

May 16, 2021

The Ascension of the Lord

“Men of Galilee, Why Are You Standing There Looking at the Sky?”

The celebration of Christ’s Ascension focuses our attention on just exactly what we are to do



now that Jesus is no longer with us in the flesh. Jesus’ mission was to bring us into union with God and with one another and to heal everything that obstructs that union. With his ascension, that mission is now ours. Each of us is consecrated and empowered to carry on this mission with the assistance of the abiding presence of the Risen Lord. How is your life a participation in this mission?

MASS INTENTIONS



Thursday, May 20

4:30 p.m. Victor, Hattie & Jerome Hermis

Saturday, May 22

4:30 p.m. The Deceased of the Maria & Joseph Kalina Family

Sunday, May 23

8:00 a.m. Jimmie H. Whitcomb

Full, Conscious and Active Participation in the Liturgy

Next weekend is *Pentecost*. Prepare for the liturgy by reflecting on these passages from your Bible.

First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 104

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13

Gospel: John 20:19-23

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.

Additional Mother’s Day Remembrance

Bessie Doreck Spalek

The Sanctuary Light will be lit this week in memory of Georgiann & Louis Barta.



HALL RENOVATION FUND SET UP

Work is in progress to get the kitchen and the Parish Hall renovated in time for the Picnic. The Fry Chicken/Stew Room is almost finished. We are waiting for the walk-in cooler to come in. The old flooring in the Cooking Kitchen and part of the dining area has been removed. We hope to begin tiling the floor, relocating plumbing and electrical plugs in the coming week. To help finance this project a Hall Renovation Fund has been set up to offer parishioners and friends of the parish the opportunity to help if they so wish. Thanks for always being there for Maticka Praha.

Anonymous Donation - \$250



COOKING KITCHEN



DINING AREA



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

REFLECTION

Acts of the Apostles 1:1-11 Psalm 47
Ephesians 4:1-13 Mark 16:15-20

Continuing The Mission

The readings for this Sunday show us that it is the inherent responsibility of the disciples of Jesus to continue his mission. Jesus did not send his disciples into the world to proclaim the good news without the support necessary to accomplish their purpose. The ascending Jesus promised the power of the Holy Spirit to guide and empower his own for mission. With keen awareness of our need for the ongoing gift of the Spirit to inspire, drive, and authenticate our work as Jesus' disciples, we must remind ourselves that before Jesus sent the Church into the world, he sent the Spirit in the Church.

Like Jesus, we are sent to be fully immersed in the human condition so that every person we encounter, everything we touch, will experience the presence of God with us.

However, like Jesus, we are also to follow the lead of God who calls us apart from the ways of the world to witness to other values, to other goals so as to live an alternative lifestyle within the world inspired by our faith in the ascended Lord.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



May 16 – Dianne Niemann
May 17 – Elizabeth Koncaba
May 22 – Johnny Alvarado
– Brittany Ochs

St. Mary's Church Vacation Bible School July 24, 2021



Look out for more details.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

Retired & Needy Priests of the Diocese of Victoria
Please be generous.

Bands for the Praha Picnic:

Look out for more information

AREA PICNICS

Today – St. Michael's Festival, Cuero
May 3 – Sacred Heart Spring Picnic, Hallettsville

PENTECOST – NEXT SUNDAY

Veni Sancte Spiritus - Come Holy Spirit



As its name indicates, Pentecost is the feast that takes place fifty days after Easter Sunday. It is the crowning finale of the celebration of the Lord's resurrection, which lasts throughout Eastertime and ends with the pouring out of the Spirit over the apostles and in the Church.

Take time this week to pray for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on our parish family.

Prayer: Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of thy faithful and kindle in them the fire of thy love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And thou shall renew the face of the earth.

O, God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever rejoice in His consolation, Through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

Praha Picnic

SUNDAY, AUGUST 15, 2021

Praha Picnic will be here before you know it. We have begun preparations here at the office and many people are already working behind the scenes for the event.

Picnic Raffle: Thomas Petru (512-751-6191) and Barbara Prause (361-798-6174) are soliciting donations for the Raffle. Do please contact them or the Parish Office (361-596-4674) if you wish to make a donation. The deadline is May 31.

*** Note: Last year we had 46 raffle prizes donated. We thank the following early birds for their donations to the 2021 Raffle:**

Schulenburg Printing	Prototype Machine
Richter Well Service	Fayetteville Bank
Oakridge Smokehouse	Prosperity Bank
Jenelle & Daniel Cerny	Melvin Hutzler
Pesek-Hermes Memorials	Arlan's Market
Henrietta & Elton Moeller	Pavlas Tavern
Flatonia Veterinary Clinic	Thomas Petru
Sallye & Scott Cielencki	Tex Propane
Carol & Gene Patalik	Larry Stryk
Margaret & Victor Molnoskey	
Flatonia Livestock Commission	
Mary Lynn (Migl) & Allen Brehm	
Don Mikulenska Custom Builder, Inc	
Fayette Savings Bank & Denise Greive	
Herzik's Milk & Grain (Raffle Ticket Printing Sponsor)	
Flatonia National Bank, Branch of First National Bank of Shiner	

The Raffle Prize donation deadline is in 2 weeks. We have a long way to go. Contact Thomas or Barbara or drop your donation in the collection basket or mail or bring to the Parish Office soon.