



**EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
AUGUST 3, 2014**

ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CHURCH



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

THE FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY is August 15. Mass will be celebrated at 8:30 AM in the church. There will be no evening 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

English organist and conductor Mark Williams will return to Portland this summer to direct the award-winning choir Cantores in Ecclesia in a nineteen-day festival featuring choral masterpieces by the great Renaissance composer William Byrd (1540-1623) and his teacher Thomas Tallis (1505-58=585). 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.

WE ARE IN NEED OF MORE HOSPITAL EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS.

If you would like to participate in this rewarding ministry by taking the Eucharist to patients at OHSU, please contact Frankie Anderson at 503-245-4254 or frankiemanderson@yahoo.com.

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.

In today's liturgy we are once again invited to the great feast of God's kingdom. Throughout the scriptures this image of the messianic banquet evokes a sense of the abundance and the conviviality which will characterize the fullness of life to be enjoyed by all God's people at the endtime. The prophet Isaiah silences potential protests of unworthiness. All that is required to sit down at this table is awareness of one's need. Everyone who is hungry and thirsty is admitted free. The evangelist points out the extravagance of the meal. There is ample food for everyone, with plenty to spare. The apostle Paul, in the concluding passage from Romans, suggests the true nature of the feast. We are nourished and sustained by the overwhelming and unshakeable love which God has heaped upon us in Christ Jesus.

Today we feast together at the Eucharistic table which is foretaste and pledge of the banquet to come. Despite the prophet's words, however, our meal has its price. We must bring to the table the "loaves and fish" of our everyday lives to be transformed and shared for the nourishment of all.

We who are Church must go from the table to carry the bread of the kingdom to all our sisters and brothers who hunger and thirst for life.

LITURGICAL READINGS

- Today: *Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time.* Isaiah 55:1-3/ Psalm 145/ Romans 8:35, 37-39 Matthew 14:13-21
- Monday: *St. John Vianney, priest.* Jeremiah 28:1-17/ Psalm 119/ Matthew 24:22-36
- Tuesday: Jeremiah 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22/ Psalm 102/ Matthew 14:22-36
- Wednesday: *The Transfiguration of the Lord.* Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14/ Psalm 97/ 2 Peter 1:16-19/ Matthew 17:1-9
- Thursday: Jeremiah 31:31-34/ Psalm 51/ Matthew 16:13-23
- Friday: *Saint Dominic, priest.* Nahum 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7/ (Ps) Deuteronomy 32:35c-36b, 39, 41/ Matthew 16:24-28
- Saturday: Hebrews 1:12 through 2:4/ Psalm 9/ Matthew 17:14-20
- Next Sunday: *Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time.* 1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a/ Psalm 85/ Romans 9:1-5/ Matthew 14:22-33

HOSPITALITY FOR NEXT WEEKEND:

4:00 PM: Maryann Pierleoni

9:00 AM: Eileen and Perry Broughton 11:00 AM: Traci and Tom Galbraith

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

COLLECTION FOR LAST SUNDAY: \$3,421.00 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

Today's Gospel story is about abundance. Trying to get away by himself, Jesus encounters "a vast crowd." After spending the day with them, the disciples suggest that the people be dismissed. But for Jesus, the celebration is just beginning. He works a miracle, providing a meal out of "five loaves and two fish." All present share this miraculous meal, each one eating his fill. And there is a great quantity left over. The story tells of the infinite generosity of God who wants to remain with us, provide for us, and celebrate with us.