# **Sixth Sunday of Easter**



# The Time of Presence in Absence

Jesus' time on earth was very brief. He spent only a little time among us, but in that time he taught us about the Father and passed on to us the assurance of his love, as well as the knowledge of how to respond to it. Loving the Lord and keeping his word are the same thing. Jesus is the Word of God. To receive the Word is to receive the Father and the Son, since it testifies to their presence.

Today's Bulletin is in memory of Patricia Berckenhoff sponsored by Dennis Berckenhoff & Family.

Flowers for the Altar this weekend are donated in thanksgiving to God by the Beran Family (Reunion).

## **MASS INTENTIONS**

Wednesday, May 29

8:00 a.m. Bishop Charles V. Grahmann,

Msgr. Thomas C. McLaughlin

Thursday, May 30

8:00 a.m. Fr. Charles Sonnier, Fr. Joseph Vrana

Friday, May 31

8:00 a.m. Special Intention – Allan Butschek

Saturday, June 1

6:30 p.m. Filomena Blaschke

Sunday, June 2

6:30 a.m. Evelyn & Walter Schoenvogel 9:30 a.m. Willie Mae & Leonard G. Darilek

## PREPARING FOR SUNDAY LITURGY

Next weekend is *The Ascension of the Lord*. Prepare for the liturgy by reflecting on these passages from your Bible.

First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 1:1-11

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 47 Second Reading: Ephesians 1:17-23

**Gospel: Luke 24:46-53** 

# Teen A.C.T.S. Retreat July 18 – 21

Forms available at the main entrance to church.

Remember the sick in your prayers this week, especially LaSher Hajek Bartay, Allan Butschek and Wayne Krejci.

The Sanctuary Light will be lit this week in memory of Rosie, Joe, Leroy & Allen Fishbeck.

# **MEMORIAL DAY- MAY 27, 2019**



## Taps

Day is done, gone the sun from the lake, from the hill, from the sky.

All is well, safely rest. God is nigh.

Thanks and praise for our days 'neath the sun, 'neath the stars, 'neath the sky.

As we go, this we know, God is nigh.

We remember and pray for the men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom. We also pray for those serving our country now at home and abroad.

Memorial Day Service, Monday, May 27, 9:30 a.m., at the City Cemetery

## ST. JOSEPH'S SOCIAL CENTER

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

Alma & Santiago Ibarra - \$160

# STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Seven Stations of the Cross have been refurbished as part of the ongoing maintenance of the church. The seven others will be taken down to be worked on. Later some of the statues will be sent off for repair also. We thank Patricia Lombardo for her donation of \$5,000 and the Altar Society for their donation of \$5,000 towards the refurbishment.

## **CHURCH ROOF REPAIRS**

This week work on the church roof will begin. The ridge cap will be replaced and new downspouts will be placed on the steeple due to Hurricane Harvey damage. Later the brickwork will be tuckpointed to prevent moisture from damaging the inside walls. This project is being undertaken under the direction of the Diocesan office.

## **SPECIAL FATHER'S DAY MASS – JUNE 16**

To have your father specially remembered in the Mass Intention of the day, drop the attached Father's Day envelope in the collection, drop slot or mail by June 11.

#### THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY – Memorial Day, Parish Office Closed.

TUESDAY – Quilting Group Meets, Quilting Room

THURSDAY – Quilting Group Meets, Quilting Room

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

FRIDAY– Parish Office closed on Fridays. For any

Pastoral emergency, call the Parish Office at any time.

# **REFLECTION**

## A New Manner of Living In Christ's Peace

What must we do to be saved? The question put to Jesus centuries ago is still asked today, and the answer is still the same. We must believe and we must love God and love one another as Jesus loved us. This sounds so simple, and yet it is so radical. The resurrection of Jesus has radically transformed the way we live together and the way we live with God. It has assured us that regardless of outward appearances we have even here and now a foretaste of this heavenly city, if we but choose to live in the power of the resurrection. We will be recognized as resurrection people by our active faith and our unselfish love.

