

# THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

March 19, 2017 St. Elizabeth Catholic Church CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION Next Weekend: Your donation will help provide humanitarian aid by resettling displaced individuals and families and advocating on behalf of the most vulnerable. As an example, CRS provides educational opportunities for refugee children including catch-up and remedial classes. Now over 6,000 students in 21 schools are getting the education they need to improve their future and enhance their chances of success. Your donation helps these children on the road of hope. Please take an envelope and return it next week with your donation.

ST ELIZABETH'S RECONCILIATION SERVICE will be held March 25 at 10 AM. St. Elizabeth's first communion/first reconciliation class will make their first reconciliation at this service. Please support our parish children by attending.

<u>LENTEN PRAYER SERVICE /SOUP AND BREAD SUPPERS</u> this Tuesday, March 21st at 6:00 PM. Services and dinners will be held each Tuesday through April 4<sup>th</sup>. We hope that everyone can enjoy at least one of our Tuesday night gatherings during Lent. Mark your calendars! Sign-up sheets for next Tuesday are in the gathering area. Please sign-up!

<u>CHOIR PRACTICE SCHEDULE</u>: Wednesdays March 22, 29 and April 5. Tuesday April 11. All practices run from 6:30-8:30 pm.

<u>SAINT FRANCIS: TROUBADOUR OF GOD'S PEACE</u>: Live drama performed by Sean Tivenan of Saint Luke Productions. Meet the beloved "Little Poor Man of Assisi," whose life and example have continued to draw people to Christ for more than eight centuries. Resurrection Catholic Parish, Sunday, March 19 at 6PM. Potluck Dinner at 4:30 before the show. Admission: free will offering.

## RECONCILIATION SERVICES DURING LENT:

March 22	Wednesday	7PM	St. Francis in Sherwood
March 22	Wednesday	7PM	Holy Family in SE Portland
March 25	Saturday	10AM	St Elizabeth – here!
March 25	Saturday	10AM	Our Lady of the Lake in L.O.
March 28	Tuesday	7PM	St Anthony in Tigard
March 30	Thursday	7PM	St. Clare in SW Portland
April 5	Wednesday	7PM	St. John Fisher in SW Portland
April 5	Wednesday	7PM	St. Cyril in Wilsonville
April 11	Tuesday	7PM	Our Lady of the Lake in L.O.

Hospitality Next Weekend March 25 & 26th

Wine & Cheese: Camille Stark, Virginia Bozich & Janette Peck 9:00AM – Karl & Barbara Wetzel 11:00AM – Tim & Traci Shields It is noon at Jacob's well. Tired from the journey, Jesus stops to rest. The Word of God is hungry and thirsty. He calls a woman and her fellow citizens to faith.

A Samaritan woman comes to the well at the hours when the sun if burning. Perhaps this woman of bad reputation comes at this hour to avoid an encounter. But there is someone sitting by the well. Who is he? He is a Jew, and Jews do not associate with Samaritans. It is an old story of schism and fear of contamination.

In the eyes of Jesus, Samaria is like this woman who has five husbands. It has become a prostitute to the idols. But the Word of God is thirsty. He desires the faith of this woman. He begins playing a game of question and answer with her. By the questions he raises, Jesus breaks through to the heart of this woman. She cannot avoid the question, who is this man who is greater than Jacob? Is he a prophet? Is he possibly the Messiah? Refreshed by the water of life, the Samaritan woman runs to the village, announcing the good news of the mystery of Jesus.

The hunger of the Word has now been satisfied. By introducing the woman to the life of faith, by brining to God true worshipers, Jesus has begun to fulfill his mission. The Samaritans are already on the way. Their adherence to Jesus, the Savior of the world, prefigures the fruitfulness of a gospel preached to the end of the earth.



## LITURGICAL READINGS

Today: Third Sunday of Lent. Exodus 17: 3-7/ Psalm 95/ Romans 5:1-2, 5-8/

John 4:5-42.

Monday: St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. 2 Samuel 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/ Psalm 89/

Romans 4:13, 16-18, 22/ Matthew 1:16, 18-21, 24a.

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

Luke 1:26-38.

Next Sun: The Fourth Sunday of Lent. 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/ Psalm 23/ Ephesians 5:8-

14/John 9:1-41.

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

Holy Week Schedule			
Palm Sunday	April 8 & 9	9AM & 11AM Mass (please arrive 15 minutes early)	
Tuesday	April 11	8:30am Mass	
Wednesday	April 12	8:30am Mass	
Holy Thursday	April 13	8:30am Morning Prayer 7:30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper	
Good Friday	April 14	8:30am Morning Prayer 7:30pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion	
Holy Saturday*	April 15	8:30am Morning Prayers 8:30pm Easter Vigil followed by Celebration!	
Easter Sunday	April 16	9:00am & 11:00am Mass of the Lord's Resurrection	
* On Holy Saturday there are NO 3pm Confessions and no 4pm Mass.			