

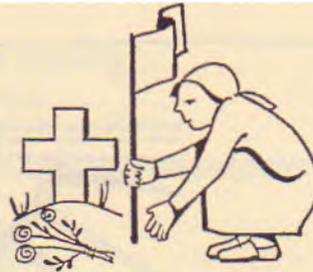


Pentecost

MAY 27, 2012

ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CHURCH

MEMORIAL DAY MASS will be celebrated here in the church at 8:30 am. On this holiday let us honor those who have died and give thanks for the good things God has given us.



124th ANNUAL MEMORIAL DAY MASS will be celebrated on Monday, May 28, 2012 at 10:00 AM.

Archbishop John G. Vlazny will offer Mass at Mount Calvary's Altar Garden, 333 SW Skyline Blvd. Portland, OR 97221

Monsignor Dennis O'Donovan will offer Mass at Gethsemani's Chapel, 1666 SE Stevens Rd., Happy Valley, OR 97086

SIMPLE SUPPER COLLECTION will be taken next Sunday for the support of our two monthly dinners at Transition Projects. Baskets for your free will offering are at the entrances to the church.

FOOD SUNDAY - Next Sunday is Food Sunday. Please bring some non-perishable food for the Immaculate Heart Parish Food Bank to help feed the hungry.

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. You may mail your contribution directly to Catholic Charities at a later date if that is more convenient for you.

WE CARE - This weekend "*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.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED to take Communion to homebound St. Elizabeth parishioners. If you can help, please call the parish office.

RETROUVAILLE, A Lifeline for Married Couples

Upcoming *Retrouvaille* Weekend, June 8-10, Mt. Angel, OR

Come heal and renew your marriage relationship by re-establishing communication with each other. Whether you are simply not communicating well, in the midst of separation, or considering divorce, let *Retrouvaille* help you put the pieces of your marriage and family back together. *Retrouvaille* is a Catholic program designed to help marriages regain their health. Couples of all faiths are welcome and no one is turned away due to financial difficulties. For more information or to register for a weekend, call 1-800-470-2230 or visit www.helpourmarriage.org.

"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 cries 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 Sunday, Acts 2:1-11/ Psalm 104/ 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13/
John 20:19-23

Monday: 1 Peter 1:3-9/ Psalm 111/ Mark 10:17-27

Tuesday: 1 Peter 1:10-16/ Psalm 98/ Mark 10:28-31

Wednesday: 1 Peter 1:18-25/ Psalm 147/ Mark 10:32-45

Thursday: Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Zephaniah 3:14-18a/
Isaiah 12:2-3/ Luke 1:39-56

Friday: 1 Peter 4:7-13/ Psalm 96:10-13/ Mark 11:11-26

Saturday: Jude 17,20b-25/ Psalm 63:2-6/ Mark 11:27-33

Next Sunday: The Most Holy Trinity Deuteronomy 4:32-34,39-40/ Psalm 33/
Romans 8:14-17/ Matthew 28:16-20

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.

HOSPITALITY FOR NEXT WEEKEND:

9:00 AM: David and Agnes Craford 11:00 AM: Peggy and Karl Smith

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

COLLECTION FOR LAST SUNDAY: \$3,661.00 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's Gospel reading from the Gospel of John tells us how on Sunday evening (the same day the women had been to the tomb of Jesus), the disciples were gathered in an upstairs room. They had locked the doors because they were afraid of the people who had crucified Jesus. Then Jesus came and stood in the room and said, "Peace be with you," and he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord. Jesus said again, "Peace be with you! As God has sent me to you, now I am sending you to others." Then he breathed on the disciples and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of anyone, they are forgiven. If you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."

How do you think Jesus got into the room if the doors were locked?

Why do you think Jesus said, "Peace be with you?"

Is this phrase familiar to you? Where have you heard it?

What does it mean to you?

Why do you think that Jesus shows the disciples his hands and side?