



THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT
FEBRUARY 28, 2016

ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday – March 20:	Regular Mass Schedule (please arrive 15 minutes early)
Tuesday March 22 & Wednesday March 23:	8:30 am Morning Mass
Holy Thursday--March 24:	8:30 am Morning Prayer 7:30 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
Good Friday--March 25:	8:30 am Morning Prayer 7:30 pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion
Holy Saturday--March 26:	8:30 am Morning Prayer (No 4:00 pm Mass; No 3:00 pm Confessions) 8:00 pm Easter Vigil followed by Celebration
Easter Sunday--March 27:	9:00 & 11:00am Mass of the Lord's Resurrection

SIMPLE SUPPER COLLECTION will be taken next weekend for the support of our three monthly dinners at Transition Projects. Baskets for your free will offering will be at the entrance to the church.

FOOD SUNDAY is next weekend. Please bring nonperishable food items for the Immaculate Heart Parish Food Bank to help feed the hungry.

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES - There will be a second collection next Sunday for Catholic Relief Services. Your donation assists people throughout the world suffering from the effects of natural disasters, people displaced by violence or war and migrants searching for a better life for themselves and their families. Envelopes are available in the pews and the back of the church.

PENANCE SERVICES FOR LENT:

Tuesday, March 1	7:00 PM	St. Clare, Portland
Saturday, March 5	10:00 AM	Sacred Heart, 3926 SE 11 th Ave. Portland
Saturday, March 5	10:00AM	Our Lady of the Lake, Lake Oswego
Wednesday, March 9	7:00 PM	St. Cyril, Wilsonville
Tuesday, March 15	7:00 PM	St. Anthony, Tigard
Thursday, March 22	7:00 PM	Our Lady of the Lake, Lake Oswego

EASTER FLOWERS: Remember a loved one by making a donation in their name for the purchase of an Easter flower for our altar. Forms are available in the back of the church. Suggested donation - \$15.00.



LENTEN PRAYER SERVICE FOLLOWED BY SOUP SUPPER - TUESDAY, MARCH 1st

Our Prayer Service begins at 6:00 PM. If you can volunteer to help set-up, serve, clean-up and/or bring soup or bread, please sign-up in the back of the church. Remaining Prayer Services followed by soup suppers will take place at 6:00 PM March 8th and 15th. Come join us!

CHOIR PRACTICE this week is on Wednesday, March 2 at 6:30 PM.

Every day the press reports murders, accidents, front-page catastrophes. Jesus alludes to two public misfortunes from the news of his time. He does not refer to them in the manner of those retreat preachers who are only too happy to exploit a parish tragedy to urge people into the confessional. That is not Jesus' style. He does not consider violent deaths as divine punishments for sin. Rather, because he detects in his contemporaries a smug complacency, he warns them. They run the risk of being hardened to the urgency of conversion.

Even if each of us is like a tree which for many years has given ample proof of its sterility, God is like that patient farmer who gives his fig tree another chance. This opportunity lasts until the Lord's return. It is highlighted by this annual season of repentance.

LITURGICAL READINGS

Today: *Third Sunday of Lent.* Exodus 3:1-8a, 13-15/ Psalm 103/
1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12/ Luke 13:1-9.
Monday: 2 Kings 5:1-15b/ Psalm 42:2-3; 43:3-4/ Luke 4:24-30.
Tuesday: Daniel 3:25, 34-43/ Psalm 25/ Matthew 18: 21-35.
Wednesday: Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9/ Psalm 147/ Matthew 5:17-19.
Thursday: Jeremiah 7:23-28/ Psalm 95/ Luke 11: 14-23.
Friday: Hosea 14:2-10/ Psalm 81/ Mark 12:28-34.
Saturday: Hosea 6:1-6/ Psalm 51/ Luke 18:9-14.
Next Sunday: *Fourth Sunday of Lent.* Joshua 5:9a, 10-12/ Psalm 34/ 2 Corinthians 5:17-21/
Luke 15:1-3, 11-32.

TRANSITION PROJECTS ANNUAL CULINARY FUNDRAISER - SOUP FOR THE SOUL-

Friday, March 11th – for more info or to purchase tickets visit tprojects.org/soupforthesoul or call 503-280-4741. **And a NOTE OF THANKS for St. Elizabeth's support of Transition Projects** from Roma Peyser, Director of Development:

"Each year with the help of supporters like you at St. Elizabeth's, Transition Projects is able to assist more than 10,000 people as they strive to escape homelessness and secure permanent housing. Each day, we see so many lives changed for the better through our work with women, children and men in the Metro area. * * *. Thank you again for your generous support of our mission to serve those transitioning from homelessness to housing. Please don't hesitate to be in touch if you'd like to learn more about what we do or how you can get further engaged in the effort to end homelessness in our community."

NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY: Please continue to send in you updated contact information and photos to photos@StElizabethPortland.net or office@stelizabethportland.net. Mark or Cathy Myers will be available after many Masses to take photos.

HOSPITALITY FOR NEXT WEEKEND – March 6th:

9:00 AM – Sharon Hunt & Sharon Finley 11:00 AM – Ginny & Bob Caudill

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

COLLECTION FOR LAST SUNDAY: \$3,816.00 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

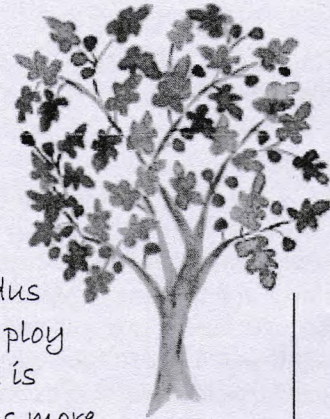
Joan Enright/Elizabeth Duncan, Parish Assistants

Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Interested in joining St. Elizabeth Parish?

Give us a call at 503-222-2168 or

email us at office@stelizabethportland.net



Reflection

At Mass today, you heard the First Reading from Exodus (3:1-8a, 13-15). We, like Moses, sometimes need a divine ploy to be stopped in our tracks. What is the 'burning bush' God is using to get your attention this Lent? Perhaps conversion is more about waking up and less about focusing on sins or mistakes. Clearly, Jesus thought so. In today's Gospel reading he tells us that God is like the gardener who provides expert care and nourishment for an ailing fruit tree, then waits for it to respond to a fresh opportunity for new growth. This is our season to come alive again and bloom!