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### HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday Good Friday Holy Saturday Easter Sunday Mass of the Lord's Supper Celebration of the Lord's Passion Easter Vigil Mass of the Lord's Resurrection April 21 7:30 PM April 22 7:30 PM April 23 8:00 PM April 24 9:00 and

11:00 AM

Please come early for all the services.

On Holy Saturday, there will be no 4:00 PM Mass or 3:00 PM Confessions. On Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday, there will be Morning Prayer at 8:30 AM in place of Mass.

Please join as in the Parish Hall
after the 8:00 PM Easter Vigil Mass
for a community gathering
where we will continue to celebrate the Lord's Resurrection
In breaking bread and sharing food.

THE CHRISM MASS will be celebrated by Archbishop John G. Vlazny and the priests of the Archdiocese of Portland on Monday, April 18 at St. Mary;s Cathedral at 7:00 PM. At the Chrism Mass the Holy Oils are blessed for use the following year. All are invited to attend.

IF YOU PLAN ON ATTENDING OUR ANNUAL CELEBRATION after the Easter Vigil Mass, please sign up in the back of the church to indicate whether you would like to bring an hors d'oeuvre or dessert. We will need HELP with setting up, decorating, serving food and champagne, and cleaning up. If you can help, please sign up or call the parish office.

YOU MAY REMEMBER A LOVED ONE IN A SPECIAL WAY by making a donation in their name for the purchase of Easter plants for the altar. Suggested donation is \$10. The names of those memorialized will be published. Forms are available in the back of the church.

GOD BLESS THE CHILDREN! Grace, Claire and Sara Engel, ages 4, 6, and 8 have made lovely silk screen greeting cards to benefit *Catholic Relief Services*. They are available again this weekend in a basket in the back of the church for \$5.00 for a packet of three cards. 100% of the proceeds will go to *Catholic Relief Services*. Thank you, Girls!

CHRIS MEYER AND BETTY KRAMER wish to thank the members of their extended family at St. Elizabeth's for the food, cards, thoughts and prayers when they needed their support most!! They report that half way through the "chemo" treatments, things look good! Chris and Betty send their love to all of you.

With the children of the Hebrews, the Church participates today in the triumph of Christ. He enters the holy city. Jerusalem, to pass from this world to his Father.

The passion narratives which are read on this Sunday form without a doubt the primitive heart of our gospels. There are many concerns which converge around these simple but dramatic stories. They influence the manner of recounting the passion. In the care taken to show that Christianity had nothing to do with a criminal or rebellious movement, the evangelists highlight both the plot which results in the death of Jesus and the innocence of the Savior crucified for sinners. They also demonstrate to Israel how this death fulfilled the scriptures, accomplished in the central event of the passion and in the details of its unfolding. The historical insertion of the crucifixion into the celebration of the Jewish Passover is decisive for Christians. Jesus replaced the immolation of the paschal lamb with the sacrifice of a new covenant. In addition to these apologetic and theological concerns, the evangelists proposed Jesus as a model of humility, of prayer, of endurance, of suffering. In these virtues which perfected the humanity of Jesus, the Church had much to learn.

The passion narratives are not reduced to a mere recitation of episodes. Marked by the personality of each evangelist, they present an undivided history in which the assaults of evil, carried to their heights in Jesus' passion are rendered powerless by God.

#### LITURGICAL READINGS

Today: Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion. Matthew 21:1-11/ Isaiah 50:4-7/

Psalm 22/ Philippians 2:6-11/ Matthew 26:14--27:66

Monday: Isaiah 42:1-7/ Psalm 27/ John 12:1-11

Tuesday: Isaiah 49:1-6/ Psalm 71/ John 13:21-33, 36-38 Wednesday: Isaiah 50:4-9a/ Psalm 69/ Matthew 26:14-25

Thursday: Holy Thursday Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14/ Psalm116/ 1 Corinthians 11:23-26/

John 13:1-15

Friday: Good Friday of the Lord's Passion. Isaiah 52:13--53:12/ Psalm 31/

Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9/ John 18:1 through 19:42

Saturday: The Easter Vigil. Genesis 1:1/through 2:2/ Genesis 22:1-18/ Exodus 14:15 through

15:1/ Isaiah 55:1-11/ Ezekiel 36:16-17a, 18-28/ Romans 6:3-11/ Luke 24:1-12

Next Sunday: <u>Easter Sunday, Resurrection of the Lord.</u> Acts:10:34a, 37-43/ Psalm 118/ Colossians 3:1-4/ John 20:1-9.

RECONCILIATION SERVICE: Tuesday, April 19 at Our Lady of the Lake, Lake Oswego, 7:00 PM

### HOSPITALITY FOR NEXT WEEKEND:

9:00 AM: Gina, Julia and Lena Bainbridge 11:00 AM: Frankie and Daryl Anderson If you cannot fulfill your assignment, please make sure you find a substitute. Thank you.

COLLECTION FOR LAST SUNDAY: \$3,995.00
CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES: \$900.00 plus \$150.00 from the Engel girls' CRS project.
Thank you.

# St. Elizabeth of Hungary Church

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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**

Matthew 26:14 through 27:66
The Passion of the Lord

Today, the Gospel is the story of the Passion and Death of Jesus. This is the story of the last eighteen hours of Jesus' life and the way that he died. This is the beginning of the holiest week of the year.

Describe some ways that you and your family can make this week holy.

Can you think of a time when your family made this a holy week? Describe that. What did you do? What was it like?

In today's Gospel reading, who was released from the sentence of death and why?