

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 9, 2016

ST. ELIZABETH CATHOLIC CHURCH

OCTOBER IS RESPECT LIFE MONTH. The program promotes respect for human life in light of our intrinsic dignity as having been created in God's image and likeness and called to an eternal destiny with him. The goal is to help Catholics understand, value and become engaged with supporting the dignity of every person, especially by cherishing God's gift of life.

NEW COFFEE & DONUT AND WINE & CHEESE SCHEDULES ARE OUT. If you signed up to be part of St.E's extraordinary hospitality team, you should have received the new schedule by mail or email. If you haven't, extra copies are available in the back *and* the schedules are posted on the bulletin board. Thank you for helping to make St E's such a welcoming place to worship.

EMERGENCY TRAINING IN CPR & AED - Last Chance! Sign-up sheets will disappear after this weekend. Don't miss this opportunity to learn CPR and AED lifesaving skills from Kevin Shanders, EMS Battalion Chief, PDX Fire & Rescue.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES 2016 CHRISTMAS CARD CONTEST- All students in Kindergarten through Fifth grades are invited to enter a contest to design the cover of Catholic Charities' 2016 Christmas card. Artwork must be submitted to their (Catholic) school or to the parish office by October 13<sup>th</sup>. There are prizes for the winners! Complete instructions are available in the back of the church.

CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOLS OPEN HOUSE DATES:

La Salle: October 9<sup>th</sup>

De La Salle: October 30

Jesuit: October 16

Valley Catholic: October 30

Central Catholic: October 23

UPCOMING DATES TO PUT ON YOUR CALENDAR:

ALL SAINTS' DAY: Tuesday, November 1<sup>st</sup>. Mass at 8:30 am & 7pm.

ALL SOULS' DAY: Wednesday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>. Mass at 8:30 am.

THANKSGIVING DAY MASS: November 24<sup>th</sup> at 10am.

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT: November 27<sup>th</sup>.

15<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL ST. NICHOLAS CELEBRATION: Friday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6pm.

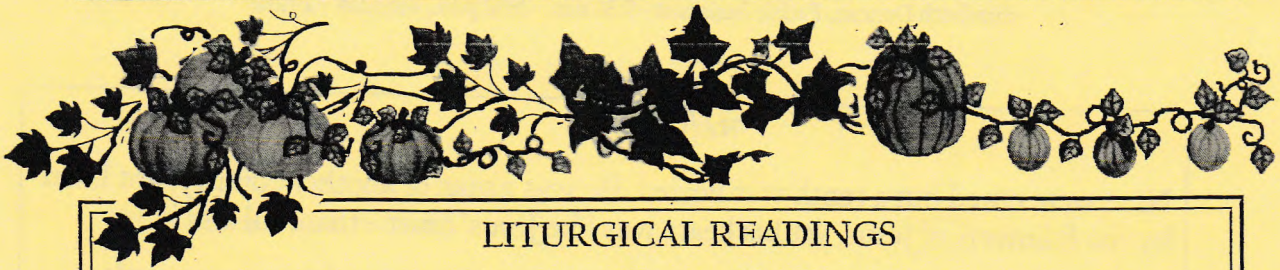
HOSPITALITY FOR NEXT WEEKEND – October 16<sup>th</sup>:

9:00 AM: Mary Adkisson    11:00 AM: Patti & Bill Bucher

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

The episode of the ten lepers follows from the parable of humble service read last Sunday. It again invites us to wonder at the gracious gifts of God. On his journey to Jerusalem, Jesus meets leprosy, an illness which cuts the sufferer off from worship and the presence of others. Like those poor in the psalms who call on the loving tenderness of the God of the covenant, the lepers cry out to the one in whom they discern a savior. In sending them first to those who are qualified to verify a cure, Jesus not only makes them a promise, he also puts their faith to the test. For, at that moment, they are not yet cured. They are healed "on the way," by obeying Jesus' word. Then, filled with joy, but forgetful of the giver, they scatter.

There is one exception, a Samaritan, a foreigner! For him alone the journey of faith is not complete until he returns to the giver of the gift. Jesus continues the dialog by sending him forth once more, this time as a disciple.



#### LITURGICAL READINGS

- Today: *Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time.* 2 Kings 5:14-17/ Psalm 98/  
2 Timothy 2:8-13/ Luke 17:11-19.
- Monday: Galatians 4:22-24, 26-27, 31-5:1/ Psalm 113/ Luke 11:29-32.
- Tuesday: Galatians 5:1-6/ Psalm 119/ Luke 11:37-41.
- Wed: Galatians 5:18-25/ Psalm 1/ Luke 11:42-46.
- Thursday: Ephesians 1:1-10/ Psalm 98/ Luke 11:47-54.
- Friday: Ephesians 1:11-14/ Psalm 33/ Luke 12:1-7.
- Saturday: *St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church.* Ephesians 1:15-23/ Psalm 8/ Luke 12:8-12.
- Next Sun: *Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time.* Exodus 17:8-13/ Psalm 121/ 2 Timothy 3:14-4:2/ Luke 18:1-8.

Collection for last Sunday \$4,943.00. Simple Supper \$446.00 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.

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Reconciliation: Saturday 3:00 p.m.

Baptism and Anointing of the Sick: Contact parish office

Marriage: Six months' notice required

## PARISH STAFF

Rev. James Martin Kolb, C.S.P., Pastor

Elizabeth Duncan, Parish Assistant - 9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m., Monday - Friday

## *Reflection*

Nine were cured but a tenth was healed. He was a man of another country, not liked by the followers of Jesus, yet his heart was like Jesus' heart - thankful and light.

The word 'thanks' can change everything. It is one of the most important words between people who are in ordinary and consistent relationships -- those we love, our co-workers, those we live with -- it is a word that deepens the bond among us.

The Christian heart is a grateful heart. We sometimes find people whose lives are very difficult and disabled on the outside but have a heart of thanks and joy on the inside. They are the people who give thanks for what they have, rather than whine over what they have not.

The thanks of the Samaritan brought him into a sort of unity with Jesus and with the others who looked on him as a foreigner. Thanks can bring enemies together. When we give thanks for the same things, we shatter barriers.

The nine were cured, and probably did well for Jesus in their reports. But the tenth brought the new life of Jesus to others from a grateful heart.

Give thanks this day for the ordinary, for the people who are always there, for the goodness of God. Give thanks, and in giving thanks we will be more like Jesus, the one whose life and words thank God, the Father of us all.