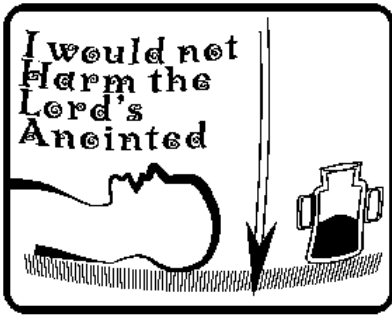


February 24, 2019
Ordinary Time
Seventh Sunday



Love Your Enemies

This Sunday Luke's account of the sermon on the plain continues. The challenge set before us is even more demanding than last week's - the Beatitudes. In the gospel we are called to "love your enemies." David shows us something of this love by not taking an opportunity to kill his enemy Saul. Paul reminds us that Jesus' call and challenges become possible only for those who remember that they are made in the image of God.

Today's Bulletin is printed in memory of Emmie & George Michalec sponsored by their family.

Flowers for the altar this weekend are donated by Donna & Tommy Perez in thanksgiving to God on the occasion of their Silver Wedding Anniversary.

MASS INTENTIONS

Friday, March 1
8:00 a.m. Donald Michalec
Saturday, March 2
6:30 p.m. The Deceased of the Veronica & John Patek Family
Sunday, March 3
6:30 a.m. Evelyn & Walter Schoenvogel
9:30 a.m. The Deceased of the Ella & Frank Kloesel Family

PREPARING FOR SUNDAY LITURGY

Next weekend is *The Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time*. Prepare for the liturgy by reflecting on these passages from your Bible.
First Reading: Sirach 27:4-7
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 92
Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:54-58
Gospel: Luke 6:39-45

Bulletin Sponsorship Available:
March 3, 10, 17 & 24

The Sanctuary Light will be lit this week in memory of Jewel & Cecil Castro.

LENTEN BULLETIN BOARD

Ash Wednesday – March 6
Mass Schedule:
St. Joseph's, Moulton – 8:15 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.
St. Mary's, Praha – 5:30 p.m.

Stations of the Cross - Fridays of Lent, 6:00 p.m.
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Fridays of Lent, 8:30 – 9:30 a.m.

Lenten Fish Fry
Ash Wednesday and Fridays of Lent

Lenten Bible Study
The group will meet once a week.
Contact Anna Bartos at 361.798.0999.

Lenten Fasting and Almsgiving
As Jesus' disciples we have a responsibility to care for our brothers and sisters at home and in all nations. The Season of Lent provides us the opportunity to help those in need.

Second Collection (Rice Bowl)
All Sundays of Lent and Easter Sunday

Lenten Food Drive
We will once again be collecting canned goods for our less fortunate brothers and sisters.



Fr. James J. Duplissey of Cross Catholic Outreach will be visiting St. Joseph's, Moulton and St. Mary's, Praha next weekend to speak at all the Masses on behalf of the poor in developing countries. Cross Catholic Outreach was founded to create a meaningful link between parishes in America and the priests and nuns working in the Church overseas in the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, Central America and South America.

THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY – Gold Star Club Meets, 3:30-5:30 p.m. YMC
TUESDAY – Quilting Group Meets, Quilting Room
WEDNESDAY – Champions Club Meets, 3:30-5:30 p.m., YMC
THURSDAY – Quilting Group Meets, Quilting Room
– KC Bingo, 7:30 p.m., Moulton Oaks Hall
FRIDAY – First Friday Eucharistic Adoration, 8:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m., Family Room
– Parish Office closed on Fridays. For any Pastoral Needs call the Parish Office at any time.

Praha Pancake Sunday – Next Sunday

All are welcome.
A free will donation is appreciated.

REFLECTION

Called To Love Enemies

The schooling of the disciples continues. Here we see that such schooling is intent on changing the way we think as well as the way we act. Perhaps one of the most difficult lessons to learn in this area is forgiveness of those we consider our enemies, those who have wronged us. As challenging as this may be, the gospel calls us to an even higher standard: we must be merciful as God is merciful. If such perfection can become a reality in our lives, we will be able to forgive. Paul assures us that we can indeed attain such perfection, not by ourselves but through the power of the risen Lord, whose image we bear.

