

At the time of his conversion the Emperor Constatine gave to the Bishop of Rome the Lateran Basilica, a meeting hall on the Coelian Hill in Rome. Legend has it that on November 9, 324, this basilica was dedicated to the Most Holy Savior. The baptistry of the basilica was dedicated to St. John the Baptist, and in the middle ages the entire basilica was rededicated in his honor. This basilica remains to this day the cathedral church of Rome and thus a monument of great importance to the Western Church. Like all feasts of dedication, this is a feast of the Lord and thus displaces the Sunday celebration in ordinary time.

God has always sought to dwell among his people. No building made by human hands can really contain him.

There were sanctuaries made by human hands, those first sanctuaries where the stammering faith of the patriarchs discovered with dread that God was there; that tent of meeting which fluttered in the desert wind when Moses conversed there with God face to face; and finally the temple of Jerusalem which fixed the presence of the Lord Sabaoth among his people. Very soon, however, despite their attachment to Jerusalem, the prophets were struggling to liberate the chosen people from a false sense of security. They had come to believe that the presence of God was guaranteed by a stone building (cf. Jeremiah 7). It is rather in the hearts of a faithful people that God wants to dwell.

By faithfully frequenting the temple, Jesus shows himself to be the worthy successor of those who love the Lord and seek his presence. His teaching about the "Father's house" prepares for a new order where the ancient cultic sanctuaries give way to his own person (John 2:21). With the death of Jesus, the veil of the sanctuary is torn (Hebrews 10:19-22). The true sanctuary is now the Body of Christ, the community of believers. The churches made by human hands will now be at the service of this community.

IN HONOR OF VETERAN'S DAY, November 11, the office will be closed. Mass will be at 8:30 am as usual.

OUR BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE of those who have died is in the back of the church where you may write the names of those you wish to remember during the month of November.

RCIA classes are held Wednesday evenings at 7:30 in the Little House.

FIRST COMMUNION AND RECONCILIATION - If you are interested in enrolling your children in the upcoming classes for first communion and reconciliation, please sign up in the back of the church or call the parish office this week.

# SAVE THE DATE! - 7TH ANNUAL ADVENT LESSONS & CAROLS/ ST. NICHOLAS DAY

Friday evening, December 5. The Advent of our God, a service of carols, psalms and readings for the season of Advent, by James Hansen, will be performed followed by a potluck supper and the appearance of St. Nicholas himself.

If you have white, white lace, navy blue or light blue tablecloths (to fit 6 ft. rectangular or 60 inch round tables) that could be loaned for the celebration, please call the parish office at 503-222-2168 or Maryann.Pierleoni at 503-675-5165.

ANGEL TREE - Plans are underway for Angel Tree. We need volunteers to help in contacting the caregivers where the children live and also in delivering gifts on December 24. Please call Gina Bainbridge at 503-244-5196 if you can help. Angel Tree tags will be available to parishioners on December 6.



HOLIDAY ART SHOW TO SUPPORT THE HOMELESS ART WORK BY FR. JIM GALUZZO Calligraphy, Watercolors, Cards, Candles, Soaps, Carved Flowers, Fused Glass, Batiks, Jewelry, Calendars

Friday, November 7, 4 to 8 pm; Saturday, November 8, 1 to 4 pm; Sunday, November 9, 1 to 4 pm 1314 NW Irving #512 (Push 051 for entry.) Cash, Check Visa, Mastercharge. 503-241-1751 Proceeds go to six agencies that serve the poor and needy: Downtown Chapel, MacDonald House, HIV Center, Our House, Burnside Project, Catholic Charities

# LITURGICAL READINGS

Today: Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/ Psalm 46/ 1 Corinthians 3:9c-11, 16-17/ John 2:13-22 Monday: Titus 1:1-9/ Psalm 24/ Luke 17: 1-6 Tuesday: Titus 2:1-8, 11-14/ Psalm 37/ Luke 17:7-10 Wednesday: Titus 3:1-7/ Psalm 12/ Luke 17:11-19 Thursday: Philemon 7-20/ Psalm 146/ Luke17:20-25 Friday: 2 John 4-9/ Psalm 119/ Luke 17:26-37 Saturday: 3 John 5-8/ Psalm 112/ Luke 18:1-8 Sunday: Proverbs 31:10-1319-20, 30-31/ Psalm 128/ 1 Thessolonians 5:1-6/ Matthew 25:14-30

LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION: \$4,883.00 SIMPLE SUPPER: \$650.93 Thank you.

# HOSPITALITY FOR NEXT WEEKEND:

4:00 pm: Jim and Patti Ochs 9:00 am: Jack and Ronnie Smith 11:00 am: Dave and Marge Hartmann 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., 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

## Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome

When Jesus was alive, devout Jews were supposed to go to Jerusalem and offer an animal sacrifice at the Temple during Passover. Jews often traveled from very far away and could not bring sacrificial animals with them. In the Temple courtyards there were men who sold cattle, sheep, and doves for this sacrifice, as well as men who exchanged money (probably for Jews who had traveled from foreign lands). Many of the sellers and money-changers had begun to charge very high prices to buy an animal or exchange money.

In this passage from John, we read about Jesus going to the Temple during Passover and encountering these sellers and money-changers. He became very angry, chased them all out of the courtyard, and told them to "stop making my Father's house into a marketplace."

Why do you think Jesus was so angry? Can you think of some part of <u>your</u> life that Jesus might want to "clean up?" Your language -- do you swear often and take the name of the Lord in vain? Your relationships -- the way you treat others? Your eating habits -- what you choose to eat?