



THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 22, 2012

ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CHURCH

HOSPITAL MINISTERS - Please call the parish office if you would like to help as a volunteer Hospital Minister at OHSU. This ministry is so much so much appreciated by the Catholic patients, and a real blessing to the volunteers. There is also a need for Hospital Ministers at the VA Hospital. Perhaps if you are a veteran, this could be a ministry you would find particularly meaningful.

NOBEL PEACE LAUREATE FORUM: Preventing War & Ending World Conflicts

Presented by the Wholistic Peace Institute and the Jubitz Family Foundation
Wednesday, February 29, 2012

President F. W. deKlerk, 1993 Nobel Peace Prize (Co-Winner with Nelson Mandela)
Several events are scheduled. For times, locations and ticket prices, see bulletin board.
For more information: 503-493-6294 or garyspanovich@wholisticpeaceinstitute.com

CATHOLIC CHARITIES PREGNANCY SUPPORT & ADOPTION SERVICES is seeking loving families who are interested in learning more about our Open Adoption Program. Interested families are invited to attend an Adoption Orientation Weekend beginning Friday, Feb. 10, with an evening class from 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. The orientation continues on Saturday, Feb. 11, with a session from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. All classes take place at Catholic Charities Clark Family Center, located at 2740 SE Powell Blvd. in Portland. The orientation cost is \$500 and includes lunch on Saturday. Topics include Mission, Oregon Law, open adoption families, fees, home study process, raising adopted children, and more. To register for the orientation, or request additional information, please contact Pregnancy Support & Adoption Services at 503-238-5196 or visit http://www.catholiccharitiesoregon.org/upcoming_events.asp.

RETREAT FOR THOSE WHO ARE PRIMARY CAREGIVERS OF AGING RELATIVES - On January 27-28, 2012 the University of Portland is hosting "Compassion in Action," a two-day retreat for those who have become primary caregivers for aging relatives. The retreat will take place at the Griffin Center (11957 SE Fuller Rd., Milwaukie, OR) and costs \$35 per person for meals, lodging, and retreat materials. Reservations are due by Monday, Jan. 16 and can be made by email at alumni@up.edu or by phone at 503-943-7328. This overnight retreat is limited to 24 participants. Scholarships may be available - please inquire when making reservations. See bulletin board for details.

2012 RALLY FOR LIFE AND MEMORIAL WALK - Today, from 2:30 to 3:30 at Pioneer Courthouse Square, the lives of 54 million children lost to abortion will be remembered. Our nation and its leaders will be called upon to give unborn children the protection they deserve.

ST. CLARE SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE Sunday, January 29th, 10:00 a.m. -- 11:30 a.m.
K-8th Grade.- Presentation at 10:30 a.m. in the BASC Room.
1807 SW Freeman Street, Portland, OR 97219 * 503-244-7600 * www.stclarepdx.org
Located in SW Portland at the corner of SW 19th Avenue and Spring Garden Road, just off I-5 near the Barbur Blvd. and Terwilliger exits.

We might take it for granted that good news is the essence of Christianity. Yet we often conceive of it as a collection of beliefs, a system of spiritual and moral strictures inherited from those who received them from God and transmitted them infallibly to the Church.

At the origin of Christianity, there was no celestial indoctrination with divine truths, sprung from the First Truth. It was rather by a decisive event that faith began. God's good news is his Son Jesus. He can say: "The kingdom of God is here" because he himself is here. In him and through him, God establishes his kingdom by actively saving humanity.

In this regard, the great fisherman is Jesus himself. He attracts people not with vinegar but with the proclamation of good news. That is the savor of Christian belief. The sacraments, the beatitudes, the Church, the forgiveness of sins are all good news summarized in Jesus, revelation of a Father full of tenderness. To welcome this conviction, to follow Jesus unconditionally, is faith, conversion. It is not mere intellectual assent to a collection of inherited truths.

LITURGICAL READINGS

Today: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time. Jonah 3:1-5,10/ Psalm 25/
1 Corinthians 7:29-31/ Mark 1:14-20

Monday: 2 Samuel 5:1-7, 10/ Psalm 89/ Mark 3:22-30

Tuesday: St. Frances de Sales. 2 Samuel 6:12b-15,17-19/Psalm 24/ Mark 3:31-35

Wednesday: The Conversion of St. Paul, the Apostle. Acts 22:3-16/ Psalm 117/
Mark 16:15-18

Thursday: Saints Timothy & Titus. 2 Timothy 1:1-8/ Psalm 96/ Mark 4:21-25

Friday: 2 Samuel 11:1-4a,5-10a,13-17/ Psalm 51/ Mark 4:26-34

Saturday: 2 Samuel 12:1-7a,10-17/ Psalm 51/ Mark 4:35-41

Next Sunday: 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Deuteronomy 18:15-20/ Psalm 95/
1 Corinthians 7:32-35/ Mark 1:21-28

HOSPITALITY FOR NEXT WEEKEND

9:00 AM: Barry and Melissa Taylor

11:00 AM: Dave and Marge Hartmann

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

COLLECTION FOR LAST SUNDAY: \$3,407.05

CATHOLIC COMMUNICATIONS CAMPAIGN: \$663.09 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., 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

Family Faith Sharing Questions

Mark 1:14-20

Jesus said to Simon and Andrew, "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men." The two brothers followed Jesus, as well as James and John, who were also fishermen.

What do you think it means to "fish for people?"

How can we "fish for people?"

What kind of "bait" would you use to fish for people?