Paul plays with this theology of creation. In the beginning we were made like the first Adam, earthly, limited, weak, concerned about the things of this world, and committed to our own well-being. Now we have been fashioned after the image of the second Adam, Christ, the risen Lord. Being like Christ, we become godlike. Transformed with him into new beings, it is now in our power, which is really the power of the resurrection, to be merciful as God is merciful. We can live without retaliation; we can render good for evil. We can live with others without unfairly judging them. We can be like God, boundless in our forgiveness. When we are transformed, God becomes the source of our spiritual power. From now on, all our actions flow from this new reality.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Feb. 24 – Caroline Freytag
 Feb. 25 – Richard Kalisek, Victoria Simper, Alicia Valadez
 Feb. 26 – Cecil Wood, Jr.
 Feb. 27 – Stephen Moeller
 Feb. 28 – Marvin Dornak, Daniel Jasek, Kenneth Zidek
 Mar. 1 – Doris Foster, Donald Rothbauer,
 Georgia Roznovsky

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

Today – C.C.D.
Feb. 25 – K-2nd Grade After School Program
Feb. 27 – 3rd-6th Grade After School Program
 – 9th-11th Grade C.C.D.
Mar. 2 – 7th Grade Leads the Saturday Evening Rosary
Next Sunday – C.C.D.



Congratulations
Donna & Tommy Perez
 on your Silver Wedding Anniversary
 February 26, 2019

Altar Society Noodle Soup Dinner Today



Come out and support the ladies – they do so much for the Church. Raffle tickets available for a quilt and other prizes.

FIRST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

8:30-9:30 am – Doris Foster, Sharon Etlinger
 9:30-11:00 a.m. – Anna & Michael Fishbeck
 11:00-11:30 a.m. – Cindy Cinadr, Barbara Hermes
 11:30-12:00 p.m. – Nancy Sivyer, *open*
 12:00-12:30 p.m. – Mary Ann Wenske, Nancy Sivyer
 12:30-1:00 p.m. – Scott Wenske, James Wenske
 1:00-2:00 p.m. – Maria Kloesel, *open*
 2:00-3:00 p.m. – Lisa Rothbauer, *open*
 3:00-3:30 p.m. – Cynthia Beran, Linda Pilat
 3:30-4:00 p.m. – Linda Pilat, Cathy Wenske
 4:00-4:30 p.m. – Mike Janecek, *open*
 4:30-5:00 p.m. – Rose Rothbauer, Mike Janecek
 5:00-6:00 p.m. – Angie Jalufka, *open*

Come spend some time in prayer before the Lord.

DIOCESAN OFFICE OF SAFE ENVIRONMENT

For information on reporting procedures for suspected or known sexual abuse of a minor (person under 18 years of age) or vulnerable adult by a member of the clergy go to the Diocese of Victoria website at www.dioceseofvictoria.org or St. Joseph's website at www.stjosephsmoulton.org.

LENTEN FISH FRY

Plans are being finalized for our Annual Lenten Fish Fry. As part of our Lenten sacrifice we participate in and support the Lenten Fish Fry. All proceeds from the Fry go to charity. It is a way of reaching out in compassion and ministering to others.



Consider baking a cake(s) - we need at least 20 cakes for every Fish Fry, or making a monetary offering to support this noble cause. To help, fill out the form below and drop it in the collection basket or mail slot.

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Name: _____

Telephone: _____

Yes, I can bake a cake(s) on the following day(s):

___ Mar. 6 ___ Mar. 8 ___ Mar. 15 ___ Mar. 22

___ Mar. 29 ___ Apr. 5 ___ Apr. 12

My Monetary Donation: \$ _____

I Can Help Where Needed