



FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 20, 2008

ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CHURCH

MOTHER & CHILD EDUCATION CENTER (formerly Birthright) needs help with the upcoming Mother's Day flower sale here at St. Elizabeth's. We need a volunteer to pick up the flowers on Friday, May 9, 9:00 AM to noon or Saturday, May 10, 9:00 to noon. We also need volunteers to sell the flowers at each of the weekend masses. If you would like to help, please call the parish office at 503-222-2168. Thank you.

HELP THE HOMELESS - The Downtown Chapel is seeking new volunteers for its morning Hospitality Center (Mon - Fri, 9 am - Noon). Volunteers help provide basic needs like food, clothing, hygiene, and blankets, while building relationships with the poor and homeless in a safe and welcoming environment. Volunteers also participate in reflections about their daily experiences. If you want to learn more about how you can get involved, please contact Andy at the Downtown Chapel: 503-228-0746 X13 or volunteer@downtownchapel.org.

BLANKETS & CLOTHING DONATIONS NEEDED - The Downtown Chapel is currently in need of blankets & adult clothing. Although the weather is getting nicer, people in our community still need assistance with staying warm at night. All donations to the Downtown Chapel are always distributed free of charge to those people who are most in need. Please consider donating articles that you no longer need, visiting garage sales, or purchasing these items at value stores. The Downtown Chapel is located at 601 West Burnside, and a tax receipt is always available. Donations can be dropped off Monday - Friday, 10am - Noon, 1pm - 3pm. We recommend calling or emailing before bringing your donations: 503.228.0746 or info@downtownchapel.org.

SUMMER CONFERENCE 2008 - *Refresh, renew and refocus!* July 30- August 3, 2008
This year's theme . . . Building the Church. . . THE SPIRIT MOVING STILL
A retreat for all ages! Set on the beautiful campus of the University of Portland
5 days to experience your faith through study, prayer, and play for adults and children
See bulletin board or www.summerconf.org

ST. ELIZABETH GOLF SCRAMBLE - SAVE THE DATE! - The St. Elizabeth Golf Scramble will be held at 2:00 pm, June 22nd at Wildwood Golf Course. Information and registration forms are available at the back of the church. Contact Greg Kaminski with questions (h: 503 524-3837, w:977-4570; email:gm.kaminski@vewrizon.net). *Start the summer with an enjoyable round of golf and a time to get to know friends at St. Elizabeth!*

BEYOND THE RAMP - Engaging People with Disabilities in Faith Communities, an interfaith conference for clergy, people with disabilities, congregational lay leaders, families of people with disabilities, professional service providers will be held at St. Anthony Village (a fully accessible facility), 3560 SE 79th Avenue, Portland on Friday, May 2, 2008 from 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM. See bulletin board or call Interfaith Disabilities Network of Oregon @ 503-226-7079.

**WE NEED PEOPLE TO COOK DINNER FOR TRANSITIONS
PROJECTS ONCE A MONTH. PLEASE CALL JOAN. 503-222-2168**

Who does not cherish the desire for a home, a harbor of peace and refreshment? Jesus announces his departure in terms of that human desire. He is going before his disciples to prepare a place for them. "I am the Way" is as strange a proclamation as, "I am the Sheepgate" (John 10:7), but they help us examine the implications of the Easter experience.

"You know the way that leads where I go" (John 14:4). We are sympathetic with the misunderstanding of Thomas and Philip. They would like to specify the road and identify the place where they will see the Father. But there is no need for a map. Jesus is the way to the Father. We must follow him. Whoever has seen him has seen the Father. Jesus is the way, the truth and the life because he is one with God: he is in the Father and the Father is in him.

Authentic Christian faith is not anonymous. We cannot believe in a faceless God. Christianity teaches us to recognize God in the face of Jesus of Nazareth. By identifying his face in the disfigured faces of those whose suffering he bore on the cross, we find our dwelling place in him.

LITURGICAL READINGS

Today: Acts 6:1-7/ Psalm 33/ 1 Peter 2:4-9/ John 14:1-12

Monday: Acts 14:5-18/ Psalm 115/ John 14:21-26/ Acts 14:27-31a

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28/ Psalm 145/ John 14:27-31a

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6/ Psalm 122/ John 15:1-8

Thursday: Acts 15:7-21/ Psalm 96/ John 15:9-11

Friday: 1 Peter 5:5b-14/ Psalm 89/ Mark 16:15-20

Saturday: Acts 16:1-10/ Psalm 100/ John 15: 18-21

Next Sunday: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/ Psalm 1/ 66/ 1 Peter 3:15-18/ John 14: 15-21

HOSPITALITY FOR NEXT WEEKEND:

9:00 am: Vince Deguc

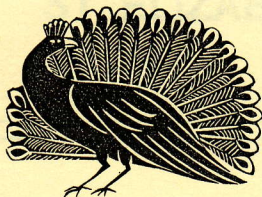
11:00 am: Ginny and Bob Caudill

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

Thank you!

LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION: \$3,456.91

SIMPLE SUPPER: \$583.25 Thank you.



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live so,
everywhere nowhere
no one in sight.
Then you.
I hear your voice,
at times I see.*

(Huub Oosterhuis, *At Times I See*,
Crossroad, 1974, p. 2)

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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., Administrator

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

Fifth Sunday of Easter

John 14:1-12

In today's gospel reading from the Book of John, Jesus is found teaching his disciples. He makes many statements about who he is and about his relationship to God, his Father. He tells his disciples, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, then you will also know my Father." And a little further on in the passage, he says, "The Father who dwells in me is doing his works."

What are the works that Jesus is asking you to do?

What did Jesus mean when He said, "Whoever has seen me has seen the Father?"

What do you still want to know about God?