



CHRIST THE KING

NOVEMBER 26, 2017

ST. ELIZABETH CATHOLIC CHURCH





## *The 16<sup>th</sup> Annual St. Nicholas Celebration!*



*Friday, December 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.*

*Lessons and Carols followed by Potluck Dinner*

*Special Appearance by Our Very Own St. Nicholas!*

*Plan to join us for this festive event!*

*Sign-up sheets are out if you can help with this event and/or bring food!*

**ADVENT BEGINS NEXT WEEKEND!** Please arrive 15 minutes early for the lighting of the Advent Wreath in the gathering area.

**ANGEL TREE TAGS ARE AVAILABLE!** Tags are on the bulletin board in the gathering area. IT IS MANDATORY THAT YOU SIGN FOR EACH TAG YOU TAKE so we can keep track of each gift. Please provide a gift receipt with the gift if possible, so that the gift may be returned if it doesn't fit, etc. Gifts should be wrapped for Christmas with the Angel Tree Tag securely attached and returned to the church by December 9-10<sup>th</sup> for delivery the following weekend. We still need drivers (who must travel in pairs), so if you're able to help deliver gifts this year, please call Sharon Finley (503-344-6005) or contact the church office. Thanks!

**CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT** – We'll continue to take donations; please put the CCHD envelope in the regular collection. Thanks.

The **TRAVELING CRIB** will be gone on Tuesday. If you have any items to bring in, please drop them by the Church office on Monday. Catholic Charities is extremely appreciative of your generosity. It was down to its last pack of diapers; thanks to you its supplies are replenished!

**DEO GRACIAS! Festive Music for the Holiday Season** – Our very own Pat Lach will be singing with the Women's Chorale and Marylhurst Choral Union on Saturday, December 2 at 7:30 pm at St. Anne's Chapel at Marylhurst University. Tickets are \$15 general admission, \$10 students and seniors.



"It is because it is simply love that the self-gift of Jesus is redemptive. Since love is the one thing evil cannot compass, either imaginatively or really, it evades the grab of evil. Therefore, the power of evil--'natural,' human or diabolic—did indeed succeed in doing precisely what it set out to do, which was to destroy the enemy it perceived, a foe of tremendous and baffling strength, capable of healing and converting human minds as well as material elements. The huge power in Jesus, which had refused cooperation in what the Great Refuser saw as the only obviously sensible use of power, was (inexplicably, but opportunely) vulnerable to 'the Prince of this World.' And into all the channels laid open by love, the power of destruction thrust itself, to seize the very citadel of that power. It found nothing there. All was destroyed except love, and love is 'nothing' to the intelligence and grasp of evil.

But the very being of Jesus is love, and when he had accepted into himself the fullness of the thrust of evil there was no more it could do. The Christian assertion, repeated liturgically again and again, is that by dying he 'destroyed death.' This is literally true because the power of death is sin, and sin is that 'defendedness' of human nature which keeps love confined. Where there is no sin, death finds nothing to 'grip.' Love is exchange of life, and sin, which blocks that exchange, is the place where death can hold on. In dying, Jesus, as it were, released the grip of death's power to be an evil.

In order to realize the scope of this we have to remember how the model of exchanged life displays for us the infinitely intricate and intimate coinherence of all reality. Jesus was (like all human beings) inherently related, physically and mentally, to all of creation. And this man, Jesus, is the Beloved, the one in whom the Father's purpose (necessity, the 'must' of passion) is to 'unite all things in heaven and on earth.' Therefore, when the impulse of love drove him to make himself vulnerable to the worst that evil could do (could do, that is, not merely to a human being, but to this human being, whose capacity for suffering was necessarily unique because he was God), the effect of the ultimate impotence of evil in him spreads outwards also to every being with whom he is enmeshed 'in heaven, on earth, and under the earth.'"

(Rosemary Haughton, *The Passionate God*, Paulist, 1981, pp.151-152)

The St. Philip Neri Altar society invites you to its MICHAEL ALLEN HARRISON ANNUAL CONCERT on Tuesday, November 28 at 7:00 pm in the church, located at SE 16<sup>th</sup> & Division St. Tickets are \$15 for General Admission and \$25 for Preferred Seating.

LECTORS! THE 2018 WORKBOOKS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE CHAPEL -  
Please sign your name on the list and take a copy.



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### RECONCILIATION SERVICES DURING ADVENT:

Resurrection	Wednesday, December 6	7pm
Our Lady of the Lake	Saturday, December 9	10am
St Cyril	Wednesday, December 13	7pm
St Clare	Thursday, December 14	7pm
Sacred Heart	Saturday, December 16	10am
Our Lady of the Lake	Tuesday, December 19	7pm
St Anthony	Wednesday, December 20	7pm

The Advent Edition of THE WORD AMONG US and other ADVENT MEDITATION MATERIALS are available in the gathering area. Help yourself to what you will use. We also have copies of AT HOME WITH THE WORD -- regular print \$8.00 and large print \$12.00 -- available for purchase.

### HOSPITALITY FOR NEXT WEEKEND – December 2-3:

Wine & Cheese – The MacLeans & The Hamiltons

9:00 AM – Tim & Leslie Hutchison 11:00 AM – Cathy & Mark Myers

If you can't fulfill your assignment, please find a replacement. Thank you.

COLLECTIONS FOR LAST WEEKEND: \$ 4,546.00 CCHD: \$1,911.00

### LITURGICAL READINGS

Today:	<i>Christ the King</i> , Ezekiel 34: 11-12, 15-17/ Psalm 23/ 1 Corinthians 15: 20-26, 28/ Matthew 25: 31-46.
Monday:	Daniel 1: 1-6, 8-20/ Daniel 3: 52, 53, 54, 55, 56/ Luke 21: 1-4.
Tuesday:	Daniel 2: 31-45/ Daniel 3: 57, 58, 59, 60, 61/ Luke 21: 5-11.
Wednesday:	Daniel 5: 1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/ Daniel 3: 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67/ Luke 21: 12-19.
Thursday:	<i>St. Andrew, Apostle (Feast)</i> Romans 10: 9-18/ Psalm 19/ Matthew 4: 18-22.
Friday:	Daniel 7: 2-14/ Daniel 3: 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81/ Luke 21: 29-33.
Saturday:	Daniel 7: 15-27/ Daniel 3: 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87/ Luke 21: 34-36.
Next Sun:	<i>First Sunday of Advent</i> , Isaiah 63: 16b-17, 19b; 64: 2-7/ Psalm 80/ 1 Corinthians 1: 3-9/ Mark 13: 33-37.