



**April 25, 2010
FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CHURCH

**75th Archbishop's Jubilee Seminary Tea
1935-2010**

**Wednesday, May 5th, 2:00 to 5:00 PM
Waverley Country Club**

Tickets \$20 available at the Tea or call 503-699-1998



CATHOLIC CHARITIES This weekend there will be a second collection for Catholic Charities 2010 Annual Campaign. *Providing Help, Creating Hope for Whoever, Wherever, Whenever.*

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 for the Immaculate Heart Parish food bank to help feed the hungry.

CONSECRATED LIFE AND VOCATIONS - Today is the World Day of Prayer for Vocations, also known as Good Shepherd Sunday. The Bishops' Committee on Clergy, Consecrated Life and Vocations would like you to know of the launch of a new website for vocations: www.ForYourVocation.org. This site is a new USCCB resource for men considering a vocation to priesthood, women and men considering the call to religious life, parents, teachers, youth ministers, and vocation directors.

THE ST. ELIZABETH GOLF SCRAMBLE will be on the afternoon of Sunday, June 27th at Skamania. Registration and all the details are on a form in the church lobby, or you can contact Greg Kaminski for more information at gm.kaminski@verizon.net, or 503-524-3837.

WHO IS MY NEIGHBOR? - Poverty, Mental Illness and Community, Saturday, May 15, 2010 8:30 a.m. - 12: p.m., The Macdonald Center at 605 NW Couch. Sponsored by The Archdiocese of Portland, Offices of Justice and Peace/Respect Life and People with Disabilities with The Macdonald Center.

Learn more about poverty and mental illness in your community.

Learn more about the Macdonald Center and volunteer opportunities.

For further information, see bulletin board, or call the Office of Justice and Peace/Respect Life at 503-233-8361 or email: justiceandpeace@archdpdx.org

First, there is the church. First, there is the church. **FIRST, THERE IS THE CHURCH.** This is not a typographical error. It has to be repeated (more times than above) because of a more fundamental error in our past and in our present. Christians simply cannot think straight or act right about any type of ministry **WITHIN THE CHURCH**, unless we first get some very wrong notions out of our heads and hearts and bones and marrow.

Somewhere along the line, we fell into an unbiblical and unChristian trap. And we got the idea that ministers come first, the clergy come first...and only then the church. We got the crazy idea that God makes bishops (including the pope) first, and then the bishops and priests somehow create the church, the community of believers. We never put it that crudely. But that is about the way many of us think...and act.

Now we have to clear the air and begin to understand and feel again what was understood and felt for so long: that God covenants a people, a church, a community of initiated (baptized, confirmed, eucharistized) people. That is the grand and beautiful reality of grace and mission and sign—a people created in covenant worship to witness and to serve. That is what we have to get into our heads and bones and feelings again. Until we do, nothing we say about any ministry will make Christian sense.

Ministries come into existence because this church, this people, has need of servants for specific tasks and with specific talents. The number, type, character of such servants, or ministers, will vary from time to time as the needs of the church may change. But always the great encompassing reality is the church—the community of sisters and brothers—created by God to serve God's world.

(Robert W. Hovda, *There Are Different Ministries*, The Liturgical Conference, 1975, p. 1)

LITURGICAL READINGS

Today: Fourth Sunday of Easter. Acts 13:14,43-52/
Psalm 100/ Revelation 7:9,14b-17/John 10:27-30
Monday: Acts 11:1-18/Psalms 42; 43/John 10:1-10
Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26/Psalm 87/John 10:22-30
Wednesday: Acts 12:24-13:5a/Psalm 67/John 12:44-50
Thursday: Acts 13:13-25/Psalm 89/John 13:16-20
Friday: Acts 13:26-33/Psalm 2/John 14:1-6
Saturday: Acts 13:44-52/Psalm 98/John 14:7-14
Next Sunday: Fifth Sunday of Easter. Acts 14:21-27/Psalm 145/
Revelation 21:1-5a/John 13:31-33a,34-35



HOSPITALITY FOR NEXT WEEKEND:

9:00 AM: Mary and Dick Adkisson 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: \$3,168.00

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

This Fourth Sunday of Easter is also known as Good Shepherd Sunday. During this week, we might take time to meditate on the words of Psalm 23, a prayer Jesus knew and loved. The prayer begins with a vivid picture of God as shepherd, caring for our wants, guiding us to a place of rest, peace, and abundance. Psalm 23 not only tells us what God is like—a caring shepherd—it also tells us how we should view ourselves. We are sheep, not shepherds; therefore we should seek to be simple and humble, following the voice of our shepherd and trusting absolutely in his ability, and desire, to provide for us.

