

October 25, 2020

Ordinary Time

Thirtieth Sunday

**The Two Inseparable Commandments:
Love of God And Love of Neighbor**



To the question – which commandment in the Law is the greatest, Jesus answers – Love of God and Love of Neighbor.

It is easy to write this commandment off as one more religious duty we have often heard. Commandments and Laws cease to be an annoyance when they are loved for the sake of God and our neighbor's good. If God has had compassion on me and others like me I ought to be an imitator of this same Lord. After all, what is our calling as Christians if it is not a calling to be the blueprints of Christ in the world.

Today's Bulletin is printed in memory of Claude Jalufka, sponsored by his family.

MASS INTENTIONS

Wednesday, October 28

8:00 a.m. For Rain

Friday, October 30

8:00 a.m. Annette Raab

Saturday, October 31

6:30 p.m. Della & Anton Raab

Sunday, November 1

6:30 a.m. The Deceased Priests of the Diocese

9:30 a.m. The Welfare of Parishioners

Individual Confessions in Moulton and Praha

- Available anytime by appointment. Call the office.
- On Fridays in the Family Room after Mass in Moulton.
- On Thursdays after the 5:30 p.m. Mass in Praha.
- During Advent/Christmas season and in Lent.

PREPARING FOR THE SUNDAY LITURGY

Next weekend is *The Solemnity of All Saints*. Prepare for the liturgy by reflecting on these passages from your Bible.

First Reading: Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 24

Second Reading: 1 John 3:1-3

Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12a

Remember the sick in your prayers this week, especially Marjorie Anders & Connie Avant.

2020 DIOCESAN SERVICES APPEAL

2020 Assessment \$17,685.00

Contributions So Far \$13,710.00

Amount Yet to be Contributed \$ 3,795.00

We thank the following for their recent contributions:

Richard Kalisek

Marilyn Strmiska

Dolores & Ben Scott

Niki & Chad Chaloupka

Phyllis & Ken Schoenfeld

Do please consider making a donation

ST. JOSEPH'S SOCIAL CENTER FUND



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

In Memory of Adela Beran

Marian Kram - \$20

In Memory of Sidney Bochat

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Linda Muehlstein - \$50

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Rebecca, Keith & Charlotte Smith - \$100

In Memory of Kathy Rohrbach

Harvey & Diana Kloesel - \$50

CHURCH SOCIETY NEWS

Catholic Daughters Court #2018 Plates-To Go and Bake Sale, November 11, 5-7 p.m., at the Social Center. \$10 per plate, drive through only.

Meal consists of four pieces of fried chicken and trimmings. Tickets available at many local businesses or you may contact any Catholic Daughter member. Proceeds from the meal and bake sale will help the Catholic Daughters attain their charitable goals. Thank you in advance for your support.

St. Joseph's Altar Society is accepting raffle prizes for their annual raffle. Contact Bernice Ellinghausen (596-7721) to donate prizes.

THE WEEK AHEAD

THURSDAY – 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.

The Catholic Daughters will lead the Saturday evening rosary during the month of November.

Daylight Savings Time Ends Next Sunday, November 1

REFLECTION

Two Commandments Really One

**Exodus 22:20-26 Psalm 18 1Thessalonians 1:5c-10
Matthew 22:34-40**

It is in order to test him that a scholar of the Law asks Jesus to tell him which is the greatest commandment in the Law. Jesus' answer: *You shall love the Lord, your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind* has nothing to do with fulfilling obligations. Love is constant attention to the other. Particular obligations jotted down on a calendar, like dates of birthdays are more reminders, not bills of expenses to be paid so as to be released from all debts.

