



Second Sunday In Ordinary Time

January 19, 2020

St. Elizabeth Catholic Church

**CATHOLIC COMMUNICATIONS CAMPAIGN**—This weekend we take a second collection for the Catholic Communications Campaign. This campaign connects people with Christ, both locally and around the world in developing countries, through the internet, television, radio and print media. Fifty percent of funds collected remains in our diocese to fund local communications efforts. Your support helps to spread the gospel message. Please make your contribution payable to “St. Elizabeth Church” with “CCC” on the memo line. Thank you!

**PLEASE PICK UP YOUR OFFERTORY ENVELOPES!** There are 30 assigned boxes left; please pick yours up if you haven't. If you'd like to start using envelopes, *please* do not take envelopes assigned to someone else, instead, contact Elizabeth in the church office: 503-222-2168.

**LOCAL (K-8<sup>th</sup> ) SCHOOLS OPEN HOUSES- SUNDAY, JANUARY 27<sup>TH</sup>:**

St. Clare	Noon to 2:00 pm
St. John Fisher	10:00 to 11:30 am
St. Thomas More	Noon to 2:00 pm
Cathedral	10:00 to 12:30 pm
Holy Family	9:30 am to Noon

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES' 23<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL CELEBRATION OF HOPE:** Saturday, February 29, 2020, 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM. Plan on attending one of Portland's premier social events honoring the transformative work Catholic Charities does every day to help more than 20,000 of our most vulnerable neighbors each year, thanks to you. Tickets and more information available at [catholiccharitiesoregon.org](http://catholiccharitiesoregon.org).

**OREGON MARCH FOR LIFE:** Saturday, Jan. 25, 2020, 2:30pm, Salem State Capitol. Join hundreds of Oregonians at the steps of the Oregon Capitol, marking 47 years of nationally-legal abortion. The band will begin playing at 2:15pm with the speakers at 2:30pm. The Oregon March for Life will begin immediately following. Dr. Karen Gaffney will be the keynote speaker. She is president of the Karen Gaffney Foundation, a non-profit organization headquartered in Portland “dedicated to championing the journey to full inclusion for people with Down Syndrome and other disabilities.

**ALL AT THE TABLE:** The 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Portland Jobs with Justice Faith Labor Breakfast will be held on February 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:15 AM at St. Andrew Catholic Church (806 NE Alberta). Tickets are \$20 per person ( no one will be turned away if unable to pay).

Faithful to his role as precursor, John the Baptist turns the attention of the people of Jerusalem away from himself. They are forced to inquire who he means when he says: "There are those among you whom you do not recognize." (John 1:26). John himself is the "voice" of the "Word" whom he precedes. (John 1:23).

According to Jewish tradition, the Messiah had to remain hidden until Elijah anointed him and publicly revealed him to Israel. On the day on which John baptized his cousin Jesus he recognized him as the Messiah and gave witness. He saw the Spirit of God come down upon Jesus in the Jordan. Enlightened by the scriptures, he recognized in him the Lamb of God, the Servant of God chosen to baptize in the Spirit. "This is God's chosen One." (John 1:34).

In presenting Jesus, the Fourth Gospel announces the baptism of death, which he must receive to take away the sin of the world. But it also suggests Christ's superiority and divine pre-existence which are recognized by the Baptist: "he was before me." (John 1:30).

There are two ways in which this gospel to Jesus Christ can be emptied of its meaning. We can raise Jesus up to the heavens, proclaiming him an inaccessible God whose salvation is confined to eternity. Or we can abase him, seeing in him nothing more than a compassionate human being. We can totally identify the Christ with neither earth nor heaven.

"Because of his infinite love he became what we are, in order to perfect us to be what he is." (*Irenaeus of Lyons, Adv. Haer., V. praef.; cf. 2 Cor 5:21*).

**HONORING MARTIN LUTHER KING** (His legacy means much more than a three-day weekend):

"In recent years, we have seen disturbing outbreaks of racism and prejudice against other groups. There has been a rise of anti-Semitic attacks and also ugly displays of white nationalism, nativism, and violence targeting Hispanics and other immigrants. Such bigotry is not worthy of a great nation. As Catholics and as Americans, we must reject every form of racism and anti-Semitism."

"Let us honor the memory of Rev. King by returning to what he called 'the best in the American dream and the most sacred values in our Judeo-Christian heritage.' Let us commit ourselves once more to building his 'beloved community,' an America where all men and women are treated as children of God, made in his image and endowed with dignity, equality, and rights that can never be denied, no matter the color of their skin, the language they speak, or the place they were born."

*-Excerpts from a Statement by Archbishop José H. Gomez of Los Angeles, president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops.*

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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.  
Baptism and Anointing of the Sick: Please call the parish office.  
Marriage: Six months' notice required.



COLLECTION: Last Sunday \$3,764.00 Simple Supper: \$200.00 THANK YOU!

## HOSPITALITY FOR NEXT WEEKEND- January 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>:

Saturday Wine & Cheese: Eileen & Mike Davey

9:00 AM – Eileen & Perry Broughton 11:00 AM – Tiffany & Skyy Pham

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

## LITURGICAL READINGS

Today: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time. Isaiah 49:3, 5-6/ Psalm 40/  
1 Corinthians 1:1-3/ John 1:29-34.  
Monday: 1 Samuel 15:16-23/ Psalm 50/ Mark 2:18-22.  
Tuesday: St. Agnes, Virgin & Martyr (Memorial). 1 Samuel 16:1-13/ Psalm 89/  
Mark 2:23-28.  
Wednesday: 1 Samuel 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/ Psalm 144/ Mark 3:1-6.  
Thursday: 1 Samuel 18:6-9; 19:1-7/ Psalm 56/ Mark 3:7-12.  
Friday: St. Francis de Sales, Bishop & Doctor of the Church (Memorial).  
1 Samuel 24:3-21/ Psalm 57/ Mark 3:13-19.  
Saturday: The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle. Acts 22:3-16/ Psalm 117/  
Mark 16:15-18.  
Next Sun: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time. Isaiah 8:23-9:3/ Psalm 27/ 1  
Corinthians 1:10-13, 17/ Matthew 4:12-23.