

March 3, 2019
Ordinary Time
Eighth Sunday



Jesus turns to short parables as he continues to teach the disciples on the plain. The disciples hear how their teacher will train them in his ways, how they should not judge another person when sin remains in them; and how trees are known by the fruit they bear – a direct connection to the First Reading from Sirach.

We hear Jesus speak what we could consider obvious tautology: good comes from good and evil from evil. We speak what is in our heart – let that be goodness!

Today's Bulletin is printed in memory of Dorothy Barta sponsored by the Doris Simper Family.

MASS INTENTIONS

Wednesday, March 6

8:15 a.m. For The Youth of the Parish

7:00 p.m. For the Welfare of the Parish

Thursday, March 7

10:30 a.m. Shady Oaks – For the Residents & Staff

Friday, March 8

8:00 a.m. Donald Michalec

Saturday, March 9

6:30 p.m. Dorothy & Eugene Barta

Sunday, March 10

6:30 a.m. Fr. Casimir (Casey) Jarzombek

9:30 a.m. Deacon Milburn Kram

PREPARING FOR SUNDAY LITURGY

Next weekend is *The First Sunday of Lent*. Prepare for the liturgy by reflecting on these passages from your Bible.

First Reading: Deuteronomy 26:4-10


Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 91

Second Reading: Romans 10:8-13

Gospel: Luke 4:1-13

Bulletin Sponsorship Available: March 10, 17 & 24
Mass Bookings Available: March 13, 14, 15, 17 (6:30 a.m.)

The Sanctuary Light
will be lit this week
in memory of Linda & Juan Perez.



Cross Catholic OUTREACH

We welcome Fr. James J. Duplissey of Cross Catholic Outreach to St. Joseph's, Moulton and St. Mary's, Praha. Fr. Duplissey is speaking this weekend 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.

ST. JOSEPH'S SOCIAL CENTER



We are very grateful to the following for their recent donation to the St. Joseph's Social Center Fund:

Donation In Memory of John Lewis Beran
The John Lewis Beran Family - \$65
(previously donated, \$2,000)

Total amount donated towards the Social Center Fund so far - **\$451,971.42**. Thank you for your generosity and support. To make a tax deductible contribution contact the Parish Office.

THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY – Gold Star Club Meets, 3:30-5:30 p.m. YMC

TUESDAY – Quilting Group Meets, Quilting Room

WEDNESDAY – *Ash Wednesday, see Mass schedule.*

Distribution of Ashes to the Homebound and to the Residents of the Nursing Home.

– Champions Club Meets, 3:30-5:30 p.m., YMC

– Fish Fry, serving begins at 5:00 p.m., Social Center

THURSDAY – Quilting Group Meets, Quilting Room

– KC Bingo, 7:30 p.m., Moulton Oaks Hall

FRIDAY – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament After Mass

– Stations of the Cross, 6:00 p.m. Church

– Fish Fry, serving begins at 5:00 p.m., Social Center

– Parish Office closed on Fridays. For any Pastoral

Needs call the Parish Office at any time.

Praha Pancake Sunday – Today

All are welcome.

A free will donation is appreciated.

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.

REFLECTION

The Zeal of the Disciples

Today's gospel provides a perfect conclusion to winter Ordinary Time and a helpful beginning of Lent. Both teachers, Sirach and Jesus speak wisdom that is straight to the point. – Speech betrays character – Sirach warns in the first reading, as fruit shows how healthy the tree is.

Jesus calls those who are overly concerned with the flaws of others hypocrites. It is often much easier to recognize what changes someone else needs to make than to address our own faults and failings.

Jesus condemns people who act in a way that is not true to themselves. Pretending to be something other than what one is, Jesus is telling us, is unworthy of his followers.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Mar. 3 – Lilia Hernandez
Mar. 4 – Eugene Kresta
Mar. 5 – Stephanie Fojtik
Mar. 6 – Jessica Fikac, Regina Kleihege, Jacob Simper
Mar. 8 – Toby Rothbauer
Mar. 9 – Georgia Berckenhoff, Manuela Perez

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Mar. 5 – Roberta & Daniel Mejias

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

Today – C.C.D.

Mar. 4 – K-2nd Grade After School Program

Mar. 6 – 3rd-6th Grade After School Program
– 9th-11th Grade C.C.D.

Mar. 9 – 5th Grade Leads the Saturday Evening Rosary

Next Sunday – * Youth Mass (10th Grade); C.C.D.

* All K-11th Grade C.C.D. Students are reminded to be in their classrooms by 9:15 a.m. so they can process into Church with their teacher and classmates.

LENTEN FISH FRY

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.

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

LENTEN BULLETIN BOARD

Ash Wednesday Mass Schedule

St. Joseph's, Moulton: 8:15 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

St. Mary's, Praha: 5:30 p.m.

"Come and admit you are a sinner in need of redemption" is hardly an invitation the typical American would find favorable. The power of Ash Wednesday however, calls believers to their place of worship in droves to confess their sin, and even to wear a public sign of their repentance.



The blessing and administration of ashes opens this season of sorrow and mercy. Ash Wednesday has been observed throughout the universal church for over nine hundred years. It invites the baptized faithful into a spirit of repentance. Even those who do not frequent the Mass come to express their sorrow and to receive the symbol of repentance. This is a day of fast and abstinence. The faithful are asked to abstain from meat today. That includes poultry but not fish and seafood. Still, the idea is to eat simply, not lavishly as a sign of self-denial and repentance.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for an hour after Mass for adoration and personal prayer on Fridays of Lent and all-day on the First Friday of the month. This could be a good substitute if you cannot participate in the devotion of the Stations of the Cross on Friday evenings.

Stations of the Cross: Fridays of Lent, 6:00 p.m.

Lenten Bible Study: Contact Anna Bartos

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.*

***Lenten Food Drive:** Leave your canned goods for the needy at the main entrance to Church.

***Lenten Second Collection (Rice Bowl):**
Begins next Sunday.

Lenten Fish Fry: As part of our Lenten sacrifice we participate 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) for dessert making a monetary offering to support this noble cause.

Fish Fry Donations: We thank the following for their contributions to the Fish Fry.

Anonymous Donor - \$50

Fish Fry Ash Wednesday & Fridays of Lent - \$10 per plate

Ash Wednesday Menu: Fish, Hush Puppies, Roasted Red Potatoes, Green Beans, Dessert

Next Friday's Menu: Fish, Hush Puppies, Rice Pilaf, Cole Slaw, Dessert

* 20 desserts are needed for every Fish Fry.