



**JANUARY 3, 2010**

**EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**

**ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CHURCH**

*Much thanks to all who made Christmas 2009 such a memorable celebration of Our Lord's birth. It is wonderful to witness the community involvement here at St. Elizabeth's, not only at Christmas, but throughout the year. Our Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Musicians, Decorators, Servers and all who give of their time are much appreciated.*

*I thank all for your thoughtfulness.*

*May God's blessings be with you in the New Year.*

*Fr. Jim*

**PARISH PHOTO DIRECTORY.** Please get your pictures in as soon as possible for the parish directory. Photos are taken after any mass. You may 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. There will be a memorial page in the directory, so please send in pictures of deceased parishioners. 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](mailto:mark@StElizabethPortland.net), or 503-244-3555).

**OFFERTORY ENVELOPES** are available in the back of the church. Please check off your name on the list when you take your packet. If you would like to begin using envelopes, please record your name on a blank line and take the corresponding packet.

**THANK YOU TO ALL CHILDREN** who made the beautiful ornaments for our Christmas tree. They will be hung in years to come in keeping with our tradition.

**MEMORIAL POINSETTIAS** - Thank you to all who paid tribute their loved ones by donating poinsettias in their memory.

**ANGEL TREE** - Thank you to Gina Bainbridge, Vance Taylor and all the elves who helped sort and deliver the gifts. Also, thank you to all who helped make Christmas a little merrier by buying the gifts for the children.

**IF YOU ARE A SINGLE MAN OF 18-50 YEARS OF AGE** and have felt a calling to the priestly ministry, you are invited to a weekend retreat (Friday evening through Sunday morning, January 29-31, 2010) hosted by Archbishop John Vlazny: "On the Priestly Vocation." The retreat will take place at Our Lady of Peace Retreat House in Beaverton and is free of charge. Please contact Fr. Kelly Vandehey at 503-233-8368 to register or if you have questions.



For the Greek word Epiphania we say Manifestatio in Latin. On this day, then, the "manifested" Redeemer of all nations has made a solemn feast for all nations. And so we are celebrating today the Manifestation of Him whose Nativity we celebrated only a few days ago.

Now tradition has it that our Lord Jesus Christ, born twelve days ago, was adored by the Magi on this day. That they adored Him is a truth spoken by the Gospel; on what day they did so, is proclaimed by the fact that this glorious feast is observed everywhere. For, inasmuch as the Magi were the first among the Gentiles to learn of Christ the Lord; and because they, not yet benefiting from His speech, followed the star which appeared to them and which, in place of the Infant Word, spoke to their sight -- like a tongue of heaven: it is but right, and right it truly is, that the Gentiles should gratefully acknowledge the day of the first fruits of their salvation, and with thanksgiving and solemn homage dedicate it to Christ the Lord.

Obviously, the first fruits of the faith and revelation of Christ among the Jews were the shepherds who, coming from the immediate vicinity, saw Him on the very day He was born. The news was given to them by the angels, to the others by the star. Glory to God in the highest was said to them; in the others there was fulfilled, The heavens tell of the glory of God. Indeed, like the beginning of two walls coming from different directions -- the circumcised and the uncircumcised -- both have met at the Cornerstone, so that He might be their Peace, making both one.

(Augustine, Sermon 203, Ancient Christian Writers, vol. 15, Paullist, 1952, 1980, pp. 174-175)

### LITURGICAL READINGS

Today: *The Epiphany of the Lord* Isaiah 60:1-6/ Psalm 72/ Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6/  
Matthew 2:1-12

Monday: 1 John 3:22-4:6/ Psalm 2/ Matthew 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday: 1 John 4:7-10/ Psalm 72/ Mark 6:34-44

Wednesday: 1 John 4:11-18/ Psalm 72/ Mark 6:45-52

Thursday: 1 John 4:19-5:4/ Psalm 72/ Luke 4:14-22a

Friday: 1 John 5:5-13/ Psalm 147/ Luke 5:12-16

Saturday: 1 John 5:14-21/ Psalm 149/ John 3:22-30

Next Sunday: *The Baptism of the Lord* Isaiah 42:1-4,6-7/ Psalm 29/ Acts 10:34-38/  
Luke 35-16, 21-22

**COLLECTION FOR CHRISTMAS:** \$5,731.00

**COLLECTION FOR LAST SUNDAY:** \$3,645.00

**CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT:** \$500.00 Thank you for your generosity.

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

4:00 PM: Kathy and Augie Gatto

9:00 AM: Vince and Bev Deguc

11:00 AM: Denise and Doug White

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

### FAMILY FAITH SHARING QUESTIONS

#### Matthew 2:1-12

In the Gospel today the Magi from the East follow a star they had seen in the heavens. When they arrived in Jerusalem, they asked where the "newborn King of the Jews" was. They wanted to give him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh, and to do him homage.

*What kind of homage do you give to the newborn King?*

*What gifts can you offer to Jesus?*

