



TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

June 23, 2013

ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CHURCH

YEAR OF FAITH -The Year of Faith began on October 11 of this year and will conclude on the feast of Christ the King, November 24, 2013. It is Pope Benedict's hope and prayer that Catholics will deepen their knowledge of the faith by reflecting on the documents of Vatican II and the catechism. We are asked to open more widely that door of faith, walk through it and rediscover the beauty and goodness of our relationship with Jesus and his church.

MINISTRY FORMATION – The mission of the Ministry Formation Program is the integration of the human, intellectual, spiritual and pastoral dimensions of the individual, to more completely enable that person to live and to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ to the world in partnership with the ministry of the Church. Information and a schedule of classes can be found on the bulletin board. Registration deadline is Thursday, July 25, 2013. If you would like to know more about the program, contact Heather Wycoff at 503-652-7476 or hwycoff@archdpx.org.

On Monday we celebrate the Birth of John the Baptist. As we hear of the birth of John the Baptist in Luke's Gospel, we note the emotions the event generates among Elizabeth and Zechariah's family and friends: joy, amazement, and even fear and uncertainty as to what it all means. Perhaps we have reacted in the same way to God's marvelous deeds in our own lives. Like John the Baptist, we too must grow and become strong in spirit if we are to accomplish the work God has entrusted to us



MONASTIC VOCATIONS DISCERNMENT RETREAT – Mount Angel Abbey invites men who are between 18-45 years of age and are discerning a monastic vocation, to come join us for a three-day discernment retreat experience on Friday, July 19th through Sunday, July 21st, 2013. This is free of charge and we welcome you as our guest. Please contact Fr. Odo Recker, OSB at 503-845-3123. Email: Vocations@mountangelabbey.org. or visit our website: www.mountainangelabbey.org.

7th ANNUAL MOUNT ANGEL ABBEY FESTIVAL OF ARTS & WINE.

Saturday, June 29, 1-5 PM

Tickets: \$50/pp include auctions, jazz band, art displays and sales, hearty hors d'oeuvres, wine and beer tasting and sales.

Tickets are available online. Contact FAW @ www.mountainangelabbey.org or call 800-845-8272.

HOSPITALITY FOR NEXT WEEKEND:

9:00 AM: Patty Frahler & Bob Bentley 11:00 AM: Kerry, Ann, and Jonathan Heisler

Please come early. If you cannot fulfill your assignment, please make sure you find a substitute.

Thank you.

The Gentile society of Luke's time had little regard for the dignity of women. Luke, in addressing himself to these hearers, is at pains to stress the role women play in Jesus' ministry and in the life of the Church. In today's passage Jesus is depicted as violating certain taboos in order to welcome a repentant woman.

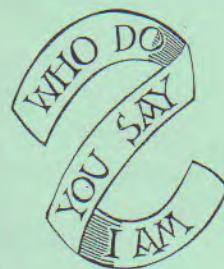
Throughout Jesus' ministry the crowd asked themselves, "Who is he? A hero from the past?" Questioned by Jesus, Peter opens himself to faith, "You are the Messiah of God." Jesus immediately warns them that his future is also theirs. In following him to Jerusalem, every believer takes the risk of suffering day after day.

"But you, who do you say that I am?" "You are the Lord whom we confess in the poverty of our faith." Our answer is shaped by the lives of believers who have gone before us.

Among the revealing encounters through which we approach Jesus, there is the irreplaceable encounter with the gospels. They present him to us as a man of the first century, as one destined to be crucified and raised up. These images are mediated to us through the faith of the first generations of Christians. Prayerful listening allows us to catch something of his mystery. That is what invites us to live Jesus Christ in the present, to run our race "to grasp the prize if possible, since I have been grasped by Christ Jesus" (Philippians 3:12).

LITURGICAL READINGS

Today:	<u>Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time.</u> Zechariah 12:10-11; 13:1/ Psalm 63/ Galatians 3:26-29/ Luke 9:18-24
Monday:	<u>The Nativity of St. John the Baptist.</u> Isaiah 49:1-6/ Psalm 139/ Acts 13:22-26/ Luke 1:57-66, 80
Tuesday:	Genesis 13:2, 5-18/ Psalm 15/ Matthew 7:6, 12-14
Wednesday:	Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18/ Psalm 105/ Matthew 7:15-20
Thursday:	Genesis 16:1-12, 15-16/ Psalm 106/ Matthew 7:21-29
Friday:	Genesis 17:1, 9-10, 15-22/ Psalm 128/ Matthew 8:1-4
Saturday:	<u>Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles.</u> Acts 12:1-11/ Psalm 34/ 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18/ Matthew 16:13-19
Next Sunday:	<u>Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time.</u> 1 Kings 19:16b, 19-21/Psalm 16/ Galatians 5:1, 13-18/ Luke 9:51-62



COLLECTION FOR LAST SUNDAY: \$3,173.00 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

I don't know Who—or what—put the question, I don't know when it was put. I don't even remember answering. But at some moment I did answer Yes to Someone—or Something—and from that hour I was certain that existence is meaningful and that, therefore, my life, in self-surrender, had a goal.

From that moment I have known what it means “not to look back,” and “to take no thought for the morrow.”

Led by the Ariadne's thread of my answer through the labyrinth of Life, I came to a time and place where I realized that the Way leads to a triumph which is a catastrophe, and to a catastrophe which is a triumph, that the price for committing one's life would be reproach, and that the only elevation possible to man lies in the depths of humiliation. After that, the word “courage” lost its meaning, since nothing could be taken from me.

(Dag Hammarskjold, *Markings*, Knopf, 1968, p. 205)