

March 21, 2021

Lent
Fifth Sunday



Do You Believe This?

Through the raising of Lazarus, Jesus is revealed as the Resurrection and the Life. In conjunction with the Gospels of the previous two Sundays, we discern three stages of faith. First, the Samaritan woman at the well, illustrated an initial coming to faith. Then the man born blind illustrated faith that acquired depth after he was tested. The Lazarus story today illustrates the deepening of faith that comes from facing death. The story points ahead to eternal life that God will give us through Jesus.

Today's Bulletin is sponsored in memory of
Trine & Marcelino Nieto by their family.

MASS INTENTIONS

Wednesday, March 24
8:00 a.m. Special Intention – Scott Wenske
Friday, March 26
8:00 a.m. Janet Darilek
Saturday, March 27
6:30 p.m. Delia & Zachary Brigman
Sunday, March 28
6:30 a.m. Millie & August Darilek
10:00 a.m. Irene Portales

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 4:30 p.m. Mass in Praha.
- During Advent/Christmas season and in Lent.

PREPARING FOR THE SUNDAY LITURGY

Next weekend is *Palm Sunday*. Prepare for the liturgy by reflecting on these passages from your Bible.
First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 22
Second Reading: Philippians 2:6-11
Gospel: Mark 14:1—15:47

Today – C.C.D.
Mar. 24 – 9th-11th C.C.D.
Mar. 27– 6th & 7th Grade lead the Saturday evening Rosary
Next Sunday – Palm Sunday

Moulton Easter Picnic – April 4

The Easter Picnic is only two weeks away.

This is the Plan

10:00 a.m. – Mass in the Church (with blessing of Easter Baskets & Easter Egg Hunt after Mass as in the past)
10:00 a.m. – Games/Booths Begin at Social Center:
Cake Walk Plant Walk Snack Bar
50/50 Booths (the first drawing will be right before the Auction begins)
10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. – Live Music (*Ken Brothers*)
10:30 a.m. – Fried Chicken Dinner Begins: Dine in, Plates-to-go and Meat-to available.
11:00 a.m. – Other Activities Begin:
Fish Pond Ring Toss Ball Throw
Train Ride Face Painting
12:00 p.m. – Refreshments sold inside and outside
1:00 p.m. – Over-n-Under The second 50/50 begins
Hamburger Stand opens
1:00-? p.m. – Auction (*You are welcome to donate items.*)
3:30-7:30 p.m. – Live Music (*Blue Denim*)
We are looking forward to a fun day! All parishioners who can help are welcome. Don't wait to be called – Take the initiative and call the Parish Office to help.

Donations So Far

Meat Fund: Jerry Fojtik - \$25 Marilyn Strmiska - \$40
Gene Schoenvogel - \$1,000 Tim's Body & Paint - \$75
Mary Lou Dierschke - \$100 Ollie Haikenwaelder - \$25
Denise Greive, Praha - \$100 Dennis Berckenhoff - \$200
Jeanette & Oscar Tousek - \$10 Jeanette Lackey - \$200
Lisa & David Rothbauer - \$100 Gladys Seifert - \$300
Shannon & L. A. Simper - \$400 Jeanie Targac - \$100
Barbara & Eugene Anderle - \$35 Patsy Zamykal - \$25
Angie & Chad Rothbauer - \$100 Murlene Simper \$50
Catholic Daughters #2018 - \$100 Altar Society - \$100
Tom, Pat & Will Lawrence - \$100 Elaine Simper - \$50
Angie & Chad Rothbauer - \$100 Lillian Supak - \$10
Alisha & Wesley Rothbauer - \$100
Joyce & Melvin Janak, Hallettsville - \$200

Auction: Tim's Body & Paint - \$25
Ollie Haikenwaelder – Quilt
Will Lawrence – Sport Basket
Pat & Tom Lawrence – Rum Cake
Jeanette & Oscar Tousek - \$20 Gift Card
In Memory of Rose Rothbauer – Baby Quilt
Patsy Zamykal – Baby Quilt w/ 3 Bibs, 3 Burp Pads, Pillow & Book
Jerry Fojtik – St. Joseph's Statue in Wooden Case, 3 *Lenox* Collector's Edition Plates (Birds)
Jeanette Lackey – Rocking Chair Patio Set,
Riding/Rocking Toy (Lamb), Stuffed Animals: Pig, Dinosaur, Rabbit & Duck

We thank all those who are helping in various ways. The Parish Office will be open Friday to accept donations.

REFLECTION

Ezekiel 37:12-14 Psalm 130 Romans 8:8-11
John 11:1-45

Jesus, Resurrection and Life. Do You Believe This?

