



**3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JANUARY 25, 2009**

ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CHURCH

But, passing from examples in antiquity, let us come to the heroes nearest our own times. Let us take the noble examples of our own generation. By reason of rivalry and envy the greatest and most righteous pillars (of the Church) were persecuted, and battled to the death. Let us set before our eyes the noble apostles: Peter, who by reason of wicked jealousy, not only once or twice but frequently endured suffering and thus, bearing his witness, went to the glorious place which he merited. By reason of rivalry and contention Paul showed how to win the prize for patient endurance. Seven times he was in chains; he was exiled, stoned, became a herald (of the gospel) in East and West, and won the noble renown which his faith merited. To the whole world he taught righteousness, and reaching the limits of the West he bore his witness before rulers. And so, released from his world, he was taken up into the holy place and became the greatest example of patient endurance.

To these men who lived such a holy lives there was joined a great multitude of the elect who by reason of rivalry were the victims of many outrages and tortures and who became outstanding examples among us.

(Clement of Rome, Letter to the Corinthians, *Library of Christian Classics*, vol. 1, Westminster Press, 1953, p. 45-46)

POSTCARD SIGNING DAY! Next week our parish will join Catholics across the country in sending a message to Congress: Please oppose the "Freedom of Choice Act" (FOCA) and retain laws against government funding and promotion of abortion. You will have the opportunity to sign postcards to your U.S. Representative and two U.S. Senators. Please plan to participate in this important event.

SIMPLE SUPPER COLLECTION will be taken up next Sunday for the support of our two monthly dinners on Burnside. Baskets for your free will offering are at the entrances to the church.

FOOD SUNDAY - Next Sunday is Food Sunday. Please bring some non-perishable food and place it in the basket in the parish hall. This food goes to **Immaculate Heart Parish Food Bank** to help feed the hungry. The basket is left out at all times so that you can bring food any time it is convenient.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES are available in the back of the church.

READERS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS NEEDED - We are in need of Readers and Eucharistic Ministers here at St. Elizabeth's for the weekend masses, and also Eucharistic Ministers to take communion to patients at OHSU. If you would like to help, please call the parish office. Training will be provided.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES RACHEL'S VINEYARD WEEKEND FOR HEALING AFTER ABORTION

If you are a woman or man suffering from an abortion in your life, experience God's forgiveness and compassion on a Rachel's Vineyard weekend retreat April 24-26, 2009 in Portland. Participation is strictly confidential. For more information contact Lri Eckstine, project Rachel Coordinator at 1-ipp-249-8074 or e-mail; E2Lori@aol.com. The cost is \$150 for meals, room, and all retreat materials. Financial assistance is available! The national website is www.rachelsvineyard.org.

LITURGICAL READINGS

Today: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time. Acts 22:3-16/ Psalm 25/

1 Corinthians 7:29-31/ Mark 1:14-20

Monday: Memorial of Sts. Timothy and Titus. 2 Timothy 1:1-8/ Psalm 96/ Mark 3:22-30

Tuesday: Hebrews 10:1-10/ Psalm 40/ Mark 3:31-35

Wednesday: Memorial of St. Thomas Aquinas. Hebrews 10:11-18/ Psalm 110/ Mark 4:1-20

Thursday: Hebrews 10:19-25/ Psalm 24/ Mark 4:21-25

Friday: Hebrews 10:32-39/ Psalm 37/ Mark 4:26-34

Saturday: Memorial of St. John Bosco. Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19/ Luke 1:69-75

Sunday: Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Deuteronomy 18:15-20/ Psalm 95/

1 Corinthians 7:32-35/ Mark 1:21-28

RETRouvaille - A Catholic Ministry to Troubled Marriages

Retrouvaille is a Catholic program designed to help troubled marriages regain their health. It helps spouses uncover or re-awaken the love, trust and commitment that originally brought them together, and gives them new communication tools to break patterns of angry behavior. The program is highly successful in saving hurting marriages, even bringing reconciliation to couples who have already separated or divorced.

The next Retrouvaille weekend is February 13-15, 2009 at Mt. Angel Retreat House, Mt. Angel, Oregon. For information, call 503-285-2342 or visit www.helpourmarriage.org. Couples of all faiths are welcome and no one is turned away due to financial difficulties.

TEAM UP FOR WATERSHED HEALTH

WHAT: The University of Portland -- Archdiocese of Portland -- SOLV Planting Project at Goat Island

WHEN: Saturday, February 7, 2009 9:00 a.m. -- 12:00 p.m.

WHERE: 225 Edgewater Rd., Gladstone, OR 97027 (See bulletin board for directions.)

WHAT YOU'LL BE DOING: Volunteers will remove invasive plants and plant native vegetation.

WHAT YOU NEED TO BRING: SOLV will provide tools, gloves, first aid kits, water, and technical assistance. Volunteers can bring tools and gloves of their choice.

HOW: Preregistration is strongly encouraged! Sign up online at: www.solv.org/programs/forms/form_team_up_registration.asp?event+Goat%20Island&EventDT=2/7/2009&EventID=14662 or contact Brett Lyon, SOLV 503.844.9571, brett@solv.org.

HOSPITALITY FOR NEXT WEEKEND:

4:00 pm: Anne and Tom Barwick

9:00 am: Barbara and Tim Taylor

11:00 am: Maura and Diarmuid O'Scannlain

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

COLLECTION FOR LAST SUNDAY: \$4,896.00

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

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mark 1:14-20

Jesus said to Simon and Andrew, "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men." The two brothers followed Jesus, as well as James and John, who were also fishermen.

What do you think it means to "fish for people"?

How can we "fish" for people?

What kind of "bait" would you use to fish for people?

