



"Knock and the door will be opened to you."

17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
July 25, 2010

ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CHURCH



St. Elizabeth of Hungary
Catholic Church
Portland, Oregon

2010 Parish Membership Directory

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**KEEP IN TOUCH WITH ST. ELIZABETH
MEMBERS!**

KNOW MORE ABOUT YOUR PARISH!

**WHAT'S THAT PERSON'S NAME WHO
ALWAYS GREETES YOU SO WARMLY?**

**WHAT OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINISTRY
ARE AVAILABLE AT ST. ELIZABETH'S?**

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.

Sharing our Faith, Shaping our Future Capital Campaign

One of the goals of the **Campaign** is to secure the financial future for our retired priests. A portion of the Capital Campaign funds will be used to support priest retirement. Our clergy have served us, some for over 50 years. We need to care for these loving servants in their golden years.

Retired clergy need room and board, health insurance and other basics of life. Retired priests receive benefits from two sources: a monthly retirement benefit from a defined benefit plan administered by Mass Mutual; and health care benefits from the Priest Retirement Fund, administered by the Archdiocese. Currently, we have 53 retired priests in the Archdiocese. Annually, the Archdiocese and the parishes spend \$1.7 million on these benefits for retired priests. In the next few years 22 priests will reach retirement age.

Both sources of priest retirement benefits are underfunded. Through the Campaign we hope to fund these retirement plans, thereby reducing the funds allocated in the Annual Catholic Appeal for priest retirement. ACA funds will then be freed to be utilized in other areas of need.

With the success of the campaign, we will solidify and shape the future of our archdiocese by having a solid source of income for the men who have served us for so long.

"Lord, teach us to pray as John taught his disciples." The apostles address Jesus as a "master of prayer," asking him to reveal his secret to them. We also need to know it, "for we do not know how to pray as we ought" (Romans 8:26).

"Ask . . . seek . . . knock." These verbs emphasize the insistence of the call to prayer and the assurance of being heard if we persevere. "You will receive, you will find, it shall be opened to you." Above all, do not become discouraged. Prayer requires a long patience, but through perseverance, it obtains an answer. If earthly parents, with all the faults they may have, give to their children only good things, all the more must our heavenly Father give the most precious good to those who ask for it.

In showing us God's response to prayer, Jesus helps us to understand prayer itself. To pray is not to impose our will on God but to ask him to make us open to his will. To pray is not to want to change God but to ask him to change us. For the second petition of the Lord's prayer, "Your kingdom come," a very ancient variant substitutes "May your Spirit come upon us and purify us."

LITURGICAL READINGS

Today: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Genesis 18:20-32/ Psalm 138/

Colossians

2:12-14/ Luke 11:1-13

Monday: Jeremiah 13:1-11/ Daniel 32:18-21/ Matthew 13:31-35

Tuesday: Jeremiah 14:17-22/ Psalm 79/ Matthew 13:36-43

Wednesday: Jeremiah 15:10, 16-21/ Psalm 59/ Matthew 13:44-46

Thursday: Jeremiah 18:1-6/ Psalm 146/ John 11:19-27

Friday: Jeremiah 26:1-9/ Psalm 69/ Matthew 13:54-58

Saturday: Jeremiah 26:11-16, 24/ Psalm 69/ Matthew 14:1-12

Next Sunday: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23/ Psalm 90/

Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11/ Luke 12:13-21

OUR LADY OF PEACE RETREAT ANNUAL FAMILY BARBECUE

August 1, 2010 from 12PM to 6PM. Hamburgers, hot dogs and chicken.

Sweepstakes Prizes: 1st: Classic 1976 Jaguar XJ12; 2nd: \$1,000 cash 3rd: \$500 cash

Sweepstakes tickets are \$1.00 Call 503-649-7127 or email sisters@olpretreat.org or visit webpage at

www.olpretreat.org.

COLLECTION FOR LAST SUNDAY: \$2,603.00 Thank you.

HOSPITALITY FOR NEXT WEEKEND:

4:00 PM: Carla and Steve Loughlin

9:00 AM: Gina, Julia and Lena Bainbridge 11:00 AM: Kathy and Rich Sabel

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 11:1-13

In today's Gospel, the disciples watch Jesus as he is praying. One of them asks Jesus to teach them to pray. Jesus shares the Lord's Prayer with them. He then tells them how important it is to keep asking, and that they will receive.

What ways can you think of to convince people to pray more often?

How can you appreciate and share daily bread and all the gifts you receive from the Father each day?