In John's Gospel, the raising of Lazarus is the last of the seven signs that Jesus works in order to manifest the glory of the Father and announce his supreme personal glorification at his Passover.

This all-important *sign* is especially appropriate to the Sunday before Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, after the Gospels of the Living Water and the Man Born Blind. The raising of Lazarus is the *sign* that prefigures the definitive triumph of Jesus on the Cross, God's glory and the glorification of the Son victorious over death, who awakens us, making us pass, already here below to the life that bodily death cannot touch.

This is an event-sign to which each of us must try to relate. It requires from each of us a personal answer. *I am the resurrection and the Life ... Do you believe this?* None of us can evade this question and be a believer. With the assurance of one day sharing in the Lord's resurrection, we cannot however forget the inescapable step of the cross. Christ, Resurrection and Life, has gone through it with us. The raising of Lazarus has as its immediate consequence the condemnation of Jesus to death; he freely gave his life so that we might live forever. Like Thomas, we say, *Let us go to Jerusalem to die with him and with him to rise.*

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Mar. 21 – Adolph Dziadek, Robert Fojtik, Grant Geissen, Michael Janecek
Mar. 22 – Greyson Anderle, Julius Kloesel, Mildred Pilat, Tiffany Raab, Anne Raabe, Hannah Siegel
Mar. 23 – Brian Beran, Moises Manzano
Mar. 24 – James Filipp, Shirley Koudelka
Mar. 25 – Gloria Manzano, Nallely Martinez
Mar. 26 – Nancy Tomek
Mar. 27 – Seth Beyer

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Mar. 21 – Stephanie & Robert Fojtik
Mar. 24 – Christy & Ronnie Bohuslav

THE WEEK AHEAD

Mon. – Gold Star Club Meeting
- **Lenten Penance Service, 5:30 p.m., Church**
Wed. – Champions Club Meets, 3:30-5:30 p.m., YMC
Thurs. – KC Bingo, 7:30 p.m., Moulton Oaks Hall
Fri. – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament After Mass
- Stations of the Cross, 6:00 p.m.
- Fish Fry, serving begins at 5:00 p.m., Social Center
- Parish Office open to accept Easter Picnic donations.
Sun. – Knights of Columbus Plates-to-go, George's Hall

Remember the sick in your prayers this week,
especially Linda Muehlstein.

LENTEN BULLETIN BOARD

Second Collection Today – Rice Bowl

Next Sunday we enter into Holy Week with the celebration of Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord. We commemorate the entrance of the Lord into Jerusalem according to ancient custom with a solemn procession. With songs and gestures we imitate the Hebrew children who went to meet the Lord singing "Hosanna". In the procession we carry palm branches which are later taken home where they serve as a reminder of the Victory of Christ.

Sunday is the only day that there are two gospel proclamations in the same liturgy. The first takes place in at the beginning of the liturgy before the procession. It recalls Jesus' entry into Jerusalem. The second gospel proclaimed takes place in the usual place at Mass. It is the proclamation of the Passion narrative. It is proclaimed without the usual ritual gestures: the greeting, the crossing of forehead, lips, and heart, no incense, no candles. This is the most pivotal moment in the life of the Lord and in our observance of Lent and the beginning of Holy Week.

Come let us celebrate!

Holy Week At A Glance

Palm Sunday Procession: We will gather at the Resurrection Chapel at **9:45 a.m.** for the procession.

Chrism Mass (Mass of the Oils): March 30, 10:00 a.m., Our Lady of Victory Cathedral, Victoria.

Holy Thursday:

- **Parish Family Meal:** Parishioners are invited to attend. Food will be delivered to the homebound at 5:30 p.m.
- **The Mass of the Lord's Supper** follows the meal.
- **Gifts And Canned Food For The Needy**

Good Friday: Celebration of the Lord's Passion.

Holy Saturday: We gather for the Easter Vigil.

See Triduum/Easter Bulletin insert for more details.

Parish Lenten Reconciliation Service -see insert.

Easter Flowers: Use your Easter Flower envelope to make your donation in memory of your loved ones.

Easter Eggs: Donations of plastic eggs and individually wrapped candy for plastic eggs are welcome.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: An hour after Mass on Fridays of Lent.

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

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

Lenten Fish Fry - \$10 Per Plate: Next Friday is the last Fish Fry. All proceeds go to charity.

Next Friday's Menu: Fish, Hush Puppies, Broccoli & Rice Casserole, Corn, Dessert (*menu subject to change*)

*** 30 desserts are needed for every Fish Fry.**

Contact Dolores Scott or the Parish Office if you can help.

Fish Fry Donation: Sidonia Mayer - \$25