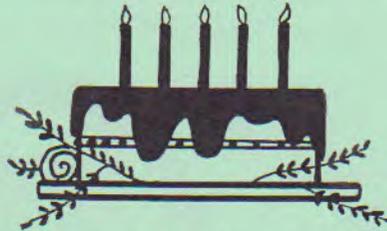


**FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JULY 8, 2012**

ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CHURCH

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, FR. JIM -. Our very best wishes for the year ahead and our gratitude for your many, many gifts to our community

ENJOY THE PARTY!!



ST. ELIZBETHS ANNUAL PICNIC is coming up very soon. Saturday, Sept 15th after the 4:00PM Mass on the lawn next door. Save the date.

JOURNEY TOGETHER IN HOPE - A retreat for Catholic families who have family members with disabilities will be held the weekend of August 24, 25, and 26 at Aldersgate Conference Center, just outside of Salem in Turner, Oregon. This weekend is designed to bring together Catholic families with children (all ages) with disabilities to have fun together, to celebrate, to share faith, to rest and relax, and to build supportive friendships. For registration information, call the Archdiocesan Office for People with Disabilities at 503-233-8399 or email dcoughlin@archpdx.org. A retreat will be provided in Spanish August 31-September 2 at the same location.

TERWILLIGER PARKWAY CLOSED ON SUNDAY, JULY 22 FROM 8:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

To celebrate the 100th Anniversary of Terwilliger Parkway, a Centennial Celebration will be held the weekend of July 20-22. On Sunday, you will not be able to get to St. Elizabeth for the 9:00 or 11:00 Masses via Terwilliger. Please plan on attending the 4:00 PM Saturday Mass or find a different route to reach St. Elizabeth on Sunday.

At the conclusion of the Galilean ministry, Jesus encounters failure. He is rejected by his townspeople. Everything had started well. The astonishment of the people of Nazareth at the wisdom and miracles of the one they thought they knew had led them to ask themselves the right question, the one that could lead them to faith: "Where did he get all this?" It sufficed to recall what Moses had foretold: "A prophet like me will the Lord, your God, raise up for you from among your own kinsmen: to him you shall listen: (Deut 18:15). To speak to people, God usually chooses those who are close to them. But the faith of the people of Nazareth stumbles over the ordinary, familiar nature of Jesus" presence among them. That is not how they imagined a man of God, a prophet. Jesus, in his turn is surprised. He seems disarmed, incapable of performing any miracles.

We too can paralyze others and reduce them to impotence by withdrawing our confidence, imprisoning them in ready-make categories. How much energy has been suppressed or discouraged, how many joys stifled by our definitive judgments on those whom we think we know? Do we allow any room for growth in our consideration of others?

Yet God often calls us through very ordinary beings in whom we must recognize his unforeseeable presence. The guest, the sick person, the stranger, the neighbor are so many roads to grace. We must keep in our hearts that attitude of waiting that calls for and unveils miracles. To reveal himself, God needs people.

LITURGICAL READINGS

Today: Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Ezekiel 2:2-5/ Psalm 123/
2 Corinthians 12:7-10/ Mark 6:1-6A

Monday: Hosea 2:16,17B-18,21-22/ Psalm 145/ Matthew 9:18-26

Tuesday: Hosea 8:4-7,11-13/ Psalm 115/ Matthew 9:32-38

Wednesday: Hosea 10: 1-3,7-8.12/ Psalm 105/ Matthew 10:1-7

Thursday: Hosea 11: 1-4, 8c-9/ Psalm 80/ Matthew 10:7-15

Friday: Hosea 14:2-10/ Psalm 51/ Matthew 10:16-23

Saturday: Isaiah 6:1-8/ Psalm 93/ Matthew 10:24-33

Next Sunday: Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Amos 7:12-15/Psalm 85
Ephesians 1: 3-14/Mark 6:7-13

COLLECTION FOR LAST SUNDAY

\$3791.60 Simple Supper \$326.00 Peter's Pence
\$20.00 Thank you.

HOSPITALITY FOR NEXT WEEKEND:

9:00 AM: Mary & Dick Adkisson 11:00 AM: Pat & Corky Fleck

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

Perhaps our deepest act of faith is to believe that we have his heart, his power to love. The deepest act of faith is not in the reality that God exists but in the reality that he loves me, knows me by name, that I have the power of his heart, his compassion within myself. But I will never discover this unless I exercise it.

Edward J. Farrell, *The Father is Very Fond of Me*, Dimension Books, 1975 p.59