The answer of Jesus flows out of the Covenant Code and is about ancient Israel now settled in Canaan, the promised land, having to welcome in their midst the vulnerable, the widows and orphans, the poor and destitute as part of God's commands. Israel had experienced liberations at God's hand, *You were once aliens yourselves in the land of Egypt* and because God freed you from Egypt when you cried out to him, you shall love your God ... and with all your soul. The two great commandments are engaged in our sacramental participation: as we worship God, we become imitators of Christ to love one another. It is our participation that helps us to fulfill the two greatest commandments. It strengthens us to do the same as we preach the Gospel by our lives.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Oct. 25 – Dana Blahuta, Deacon Kenneth Fishbeck,
Pollyanna Motal, Patsy Zamykal
Oct. 26 – Justin Anderle, Jason Gold
Oct. 27 – Ollie Haikenwaelder, Reese Nieto
Oct. 28 – Noah Bartos, Thomas Dornak
Oct. 29 – Karen Fernandez
Oct. 30 – Garrett Drabek
Oct. 31 – Kathy Dornak, Eugene Orsak

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Oct. 27 – Shannon & Bradley Baker
– Shirley & David Schoenfeld
Oct. 28 – Floris Ann & David Simper
Oct. 30 – Melissa & Dwayne Simper

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

Today – C.C.D.

Oct. 28 – 9th-11th Grade C.C.D.

Next Sunday – C.C.D.

Solemnity of All Saints – November 1: The 1st & 2nd Graders have been learning about the Saints. They will be dressed as their favorite Saint at the 9:30 a.m. Mass

Praha Pancake Sunday – Next Sunday

*Breakfast served after the 8 a.m. Mass in Praha.
Sponsored by the Praha Altar Society. All are welcome.*

FEAST OF ALL SAINTS AND ALL SOULS DAY

November 1st – *The Solemnity of All Saints*

We celebrate all those men and women whose lives in some way mirrored the Paschal Mystery of Christ on a profound level and are with God.

**Mass Schedule: Moulton – 6:30 a.m. & 9:30 a.m.
Praha – 8:00 a.m.**

November 2nd – *The Feast of All Souls*

On this day we make expiation for the dead. We pray for the forgiveness of all their sins, that God may bring them to himself to join the Saints.

Praha: Blessing of the Graves at 4:00 p.m.

Mass at 4:30 p.m.

Moulton: Mass at 6:30 p.m.

All Souls Commemoration: During the month of November we remember our dead. Remembrance candles will be lit at the Resurrection Chapel for them. Use the All Souls envelope, fill in the names of your beloved, and drop the envelope in the collection basket or mail slot at the rectory by October 30.

PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY

Today is Priesthood Sunday. It is a special day set aside

to honor priesthood in the United States. It is a day to reflect upon and affirm the role of the priesthood in the life of the Church as a central one. Do please pray for all the priests in our diocese and for priestly vocations.

Prayer for Priestly Vocations

O Lord, my God, you renew the Church in every age by raising up priests outstanding in holiness, living witnesses of Your unchanging Love. In Your Plan for our salvation You provide shepherds for Your People. Fill the hearts of young men with the spirit of courage and love that they may answer Your call generously. Give parents the grace to encourage vocations in their family by prayer and good example. Raise up worthy priests for Your Altars and ardent, but gently servants of the Gospel. Give the Church more priests and keep them faithful in their love and service. May many young men choose to serve You by devoting themselves to the service of Your people.

We make our prayer through Christ, the eternal High Priest. Amen.

Mass Bookings Available: Nov. 11, 20 & 25; Dec 9
6:30 a.m. – Nov. 8, 15, 22 & 29; Dec. 6, 13, 20 & 27

Bulletin Sponsorship Available: Dec. 13, 20 & 27

To book a Mass or Bulletin sponsorship contact the Parish Office after 10 a.m. during the week.

Weekly Church Bulletins are posted on-line at: www.stjosephsmoulton.org and www.stmaryspraaha.org. If you are not able to attend church you can go on-line to read the bulletin or pick up a copy at the Parish Office or at the stand located at the entrance to the Social Center pavilion. We will continue mailing Bulletins to the homebound.