



**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER  
MAY 6, 2012**

**ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CHURCH**

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES 2012 ANNUAL CAMPAIGN *Be the Good Samaritan*** -- Catholic Charities' 2012 Annual Campaign needs you! With your donation, Catholic Charities can provide services for crisis pregnancy, adoption, support for those impacted by abortion, domestic violence support, after school mentoring programs for youth, services for homeless women, low-income families, disabled persons, and the chronically mentally ill, immigration services, refugee settlement and elder services. Please give as generously as you can. Envelopes can be found in the pews. The collection will be taken this weekend, or 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.

**MOTHER & CHILD, formerly BIRTHRIGHT,** will once again be selling flowers on Mother's Day weekend. We hope for your support. They very much appreciate our efforts.

**PORTLAND ARCHDIOCESE SPONSORED PARISH VOCATION MINISTRIES WORKSHOP**

Thursday, May 10th, 6:30 - 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.

**THE ARCHBISHOP'S SEMINARY TEA** - Members of the *Seminary Tea* committee cordially invite all members of the Archdiocese and the greater Portland Community to greet Archbishop John Vlazny and Bishop Steiner at the 77th Annual *Seminary Tea* on Wednesday, May 9, 2012 from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. The Tea will be held at The Portland Golf Club, 5900 SW Scholls Ferry Road. The *Seminary Tea* is a fund raising event held each spring to assist the Archbishop in funding the education of seminarians for our Archdiocese. Tickets are \$25 and will be available at the door. For advance tickets call our Parish Representative, Peggy Smith, at 503-241-4071. Donations are gratefully accepted. For more information, please call Mary Kay Beaudoin, 2012 Chair of the Seminary Tea at 503-297-2994.

**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](mailto: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.

**HOSPITALITY FOR NEXT WEEKEND:**

4:00 PM: Clay and Carolyn Carter

9:00 AM: Patty Frahler and Bob Bentley

11:00 AM: Maura and Diarmuid O'Scannlain

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

At the beginning of the second discourse after the Last Supper, Jesus says, "I am the true vine!" When he makes such an unprecedented remark, does he have in mind that vine carved in stone on the temple pediment to symbolize Israel? The image fits well within the context of the Last Supper, where Jesus has just given his disciples the wine of the new covenant prefigured at Cana. In any case, it would evoke in the hearts of the disciples the whole history of the relationship between God and the chosen people.

Sign of blessing, symbol of the fruitful wife, the vine is present throughout the life of this people who are attached to the land. God could rightly expect fine grapes from that luxuriant vine uprooted from Egypt and planted in Canaan. He had lavished so much care on it! But he received only sour grapes in return (Isaiah 5:1-7). In the words of the prophets, the vine came to signify the sinful and degenerate Israel, unfaithful to the covenant and about to be punished for its perversity. Later hope is reborn for a magnificent vine, a purified and faithful people for whom the Lord would be the guardian, day and night.

"I am the true vine and my Father is the vinegrower." Jesus at last fulfills the divine expectation which has so long been frustrated. He is, in his person, the true Israel, and his blood has brought forth a new vine on Calvary. Henceforth, none can bear fruit for God unless they are in Jesus, and Jesus in them, in a reciprocity of love which along assures life its fruitfulness. "You in me . . . I in you": that is the refrain of his discourse, the marvelous promise which the Eucharist already begins to fulfill.

## LITURGICAL READINGS

Today: 5th Sunday of Easter. Acts 9:26-31/ Psalm 22/ 1 John 3:18-24/John 15:1-8  
Monday: Acts 14:5-18/ Psalm 115/ John 14:21-26  
Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28/ Psalm 145/ John 14:27-31a  
Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6/ Psalm 122/ John 15:1-8  
Thursday: St. Damien de Veuster, priest. Acts 15:7-21/ Psalm 96/ John 15:9-11  
Friday: Acts 15:22-31/ Psalm 57/ John 15:12-17  
Saturday: Acts 16:1-10/ Psalm 100/ John 15:18-21  
Next Sunday: 6th Sunday of Easter. Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/ Psalm 98/  
1 John 4:7-10/ John 15:9-17

**ADIDAS DISCOUNT** - It's that time again. The Adidas Employee Store would like to invite you and your friends and family to come shop at our store. We would also like to offer you our 50% off employee discount. The invitation dates are Monday, May 7 through Sunday, May 20. You need to bring a shopping pass, They are available in the back of the church,

**COLLECTION FOR LAST SUNDAY:** \$4,580.50

**CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS:** \$1,922.20 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.

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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

### FAMILY FAITH SHARING QUESTIONS

Talking to his disciples Jesus said, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower." (A grower is another name for a farmer. A farmer removes branches that do not produce good fruit.)

Jesus said, "Remain in me, as I remain in you." (Stay connected to me and I will be connected to you.) Jesus goes on to say that with him we will bear much fruit. Without him we will bear nothing. "Stay connected to me and let my teachings become part of you. Then pray for what you want and God will answer. When you bear good fruit my Father will be honored."

*If we keep Jesus close to us what will happen?*

*Why does Jesus tell us to stay connected to Him?*

