



**FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JULY 12, 2015**

ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CHURCH

It's worth getting old to have such a wonderful birthday party!

*Thank you,
Fr. Jim*

SIMPLE SUPPER: The Simple Supper basket was not put out at one of the masses last weekend.. If you did not have an opportunity to give you may do so this weekend.

VOLUNTEERS WITH CARS NEEDED - We are organizing visits to St. Alexander Catholic Church in Cornelius. If you have a large SUV or other vehicle and can drive to a Sunday Mass at St. Alexander, please sign up on sheet in the back of the church. Weekend Masses at St. Alexander are: Saturday vigil, 7 pm, Sunday 8:45 and 10:30 am, 12:15 and 6 pm. The 8:45 Mass is in English, all others are in Spanish. You are encouraged to attend one of the Spanish Masses to fully understand the need for a new church. If you would like to attend a Mass and need a ride, you also can sign up on the sheet in the back of the church. This is a semi-organized activity. Please feel free to visit St. Alexander Church anytime it's convenient for you. Website: stalexandercatholicchurch.org.

HELP WANTED - House for rent?

We need to rent a 3 or 4 bedroom house with 2 bathrooms in the SW Portland area. If any parishioner has a rental house or knows of a rental house in your neighborhood that may meet our needs please contact us before August 1st at 503-245-0598. Thank you for your help!

Sister Mary, Sister Ruth, or Sister Guadalupe

ST. ELIZABETH PARISHIONERS, FAMILY & FRIENDS are invited to access the adidas Employee Store to receive a 50% discount off retail prices from now through July 23. Rules for obtaining the discount are attached to the required form. The forms are available in the back of the church.

ARTIST- PRIESTS FEATURED AT ARTREACH GALLERY

Where: First Congregational Church, 1126 SW Park Avenue, Portland. Phone: 503-228-7219

When: July 1 to 31 - Monday-Friday - 10 am to 2 pm

A Quartet of Artist Priests: A Calligrapher and Three Photographers

Fr. Robert Palladino - Calligraphy

Fr. Patrick Brennan - Photography

Fr. Charles J. Lienert - Photography

Fr. Leo Remington - Photography

HELP NEEDED: Would you be able to take Communion or perhaps a meal to a housebound parishioner? Please call the parish office if you can help.

Through the sending out of his disciples, Jesus, who remains behind, sees his message spread. They who share in his company and his destiny are committed to the prophetic proclamation of the kingdom. As he spoke in former times through the prophets, God still speaks through human words. Certainly, these Galilean fishermen had no more preparation than Amos, the simple herdsman, for such a mission. But what matters is not the brilliance of their intellect, the seductive power of their words, the nobility of their origins. Ridding themselves of useless baggage and resources, they must let Christ speak through their mouths, act through their hands. Of course, because the kingdom of God does not meet superficial human expectations, the success of the mission is not guaranteed. The "crowds" "welcome may be lukewarm or ephemeral, if not hostile. That should not stop them. Seized by God, chosen by his Son, the disciples must go ahead and proclaim the imminence of the kingdom.

Thus, far from being the time when the prophetic word has ceased to make itself heard, the time of the Church is the eleventh hour when, with the greatest urgency, the gospel must be preached and spread. Faithful to the Spirit, we, by our stammered words and hesitant actions, must awaken our times to the mystery of Jesus and of his kingdom.

LITURGICAL READINGS

Today:	<i>Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time.</i> Amos 7:12-15/ Psalm 85/ Ephesians 1:3-14/ Mark 6:7-13
Monday:	<i>Saint Henry.</i> Exodus 1:8-14, 22/ Psalm 124/ Matthew 10:34 through 11:1
Tuesday:	<i>Saint Kateri Tekakwitha. Virgin.</i> Exodus 2:1-15a/ Psalm 69/ Matthew 11:20-24
Wednesday:	<i>Saint Bonaventure, Bishop, Doctor of the Church.</i> Exodus 3:1-6, 9-12/ Psalm 103/ Matthew 11:25-27
Thursday:	Exodus 3:13-20/ Psalm 105/ Matthew 11:28-30
Friday:	Exodus 11:10 through 12:14/ Psalm 116/ Matthew 12:1-8
Saturday:	Exodus 12:37-42/ Psalm 136/ Matthew 12:14-21
Next Sunday:	<i>Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time.</i> Jeremiah 23:1-6/ Psalm 23/ Ephesians 2:13-18/ Mark 6:30-34

HOSPITALITY FOR NEXT WEEKEND:

4:00 PM: Maurie and Laurie Williams

9:00 AM: Liam and Antoinette Roberts 11:00 AM: Jim and Karyl Frazer

Please come early. If you cannot fulfill your assignment, please make sure you find a substitute. Thank you.

COLLECTION FOR LAST SUNDAY: \$4,237.00

SIMPLE SUPPER: \$238.00 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, Administrative Assistant - 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., Monday-Friday

Reflection

Walking sticks have become increasingly popular today for a variety of purposes: to support people with mobility challenges; to assist pilgrims and hikers in climbing safely; to clear brush from a densely forested trail; to feel for obstacles and to test for depth in streams—all actions that help people to move forward more easily.

Jesus' admonishment to his disciples to divest themselves of everything that would make journeying difficult also invites to question: What might we need to let go of and clear out in order to move forward? What stands in the way of God at work in our lives? Holding on to the walking stick of prayer and discernment, how might our lives become more deeply centered and in balance?

Sr. Chris Koellhoffer, I>H>M>