

IN ORDINARY TIME SEPTEMBER 21, 2014

ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CHURCH

CLASSES FOR FIRST COMMUNION will begin soon. If you have children who will be receiving their First Communion, please sign the list in the back of the Church, or call the parish office at 503-222-2168.

<u>A JOYFUL WELCOME</u> to the newest member of the Christian community, Callan Francis Rupp, who will be baptized this Saturday, September 20. We offer our prayers and best wishes to his parents, Jon and Renee Rupp, and his grandparents, Mick and Margo Rupp.

WHO ARE THE PAULISTS?

How are they "different" from the Franciscans, the Jesuits, or Diocesan priests? Fr. Charlie Brunick, CSP will present a 3-part series to explain why the Paulist Priests are unique in their mission and goals. Each session will be at St. Philip Neri Church, SE 16th and Division Street, from 10:45 to 11:45 am following the 9:30 am Mass.

September 28 Who is "Servant of God?" ----Isaac Hecker (Founder)
October 12 The Mission and Charisms (gifts) of the Paulist Fathers
October 26 The Paulist Associates----Collaborators in Mission

<u>HELP IS NEEDED</u> to bring communion to homebound parishioners and to occasionally drive them to Mass or assist them in other ways. Please call the parish office if you are available to help.

<u>AWAKENING FAITH</u> – The Returning Catholic Ministry at Our Lady of the Lake Church invites inactive and semi-active Catholics to come together to discuss their faith The *Awakening Faith* program is structured to invite conversation and bonding between people. Sessions begin on Wednesday, October 1 and run through Wednesday, November 5 at Our Lady of the Lake Parish Center, 650 A Avenue, Lake Oswego, OR. See bulletin board for further information or call Irene Boone at 503-636-3125 or boone5121@comcast.net or Margaret Jamieson at 503-635-2915.

HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS AND THEIR FAMILIES AND FRIENDS are cordially invited to a Mass honoring health care workers. Celebrant: His Excellency, Archbishop Alexander K. Sample

You are also invited to dinner following Mass at 7:30 p.m. Multnomah Athletic Club, 1849 SW Salmon St., Portland, OR.

Guest Speaker Sr. Mary Diana Dreger. O.P.MD

"The Practice of Virtue in the Practice of Medicine"

Dinner & Talk, Reservations Required: \$75 per person.

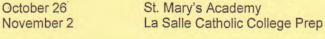
For Reservations, contact Paul Cieslak, MD prcieslak@gmail.com RSVP by October 6, 2014

ANNUAL CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOLS OPEN HOUSES

The time for each Open House is 1:00 - 4:00 pm on the following Sundays::

October 5
October 12
October 19
October 19
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October 26
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Jesuit High School
Central Catholic High School
Valley Catholic High School
De La Salle North Catholic
St. Mary's Academy



Unemployment is not a strictly modern phenomenon. In Jesus' day those who had no regular work went to the village marketplace every morning, hoping to find a day's labor in a landed man's fields or vineyards. It was a buyer's market. Day laborers worked for whatever they were given. The basic premise of Jesus' story, then, was as familiar to his first hearers as it is to us today.

The story's sting is in its tail. The logic of human justice requires that those who work a full day receive a full day's wage, while those who work one hour receive one hour's pay. It is not so in the kingdom of God. Those who have labored in the ways of righteousness from early morning receive their full reward. But the prostitutes and tax collectors and sinners who arrive at the eleventh hour receive no less. The laws of human justice are workable enough under ordinary circumstances, but, as the prophet Isaiah suggests, they are too narrow to contain the always astonishing love of God.

The Church is the servant of the kingdom of God, bound by the kingdom's laws. We are commanded to invite to supper not only those who have earned a place by their long fidelity but also those who have just arrived at the gate. The good and the respectable may grumble a bit to find themselves cheek-by-jowl at the Lord's table with sinners. But the host asks, "I am free to do as I please . . . am I not? Or are you envious because I am generous?"

LITURGICAL READINGS

Today: Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Isaiah 55:6-9/ Psalm 145/

Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a/ Matthew 20:1-16a

Monday: Proverbs 3:27-34/ Psalm 15/ Luke 8:16-18

Tuesday: Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, priest. Proverbs 21:1-6, 10-13/ Psalm 119/

Luke 8:19-21

Wednesday: Proverbs 30:5-9/ Psalm 119/ Luke 9:1-6
Thursday: Ecclesiastes1:2-11/ Psalm 90/ Luke 9:7-9

Friday: Saints Cosmas and Damian, martyrs. Ecclesiastes 3:1-11/ Psalm 144/

Luke 9:18-22

Saturday: Saint Vincent de Paul, priest. Ecclesiastes 11:9 through 12:8/ Psalm 90/

Luke 9:43b-45

Next Sunday: Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Ezekiel 18:25-28/ Psalm 125/

Philippians 2:1-11/ Matthew 21:28-32

HOSPITALITY FOR NEXT WEEKEND:

9:00 AM: Eileen and Perry Broughton 11:00 AM: Kerry, Ann and Jonathan Heisler Please come early. If you cannot fulfill your assignment, please make sure you find a substitute. Thank you.

COLLECTION FOR LAST SUNDAY: \$7,810.00 MARTHA AND MARY MINISTRIES: \$1,382.30

SIMPLE SUPPER: \$25.00

Thank you for your generosity!!

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

Parables give God room. The parables of Jesus are not historical allegories telling us how God acts with mankind; neither are they moral example-stories telling us how to act before God and towards one another. They are stories which shatter the deep structure of our accepted world and thereby render clear and evident to us the relativity of story itself. They remove our defenses and make us vulnerable to God. It is only in such experiences that God can touch us, and only in such moments does the kingdom of God arrive.

(John Dominic Crossan, The Dark Interval, Argus Communications, 1975, pp. 121-122)