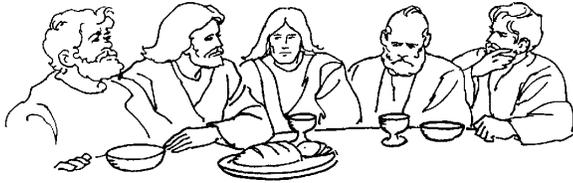


May 10, 2020

### Fifth Sunday of Easter



### Anything is Possible

Today's Gospel brings us back to the table of the Last Supper. Here, Jesus in preparing his disciples for his return to the Father, asks them to have faith in God; have faith also in him. The disciples are invited through faith to carry on the very same work of revealing God to the world. What the disciples seek, they already have. Where they want to be is where they already are. This issue is to grasp all this through faith. The challenge to us is to live in such a way that others will see a way to God in the witness we offer with our lives.

Today's Bulletin is printed in memory of Larry Seifert, sponsored by his family.

### MASS INTENTIONS

Wednesday, May 13  
8:00 a.m. Geraldine Toth  
Thursday, May 14  
5:30 p.m. Margie Davis, Stazy & Frank Hajek (Praha)  
Friday, May 15  
8:00 a.m. Ross Jasek, Frank Michalec  
Sunday, May 17  
9:00 a.m. Elvin Mikulencak and Olga & Frank Brom, Trent Roznovsky

*This Sunday's Mass will be on demand from St. Mary's, Praha for viewing on our Facebook Page: St Joseph's & St Mary's - Moulton/Praha, TX and on our website [www.stjosephsmoulton.org](http://www.stjosephsmoulton.org). Mass with a congregation will be at 9:00 a.m. under the auction pavilion at Praha.*

### PREPARING FOR SUNDAY LITURGY

Next weekend is *The Sixth Sunday of Easter*. Prepare for the liturgy by reflecting on these passages from your Bible.  
**First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 8:5-8, 14-17**  
**Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 66**  
**Second Reading: 1 Peter 3:15-18**  
**Gospel: John 14:15-21**

Remember the sick in your prayers this week, especially James Filipp.

The Sanctuary Light will be lit this week in honor of the First Communicants.

### 2020 DIOCESAN SERVICES APPEAL

2020 Assessment ..... \$17,685.00  
Contributions So Far ..... \$ 1,480.00  
Amount Yet to be Contributed ..... \$16,205.00

We thank the following for their recent contributions:

Sheri & David Beyer                      Lillian Supak  
Betty & Harry Maskey                      Rose Rothbauer  
Barbara & Eugene Anderle                Richard Kalisek

Do please consider making a donation.

### ST. JOSEPH'S SOCIAL CENTER

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

*In Memory of Harvey Barta*  
Gussie Machalec - \$50

*In Memory of Trent Thomas Roznovsky*  
Antoinette & Paul Wukasch

### ST. JOSEPH'S MEMORIAL FUND

*In Memory of Barbara Supak: Irene & Charels Matula*

### SOCIETY NEWS

**Altar Society:** The May meeting has been canceled.

### Catholic Daughters Court #2018

We will hold our Financial Review with the District Deputy on **Monday, May 18**, at 5:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall to ensure that we have plenty of spacing. Our monthly **Rosary will be at 6:00 p.m. followed by the meeting also in the Parish Hall.** Wear your mask, gloves or whatever you feel comfortable with while abiding by all of the Governor's orders.

We were unable to have our April Bake Sale (a huge financial profit) for our many charitable projects, so the Officers have decided to sponsor a "BAKE-LESS BAKE SALE" whereby members are asked to contribute monetary donations equivalent to the amount you would donate in goods. We would like for your donations, if possible, to be sent in by June 1, to Kathy Fishbeck, P.O. Box 401, Moulton. Whatever amount is donated will be used strictly for some of our local charities. Thank you in advance for your participation! – Kathy Fishbeck, Regent

### K.J.Z.T. Family Life

We are all aware of how the COVID-19 crisis is affecting lives throughout the world. We have been praying to find a way that our Fraternal could help in some way. During this Easter Season, we suspect that churches will have a significant decline in donations without any physical attendance from their members. Parishes such as yours have continued to show their commitment to parishioners amid this pandemic. On behalf of **K.J.Z.T. Society #14** we offer a check of \$400.00 to help your parish get through these uncertain times.

\* K.J.Z.T. #14 donated \$200 and the state office matched their donation. We thank them for their generous donation.

## REFLECTION



I am the way, and the truth,  
and the life.

~  
Jn 14:6

From last Sunday's celebration of Jesus, our Good shepherd, this Sunday we turn our attention to who we are and how we are to live as Jesus' flock. We, like Thomas, are often haunted by Jesus' words "Where I am going you know the way." We therefore ask: "Master, we do not know where you are going; how can we know the way?" Like Thomas, we want to know more about the place Jesus is going to prepare for us and learn the way to it, which cannot be drawn on a map. The response of Jesus to Thomas, frees us from useless efforts and flights of imagination. The way, the truth, and the life is a person, Jesus himself! Our ways can disappear or become obsolete. Jesus, the way is always accessible and leads to the end. Jesus is not only the guide but the way as well as the truth and the life. In him, the humanity whose head he is has traveled the road. In him everything hangs together. It is therefore pointless to toil to find the secret road. The way is revealed to us in the person of Jesus.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



May 11 – Emily Fikac, Oscar Tousek  
May 12 – Grant Barta  
May 13 – Michele Sanchez  
May 14 – Julia Beran  
May 15 – Rudy Roznovsky, Walter Sanchez  
May 16 – Willie Pilat

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

May 12 – Debbie & Marlon Novosad

## SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND



### Retired & Needy Priests of the Diocese of Victoria

Priests devote their lives to furthering the mission of the Church and bringing people closer to Christ. In retirement, they continue to serve. They are the living roots of our sacramental community. *Please be generous.*

## Happy Mother's Day

### Prayer for Mother

Thank you, God for my mother. How many times have I said that I will be different from my mother – "better," unusual – not like her. Yet here I stand, morally and lovingly hers.

Thank you, God for all that she said and all that she did not say, for all that she did and all that she left undone.

Thank you, God for letting me become so many of those good things that were my mother—the things I had not the wisdom to see in earlier day. Thank you, God for my mother.  
— Donna Schaper

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**Mother's Day Spiritual Bouquet – See Insert**

## CONGRATULATIONS



### To Our First Communicants

Eli Jacob Chaloupka  
Isaiah James Chaloupka  
Patrick Benedict Cinadr  
Hudson Chase Colburn  
Hailey Faith Rothbauer

### No Taking of Photographs During Mass

Pictures are not allowed to be taken during the Liturgy. You will have the opportunity to take pictures after mass.

### Prayer For Our First Communicants

Lord Jesus, bless all those who are receiving you in Holy Communion for the first time today. May each one of them know your love and mercy in a personal way. May all your people open their hearts to you and be transformed by this sacrament. May we become a sign of your love for the whole world. Amen.

## LITURGICAL ORIENTATION

During these latter weeks of the Easter season, our readings turn from the narratives of the appearances of the risen Christ to our participation in the risen life of Jesus. Today's passage from the Gospel according to John invites us to participate in the love that flows from the relationship not only with Jesus, but with the Father who sent him and with the Spirit who is to come.

### Additional Donation To The Lenten Fish Fry

Janet & William Darilek - \$80

We thank all those who helped to make our annual Lenten project a success.