

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT March 22, 2015

ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CHURCH

### HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday	Regular Mass Schedule.	Please arrive 15 minutes early.	
Holy Thursday	Mass of the Lord's Supper	April 2	7:30 PM
Good Friday	Celebration of the Lord's Passion	April 3	7:30 PM
Holy Saturday	Easter Vigil	April 4	8:30 PM
Easter Sunday	Mass of the Lord's Resurrection	April 5	9:00 AM &
			11:00 AM

On Holy Saturday, there will be no 4:00 PM Mass nor 3:00 PM Confessions. On Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday, there will be Morning Prayer at 8:30 Am in place of Mass.

Please join us after the 8:30 PM Easter Vigil Mass for a community gathering where we will continue to celebrate

The Lord's Resurrection

in breaking bread and sharing food.

Our celebration needs volunteers for setting up and decorating at noon, as well as helping in the kitchen and cleaning up. Also, please remember to sign up to bring an appetizer or dessert.

YOU MAY REMEMBER A LOVED ONE IN A SPECIAL WAY by making a donation in their name for the purchase of an Easter plant for the altar. Suggested donation is \$15.00. Forms are at the back of the church.

<u>HOLY THURSDAY</u> – If you would like to participate in the rite of the Washing of the Feet, please call the parish office or sign up in the back of the church. We need at least six volunteers.

<u>THE CHRISM MASS</u> will be celebrated by Archbishop Alexander Sample and the priests of the Archdiocese of Portland on Monday, March 30 at 7:00 PM at St. Mary's Cathedral. At the Chrism Mass the Holy Oils used in the sacraments are blessed for use the following year. All are invited to attend.

<u>LENTEN PRAYER SERVICE/SOUP AND BREAD SUPPERS</u> – Please join us for our last Lenten Prayer Service/Soup and Bread Supper for this Lenten season to be held this Tuesday at 6:00 PM.

#### RECONCILIATION SERVICES:

St. Anthony, Tigard	Tuesday	March 24	7:00 PM
Our Lady of the Lake, Lake Oswego	Tuesday	March 31	7:00 PM

"The whole world has run after him!" observe the Pharisees bitterly after Jesus' entry into Jerusalem (John 12:19). On the eve of the last week of his life, the fourth gospel brings to a close the Bok of Signs and opens the Book of Glory. Just as the arrival of the first disciples on the banks of the Jordan heralds the beginning of Jesus' signs (John 1:40-42), so the arrival of Greek disciples heralds the beginning of his glory. Far from being incidental extras, these foreigners signal the arrival of a significant moment. The "Hour" has come when Jesus, lifted up from the earth and glorified, will draw all people to himself. It is an hour of paradox, when all realities change meaning: to die is to live and to lose is to find. In order to bear fruit, the grain must decompose in the earth. From such a death will come the procession of nations foretold in Scripture for the last days: they will lift up their eyes to the tree of life.

"We should like to see Jesus!" Who today will enable us to "see" Jesus and to discover, in his death, the first-fruits of glorification? Who are the disciples who will serve as our intermediaries so that we can recognize the Son of Man? Will the "Greeks" of our time—all those loyal people who seek a meaning for their lives—find around them friends of Jesus to take them into his presence?

### LITURGICAL READINGS

Today: Fifth Sunday of Lent. Jeremiah 31:31-34/ Psalm 51/ Hebrews 5:7-9/

John 12:20-33

Monday: Daniel 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62/ Psalm 23:1-6/ John 8:1-11

Tuesday: Numbers 21:4-9/ Psalm 102/ John 8:21-30

Wednesday: The Annunciation of the Lord. Isaiah 7:10-14; 8-10/ Psalm 40/ Hebrews 10:4-10/

Luke 1:26-38

Thursday: Genesis 17:3-9/ Psalm 105/ John 8:51-59
Friday: Jeremiah 20:10-13/ Psalm 18/ John 10:31-42

Saturday: Ezekiel 37:21-28/ (Psalm) Jeremiah 31:10-13/ John 11:45-56

Next Sunday: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord. Mark 11:1-10/Isaiah 50:4-7/ Psalm 22/

Philippians 2:6-11/ Mark 14:1 through 15:47

## HOSPITALITY FOR NEXT WEEKEND:

9:00 AM: Mary and Dick Adkisson 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: \$4,173.00 SIMPLE SUPPER: \$80.00 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.

<u>Baptism</u> and <u>Anointing of the Sick:</u> Please call the parish office.

<u>Marriage:</u> 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

The bread and wine used in the Eucharist and transformed into the Body and Blood of Christ are part of the paschal process. Bread and wine both depend upon the "fruit of the earth and of the vine" falling to the ground and dying so that grain and grapes might be manufactured by human ingenuity into food and drink. They must die in order that new life may occur. Jesus says "Unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit." As followers of the Lord, we too are part of the paschal process. We have to die to ourselves in order to be transformed into something new. In what ways do you need to "fall" in order that the Lord might fashion you into life-giving sustenance for others?