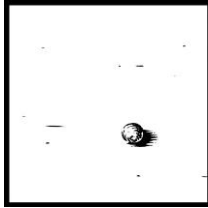


October 6, 2019

Ordinary Time
Twenty-seventh Sunday



If you have the faith the size of a Mustard Seed ...

Stir the Flame of Faith

Faith is the theme in each of today's sacred texts. The prophet Habakkuk had grown frustrated with the lack of faith evidenced in his people's behavior and response to God. He was assured, however, that God hears prayers and never disappoints and that while rash people have no integrity, the just, because of their faith, shall live.

The disciples, fearing they did not have the faith to meet the challenges of discipleship, begged, *Increase Our Faith*. Faith is not quantifiable in terms of pounds. Nevertheless, it is the power that inspires us, enables us to not lose heart and keeps us mindful of God's abiding presence.

Today's Bulletin is sponsored in memory of
Annie & Bill Steinocher by their family.

Flowers for the Altar this weekend
are donated in memory of
the Deceased of the Seidenberger & Kurtz Families.

MASS INTENTIONS

Thursday, October 10

8:00 a.m. Janie & Edward Hajek

Friday, October 11

8:00 a.m. The Deceased of the K.J.Z.T. Society #14

Saturday, October 12

6:30 p.m. Alice & George Cinadr

Sunday, October 13

6:30 a.m. Sophie & August Kasper

9:30 a.m. Lillie & Henry Dornak

PREPARING FOR SUNDAY LITURGY

Next weekend is *The Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time*. Prepare for the liturgy by reflecting on these passages from your Bible.

First Reading: 2 Kings 5:14-17

Responsorial Psalm: 98

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 2:8-13

Gospel: Luke 17:11-19

The Sanctuary Light will be lit this week in memory of
Sheryl Simper Janak & Robert Simper Sr.

ST. JOSEPH'S SOCIAL CENTER UPDATE

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

In Memory of Glenn Michal

Barbara & Dennis Janak - \$20

Barbara & Eugene Anderle - \$20

In Memory of Lexie Pavlicek - \$100

Rebecca Cultra

ST. JOSEPH'S MEMORIAL FUND

In Memory of Adolph Konkaba Jr.

Martha & James Horecka

ST. JOSEPH'S CEMETERY FUND

In Memory of Glenn Michal

Lorene & Dennis Fishbeck

CHURCH SOCIETY NEWS

The Confraternity of Christian Mothers is sponsoring a public square Rosary at the Gazebo downtown at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 12. The Rosary, held in conjunction with America Needs Fatima, will include Rosary Congress intentions. For more information, please call Mary Ann Wenske at 596-7085.

Altar Society members are accepting raffle prizes for the raffle held in conjunction with the Annual Noodle Soup Dinner in February. Contact Bernice Ellinghausen (596-7721) to donate prizes.

WOMEN'S A.C.T.S. RETREAT – OCTOBER 10-13

We would like to invite you to join us for a life-changing weekend. This experience is sponsored by the Sacred Heart Deanery and will take place at Cathedral Oaks in Weimar. It will be an opportunity for spiritual renewal and the making of many friends. Applications can be found at all church entrances. For more information contact Lindsey Kirkland.

THE WEEK AHEAD

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

WEDNESDAY – Christian Mothers Prayers, Family Room

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

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

FRIDAY – Rosary Congress Eucharistic Adoration, 8:30

a.m. – 6:00 p.m., Family Room

– Parish Office closed on Fridays. For any Pastoral emergency call the Parish Office at any time.

PRAHA PANCAKE SUNDAY – TODAY

A free will donation is appreciated.

**Remember the sick in your prayers
this week, especially Annette Raab.**

Area Picnics Today – Flatonia & Hostyn

REFLECTION

The Service of Faith

The second part of the Gospel this Sunday does not speak specifically of faith but of *disinterested service*.

In the parable the Servant was doing double duty. Ordinarily, in the ancient world, a person who owned servants designated their allotted tasks; some labored in the fields while others were assigned domestic duties. Even with the heavy burden he was doing no more than was expected of him as a servant. Therefore, he should not have expected even an expression of gratitude from his master.

