

80th ANNUAL ARCHBISHOPO'S SEMINARY TEA

Wednesday, April 29, 2015 – 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. Portland Golf Club 5900 SW Scholls Ferry Road Tickets \$30 available at the tea or call Mary Kay Beaudoin, 503-297-2994



<u>CONGRATULATIONS</u> to Daniel Keller, who was received into the Church and received the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil. Please keep him in your prayers.

MEMORIAL EASTER FLOWERS – The names of those remembered with Easter Flowers are listed on the bulletin board.

OPERATION RICE BOWL - Thank you to all who have participated in Operation Rice Bowl this Lent. Please return you Rice Bowls to the basket in the back of the church.

THE EASTER EDITION OF THE WORD AMONG US is available in the gathering space of church. It contains the Mass readings from Easter through Pentecost along with daily meditations.

PLEASE JOIN RESURRECTION PARISH IN A PRAYER VIGIL FOR PEACE

on April 18th at 7:30 pm – 8:30 pm. We will come together to pray and sing for peace in our world. We will gather at the front steps of the church at 21060 SW Stafford Rd., Tualatin, OR 97062. Contact our parish office for questions, 503-638-1579.

RETREAT FOR THE NEW EVANGELIZATION

Deepen Your Life in the Spirit and Learn Skills for Sharing Your Faith

Fr. Bruce Nieli, CSP, is a "preacher's preacher" and a captivating storyteller. His stories integrate scripture and theology as he brings the light of the Word to bear upon 21st century American culture.

April 17-19, 2015, The Griffin Center 11957 SE fuller Rd., Milwaukie, Oregon 97222 See bulletin board for further information or Email: <u>mcmanus@up.edu</u>

COLLECTION FOR HOLY THURSDAY: \$1,208.30 GOOD FRIDAY((For the Holy Land): \$650.00 CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES: \$150.00 SIMPLE SUPPER: \$290.00 COLLECTION FOR EASTER: \$8,365.00 Thank you for your generosity.



"We have seen the Lord!" The risen Lord appeared to his disciples. Only Thomas was absent. Jesus showed them the wounds of his passion, shared with them his peace, and breathed on them the Spirit who would bring the work of salvation to fulfillment through them. But Thomas, who shared the experience only by hearsay, demanded physical proof.

We are surprised by his change of heart. Accepting the risk of faith is not easy. Thomas reminds us of ourselves with our need to touch. He mistrusts any claim upon his faith not rooted in daily experience. The Lord accepts this need. Eight days later he takes Thomas at his word and gives in to his demand, "Put your hand into my side. Do not persist in your unbelief, but believe!"

Shall we, the believers of the twenty-first century, remain unmoved by the liturgical celebration of the Easter season? Are we content simply to repeat, "Blest are they who have not seen and have believed?" Thomas' experience must become ours. We must strive to make tangible the power of the resurrection in our lives. We must allow the power of the Lord to heal the wounds begotten by oppression. Our sense of wonder leaves us open to the surprise of faith. Thus we can believe in the seemingly impossible and do all we can to give flesh to our hope. May we so live that Jesus becomes for each of us, "my Lord and my God!"

LITURGICAL READINGS

Today:	Second Sunday of Easter. Acts 4:32-35/ Psalm 118/ 1 John 5:1-6/
	John 20:19-31
Monday:	Saint Martin I, Pope, Martyr. Acts 4:23-31/ Psalm 2/ John 3:1-8
Tuesday:	Acts 4:32-37/ Psalm 93/ John 3:7b-15
Wednesday:	Acts 5:17-26/ Psalm 34/ John 3:16-21
Thursday:	Acts 5:27-33/ Psalm 34/ John 3:31-36
Friday:	Acts 5:34-42/ Psalm 27/ John 6:1-15
Saturday:	Acts 6:1-7/ Psalm 33/ John 6:16-21
Next Sunday:	Third Sunday of Easter. Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/ Psalm 4/ 1 John 2:1-5a/
	Luke 24:35-48

HOSPITALITY FOR NEXT WEEKEND:

9:00 AM: Mary Swick 11:00 AM: Maura & Diarmuid O'Scannlain Please come early. 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., 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

Reflection

Faith development for the first disciples was a community affair. Although today's Gospel highlights "Doubting" Thomas, certainly the other disciples wrestled with the meaning of the Lord's Resurrection as well. They were behind locked doors, huddled in fear, but they were facing the future together. It is good for us to remember that the gift of faith is not a solitary affair; it grows and matures when we celebrate the Lord's presence with other Christians. Divine mercy gathers us together, proclaims to us the gift of peace, and challenges us to support one another along the way.