

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 14, 2019

St. Elizabeth Catholic Church

Thank you for all the love, friendship and generosity you showed me on my birthday. Being with you people almost makes it worth getting a year older! I sincerely appreciate your kindness.

Fr. Jim

<u>CPR & AED CLASSES WITH KEVIN SHANDERS</u>: Kevin, a Battalion Chief at Pdx Fire & Rescue, has generously offered to teach a CPR/AED class on SATURDAY, JULY 27TH at 9:00 in the church. This is a great class! Everyone who is physically able should learn these life-saving tools.

CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS! WE NEED YOUR HELP—Especially with Church Linens! There are many ways to get involved and make a difference at St. Elizabeth! Some of these ministries are getting a bit lean in the volunteer department and can use your help. Consider any of the following activities: Hosts for Coffee & Donuts and Wine & Cheese; Church Linens could use some help; Eucharistic Ministers, Hospital Ministers, Transition Projects bimonthly dinners; Greeters; Readers. If you are interested in getting involved or finding out more information, sign up in the gathering area or call Elizabeth in the church office, 503-222-2168.

FR. JIM GALLUZZO'S SPECIAL SUMMER ART SALE BENEFITTING HOMELESS KIDS. Many Portlanders have a soft spot for Fr. Jim Galluzo; here's a way you can support him and Portland's homeless kids. Fr. Jim G is teaming up with a local company to provide backpacks filled with school supplies and clothing for homeless children. The company will provide the backpacks and has offered to match the proceeds from the sale of Fr. Jim G's beautiful works of art at his July show. The money will fund school supplies and clothing the kids will need for the upcoming school year. Please come and participate in this special opportunity to help our local children. Sunday, July 14th 11-4pm at 1314 NW Irving Apt. 512.

Jesus recounts an incident of rural violence in order to respond to the question put by a doctor of the Law: "Who is my neighbor?" This juridicist knew very well that the road to life is to be found through love of God and neighbor, but he wanted a sure and certain rule by which to identify his neighbor. Jesus' anecdote bursts open the narrowness of his concern.

An anonymous traveler, savagely attacked and robbed by bandits, is left for dead in the ditch. One after another, two clerical representatives of Judaism pass by. Neither helps the wounded man. Perhaps they think he's dead; contact with a corpse would render them ritually unclean. It is a Samaritan, a man with supposedly little concern for morality or religion who stops. Encountering someone in need raises no casuistic problem for him. It rends his heart. Obeying no voice but that of compassion, he treats the victim as he would want to be treated. The doctor of Law acknowledges that the Samaritan is the neighbor to the man who fell in with the robbers. It surprises him to find a despised Samaritan identified as the neighbor.

When Christ came to earth, he united himself with wounded humanity. Like a good Samaritan, he took pity on us. "Go and do the same," becoming neighbor to whoever needs you. Jesus forces us to define our neighbor in terms of the other's need, rather than how the other can serve us.

JESUIT VOLUNTEER ENCORPS is currently accepting applications for 2019-2020! JV EnCorps, a program of JVC Northwest, facilitates rewarding opportunities for service, community and spiritual formation for adults 50 and older who are committed to social and ecological justice. During their ten months of volunteer service, participants meet monthly for fellowship, reflection and to explore the values of community, spirituality, simple living and social and ecological justice. Their values arise from the Ignatian Spirituality and JV Encorps is an inclusive and ecumenical community. Priority application deadline is August 31st. Opening Retreat in September. For more information: JVEnCorps@jvcnorthwest.org or www.jvencorps.org.

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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.

HOSPITALITY FOR NEXT WEEKEND -July 21ST:

No Wine & Cheese next week! Just when you were getting used to it being a weekly event, we're going back to every other week!

9:00 AM - Skip & Nita King

11:00 AM - Carol & Ken VanDomelen

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

Collections Last Weekend: \$6,596.00 Simple supper: \$208.00

Catholic Home Missions: \$2,474 (Total to date!)

Thank you for your generosity!

LITURGICAL READINGS

Sunday: Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Deuteronomy 30:10-14/

Psalm 69/ Colossians 1:15-20/ Luke 10:25-37.

Monday: St. Bonaventure, Bishop & Doctor of the Church.

Exodus 1:8-14, 22/ Psalm 124/ Matthew 10:34-11:1.

Tuesday: Exodus 2:1-15a/ Psalm 69/ Matthew 11:20-24.

Wed: Exodus 3:1-6, 9-12/ Psalm 103/ Matthew 11:25-27.

Thursday: Exodus 3:13-20/ Psalm 105/ Matthew 11:28-30. Friday: Exodus 11:10-12:14/ Psalm 116/ Matthew 12:1-8.

Saturday: Exodus 12:37-42/ Psalm 136/ Matthew 12:14-21.

Next Sun: Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Genesis 18:1-10a/ Psalm 15/

Colossians 1:24-28/ Luke 10:38-42.