved more by the Mozart in himself than by his theology.

Each day, for years, Barth played Mozart every morning before going to work on his dogma: unconsciously seeking to awaken, perhaps, the hidden sophianic Mozart in himself, the central wisdom that comes in tune with the divine and cosmic music and is saved by love, yes, even by eros. While the other, theological self, seemingly more concerned with love, grasps at a more stern, more cerebral agape: a love that, after all, is not in our own heart but only in God and revealed only to our head.

Barth says, also significantly, that "it is a child, even a 'divine' child who speaks in Mozart's music to us." Some, he says, considered Mozart always a child in practical affairs (but Burckhardt "earnestly took exception" to this view). At the same time, Mozart, the child prodigy, "was never allowed to be a child in the literal sense of that word." He gave his first concert at the age of six.

Yet he was always a child" in the higher meaning of that word."

Fear not, Karl Barth! Trust in the divine mercy. Though you have grown up to become a theologian, Christ remains a child in you. Your books (and mine) matter less than we might think! There is in us a Mozart who will be our salvation.

(Thomas Merton, *Conjectures of a Guilty Bystander*, Doubleday, 1965, pp. 11-12)

LITURGICAL READINGS

Today: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Zechariah 9:9-10/ Psalm 145/

Romans 8:9, 11-13/ Matthew 11:25-30

Monday: Genesis 28:10-22a/ Psalm 91/ Matthew 9:18-26

Tuesday: Genesis 32:23-33/ Psalm 17/ Matthew 9:32-38

Wednesday: Genesis 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a/ Psalm 33/ Matthew 10:1-7

Thursday: Genesis 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5/ Psalm 105/ Matthew 10:7-15

Friday: Genesis 46:1-7, 28-30/ Psalm 37/ Matthew 10:16-23

Saturday: Genesis 49:29-32; 50:15-26a/ Psalm 105/ Matthew 10:24-33

Next Sunday: 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Isaiah 55:10-11/ Psalm 65/

Romans 8:18-23/ Matthew 13:1-23

COLLECTION FOR LAST SUNDAY: \$3,331.77 Thank you.

HOSPITALITY FOR NEXT WEEKEND:

4:00 PM: Jim and Patti Ochs

9:00 AM: Colleen and Jim Connolly 11:00 AM: Jean and Bill Horton

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

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Matthew 11:25-30

In today's Gospel Jesus says a prayer of thanks to the Father for those who follow him with childlike faith and an open heart. Jesus tells us that he himself leads people to the Father and shows us what the Father is like. He invites us to come to him without fear, for he is meek and humble of heart, and will gently teach us to be like him. He invites us to trust him completely.

Can you think of a time or situation when someone had to trust you? Why did that person have to trust you? How did you react – or reward their trust? Have you ever had to trust someone else? Why did you have to trust that person? How did the other person react to you trust?

When we trust Jesus/God, he responds by being gentle and loving and, in the process, teaches us to trust him and learn from him even more.