



*"As the Father loves me, so I also love you.
Remain in my love."*

**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
MAY 13, 2012**

ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CHURCH



HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

*Bless our mothers, O Lord,
Let their examples of faith
And love shine forth.*

May we honor our mothers always.

A JOYFUL WELCOME to the newest member of the Christian Community, **David Parker Ream**, who was baptized Saturday, May 5. We offer our prayers and best wishes to his parents, Matthew and Meghan Ream.

MOTHER'S DAY FLOWER SALE - Carnations for Mother are for sale today in the back of the church. Proceeds will support the Mother and Child Education Center, formerly known as Birthright.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES 2012 ANNUAL CAMPAIGN *Be the Good Samaritan* -- When we reach out to love our neighbors as Christ taught, we are living the mission of the Good Samaritan. Together, we demonstrate that mission to care for our neighbors through the programs of Catholic Charities. Your gift helps children and their mothers, homeless women, at risk youth and thousands of others in crisis. Envelopes can be found in the pews. If you missed the collection taken last weekend, you may mail your contribution directly to Catholic Charities. Thanks to the generosity of people like you, the spirit of the Good Samaritan lives on.

FIRST COMMUNION - David Fast, Griffin Galbraith, Ava Hagen, Sami Knofler, Mirabelle Limon, John Paul Nisbet, and Samantha O'Leary will be receiving their First Communion next Sunday at the 11:00 Mass. Please keep them in your prayers.

WE CARE - On the weekend of May 26-27, "We Care," a local organization of 5 or 6 ladies, will have on display at St. Elizabeth's sample layettes. These layettes are created by the women to be given to mothers in need. Many of the items are hand-knitted or hand-sewn. If you are interested in helping or supporting the project in any way, please call the parish office.

THE ST. ELIZABETH GOLF SCRAMBLE will be held on the afternoon of Sunday, June 24th at Skamania Golf Course (Stevenson, WA). Registration forms are in the church gathering space. Contact Dick Adkisson for more information at 503.297.2455, or Rcadkisson@aol.com. Deadline is June 1.

MAY IS MENTAL HEALTH MONTH! - Please support the National Alliance on Mental Illness. The upcoming NAMI Northwest Walk will again take place in downtown Portland at the Eastbank Esplanade (at SE Main and Water streets) on Sunday, May 20. Registration is at noon, with the walk to begin at 1:00 p.m. Will you lend your support to those raising money for this cause by sponsoring a walker or joining the Recovery International team of walkers? For further information, please contact Ginny Caudill at 503-372-6848, or Patti Bucher at 503-236-0761, both of whom are members of St. Elizabeth Parish.

It is often that the more schooling we have the less able we are to handle the ambiguity of Christian living. The logic of scientific thought encourages us to focus upon one concept at a time. The poetic language of the scriptures leads us to hold in a healthy tension concepts which, at first glance, seem mutually contradictory.

God calls us to a way of life which makes demands, yet God's ways frequently seem to contravene the way we have taken. This was certainly Peter's experience. Peter thought that only those born in Israel could come to Christ, but the manifestation of the Spirit's gifts in the life of the Gentile Cornelius shattered all his comfortable notions.

Christ's resurrection shattered all notions of how God might work among us. It destroyed all barriers which might hedge in the possibilities of God's power in human history. Christ's victory showed forth the power of love: God's love which could draw forth from death the servant who had gone to death in obedience and love.

For the makers of greeting cards love might be sentimental and soft. For Christians, love is as strong and as real as the demands made by friends who are willing to die that the other might live. That gives greater cause for the singing of alleluias than do fuzzy fantasies about some sort of love which can be reduced to pastel holy cards. Only living in that sort of love will enable us to know that death and life, obedience and freedom, vigilance and surprise are but different refractions of one true Light.

LITURGICAL READINGS

Today:	<i>6th Sunday of Easter.</i> Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/ Psalm 98/ 1 John 4:7-10/ John 15:9-17
Monday:	<i>St. Matthias, Apostle.</i> Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/ Psalm 113/ John 15:9-17
Tuesday:	Acts 16:22-34/ Psalm 138/ John 16:5-11
Wednesday:	Acts 17:15, 22 through 18:1/ Psalm 148/ John 16:12-15
Thursday:	<i>(Archdioceses and dioceses in the West will observe the Solemnity of the Ascension on Sunday, May 20)</i> - Acts 18:1-8/ Psalm 98/ John 16:16-20
Friday:	Acts 18:9-18/ Psalm 47/ John 16:20-23a
Saturday:	Acts 18:23-28/ Psalm 47/ John 16:23b-28
Next Sunday:	<i>Ascension of the Lord.</i> Acts 1:1-11/ Psalm 47/ Ephesians 1:17-23/ Mark 16:15-20

HOSPITALITY FOR NEXT WEEKEND:

9:00 AM: Maryla and Greg Kaminski

11:00 AM: Jean and Bill Horton

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

COLLECTION FOR LAST SUNDAY: \$4,686.00

CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS: \$125.00

SIMPLE SUPPER: \$523.95 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

Today we hear that Jesus gave the disciples a new commandment. He said, "This is my commandment: love one another as I have loved you. There is no greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends." Jesus went on to say "You are my friends, and I have told you all my Father told me. I choose you to go out and share with others what I have told you. "

How do you show your love for others?

Why is it important to love one another?

