



June 12, 2011

PENTECOST

ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CHURCH

Pentecost



CONGRATULATIONS to all graduating from high school, college and professional schools this year.



FIFTH ANNUAL FESTIVAL OF ARTS & WINE, a fundraising event in support of the Mount Angel Abbey Monastery, Library and Guesthouse, Saturday, June 25, 2011, 1-5 PM

- Hors d'oeuvres from Oregon Restaurants and Caterers
- NEW Artisanal Food Products Tasting - Cheese, Chocolate and More
- Oregon Wine and Beer Tasting
- Art Exhibits and Live Music 15th Century Illustrated Manuscript and Early Music Manuscript Display

General Admission: \$50 PP Patron Admission: \$125 (\$75 tax deductible)

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AN ANCIENT LATIN TEXT from the Church of the Blue Sky was found recently and was translated for us by our underground Vatican agent, Bishop Magnus Vogel. Thought you would enjoy.

A Summer Psalm

Now it came to pass that spring turned to summer again. God's people raised their voices and said:

"Recreation is my shepherd, I shall not stay at home,
He maketh me to lie down in a sleeping bag,
He leadeth me down the Interstate each weekend.
He restoreth my suntan,
He leadeth me to State Parks for comfort's sake.

Even though I stray on the Lord's Day, I will fear no reprimand,
For Thou art with me,
My rod and reel they comfort me.
I anointest my skin with oil, my gas tank runneth dry,
Surely my trailer shall follow me all the weekends this summer,
And I shall return to the House of the Lord this fall."

"Do not be surprised that I tell you you must all be begotten from above . . . , but you do not know where it (the wind) comes from or where it goes" (John 3:7-8). Although Luke places the sending forth of the Spirit on Pentecost, fifty days after the Resurrection, John places it on Easter night. Each one, then, has his own way of portraying the glorification of Jesus. For John, this glorification took place when he was raised up on the cross. For both, the Spirit is the fruit of the victory Christ won by his death and resurrection. Pentecost cannot be separated from Easter.

But why must the disciples receive the Spirit? From Luke's perspective, they must receive the Spirit to be able to speak to all in their proper language and thus inaugurate the universal mission of the Church. John does not say anything different, but he says it in a different way. The apostles are in the upper room with all the doors locked for fear of the Jews. They are afraid and their fear is contagious. They are attentive to every sound outside. They fear arrest. Suddenly, Jesus is there in their midst: "Peace be with you!" Peace is what they lack most in this atmosphere of anxiety. Jesus still carries the marks of his passion. He is there, alive and stronger than death. The doors which were once locked no longer hinder his mission.

The hour is no longer one of self-centered fear. Now is the time to allow the Spirit to shatter all barriers and lead the Church where God wills.

LITURGICAL READINGS

Today: *Pentecost*. Acts 2:1-11/ Psalm 104/ 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13/
John 20:19-23

Monday: 2 Corinthians 6:1-10/ Psalm 98/ Matthew 5:38-42

Tuesday: 2 Corinthians 8:1-9/ Psalm 146/ Matthew 5:43-48

Wednesday: 2 Corinthians 9:6-11/ Psalm 112/ Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: 2 Corinthians 11:1-11/ Psalm 111/ Matthew 6:7-15

Friday: 2 Corinthians 11:18, 21-30/ Psalm 34/ Matthew 6:19-23

Saturday: 2 Corinthians 12:1-10/ Psalm 34/ Matthew 6:24-34

Next Sunday: *The Most Holy Trinity*. Exodus 34:4b-6, 8-9/ Daniel 3:52-56/
2 Corinthians 13:11-13/ John 3:16-18

HOSPITALITY FOR NEXT WEEKEND:

9:00 AM: Vince and Bev Deguc

11:00 AM: Maura and Diarmuid O'Scannlain

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

COLLECTION FOR LAST SUNDAY: \$3,829.50

SIMPLE SUPPER: \$337.25 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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The Holy Spirit is Jesus with us here on earth. Because of our Baptism we, too, are disciples and are called to go out and spread the Good News. Actually, Jesus expects us to carry on his mission – just like those first disciples. Jesus breathed on a group of frightened disciples and gave them the Holy Spirit. This gift of the Spirit enabled them to go out and tell others about Jesus Christ and God's unconditional love for all people. Through our baptism and faith, we too are given graces and gifts, which we are called to share with others.

How have you experienced the Holy Spirit in your life?

Jesus told his disciples, "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained."

Have you ever had a hard time forgiving or reconciling with someone?

Were you able to reconcile? Describe what happened.