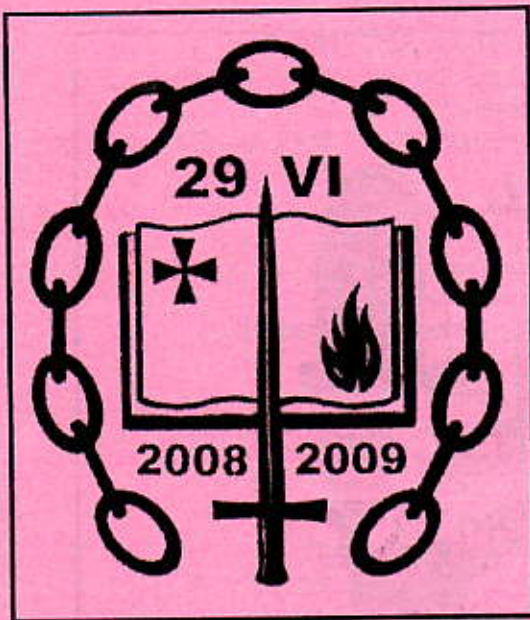


**THE CLOSING OF THE YEAR OF ST. PAUL  
JUNE 28, 2009**

**ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CHURCH**



### **THE CLOSING OF THE YEAR OF ST. PAUL**

On Monday, June 29, Pope Benedict XVI will solemnly close the Pauline Year in St. Peter's Basilica. The day marks the feast of Saints Peter and Paul, both of whom are described as founders of the church of Rome.

St. Paul is one of the great teachers of our Catholic faith. His writings are a significant part of the New Testament. He is a marvelous model of courage, commitment and conviction. This man, the last of the apostles, is someone with whom we can identify because he did not know the Lord during his time here on earth. But once he experienced his marvelous presence through the miracle of grace, he was forever changed. When the time of our departure is at hand, may we too be able to stand before the judgment seat of the Lord, eager and ready because we have indeed competed well, finished the race and kept the faith.

**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.

**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.

### **MOUNT ANGEL ABBEY 38TH ANNUAL BACH FESTIVAL**

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday - July 29, 30, and 31, 2009. Mount Angel Abbey (St. Benedict, Oregon). Each evening begins with vespers in the Abbey Church for those who wish to join the monks (5:15 pm), followed by a brief musical presentation at 6 pm. Picnic supper is served at 6:30 pm. Feature performance 8 pm in the Damian Center. 2009 performers are: Dana Robinson, organ in the Abbey Church each night; Wednesday-Affinite with Nadina Mackie Jackson, bassoon and Guy Few, trumpet, corno and piano; Thursday-Infinity with Alex Cheung, cello, Anthony Cheung, viola and John Littlejohn, violin; and Friday-Lucille Chung, piano.

General Admission \$45/night or Patron Admission \$125/night (\$80 tax-deductible). Subscriptions-General Admission \$120/all 3 nights or Patron Subscription \$375/all three nights (includes \$255 tax deduction). Tickets available online at [WWW.MOUNTANGELABBEY.ORG/bach-home.htm](http://WWW.MOUNTANGELABBEY.ORG/bach-home.htm) or by phone: 800-845-8272 Or 503-845-3066.

**MINISTRY FORMATION SUMMER 2009** Credit for Lay Ecclesial Ministry or audit. August 3-7 at The Griffin Center, 11957 SE Fuller Rd., Milwaukie, Oregon 97222. Phone: 503-652-7476. See bulletin board for application and additional information.

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 this world, he was taken up into the holy place and became the greatest example of patient endurance.

To these men who lived such 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. 45-56)*

#### **LITURGICAL READINGS**

Today: *Vigil for the Solemnity of St. Peter and St. Paul, Apostles.* Acts 3:1-10/ Psalm 19/  
Galatians 1:11-20/ John 21:15-19

Monday: Acts 12:1-11/ Psalm 34/ 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18/ Matthew 16:13-19

Tuesday: Genesis 19:15-29/ Psalm 26/ Matthew 8:23-27

Wednesday: Genesis 21:5, 8-20a/ Psalm 34/ Matthew 8:28-34

Thursday: Genesis 22:1b-19/ Psalm 115/ Matthew 9:1-8

Friday: *Thomas the Apostle.* Ephesians 2:19-22/ Psalm 117/ John 20:24-29

Saturday: Genesis 27:1-5, 15-29/ Psalm 135/ Matthew 9:14-17

Next Sunday: Ezekiel 2:2-5/ Psalm 123/ 2 Corinthians 12:7-10/ Mark 6:1-6a

**COLLECTION FOR LAST SUNDAY:** \$3,187.00 Thank you.

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

4:00 PM: Ed and Mollie Lilly

9:00 am: Dave and Agnes Craford      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



Down through the ages, the traditional image of St. Paul has shown him holding an open book of Scripture and a sword. These symbols remind us not only of his courageous labors in planting churches, but also his invaluable role in providing the Church with, as he once called it, "the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God" (Eph 6:17).

In this Year of St. Paul, we do well to remember him with gratitude, and to take up that "sword" once more for the spiritual battle that still rages.