

June 23, 2019

## Sunday After The Most Holy Trinity

# The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

(Corpus Christi)

### Solemnity



***The Body of Christ – Amen!  
To Who We Are***

**Today's feast celebrates the living presence of Christ with us. Through the gift of himself in bread and wine, Jesus continues to be the food that sustains us. We who eat the Sacramental Body and Blood of Christ become the living, visible Body of Christ. Our very lives become a procession that brings Christ into every aspect of human life, as we proclaim the death and resurrection of the Lord until he comes again!**

### MASS INTENTIONS



Saturday, June 29

2:00 p.m. Stryk-Janak Wedding

4:30 p.m. The Deceased of the Wiedemann & Pokluda Families

Sunday, June 30

8:00 a.m. Joyce Kubecka

### Full, Conscious and Active Participation in the Liturgy



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

**First Reading: 1 Kings 19:16b, 19-21**

**Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 16**

**Second Reading: Galatians 5:1, 13-18**

**Gospel: Luke 9:51-62**

The Sanctuary Light will  
be lit this week in memory of  
Elizabeth & Frank Hajek, Sr.



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



We thank the following for their recent contributions:

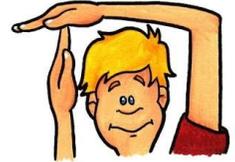
*In Memory of Mary Cathryn DeeRochester - \$30*

*In Thanksgiving For The Beautiful Church - \$20*

### Break Time

My dear friends,

With the Easter Season, Mother's Day, First Communion, Graduation, Confirmation and Father's Day behind us, I plan to take a short break to rest, pray, reflect and to connect with friends and family before the Picnics begin. While I am away, Mary Lou and Sofia will hold the fort, taking care of the Pastoral office. Do please contact the Parish Office for any pastoral needs. A Franciscan Missionary will be in Praha and Moulton next weekend. Fr. Pesek will help with the weekend Masses in Praha and in Moulton the following weekend and the Friday morning Masses in Moulton. Arrangements have been made with Fr. Pesek to officiate at funerals. Do please contact Mary Lou to make arrangements.



I very much appreciate what you do for the Church and for me personally. I hope to be back for Vacation Bible School. In the meantime pray for me as I pray for you.

God bless,

### ORIENTATION

#### *Corpus Christi*

The feast of Corpus Christi originated during a time when reception of the sacrament of the Eucharist was practiced infrequently among the people. This gave rise to an already growing sense of devotion to the Eucharist, as the host was viewed by the faithful during the elevation at Mass. Over time, this came to be regarded as a principal means of obtaining grace – i.e. seeing (adoring) the Eucharist rather than receiving Holy Communion. Today's solemnity combines this medieval feast of the Most Holy Body of Christ with the nineteenth-century feast of the Most Precious Blood of Christ. In doing this, the Church holds up for us the ideal regard that we should have for both species of the sacrament in Holy Communion.

**THANK YOU:** We thank Tracie Holub & Jim Pfeil for donating/installing the lights at the Maticka Praha sign.

#### Additional Father's Day Spiritual Bouquets

Louis Barta

Clyde Hartfield

## REFLECTION



### *The Sign of Bread And Wine In Memory of The Lord*

On first reading, today's Gospel appears to be a miracle story: There is not enough food for everyone. Jesus takes action. Everyone is fed and there is food left over. When we however reread the beginning of the passage, we see that it is a prefiguration of the Mass. Jesus began by teaching the crowds about the Kingdom of God before giving them bread in abundance in this desert transformed into a banquet hall. In the Mass also the Word is proclaimed before the bread that has become the Body of Christ is distributed. The ritual gestures, "Then taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he said the Blessing over them, Broke them, and Gave them to the disciples to set before the crowd," correspond exactly to the attitude and actions of the Lord at the Last Supper. The passage alludes to the account of the institution of the Eucharist. We are reminded like St. Luke's audience that we are not alone. Christ is present in us through the Eucharist. This Jesus did with the gift of himself, broken and bleeding on the cross. This he continues to do with the gift of himself in bread and wine at every Mass. All we need to do is come, eat and be satisfied by the bread of the Word and the bread of the Body of Christ and go forth with Christ's help to respond to the hunger of the members of the body of Christ and not send them away.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



June 23 – Kristin Cerny  
– Josephine Kubenka  
June 26 – Michael Hanslik  
– Tracie Holub  
June 27 – Amy Koncaba  
June 28 – Haley Moeller  
June 29 – Esther Brautigam



WEDDING BANNS

*Lindsey Nicole Stryk & Nicholas Adam Janak*

## SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

### PETER'S PENCE

*Please be generous.*

*The Peter's Pence Collection was originally scheduled for June 29/30 but will be taken up this weekend due to the Franciscan Missionary Appel on June 29/30.*

**MISSION APPEAL FOR FUNDS:** The Franciscan Missionaries of Hope have been given permission by the bishop's office to participate in this year's Mission Corporation Plan at St. Mary's Church, Praha and St. Joseph's Church, Moulton. A missionary from the Order will preach at all Masses next weekend. A Second Collection will be taken to help the Franciscan Missionaries of Hope in their ministry.

*Please be generous.*

## Praha Picnic

THURSDAY, AUGUST 15, 2019

### *Update on Picnic Chairpersons Meetings Continued*

**The Refreshment Chairpersons:** Tim Pospisil (*Beer Stand*); Dennis Olsovsky & Martin Svatek (*Beer Tickets*); Edward & Cynthia Koncaba and Jason Bartos (*Soda Water & Sno Cones*) are also getting ready for the Picnic.



**Outdoor Games/Booths Chairpersons:** Thomas Petru & Liz Janak (*Raffle*); Jason Bartos (*Bands*); Nancy Jasek & Georgia Cerny (*Country Store*); Frances Kubenka (*Souvenirs*); Jane Schneider & Marcel Kleihege (*Bingo*); Robin Cerny & Sharon Crowe (*Cake Walk*); Mary Bartos & Staci MacDonald (*Fish Pond/Toy Box*) and Pat Lawrence (*Plant Walk*) are getting their booths ready as well. *Look for more information about the Picnic Meetings in next week's bulletin.*



We thank all the chairpersons for their continued dedication and hard work for the success of our Picnic.

### **Picnic Letter/Raffle Ticket Mailing**

It's not too soon to start thinking about what to donate to the auction and other Picnic donations. Look out for something in the mail soon.

## HOLY ROSARY WOMEN'S A.C.T.S. RETREAT AUGUST 22-25, 2019



A.C.T.S.

Come, spend a weekend with God at an A.C.T.S. Retreat. This is an opportunity for spiritual renewal and making new friends. Registration forms are available at the main entrance to Church. For more information about the retreat contact Elaine Hoffman.