

June 28, 2020

Ordinary Time

Thirteenth Sunday



Living Out Our Baptism In Christ Jesus

As disciples of Jesus, the cost of discipleship cuts right to the core of our being. Baptism re-creates us as children of God. Through it we are given new life and born into a new family. The bonds of discipleship are now even stronger than the bonds of blood. Lest we think this is too much to ask, we should remember that marriage requires a similar transfer of loyalties from the family of origin to the new family being created in marriage and because of the love they share, a couple is eager to make this transfer. Discipleship of Jesus is no less different. Here, the primary loyalties are directed to the Lord. We live out all other loyalties in the context of the primary relationship with the Lord.

Discipleship requires our very lives.

MASS INTENTIONS



Thursday, July 2

5:30 p.m. Cerny & Vacek Family, Richard O'Brien

Sunday, July 5

9:00 a.m. Charlie, Annie & Mary Bartos

Mass with a congregation this Sunday, June 28 will be at 9:00 a.m. under the Social Center pavilion in Moulton.

Mass on Sunday, June 28th will also be on demand for viewing on our Facebook Page: St Joseph's & St Mary's - Moulton/Praha, TX and on our website www.stmaryspraha.org.

Full, Conscious and Active Participation in the Liturgy

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

First Reading: Zechariah 9:9-10

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 145

Second Reading: Romans 8:9,11-13

Gospel: Matthew 11:25-30

2020 DIOCESAN SERVICES APPEAL

2020 Assessment	\$8,179.00
Contributions So Far	\$2,930.00
Amount Yet to be Contributed	\$5,249.00

We thank the following for their recent donations:

*Pat Masek
Thomas Petru
Rosemary Klekar*

Do please consider making a donation.

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



We thank the following for their recent contributions:

*In Memory of Nancy Petru
Carol & Randy Barta - \$75
Deborah Breazeale, Kingwood, TX - \$100*

MASS INTENTIONS FOR PRAHA & MOULTON

As you may have noticed, we have changed our Mass schedule in Moulton and Praha as follows:

Weekday Masses:

Wednesdays & Fridays, 8 a.m., Moulton
Thursdays, 5:30 p.m., Praha

Weekend Mass: Sundays, 9 a.m., open-air Mass alternating weekends in either Moulton or Praha.

This has resulted in less Masses being celebrated in the week. In order to accommodate the Mass Intentions requested for loved ones and for special intentions, we are combining Mass Intentions and rescheduling them for the next available date. Hopefully, things will get to normal soon.



Rosary every Wednesday at 9:00 a.m. Come join a group of church ladies at the Zdravas Maria Plaza to pray.

ADDITIONAL FATHER'S DAY REMEMBRANCE

*Fred Holub
Glen Pfeil
Jim Pfeil*

**The Sanctuary Light
will be lit this week
in memory of Katherine Pokluda.**



REFLECTION

*Whoever welcomes you welcomes me,
and who welcomes me welcomes the One who sent me.*

The theme of hospitality is reflected in today's first reading and the gospel.

With generous gestures of hospitality, the woman welcomed the prophet and even made provisions so that his visits could become more frequent. Her motivation in providing for his needs is clearly expressed: "I know that he is a holy man of God." In other words, to be a man or person of God is to be the bearer of God's word. Therefore, to welcome him is to welcome God's word.

Jesus in sending his disciples looks to those to whom they will be sent to hear the word of God. Hospitality shown to Jesus' disciples means more than making sure they are fed and sheltered. The hospitality Jesus advocates involves the one who welcomes and the welcomed one in a relationship. A connection is made between the hosts ("whoever welcomes you"), disciples, Jesus ("welcomes me") and God ("the One who sent me"). Thus, the four parties are joined together. A new family is formed made up of those who carry out the mission, those who welcome it, and God.

This theme of welcome and hospitality challenges us today. The preacher must first welcome the word and let it be reflected in his word and deed, and the hearer must listen wholly, not selectively, and allow that God's word be spoken through whatever mediator God chooses.

VOTIVE CANDLE INTENTIONS

The Catholic custom of lighting candles is rooted in Church teaching that Christ is the Light of the World. Candles serve as an outward sign of the light of faith burning in our hearts. They are our silent sentinels lifting up our prayer intentions to the Lord.

Remember to pray for the following intentions:

For William Psencik

Pray For My Salvation

For The Future & Our Future Together

Prayers For Direction For Lauren Louise

To Regain My Relation With My Daughter...

Please Pray For Jan & Fred (Cancer Patient)

Stress Relief & Prayers To Have A Baby Together

In Thanksgiving For God's Mercy; For A Heart Always Full of Gratitude

To Always Guide Our Son, Stephen Towards Your Light, & Our Daughter In Heaven

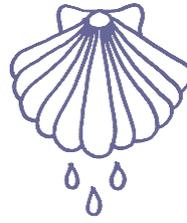
For The Soul of Our Loving Sister, Susan On Our First Sister's Weekend Without Her

Love, Peace, Harmony In Family; Healing For J.S. And All Who Are Suffering From Cancer

That The Robinson Family May Get Back Together Again After Being Apart For Two Years

– Votive Candle Intentions to be continued

BAPTISM JUSTIFICATION UNTO NEW LIFE



Who are called to be disciples, to become the new creation; to be prophets in the world? Who are called to be sent, to share the gift they have received from God? Who are the chosen ones, the special people, the kingdom of priests, the holy nation?

All who have been baptized, who by the grace of God have been freed from sin.

Baptism is for us both death and life. Through it we enter into Christ's death and we die to lives of selfishness and sin. Through it we rise with Christ to a new life freed from everything that previously held us down. As glorious as this new life might be, it requires death to our old ways of living, and this is always difficult. It is not easy to put the needs of others before our own, especially when everything around us encourages us to think first of "Number One." It is not easy to refrain from acting as if we know more than others. It is not easy to show interest in the concerns of others, especially when we judge them to be trivial. It is not easy to forgive slights or oversights, to say nothing about deliberate assaults. These are all patterns of thinking to which we must die if we are to rise to new life, and these are very difficult deaths to undergo.

CHUCKLE



*"...but now it seems the road to hell
is paved with good wi-fi connections."*

– Pat Marrin –

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



June 28 – Haley Moeller

June 29 – Esther Brautigam

July 1 – Elizabeth Decker

July 4 – Patricia Michna

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

July 1 – Fr. Gabriel (Ordination Anniversary)