

March 3, 2019
Ordinary Time
 Eighth Sunday



Jesus turns to short parables as he continues to teach the disciples on the plain. The disciples hear how their teacher will train them in his ways, how they should not judge another person when sin remains in them; and how trees are known by the fruit they bear – a direct connection to the First Reading from Sirach.

We hear Jesus speak what we could consider obvious tautology: good comes from good and evil from evil. We speak what is in our heart – let that be goodness!

MASS INTENTIONS



Wednesday, March 6
 5:30 p.m. The Welfare of Parishioners
Saturday, March 9
 4:30 p.m. The Deceased of the Maria & Joseph Kalina Family
Sunday, March 10
 8:00 a.m. Lillie & Alois Kalina

Full, Conscious and Active Participation in the Liturgy



Next weekend is *The First Sunday of Lent*. Prepare for the liturgy by reflecting on these passages from your Bible.

First Reading: Deuteronomy 26:4-10
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 91
Second Reading: Romans 10:8-13
Gospel: Luke 4:1-13

The Sanctuary Light
 will be lit this week
 for the Parish Family.



We welcome Fr. James J. Duplissey of Cross Catholic Outreach to St. Mary's, Praha and St. Joseph's, Moulton. Fr. Duplissey is speaking this weekend at all the Masses on behalf of the poor in developing countries. Cross Catholic Outreach was founded to create a meaningful link between parishes in America and the priests and nuns working in the Church overseas in the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, Central America and South America.

**St. Mary's Restoration Endowment Fund
 Maintaining & Preserving Maticka Praha**



We thank the following for their recent contributions:
In Memory of Edward Janak
 Elizabeth & Leo Janak - \$50
In Memory of Lillie & William Migl
 Jeanette Louise (Migl) Blazek, Santa Fe, TX - \$100

**PRAHA PANCAKE SUNDAY TODAY
 MARCH 3RD**



ALWAYS THE FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH
 The Altar Society is hosting Praha Pancake Sunday today, March 3rd starting at 9 a.m. in the Parish Hall. The breakfast will consist of pancakes, scrambled eggs, breakfast meats, juice, coffee & milk. All are welcome. Come and enjoy a great breakfast and good fellowship. A free will donation will be appreciated.

**K.J.Z.T. Catholic Life District II Social
 March 17, 2019**

The K.J.Z.T. District II Social will be held at St. Michael's Family Center in Weimar. Registration begins at 11:00 a.m. followed by a catered meal, memorial service, awarding of pins and presentation of fraternal status awards. Drawing of door prizes will be held. All members and their families are cordially invited to attend. R.S.V.P. to Georgia Cerny (361-865-3354) or Nancy Jasek (361-772-2356) by March 6.

**Remember the sick in your prayers this week,
 especially Preston Hutson.**

REFLECTION

The Zeal of the Disciples

Today's gospel provides a perfect conclusion to winter Ordinary Time and a helpful beginning of Lent. Both teachers, Sirach and Jesus speak wisdom that is straight to the point. – Speech betrays character – Sirach warns in the first reading, as fruit shows how healthy the tree is.

Jesus calls those who are overly concerned with the flaws of others hypocrites. It is often much easier to recognize what changes someone else needs to make than to address our own faults and failings.

Jesus condemns people who act in a way that is not true to themselves. Pretending to be something other than what one is, Jesus is telling us, is unworthy of his followers.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



March 5 – Jason Bartos

March 7 – Lexie Noska

March 8 – Addison Berckenhoff
– Judith Kubecka

March 9 – Michael Fishbeck
– Bob Stryk

MEN'S A.C.T.S. RETREAT MARCH 21-24

You are invited to the next Men's A.C.T.S. Retreat hosted by the Sacred Heart Parish in Flatonina. Join us, spend a weekend with God. This is an opportunity for spiritual renewal and making new friends. This retreat is hosted by Catholic men, with spiritual guidance from the Roman Catholic faith. The cost of the retreat is \$175. Applications are available at the main entrance to church or on the front page of the Holy Rosary A.C.T.S. website www.holyrosaryacts.com. For more information contact Johnnie Hoffman (361-772-5049), Andrew Velasquez (361-798-6883) or Dallas Canada (979-743-4985).

DIOCESAN OFFICE OF SAFE ENVIRONMENT

For information on reporting procedures for suspected or known sexual abuse of a minor (person under 18 years of age) or vulnerable adult by a member of the clergy go to the Diocese of Victoria website at www.dioceseofvictoria.org or St. Joseph's website at www.stjosephsmoulton.org.

To book Masses, sponsor the Altar Flowers, Bulletin or Sanctuary Light contact the Parish Office.

LENTEN BULLETIN BOARD

Ash Wednesday Mass Schedule

St. Mary's, Praha
5:30 p.m.

St. Joseph's, Moulton
8:15 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

"Come and admit you are a sinner in need of redemption" is hardly an invitation the typical American would find favorable. The power of Ash Wednesday however, calls believers to their place of worship in droves to confess their sin, and even to wear a public sign of their repentance.



The blessing and administration of ashes opens this season of sorrow and mercy. Ash Wednesday has been observed throughout the universal church for over nine hundred years. It invites the baptized faithful into a spirit of repentance. Even those who do not frequent the Mass come to express their sorrow and to receive the symbol of repentance. This is a day of fast and abstinence. The faithful are asked to abstain from meat today. That includes poultry but not fish and seafood. Still, the idea is to eat simply, not lavishly as a sign of self-denial and repentance.

Lenten Class

All parishioners are invited to attend.
Look out for more details.

Stations of the Cross

Fridays of Lent, 6:00 p.m.

Lenten Fasting and Almsgiving

As Jesus' disciples we have a responsibility to care for our brothers and sisters at home and in all nations. The Season of Lent provides us the opportunity to help those in need.

***Lenten Food Drive:** We will once again be collecting canned good for our less fortunate brothers and sisters. You may leave your canned goods at the back of Church.

***Lenten Second Collection (Rice Bowl):**
All Sundays of Lent and Easter Sunday.

LENTEN FISH FRY

St. Joseph's Church, Moulton



Ash Wednesday & Fridays of Lent
5:00-7:00 p.m., \$10.00 Per Plate
Fish, Hush Puppies, Sides & Dessert

**Dine in the Social Center
Or Drive-Thru Plates-To-Go**

*All proceeds go to charities.