

THE COMMEMORATION
OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED
(ALL SOULS DAY)
NOVEMBER 2, 2014

ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CHURCH

THE TRAVELLING CRIB is here for the month of November. The Travelling Crib is a program of Catholic Charities
Pregnancy Support program. The crib travels to different parishes to collect donations for unwed mothers. You may place your baby gifts in the crib. Cash donations are also accepted. Please feel free to use the self-addressed envelopes by the crib. Cash donations are used to purchase diapers, pack-n-plays, and car seats.



<u>ALL SOULS.</u> You may inscribe the names of the deceased you wish to remember in our Book of Remembrance at the back of the church. Our All Souls Remembrances will be part of all our masses during the month of November

CHOIR PRACTICE for St. Nicholas Eve, Friday,

December 5, Christmas Eve Mass and Christmas Day

Masses will be held every Tuesday from 6:30 to 8:15 PM
beginning October 28th through December 23. If you
would like to participate, please sign up in the back of the
church.



GET ME THROUGH THE HOLIDAYS: 10 STRATEGIES FOR COPING WITH LOSS Many people are filled with happy anticipation as the holidays approach. Thoughts of food and being with family and friends abound. For those who have experienced a significant loss, this is often not the case. Aware that their loved one will not be with them, the holiday season can intensify feelings of sadness, isolation, and loss. It it can be difficult to decide what to do.

This one-hour seminar helps people who are grieving the death of a loved one discover practical and meaningful ways to cope during the holidays. Many of these coping strategies can be used for other personal holidays, such as birthdays and anniversaries. In addition, those who want to offer their support will discover tips for how to help someone who is grieving.

These presentations are part of the Community Care Program and are offered free of charge. Registration is appreciated, but not required. For schedules and locations, see bulletin board or call Anne Kister at 503-215-4636 or Anne Kister approvidence.org.

ST. ANDREW COMMUNITY FORUM - LIVING THE JOY OF THE GOSPEL - NOVEMBER 9, 2014
Saint Andrew Catholic Church, 9th and Alberta Streets in Portland, Oregon. Presentation by Holy Cross
Father Charlie Gordon. The session will be held in the Oscar Romero Room from 11:00 am-12:30 pm.
This talk provides a compelling framework for understanding Pope Francis' extraordinary papal document, Evangeli Gaudium, Living the Joy of the Gospel.

HOSPITALITY FOR NEXT WEEKEND:

4:00 PM Sonje and Ken Ernst

9:00 AM: Liam and Antoinette Roberts 11:00 AM: Frankie and Daryl Anderson Please come early. If you cannot fulfill your assignment, please make sure you find a substitute. Thank you.

Since the fourth century various Eastern Churches have commemorated a feast of all martyrs. By the sixth century this commemoration was celebrated at Rome. November 1 as the date for this celebration in the West seems to have originated in Ireland and/or Britain where it was seen as a "harvest feast" at the close of the liturgical year. In 844, Pope Gregory IV established this date for all the Roman Church. Joined to the day was the commemoration of the dedication of the Pantheon as the church of St. Mary and All Martyrs.

"Who are these people, all dressed in white? And where have they come from?" (Revelation 7:13). The question demands an answer if All Saints is not to be a mere daydream unrelated to the reality of our lives. We are these people celebrating what we ourselves are in process of becoming. The

solemnity of All Saints is the feast of the possible saint which each of us bears within.

There are several mistaken ideas about the saints who have preceded us. The first error is to imagine them only in their final state, a halo around their heads above some altar. In reality the saints are in our midst, even if "what we shall later be has not yet come to light" (1 John 3:2). They belong first of all to the earth, to that pilgrim people coming from the great trial of this life and climbing, in uninterrupted procession, toward the final city.

Often we also run the risk of considering the saints as superhuman, escaping the common lot of mortals by their miracles and their exceptional strength of soul. There again, if we look closely, we see that their faults of character were not always overcome. The saints remained subject to their passions but placed them at the service of their holiness. For holiness itself is passion converted.

Saint Bernard liked to describe the Church between the two comings of the Lord as "ante et retro occulata." That is, we are looking back toward the ideal of the beatitudes, and forward toward that huge crowd of the Book of Revelation whom we must soon join.

LITURGICAL READINGS

Today: <u>Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls)</u>. Wisdom 3:1-9/

Psalm 23/ Romans 5:5-11/ John 6:37-40

Monday: <u>Saint Martin de Porres, religious.</u> Philippians 2:1-4/ Psalm 131/ Luke 14:12-14 Tuesday: <u>Saint Charles Borromeo, bishop.</u> Philippians 2:5-11/ Psalm 22/ Luke 14:15-24

Wednesday: Philippians 2:12-18/ Psalm 27/ Luke 14:25-33 Thursday: Philippians 3:3-8a/ Psalm 105/ Luke 15:1-10

Friday: Philippians 3:17 through 4:1/ Psalm 122/ Luke 16:1-8

Saturday: Philippians 4:10-19/ Psalm 112/ Luke 16:9-15

Next Sunday: The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica. Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/ Psalm 46/

1 Corinthians 3:9c-11, 16-17, John 2:13-22

COLLECTION FOR LAST SUNDAY: \$3,780.25

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY: \$1,377.00 to date. 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., Pastor 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

In these days the Church celebrates the harvest of God's faithful. On November 1 we focus our attention upon the glorious beauty of that harvest. We revel in that community of the holy which breaks through the barriers of time. We are at one in Christ with all those who have lived and died in the power of his name. Our focus today calls us back to the terrible sort of beauty that makes this harvest possible. Our completion as human beings comes only in that full and final choice for God which is possible in death. Were it not for Christ, we would come together in despair.

Christ, however, has shared our fear of entering a gateway whose other side we cannot know. In him we have a glimpse of the completion which awaits us. Because of him we can celebrate the deaths of those who are responsible for our lives. Because of him we perceive the beauty of a dying which will bring us into God's harvest.