



"Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat."

FEBRUARY 7, 2010

5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CHURCH

LENT BEGINS ON ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17.

Once again, we will offer Small Group Faith Sharing during Lent. These groups are geared to help people slow down, to notice their lives, to discover God's presence in the midst of the stuff of life and to make stronger connections with the great Tradition of the church by beginning to look more deeply at their lives through the lens of scripture. If you would like to participate, please sign your name in the back of the church and indicate what time or times would work for your schedule. There will be meetings both in the daytime and evening. We are in need of more group leaders. If you would like to consider being a leader, please call the parish office or email Patty Frahler at pattyfrahler@hotmail.com

LENTEN PRAYER SERVICE/SOUP AND BREAD SUPPERS - On Tuesdays of Lent we will gather for a simple meal of soup and bread following a 6:00 p.m. Lenten prayer service. We are asking for volunteers to sign up to help with set-up, serving and clean-up.

CHOIR PRACTICE FOR HOLY WEEK begins this Tuesday, February 9 from 7:00 until 8:30 p.m. and will continue through March 30. Beginning Tuesday, February 23, practice will start following Soup and Bread Suppers.

VOLUNTEERS, WE NEED YOU!

We are in need of more ministers to take Communion to patients at OHSU. Training is provided. If you can help once a week once every two weeks, or even once a month the patients would greatly appreciate it. This is a very rewarding ministry. Call the parish office for more information or sign up in the back of the church.. ***"Whatsoever you do to the least of my brothers and sisters, that you do unto me."***



PARISH PHOTO DIRECTORY - A draft of the directory is displayed in the back of the church. Please stop by to review your family information and mark any changes or additions to be made. Photos can still be submitted for publication. If you are not happy with your picture, it can be retaken. Don't forget to send in photos for the memorial page. You may send a digital photo via email (photos@stelizabethportland.net), or drop off a photograph for us to scan and return. Also, we are selling small business card-sized ads in the parish directory to offset some of the cost. For questions or comments call or email Mark Myers at (mark@StElizabethPortland.net, or 503-244-3555).

MINISTRY FORMATION - Archdiocesan course and retreat schedules are posted on the bulletin board. Registration by mail, fax, phone or Internet <http://minfrm.archdpdx.org>.

PARISH MISSION - "Living Lent." March 8-10, 2010

Mission Schedule: Monday-Wednesday from 7 to 8 PM

St. Anthony Catholic Church, 9905 SW McKenzie Street, Tigard, is sponsoring a Parish Mission entitled "Living Lent." Presented by **Deacon Owen Cummings**, who has been widely published in theological and religious journals and is the author of 14 books on theological/religious topics. He currently holds the Regents' Chair of Theology and is a Professor of Systematic Theology at Mt. Angel Seminary in St. Benedict, OR.

Two boats move slowly toward shore, laden with freshly caught fish. At the end of a fruitless night, the disciples had taken in an exceptional catch. This augurs well for the future which the Lord announces to these potential fishers of humanity who are ready to leave everything to follow him.

It is not without reason that Luke has grouped together the call of the first disciples and the episode of the miraculous catch. Under his pen the past of Jesus' ministry and the present of the Church's mission run together. The primitive community, born at Pentecost, pursues the proclamation of the gospel. The risen One continues his preaching through the voice of those whom he has chosen. The result is like an abundant catch of fish.

"Put out into deep water and lower your nets." If Jesus sends his followers to fish for people, it is because they themselves have been caught in the net of his word. They must therefore set out on the adventure of faith, accept the risk of casting off, leave the security of a sheltered port to go beyond what is foreseeable and reasonable wherever the Spirit blows. After having been fish, they must become fishers in their turn, without fear of suffering. True apostles, they must be ready to signal their companions in the other boat to come to their aid. In these times of crisis when there is a great temptation to hold onto everything we believe to be in danger, faith must more than ever be a daring putting out into deep water.

LITURGICAL READINGS

Today: 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8/ Psalm 138/
1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Monday: 1 Kings 8:1-7, 9-13/ Psalm 132/ Mark 6:53-56

Tuesday: 1 Kings 8:22-23, 27-30/ Psalm 84/ Mark 7:1-13

Wednesday: 1 Kings 10:1-10/ Psalm 36/ Mark 7:14-23

Thursday: 1 Kings 11:4-13/ Psalm 106/ Mark 7:24-30

Friday: 1 Kings 11:29-32, 12:19/ Psalm 81/ Mark 7:31-37

Saturday: 1 Kings 12:26-32, 13:33-34/ Psalm 106/ Mark 8:1-10

Next Sunday: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Jeremiah 17:5-8/ Psalm 1/
1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20/ Luke 6:17, 20-26

CATHOLIC CHARITIES ANNUAL CELEBRATION will be held February 27, 2010 in the Portland Ballroom at the Oregon Convention Center. Cocktails at 6:00 and dinner at 7:30 p.m., followed by presentations, dessert and music. Individual tickets - \$125; table of 10 - \$1,250. Other sponsorship opportunities are available. For additional information, call 503-231-4866, ext. 117.

COLLECTION FOR LAST SUNDAY: \$3,671.28 **FOR HAITIAN RELIEF:** \$75.00 Thank you.

HOSPITALITY FOR NEXT WEEKEND:

9:00 AM: Gina, Julia & Lena Bainbridge

11:00 AM: Peggy and Karl Smith

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

FAMILY FAITH SHARING QUESTIONS

Luke 5:1-11

Jesus got into the boat that belonged to Peter and told him to move to a new spot and put the nets in the water. Peter did as Jesus asked and, lo and behold, they caught so many fish that the nets began to tear.

Why do you think they caught fish in the new spot after they had fished all night without catching anything?

What does it mean to be fishers of men?

What have you told people that might make you a fisher of men?

