



Pentecost

June 4, 2017

ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

IT'S FOOD SUNDAY! Our baskets are out for Simple Supper and the Food Pantry at Immaculate Heart Parish. Thanks for your generosity.

ST ELIZABETH GOLF SCRAMBLE

Registration Deadline June 10th!

This year the scramble is being held on Sunday, June 25th at Red Tail Golf Course in Beaverton. Registration forms are in the gathering area. Contact Shawn Duffy with any questions and pray for a sunny day!



THE WORD AMONG US for June is available in the gathering area along with the most recent edition of the SENTINEL.

GRIEF RECOVERY WEEKEND- A weekend for those grieving the loss of a marriage by death, divorce or permanent separation, will be held June 23-25 in Milwaukie, Or. The retreat consists of presentations by Beginning Experience team members, periods for private personal reflection and small group sharing. The cost is \$195 and includes lodging for two nights in a double room (single rooms are \$20 extra), meals and resource materials. Contact Judith at 503-949-4592 or Judholtz@gmail.com or visit www.beginningexperienceoforegon.org.

GROUP PHOTO: If there are other children in our parish who are making their First Communion at their school parish, please let the church office know. We'd love to get a group photo of all the kids together.

THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING ERNEST by Oscar Wilde and starring our very own Pat Lach as Lady Bracknell! Theatre in the Grove, Forest Grove, Oregon. Selected dates between June 2-18. See details on the poster in the gathering area.

HOSPITALITY FOR NEXT WEEKEND – June 11th:

9:00 AM – Kevin Shanders 11:00 AM – Ed & Karen McGlone

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

COLLECTION FOR LAST WEEKEND: \$4799.00 Thank you!

“Do not be surprised that I tell you that you must all be begotten from above . . . , but you do not know where it (the wind) comes from or where it goes” (John 3:7-8). Although Luke places the sending forth of the Spirit on Pentecost, fifty days after the Resurrection, John places it on Easter night. Each one, then, has his own way of portraying the glorification of Jesus. For John, this glorification took place when he was raised up on the cross. For both, the Spirit is the fruit of the victory Christ won by his death and resurrection. Pentecost cannot be separated from Easter.

But why must the disciples receive the Spirit? From Luke’s perspective, they must receive the Spirit to be able to speak to all in their proper language and thus inaugurate the universal mission of the Church. John does not say anything different, but he says it in a different way. The apostles are in the upper room with all the doors locked for fear of the Jews. They are afraid and their fear is contagious. They are attentive to every sound outside. They fear arrest. Suddenly, Jesus is there in their midst: “Peace be with you!” Peace is what they lack most in this atmosphere of anxiety. Jesus still carries the marks of his passion. He is there, alive and stronger than death. The doors which were once locked no longer hinder his mission.

The hour is no longer one of self-centered fear. Now is the time to allow Spirit to shatter all barriers and lead the Church where God wills.

LITURGICAL READINGS

- Today: *Pentecost Sunday*. Acts 2:1-11/ Psalm 104/ I Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13/ John 20:19-23.
- Monday: Tobit 1:3; 2:1b-8/ Psalm 112/ Mark 12:1-12.
- Tuesday: Tobit 2:9-14/ Psalm 112/ Mark 12:13-17.
- Wednesday: Tobit 3:1-11a, 16-17/ Psalm 25/ Mark 12:18-27.
- Thursday: Tobit 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17, 8:4-9a/ Psalm 128/ Mark 12:28-34.
- Friday: Tobit 11:5-17/ Psalm 146/ Mark 12:35-37/ 10:1-12.
- Saturday: *Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary*. Tobit 12:1, 5-15, 20/ [Psalm] Tobit 13:2, 6ejgh, 7-8/ Mark 12:38-44.
- Next Sunday: *The Most Holy Trinity*. Exodus 34:4b-6, 8-9/ Daniel 3:52-56 [Psalm] 2 Corinthians 13: 11-13/ John 3:16-18.

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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.

PARISH STAFF

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

Elizabeth Duncan, Parish Assistant

Monday-Friday 9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.



Pentecost is one of the most joyful feasts on the Christian liturgical calendar. For fifty days, the Church has celebrated the great mysteries of Easter, most notably the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Pentecost is the conclusion of the Easter season. Today, the familiar story of Pentecost is the first reading. The Spirit blows through the upper room where the disciples are hiding and, according to tradition, resides over each of them as tongues of fire. The disciples burst forth from that upper room to preach, teach, baptize, and celebrate the Eucharist. Most of them were martyred for their faith. Courage, strength, love, resolve, faith, and conviction were the marks of the apostles as they began their ministry to the known world after that experience of the Holy Spirit in the upper room.

On this Pentecost Sunday, let us ask the Spirit to blow through our Churches and communities. Let us open our hearts, minds, and souls to the presence of the Spirit as tongues of fire over our heads. Let's stop hiding and commit ourselves to living our faith with joy and with the same courage and resolve as did the early Church. From the Spirit each person seeks courage, strength, love, resolve, faith, and conviction. As the apostles burst forth with love and joy, today's Christians are in desperate need of the same energy.