The final gift Jesus promises to give is his own peace. This cannot be a reference to safety from distress because the one who promises it is the one who faced humiliation and crucifixion. The peace Jesus bestows is a peace he has won by overcoming sin and death. It issues from the union Jesus enjoys with God, a union we are now invited to share. It is a peace in which we can rest even while in the throes of life's struggles. Jesus bequeaths his peace on us just after he has assured us that God will send the Spirit to be with us in his absence. This is the greatest of his farewell gifts.

# **HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

May 26 – Adela Beran

May 27 – Albin Lamza, Eugene Trejo

May 2 – Hanna Beyer, Kyle Trejo

May 29 – Angeline Jalufka, Nick Rapoza

May 30 – Cecelia Fikac, Alvin Kocian, Joyce Luksovsky

May 31 – Damon Billimek, Bryan Gomez,

Elisabeth Manzano, Taylor Nichols, Eugene Pilat

Jun. 1 – Bradley Anderle, Brandon DeHoyos, Dillon Fojtik, Diana Darilek Kloesel, Carla Meisetschleager, Ted Wenske

# **HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!**

May 27 – Donna & Kevin Sturm

# YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

**May 29** – 11<sup>th</sup> Grade C.C.D.

June 8/9 – Confirmation Retreat / Confirmation

July 8-12 – \*Vacation Bible School

**C.C.D. Registration:** Many parents have not yet submitted the Registration Forms for the 2019-2020 C.C.D. Year. *Turn in your forms to avoid late registration fees.* 

**29**<sup>th</sup> **Annual Vacation Bible School July 8-12:** The program is open to young people of our community, age 4 through Fourth Grade. Students in Fifth Grade may volunteer to help. Additional registration forms available at the Church entrance, Parish Office and on our website www.stjosephsmoulton.org.

Registration deadline is May 31st.

## THE FEAST OF ASCENSION



The feast of Ascension which is traditionally celebrated forty days counting from Easter will be celebrated on Sunday, June 2 in the Diocese of Victoria.

## FISH FRY UPDATE

Our Annual Lenten Fish Fry Fundraiser was a huge success. We thank all parishioners for their participation in the Lenten Fish Fry Project. Special thanks to the following: the community members for their support, Donna & Tommy Perez for coordinating the project, Dolores Scott for coordinating the desserts, Hair By Nina and Fishbeck's (gas station) for letting us put the signs at their businesses, the C.C.D. youth, the parishioners who baked desserts and/or gave up their Friday afternoons to make this possible. It was good to see many people so dedicated and willing to help. As in the past the proceeds will go to help members of our community and our other charities. Once again thanks to all who participated in our Parish Lenten Project.

# Plates-to-go June 12, 5-7 p.m., St. Joseph's Social Center

4 pc. Fried Chicken & Trimmings, \$10 per plate. Proceeds to benefit CDA projects.

**Catholic Daughters June Social,** June 18 at Kloesel's Steakhouse. This is our yearly social for all the Moulton CDA members to gather and have a good time together. Contact Kathy Fishbeck (361-772-2001) or Sharon Etlinger (361-772-2618) by June 12 if you plan to attend.

## PRAHA PANCAKE SUNDAY – NEXT SUNDAY



# ALWAYS THE FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

Join us in the Praha Hall for pancakes, scrambled eggs, breakfast meats, juice, coffee & milk. All are welcome.

A free will donation is appreciated.

# **UPCOMING PICNICS**

Today – Sacred Heart Spring Picnic, Hallettsville

- Shiner Catholic Church Spring Picnic, Shiner

June 2 – Sacred Heart Spring Picnic, Flatonia

June 8 – Kolache Klobase Festival, East Bernard

June 9 – St. Rose Church Picnic, Schulenburg

- St. Mary's Parish Picnic, St. Mary's

August 15 – Praha Church Picnic, Praha

September 15 – Moulton Church Picnic