



**SECOND SUNDAY  
OF EASTER  
APRIL 15, 2012**

**ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CHURCH**

"We have seen the Lord!" The risen Lord appeared to his disciples. Only Thomas was absent. Jesus showed them the wounds of his passion, shared with them his peace, and breathed on them the Spirit who would bring the work of salvation to fulfillment through them. But Thomas, who shared the experience only by hearsay, demanded physical proof.

We are surprised by his change of heart. Accepting the risk of faith is not easy. Thomas reminds us of ourselves with our need to touch. He mistrusts any claim upon his faith not rooted in daily experience. The Lord accepts this need. Eight days later he takes Thomas at his word and gives in to his demand, "Put your hand into my side. Do not persist in your unbelief, but believe!"

Shall we, the believers of the twentieth century, remain unmoved by the liturgical celebration of the Easter season? Are we content simply to repeat, "Blest are they who have not seen and have believed?" Thomas' experience must become ours. We must strive to make tangible the power of this resurrection in our lives. We must allow the power of the Lord to heal the wounds begotten by oppression. Our sense of wonder leaves us open to the surprise of faith. Thus we can believe in the seemingly impossible and do all we can to give flesh to our hope. May we so live that Jesus becomes for each of us, "my Lord and my God!"

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**A JOYFUL WELCOME** to the newest member of the Christian Community, **Shannon Patricia Loebner**, who will be baptized this Saturday, April 14. We offer our prayers and best wishes to her parents, **Steven and Peggy Loebner**.

**PORTLAND ARCHDIOCESE SPONSORED PARISH VOCATION MINISTRIES WORKSHOP**

Thursday, May 10th, 2012, 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Archdiocesan Pastoral Center, 2838 E. Burnside Street, Portland

Get Involved . . .

Help promote and support vocations to priesthood and religious life in your parish to insure we have priests and religious in our future.

All are welcome.

For more information contact Fr. John Henderson 541-230-4494 or Dan Jones 503-502-7906.

**OPERATION RICE BOWL** - Thank you to all who have participated in Operation Rice Bowl this Lent. Please return your Rice Bowls to the basket in the back of the Church by next Sunday, April 22.

**THE ARCHBISHOP'S SEMINARY TEA** will be held Wednesday, May 9, 2012 from 4:00 to 7:00 PM at the Portland Golf Club, 5900 SW Scholls Ferry Road.

Meet Archbishop John Vlazny, Bishop Kenneth Steiner and Abbott Gregory Duerr, OSB.

Tickets \$25 available at the Tea, from your parish representative

or call Mrs. David Burdick @ 503-292-7202

**THE ST. ELIZABETH GOLF SCRAMBLE** will be on the afternoon of Sunday, June 24th at Skamania. Registration and all the details are on a form in the church lobby, or you can contact Dick Adkisson for more information at 503.297.2455, or [Rcadkisson@aol.com](mailto:Rcadkisson@aol.com).



## LITURGICAL READINGS

Today: 2nd Sunday of Easter. Acts 4:32-35/ Psalm 118/ 1 John 5:1-6/  
John 20:19-31  
Monday: Acts 4:23-31/ Psalm 2/ John 3/1-8  
Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37/ Psalm 93/ John 3:7-15  
Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/ Psalm 34/ John 3:16-21  
Thursday: Acts 5:27-33/ Psalm 34/ John 3:31-36  
Friday: Acts 5:34-42/ Psalm 27/ John 6:1-15  
Saturday: Acts 6:1-7/ Psalm 33/ John 6:16-21  
Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Easter. Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/ Psalm 4/ 1 John 2:1-5/  
Luke 24:35-48

**ST. THOMAS MORE CHURCH** would like to invite you to our **Spring Renewal**, a Mission with Fr. Michael Fones. Come join us as Fr. Michael shares his thought-provoking perspective on *Finding Faith in Relationship* - Monday, April 23 at 10:00 am & 7:00 pm, and *Finding Your Purpose* - Tuesday, April 24 at 10:00 am & 7:00 pm. No registration required. Visit our website for more information: [www.stmpdx.org](http://www.stmpdx.org) or call Jamie Bonn at 503-222-2055. Our address is 3525 SW Patton Road, Portland, OR 97221. See you there.

**THE EASTER EDITION OF THE WORD AMONG US** is available in the back of the Church. It contains the Mass readings from April 8 through May 31 along with daily meditations.

**COLLECTION FOR EASTER:** \$6,918.60

**HOLY THURSDAY:** (To be given to Rice Bowl) \$501.23

**GOOD FRIDAY:** ( Collection for The Holy Land) \$642.00

Thank you.

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

9:00 AM: Mary and Dick Adkisson      11:00 AM: Denise and Doug White

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., Pastor

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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## Family Faith Sharing Questions

John 20:19-31

When Jesus first appeared to the apostles in the locked upper room, Thomas was absent. When the disciples told him about it, he refused to believe that the Lord had risen. Now, Jesus speaks to Thomas and tells him, "Examine my hands, put your finger into the wound in my side, do not persist in your unbelief, but believe." Thomas moves from unbelief to belief. Thomas saw and believed and new life was given to him. We, who have not seen and have believed, have also been given new life by God

*Describe how you felt when you had to trust another person.*

*Describe an unexpected experience in your life that made you more aware of God's presence.*