

OCTOBER 11, 2009 28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CHURCH

<u>WORLD MISSION SUNDAY</u> - Next weekend there will be a special collection where we will have an opportunity to be a part of the Church's missionary work in Asia, Africa, Latin America and the Pacific Islands through the Propagation of Faith.

<u>A JOYFUL WELCOME</u> to the newest member of the Christian community, **Taya Lynn Suchy**, who will be baptized this Saturday. We offer our prayers and best wishes to her parents, Aaron and Marie Suchy, and grandparents, Tom and Renata Muckle.

WE ARE UPDATING THE PARISH PHOTO DIRECTORY. We need to collect pictures over the next month. Please have your photo taken after any mass, or send a digital photo via email (photos@stelizabethportland.net), or drop off a photograph for us to scan and return. We want photos that clearly show your faces. Also, we are selling small business card-sized ads in the parish directory to offset some of the cost. If you have a business we would like to tell the parish about, please contact us. For questions or comments call or email Mark Myers at (mark@St.ElizabethPortland.net, 503-244-3555).

GROUP PICTURES for parish ministries will be taken after all masses next weekend, October 17th and 18th, for the parish directory.

FIRST COMMUNION AND RECONCILIATION classes will begin this Sunday, October 11th.

OPEN HOUSE

Central Catholic High School
Jesuit High School
La Salle High School
Sunday, October 11 from 1:00-4:00 PM.
Sunday, October 18 from 1:00-4:00 PM.
Sunday, October 25 from 1:00-4:00 PM.

"GIVE AS A GIFT" St. John Fisher Parish Mission Fr. Charles Brunick, CSP from the NW Paulist Center leads a Liturgy of the Word, Mission Talk and Ritual Action on October 12th -14th from 7:00-8:30 pm. Come to any or all of the nights. There is no cost. For more information, contact Scott Kolbet at 503-244-4945 X3 or scottk@john fisher.org.

OREGON RIGHT TO LIFE FOUNDATION AUCTION will be held on Saturday October 24th This year's theme is "Diamonds and Denim" and includes, among other action items, a raffle for an Alaskan cruise! More complete information is on the bulletin board.

<u>B MINUS CATHOLICS</u>, presented by Fr. Michael Evernden at St. Philip Neri Parish, will resume on Wednesday, Nov. 4th.

THE RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE from St. Francis Parish in Sherwood will host a "Holy Hour for Life" on Thursday, October 22 at 7:00 PM. The hour will include Benediction and Exposition, Rosary for Life, Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Litany for Life, Prayers for Life, reflection and music. All are encouraged to fast that day for reparation for violation of the dignity of innocent human life through abortion. St. Francis is located at 15651 SW Oregon St., Sherwood, 97140. Call Amy at 503-307-4726 for more information.

Francine Cardman has suggested that Eucharist must be understood in the light of Jesus' postresurrection breaking the bread with the disciples, as well as in view of the Last Supper. Then "eating and drinking with the Risen Jesus (becomes) a new way of living in the world, and that new way is almost limitless in its social, political and economic implications. For the Eucharist to remain only inward or spiritual is to blaspheme the sacrament." Such an understanding of Eucharist could hardly be more important for the church's involvement in global resource issues.

To involve human food and drink symbolically in a meal of love implies at the very least that in real life we have done nothing to deprive others of them; and, even further, that we are doing or have done... everything that is humanly and Christianly necessary and possible to ensure that these elementary supplies are produced in sufficient quantity and shared equitably. If this were not done to take the bread and wine and offer them to the Lord would become intolerably false, since we would be seeking to give God with one hand what we were unjustly withholding from men with the other.

(Bruce Birch & Larry Rasmussen, The Predicament of the Prosperous Westminister Press, 1978, p. 159)

LITURGICAL READINGS

Today: Wisdom 7:7-11/ Psalm 90/ Hebrews 4:12-13/ Mark 10:17-30

Monday: Romans 1:1-7/ Psalm 98/ Luke 11:29-32 Tuesday: Romans 1:16-25/ Psalm 19/ Luke 11:37-41 Wednesday: Romans 2:1-11/ Psalm 62/ Luke 11:42-46 Thursday: Romans 3:21-30/ Psalm 130/ Luke 11:47-54

Friday: Romans 4:1-8/ Psalm 32/ Luke 12: 1-7

Saturday: Romans 4:13, 16-18/ Psalm 105/ Luke 12:8-12

Next Sunday: Isaiah 53:10-11/ Psalm 33/ Hebrews 4:14-16/ Mark 10:35-45

GRIEF RECOVERY WEEKEND A grief recovery retreat for the widowed, separated and divorced will be held October 16-18 at the Griffin Center in Milwaukie, near Clackamas Town Center. (Registration by October 12 is recommended). Further information is posted on bulletin board.

COLLECTION FOR LAST SUNDAY: \$4,398.75

SIMPLE SUPPER: \$962.75 Thank you for your generosity.

HOSPITALITY FOR NEXT WEEKEND:

9:00 am: Vince and Bev Deguc
11:00 am Maura and Diarmuid O)'Scannlain
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

A young man comes to Jesus asking what he should do to get to heaven. Jesus reminds him of the commandments, but the man insists that there must be more. So Jesus tells him to sell everything he has, give the money to the poor, and to follow him. Then the young man goes away sad, because he is rich and does not want to give that up. Jesus tells his disciples how hard for someone with a lot of material wealth to enter the kingdom of God. He says it would be easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle. So the disciples wonder how anyone can get to heaven, but Jesus tells them all things are possible for God. When Peter reminds Jesus that they have given up everything to follow him, Jesus promises them that anyone who does so will be richly rewarded.

In Jesus time, wealth was considered a sign of God's favor. So the disciples are amazed to hear Jesus say it's hard for a rich person to get into heaven. Jesus says "all things are possible for God." Can you think of something God did that seemed to be impossible? Sharing our material wealth with the poor is one way to "give" something to follow Jesus. What else can we "give up" to be good disciples?