



**SEPTEMBER 20, 2009  
25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CHURCH**



**Hotluck - Saturday, September 26 at 5:00 pm**  
**Please sign up if you can bring an entree, salad or dessert,**  
**and if you can help with set-up, serving or clean-up.**

**A JOYFUL WELCOME** to the newest member of the Christian community, **Maxwell William Montang**, who will be baptized this Saturday. We offer our prayers and best wishes to his parents, **John and Lynn Montang**.

**DO YOU FEEL CALLED TO FEED THE HOMELESS?** On the first and third Sundays of each month, parishioners from St. Elizabeth provide the evening meal to 100 men and 50 women living in homeless shelters operated by Transition Projects. Parishioners who have taken part in this ministry have found it to be both rewarding and enjoyable. If you would like to learn more about this ministry and become involved in it, there are sign-up sheets in the back of the church.

**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](mailto: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](mailto:mark@St.ElizabethPortland.net), 503-244-3555).

**RCIA** - (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) - If you or someone you know would like to become Catholic or know more about the Church, please call the parish office, or indicate your interest on the sign-up sheet in the parish hall.

**CONFIRMATION** - If you are an adult or are in high school and have never been confirmed, please call the parish office or sign up in the parish hall. We are planning classes for fall.

**FIRST COMMUNION AND RECONCILIATION** - Classes will begin soon. Sign-up sheets are available in the parish hall, or call the parish office.



Jesus, the Son of Man, is on the road to his passion. Although his message jars the disciples' expectations, he nevertheless strives to draw them after him. Unwittingly, and often unwillingly, they are to become messengers of a suffering Messiah.

"What were you discussing on the way home?" Jesus must have observed their lack of perception. They are arguing about who will be the greatest in that temporal kingdom which they anticipate. Accustomed to humiliation, they dream of advancement to positions of prestige and power. "You want to be the first?" says Jesus, "Become the last! "You want to be great? Become small! You want to be masters? Become servants!" This paradox is based not on theoretical considerations but on the concrete example which the suffering servant himself never ceases to give.

And what do we discuss on the way home? Perhaps we too would be embarrassed if Jesus were to question us. In speaking about what is closest to our hearts, we reveal the depths of ourselves. You dream of authority, of power? Ask yourself how you will best serve others, how you will best help those in need. So must it be with every Christian eager to conform with Jesus.

### LITURGICAL READINGS

Today: Wisdom 2:12, 17-20/ Psalm 54/ James 3:16 through 4:3/ Mark 9:30-37

Monday: Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-13/ Psalm 19/ Matthew 9:9-13

Tuesday: Ezra 6:7-8, 12B, 14-20/ Psalm 122/ Luke 8:19-21

Wednesday: Ezra 9:5-9/Tobit 13:2-4, 6-8/ Luke 9:1-6

Thursday: Haggai 1:1-8/ Psalm 149/ Luke 9:7-9

Friday: Haggai 2:1-9/ Psalm 43/ Luke 9:18-22

Saturday: Zechariah 2:5-9, 9, 14-15a/ Jeremiah 31:10-13/ Luke 9:43B-45

Next Sunday: Numbers 11:25-29/ Psalm 19/ James 5:1-6/ Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

**INTRODUCTION TO THE OLD TESTAMENT**-an in-depth course sponsored by Anthony Catholic Church, Tigard in cooperation with the Archdiocesan Ministry Formation Office. Sr. Catherine Hertel, SSMO will be the instructor. Saturday, October 31, November 7 and November 21, 2009, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. \$10 - audit; \$60 - credit plus required books. Bring your bible. Students receiving credit must attend all classes. Registration form available at [www.stanthonytigard.org](http://www.stanthonytigard.org). Mail audit registration form with check payable to St. Anthony Church, Attn: Agnes Zueger, 9905 SW McKenzie St., Tigard, OR 97223

**COLLECTION FOR LAST SUNDAY:** \$3,326.00 Thank you.

### **HOSPITALITY FOR NEXT WEEKEND:**

9:00 am: David and Agnes Crafordl

11:00 am: Julie and Lee Steiner

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.

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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

In the Gospel today we see Jesus and his disciples journeying through Galilee. Jesus is again telling of his coming passion and resurrection but the disciples do not understand. The disciples begin arguing about who is greatest among them. Jesus tells them, "If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." This teaching tells us about behavior and attitude. We offer our efforts in the service of others to make life better for them in some way.

*Why do you think Jesus had to tell his disciples about service?*

*What are some ways we can offer service to others?*

*Make a plan with your family to participate in some kind of service to others this year.*

