



TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
OCTOBER 15, 2017

ST. ELIZABETH CATHOLIC CHURCH

COLLECTION FOR PUERTO RICO: Most of us are aware of the great need in Puerto Rico following Hurricane Maria. Nearly a month after the storm hit, 80% of the island is still without power. More than a third of its residents still have no clean drinking water, and much of the island's infrastructure lies in ruins.

How can we help? Consider giving your annual World Mission Contribution to directly help the recovery effort in Puerto Rico. We will have a second collection for the next two weekends to raise money for the efforts of Catholic Relief Services & Catholic Charities who are working together in Puerto Rico to provide food, water and shelter to families who have lost everything. Please make your check payable to "St. Elizabeth Church" or place any cash in the **white envelopes in the pews** (with your name if you'd like a tax deduction) and we'll mail a single check directly to Catholic Charities in Puerto Rico at the end of October.

Of course, you are welcome to give to the World Mission Campaign in lieu of or in addition to Puerto Rico. Please place your donation in the World Mission envelopes available in the gathering area and place it in the regular collection. Thank you for your generosity!

CLOTHING DRIVE FOR THE HOMELESS: Our collection of winter clothing for the homeless begins today. This weekend and next, we will collect women's clothing. Our men's clothing drive will begin October 28th through November 5th. A handout with items most needed is available in the gathering area.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED to help collect the clothes before and after Mass, sort them and carry them to the Little House. If you can help, please contact Jean Horton, 503-297-3789 or jhorton150@comcast.net. Thank you.

ALL SOUL'S MASS – Friday, October 27 at 2:00 PM at Gethsemani Catholic Cemetery Chapel, 11666 SE Stevens Rd., Happy Valley, Oregon 97086. Auxiliary Bishop Peter Smith presiding. All are welcome!

TRANSITION PROJECTS NEEDS MORE VOLUNTEERS! St. Elizabeth's long-standing Ministry at Transition Projects needs additional volunteers for its third Sunday of the month meals. This does not need to be an every month commitment; you can choose the months you are able to commit to serve. For information, contact Mary K. Eilers 503-310-6453 or meilers@comcast.net.

COLLECTION FOR LAST WEEKEND: Regular collection: \$5,891.00
Grand Total collected for Hurricane Harvey Fund: \$7,300.00 **THANK YOU!**

The strange narrative in today's gospel discloses a deeper meaning. The parable sketches in bold strokes the feast of joy and communion to which Israel was first invited. Israel refused to accept the invitation of the prophets and the just ones, even this last invitation offered by Jesus and his apostles. Their city of Jerusalem was destroyed in 70 A.D. by the Romans. The first Christian community took this as the definitive sign that the invitation should be extended to all humanity.

But if "the invited are many, the elect are few." We can be Christian in name, and yet avoid conversion. We can believe that we are invited to the feast of the kingdom, and yet remain indifferent to the empty plates set before so many of the world's children. It is the baptismal life which counts, not the baptismal certificate. That life is the clothing of which Paul speaks. "You must put on that new person created in God's image and whose justice and holiness are born of truth" (Ephesians 4: 24). Without that wedding garment, the wedding invitation counts as nothing in the eyes of the king.

LITURGICAL READINGS

- Today: Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Isaiah 25: 6-10a/ Psalm 23/
Philippians 4: 12-14, 19-20/ Matthew 22: 1-14.
- Monday: Romans 1: 1-7/ Psalm 98/ Luke 11: 29-32.
- Tuesday: St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop & Martyr. Romans 1: 16-25/ Psalm 19/
Luke 11: 37-41.
- Wednesday: St. Luke, Evangelist (Feast). 2 Timothy 4: 10-17b/ Psalm 145/ Luke 10: 1-9.
- Thursday: St. John de Brebeuf & Isaac Jogues, Priests and Companions, Martyrs.
Romans 3: 21-30/ Psalm 130/ Luke 11: 47-54.
- Friday: Romans 4: 1-8/ Psalm 32/ Luke 12: 1-7.
- Saturday: Romans 4: 13, 16-18/ Psalm 105/ Luke 12: 8-12.
- Next Sun: Twentieth-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Isaiah 45: 1, 4-6/ Psalm 96/
1 Thessalonians 1: 1-5b/ Matthew 22: 15-21.

HOSPITALITY FOR NEXT WEEKEND – October 21st & 22ND :

Saturday Wine & Cheese – Linda & Lou Cole

9:00 AM – Maryla & Gregg Kaminski

11:00 AM – Mary Gabelsberger & Seeking 1 Volunteer for this week only!

If you can't fulfill your assignment, please find a replacement. 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.

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PARISH STAFF

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

Elizabeth Duncan, Parish Assistant

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



CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSES:

St. Mary's Academy (Downtown Portland) -- October 15th

Jesuit High School (SW Portland) -- October 22nd

La Salle (Milwaukie) - October 29th

Central Catholic (SE Portland) - November 5th

UPCOMING EVENTS TO GET ON YOUR CALENDAR:

ALL SAINTS' DAY, Wednesday, November 1. Mass at 8:30 am & 7 pm.

ALL SOULS' DAY, Thursday, November 2. Mass at 8:30 am.

83RD ANNUAL VERBOORT SAUSAGE DINNER, Saturday November 4th at
Visitation Catholic Church in Forest Grove.

THANKSGIVING DAY MASS, Thursday, November 23rd at 10 am.

THE TRAVELING CRIB is coming to St Elizabeth for the entire month of
November.

