



EASTER SUNDAY

April 5, 2015

ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CHURCH

Happy Easter!



*Let the heavens be glad
And the earth rejoice.*

Psalm 96:11



*Thank you to all who helped make Lent and Holy Week such a success!
The choir, musicians, readers, Eucharistic ministers, servers, ushers, decorators,
the cooks and other helpers who have all contributed to a memorable
celebration of Holy Week and the Resurrection of the Lord.*

*Thanks much,
Fr. Jim*

CONGRATULATIONS 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 in the back of the Church.



OPERATION RICE BOWL - Thank you to all who have participated in Operation Rice Bowl this Lent. Please return your 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.

MARTHA & MARY MINISTRIES - ANNUAL LIFE & HOPE DINNER

April 9th at 6 pm

Marylhurst University

\$50/person

Keynote Speaker: Brian Doyle, Author & Editor, Portland Magazine at the University of Portland

Call Jana Diuehosh at 503-954-3840 for information or to purchase a ticket.

COLLECTION FOR LAST SUNDAY: \$4,855.50

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES: \$500.00

Thank you.

When Christians are asked the meaning of Easter, they refer to the resurrection of Jesus. It is the day for telling the wondrous story: Mary Magdalene saw the stone moved away, Peter went in and saw the wrappings on the ground, and the beloved disciple saw and believed. The faith of contemporary believers builds on their testimony. It is our festival of life, for the boldness of God's love snatched victory from the jaws of death. Our memories and rituals unite us with that event which was so disconcerting, marvelous, and liberating.

Sunday after Sunday, and especially at this greatest Sunday of the year, we enter events which show Easter as more than a once-upon-a-time event. We bless and share a meal that shapes us as the Body of Christ. We sing alleluias and say the good news still takes flesh in our world. We color eggs and enjoy feasts without need of a rational explanation. The pull to dress finely may be marred by commercialism or a drive for status, but we know our winter has passed and new life is here. In these and in so many other ethnic customs, we renew life just as we renew our baptismal commitment. More correctly, we rest in awe before the One who renews life and provides the possibility of commitment.

The reading from Colossians highlights still another dimension of this day. Implicit within all these celebrations, there is a sense of future. We can be intent on "things above rather than on things of earth." Easter is a promise of the endtime. Our festivals take place on a sinful world, in an imperfect Church. In them we taste that time when we will all be in glory.

LITURGICAL READINGS

Today:	<u><i>Easter Sunday in the Resurrection of the Lord.</i></u> Acts 10:34a, 37-43/ Psalm 118/ Colossians 3:1-4 or 1 Corinthians 5:6-8/ John 20:1-9
Monday :	<u><i>Monday within the Octave of Easter.</i></u> Acts 2:14, 22-33/ Psalm 16/ Matthew 28:8-15
Tuesday:	<u><i>Tuesday within the Octave of Easter.</i></u> Acts 2:36-41/ Psalm 33/ John 20:11-18
Wednesday:	<u><i>Wednesday within the Octave of Easter.</i></u> Acts 3:1-10/ Psalm 105/ Luke 24:13-35
Thursday:	<u><i>Thursday within the Octave of Easter.</i></u> Acts 3:11-26/ Psalm 8/ Luke 24:35-48
Friday:	<u><i>Friday within the Octave of Easter.</i></u> Acts 4:1-12/ Psalm 118/ John 21:1-14
Saturday:	<u><i>Saturday within the Octave of Easter.</i></u> Acts 4:13-21/ Psalm 118/ Mark 16:9-15
Next Sunday:	<u><i>Second Sunday of Easter.</i></u> Acts 4:32-35/ Psalm 118/ 1 John 5:1-6/ John 20:19-31

HOSPITALITY FOR NEXT WEEKEND:

4:00 PM: Laura Carreau and Teresa Knofler

9:00 AM: Maryla and Greg Kaminski

11:00 AM: The Nisbet Family

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

Four times in the Gospel, John mentions "the other disciple." Although we assume that this is the "beloved disciple," John, it is significant that no name is used. Why? The disciple is nameless because we are to insert ourselves into the story. We run with Simon Peter to the tomb; we are the first to arrive to see the burial cloths; we "see and believe." With trials and tribulations that have been a part of our lives, we peer into the empty tomb. Do we see that no darkness is able to swallow up the light of Christ, that no sin or failure is beyond repair, that death cannot conquer life? Place yourself in this Easter story, encounter the empty tomb, "see and believe."