



**TWENTIETH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
AUGUST 17, 2014**

ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CHURCH

MARK YOUR CALENDARS
FOR OUR ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC
SEPTEMBER 13 (After 4:00 PM Mass)



COFFEE AND DONUTS – A new schedule for serving coffee and donuts will be coming out in September. If you would like to participate in this hospitality ministry, please sign the list in the back of the church. As a committee member you would be responsible for serving after the 9:00 am or 11:00 am Masses two or three times during the October-June period. **If you cannot serve on an assigned date you are responsible for getting a replacement.** This ministry is fun and a great way to get to know your fellow parishioners.

CANTORES IN ECCLESIA PRESENTS THE SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL WILLIAM BYRD FESTIVAL AUGUST 6-24, IN PORTLAND, OREGON

The concerts will take place in St. Stephen's Catholic Church, 1112 SE 41st Avenue. The complete festival schedule also includes an organ recital, seven liturgical services, and six public lectures. The schedule is available online at www.byrdfestival.org.

CLASSES FOR FIRST COMMUNION, CONFIRMATION AND RCIA to begin next fall are in the planning stage. If you or someone you know are interested in becoming Catholic, or if you have children who will be receiving their First Communion or Confirmation, please sign the lists in the back of the Church, or call the parish office at 503-222-2168.

THE GREAT ADVENTURE: A Quick Journey through the Bible

St. Francis Parish in Sherwood is offering a series of Adult Education presentations on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 PM at the Parish Center on September 3, 10, 17 and 24. A second series entitled **The Bible and the Mass: The Jewish Roots of Christian Liturgy** will be offered in October. For more information contact Dee Campbell, dee.campbell@ymail.com. A list of the classes is on the bulletin board.

SECOND ANNUAL VANCOUVER/CAMAS ST. VINCENT DE PAUL 5K RUN/WALK FOR THE POOR. September 20, 2014. The 5 K course moves along the scenic Columbia River and through historic Vancouver. The goal is to raise \$30,000 to sustain the largest food pantry in Clark County, St. Vincent de Paul, which helped over 87,000 families in need in 2013. See bulletin board for more information.

Jesus withdraws to the Gentile districts of Tyre and Sidon to get away from the adversaries who hunt him for breaking the Jewish rituals of purification. Here he will redefine the limits of clean and unclean. Through the supplication of a Canaanite woman, he will deal with the question of salvation for the Gentiles.

Strangely enough, Jesus remains silent as if he shared the arrogant particularism of the Jews toward these "dogs of the Gentiles." He seems to hesitate and when he decides to answer the woman, he does so in shocking terms. He wishes to do the will of God who desires that the lost sheep of Israel be gathered together. Only then, from the base of this renewed people, will he welcome the Gentiles, in accordance with their belief into the great family of Abraham. What is this woman's problem? She does not believe that she has any right to demand the bread of divine friendship reserved primarily for the Jews. All she can ask for are crumbs. But she asks with such faith and humility that she will receive the fullness of salvation for which she hopes. In the welcome Jesus gives this foreigner, the Christians of the first century saw a prophetic model for their own attitude toward the Gentile believers. They had to go beyond the limits of an elitist religion, one based on race alone, in order to preach a universal salvation grounded in faith.

Can we transcend the frontiers of our prejudices? Many whom we consider alien in fact teach us the meaning of faith.

LITURGICAL READINGS

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| Today: | <u>Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time.</u> Isaiah 56:1, 6-7/ Psalm 67/ Romans 11:13-15, 29-32/ Matthew 15:21-28 |
| Monday: | Ezekiel 24::15-24/ (Ps) Deuteronomy 32:18-21/ Matthew 19:16-22 |
| Tuesday: | Ezekiel 28:1-10 (Ps) Deuteronomy 32:26-28, 30, 35c-36b/ Matthew 19:23-30 |
| Wednesday: | <u>Saint Bernard, abbot, doctor of the Church.</u> Ezekiel 34:1-11/ Psalm 23/ Matthew 20:1-16 |
| Thursday: | <u>Saint Pius X, pope.</u> Ezekiel 36:23-28/ Psalm 51/ Matthew 22:1-14 |
| Friday: | <u>The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary.</u> Ezekiel 37:1-14/ Psalm 107/ Matthew 22:34-40 |
| Saturday: | <u>Saint Rose of Lima, virgin.</u> Ezekiel 43:1-7ab/ Psalm 85/ Matthew 23:1-12 |
| Next Sunday: | <u>Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time.</u> Isaiah 22:19-23/ Psalm 138/ Romans 11:33-36/ Matthew 16:13-20 |

HOSPITALITY FOR NEXT WEEKEND:

4:00 PM: Camille Stark, Virginia Bozich, and Geanette Peck

9:00 AM: Liam and Antoinette Roberts 11:00 AM: Pat and Corky Fleck

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

COLLECTION FOR LAST SUNDAY: \$4,478.00 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

Reflection

Jesus is astounded at the Canaanite woman's faith. And he changes his mind and grants her prayer. The woman's love, trust, hope, and tireless perseverance cause Jesus to reach his healing hand beyond the house of Israel, and to anticipate the mission to the whole world that will be revealed after his Resurrection.