Jesus' point is clear; those who accept God's gift of faith and the relationship that flows from it are to consider themselves *servants*, no more, no less. The issue in this parable is not how the Master treats the servant but how the Servant understands his role. God is God and Master; we are creatures and servants. Faith affords us the insight to understand who we are, servants in the manner of Jesus, who assumed the role of the servant who suffered, washed the feet of his own, and ministered to sinners. With this example in mind, the implications of the parable are clear. Even if our actions never cause scandal and we forgive those who wrong us on every occasion, we are doing no more than our duty. Our discipleship calls us to keep stirring into flame the gift of faith. This is our duty and honor.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

- Oct. 6 – Beth Gaertner, Chris Rebecke
- Oct. 8 – Clayton Chaloupka
- Oct. 9 – George Holub Sr., Jerome Raabe Jr., Gabriel Kloesel
- Oct. 11 – Daniel Beyer, David Beyer, Aaron Gaertner, Irene Portales
- Oct. 12 – Kristi Anderle, Lillian Fojtik

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

- Oct. 6 – Maria & Chad Kloesel
- Oct. 7 – Betty & Dennis Kloesel
- Oct. 8 – Karen & Calvin Pilat
– Mildred & William Pilat
- Oct. 9 – Kathy & Michael Seale
– Congratulations Mary Alice & Randy Lewkoski on your 15th Wedding Anniversary
- Oct. 10 – Gernadette & Phillip Geissen
- Oct. 11 – Linda & Michael Mikulencak
– Lisa & David Rothbauer

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

- Today** – C.C.D.
- Oct. 7** – After School Program, Grades K-2
- Oct. 9** – After School Program, Grades 3-6
– C.C.D./Rosary Congress Rosary, Grades 9 -11
- Oct. 12** – 10th Grade Leads the Saturday Evening Rosary
- Next Sunday** – C.C.D. /Rosary Congress Living Rosary

RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY

Respect Life Sunday is celebrated today. The purpose is to raise consciousness and provide resources on various issues that affect the dignity of human life from conception to natural death.

We pray for – and renew our resolve to bring about – a culture of life and an end to the killing of innocent human beings, especially those who are vulnerable due to age, size, health or dependency.

DIOCESAN ROSARY CONGRESS OCTOBER 6 – 13, 2019

Bishop Cahill has announced a Diocesan Rosary Congress throughout the Diocese of Victoria (October 6-13), a time of intense prayer before our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament using the Holy Rosary to pray in reparation for the recent scandals in the Church and imploring God's mercy on our country. The theme for this period of prayer comes from St. John Paul II, – Pope: *To contemplate the face of Christ with Mary*. The Congress will open with a Mass at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Victory, Victoria at 6:00 p.m.

The Moulton and Praha parishes will participate in the Rosary Congress as follows. All societies and parishioners are encouraged to join in the celebrations.

St. Joseph's, Moulton Parish:

- Oct. 9** – High School C.C.D. classes will recite the rosary.
- Oct. 11** – Mass at 8:00 a.m. and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 6:00 p.m.

- Oct. 12** – Public Square Rosary held in conjunction with America Needs Fatima will include Rosary Congress intentions, 9:00 a.m., at the Gazebo downtown.

– Saturday evening rosary and Mass

- Oct. 13** – Living Rosary with C.C.D. Students

St. Mary's, Praha Parish:

- Oct. 8** - Holy Hour Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with the recitation of the Holy Rosary and Benediction 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Rosary Congress Eucharistic Adoration

- 8:30-9:30 a.m. – Karin Filipp, Doris Foster
- 9:30-11:00 a.m. – Anna & Michael Fishbeck
- 11:00-11:30 a.m. – Donna Sturm, *adorer needed*
- 11:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. – Barbara Hermes, Nancy Sivyver, Joyce Pavlicek, Gussie Machalec
- 12:00-12:30 p.m. – Nancy Sivyver, Joyce Pavlicek, Gussie Machalec, Mary Ann Wenske
- 12:30-1:00 p.m. – Mary Ann Wenske, *adorer needed*
- 1:00-2:00 p.m. – Maria Kloesel, *adorer needed*
- 2:00-3:00 p.m. – Lisa Rothbauer, Sunni Hosemann
- 3:00-4:00 p.m. – Linda Pilat, *adore needed*
- 4:00-5:00 p.m. – Rose Rothbauer, Mike Janecek
- 5:00-6:00 p.m. – Angie Jalufka, James Wenske, Deacon Kenneth Fishbeck