

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME AUGUST 5, 2018

St. Elizabeth Catholic Church

It's <u>FOOD SUNDAY</u> and our baskets are out for Simple Sunday and the Food Pantry at Immaculate Heart Parish. Thank you for your generosity!

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Wednesday, August 15th. We will celebrate one Mass at 8:30 am in the sanctuary.

FIRST COMMUNION and RCIA CLASSES: Sorry, kids, but August is underway, which means that the beginning of school is just around the corner, which further means that we'd like to get an idea of who's interested in participating in First Communion or RCIA classes at St. Elizabeth. (Whew! That's a mouthful!) If you have a child starting second grade (or higher) this fall who is interested in making his/her First Communion in May 2019 OR if you are interested in becoming Catholic by participating in RCIA classes, please sign-up on the sheets in the gathering area or contact the church office at 503-222-2168 or ed@stelizabethportland.net.

21st WILLIAM BYRD FESTIVAL August 10-26: The festival features masterpieces by the great Renaissance composer, William Byrd (1540-1623) and his European contemporaries. The complete schedule is available in the gathering area. Admission for most events are free; tickets for the August 10 and 26th concerts are \$25 general admission, \$20 seniors and students. Tickets available in advance by phone at 1-800-838-3006 and online at brownpapertickets.com. Remaining tickets will be available at the door.



YES! THERE WILL BE A ST. ELIZABETH GOLF SCRAMBLE!

There's sufficient interest in reviving the scramble and we're working on scheduling it sometime in September. A larger crowd is welcome, so please sign-up and join the fun! All playing levels are encouraged to join. More information will be forthcoming.

END OF SUMMER PICNIC! Saturday, September 15th following 4:00 PM Mass. Save the date and plan to join the fun!

HOSPITALITY NEXT WEEKEND: August 12th:

9:00 AM -- Kay Fagan & Barbara Kitzberger

11:00 AM -- Maura & Diarmuid O'Scannlain

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION: \$3,281.00 THANK YOU!

Today's gospel introduces the long bread of life discourse which follows the multiplication of the loaves in John. This passage seems to reflect the demands of two different groups of people. Those who had witnessed the multiplication of the loaves presume correctly that it is a messianic sign. However, their image of messiah as a political ruler (John 6:14-15) and their expectation of the messianic age as a time of immediate material plenty do not conform to the person and mission of Jesus. The other group seems ignorant to the multiplication of the loaves. They too reflect the popular expectation that God would again supply manna at the Passover which would introduce the messianic age. They demand this very sign. It is the fulfillment of this expectation which the first crowd recognizes in the multiplication of the loaves.

Jesus responds to both groups. From those who look for what is perishable he demands faith in the bread which remains to life eternal. For those who demand the sign of manna he presents himself as the bread which comes from God.

Jesus' response also speaks to us. Our anxiety about what is transitory must yield to concern for the good work of faith. Our hunger for life must be nourished by the real heavenly bread from the Father, the bread which sustains the life of the world (CF. Deut. 8:3).

LITURGICAL READINGS

Today: <u>Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time.</u> Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15/ Psalm 78/

Ephesians 4:17, 20-24/ John 6:24-35.

Monday: The Transfiguration of the Lord. Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14/ Psalm 97/

2 Peter 1:16-19/ Mark 9:2-10.

Tuesday: Jeremiah 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22/ Psalm 102/ Matthew 14:22-36.

Wednesday: St. Dominic, Priest (Memorial). Jeremiah 31:1-7/ [Psalm]

Jeremiah 31: 31:10, 11-12ab, 13/ Matthew 15: 21-28.

Thursday: Jeremiah 31: 31-34/ Psalm 51/ Matthew 16: 13-23.

Friday: St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr (Feast). 2 Corinthians 9:6-10/ Psalm 112/

John 12:24-26.

Saturday: St. Clare, Virgin (Memorial). Hebakkuk 1:12-2:4/ Psalm 9/

Matthew 17:14-20.

Next Sunday: Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time. 1 Kings 19:4-8/ Psalm 34/

Ephesians 4:30-5:2/ John 6:41-51.

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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 – Friday at 8:30 a.m. Reconciliation: Saturday at 3:00

PARISH STAFF

Rev. James M. Kolb, C.S.P., Pastor Elizabeth Duncan, Parish Assistant Monday-Friday 9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Our free-range apples are much more delicious than the store-bought varieties!



Jake some apples -- Make a PIE!