

June 20, 2021

Ordinary Time

Twelfth Sunday



Faith Over Fear

Today's Gospel complements the first reading from Job as it shares the same marine scenario. Just as the unequalled power of God is revealed to Job through the soliloquy concerning the origin and the ordering of the sea, so is Jesus revealed as a sharer in the very power of God. Like God, who created the sea, Jesus has power to set its limits and calm its fearsome fury. The Gospel reading concludes dramatically with the disciples asking, "Who is this whom even wind and sea obey?" The Gospel answers that question. Jesus is Master of the Sea.



Flowers for the Altar this weekend are donated by the Praha Altar Society in thanksgiving to God for all the fathers in our Parish.

MASS INTENTIONS



Thursday, June 24

4:30 p.m. Louis G. Stryk

Saturday, June 26

4:30 p.m. The Deceased of the Cecilia & Anton F. Masek Family

Sunday, June 27

8:00 a.m. Elizabeth & Frank Hajek Sr. Family

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: Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 30

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15

Gospel: Mark 5:21-43

PARISH HALL RENOVATION

UPDATE



Work in the Parish Hall is progressing steadily. The walk-in cooler has been delivered and lights and equipment are coming in. The tilers are ready to start tiling the floors. The electricians and carpenters will be back this week to continue work in the kitchen and to extend the South West corner of the Hall.

Hall Renovation Fund Donation

Pat Masek - \$300

To make a tax-deductible donation to Parish Hall Renovation Fund, contact Fr. Gabriel at 361-596-4674.

On-line Giving: We thank the Praha parishioners and friends of the parish who have been supporting us with their on-line donations. To make an on-line donation to the church visit us on:

<https://www.victoriadiocese.org/donate-assumption-praha>

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.

St. Joseph's Pancake Sunday This Sunday

Beginning this Sunday, the Third Sunday of the Month St. Joseph's parish will be hosting their first Pancake breakfast in the Parish Hall from 7:15 – 8:30 a. m. Come join us to a breakfast of bacon, eggs, pancakes and fruit. Orange juice and coffee will also be served. A free will donation will be accepted to benefit St. Joseph's Church Youth Programs.

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



The Sanctuary Light will be lit this week in memory of Fred Holub.

REFLECTION

Job 38:1, 8-11 Psalm 107
2 Corinthians 5:14-17 Mark 4:35-41

Why Are You Terrified? Do You Not Yet Have Faith?

“Who can this be that the wind and the sea obey him?” This question voiced by the awestruck disciples has an obvious answer. Considered in the light of today’s first reading from Job, wherein the Lord God is shown to enjoy unique power and control over the frightening and foreboding sea, it seems quite clear Jesus, who is shown here as exercising a similar power and control over the stormy sea of Galilee, is being presented as on a par with God.

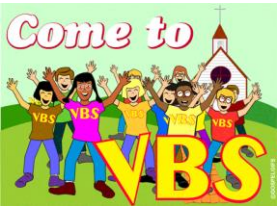
Taking a cue from Jesus’ own words to his frightened disciples, we become aware of this Gospel’s challenge to our faith. Although there shall be times in the life of the Church (i.e. the “bark of Peter”) that will threaten us with forces of chaos and confusion, no force, however frightening, will prove to be a match for the power and presence of God in the person of Jesus Christ. To cope with the chaos and maintain an even keel despite the turbulence of the times, we, like Jesus’ earliest disciples, are invited to cultivate a strong and unwavering faith. Such faith will not yield to any fear or shrink from any threat.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



June 23 – Kristin Cerny
– Josephine Kubenka
June 26 – Michael Hanslik
– Tracie L. Holub

St. Mary’s Church Vacation Bible School



July 24, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The program is open to children of the parish, grandchildren of parishioners and youth of the community. It offers an opportunity to come together

before school starts to learn about their faith, have fun with their friends, and make new friends. **Registration Forms at the entrance of the Church. Registration Deadline – July 10th.**

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

PETER’S PENCE

This collection enables the Holy Father to respond with emergency financial assistance to requests to aid the neediest throughout the world – those who suffer as a result of war, oppression, and natural disasters.

Please be generous.

Happy Father’s Day

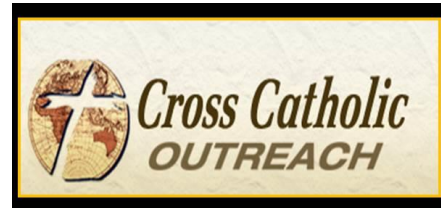
Prayer For Fathers

O God, giver of life and Father of us all, help me to be the kind of father to my children that You are to me. May I love them unconditionally, forgive them when they fail, counsel them when they doubt, lift them up when they fall, guide them in the darkness and walk beside them in the light. Show me, loving Father, how to teach them, to play with them, to share with them and to pray with them. Thank you for my children, thank you for my role as a father. Amen.



See Insert for Fathers Specially Remembered Today

Cross Catholic Outreach



Next weekend, a missionary, Fr. Nghia Cao of Cross Catholic Outreach will visit St. Mary’s Church, Praha and St. Joseph’s Church, Moulton. He will be the celebrant at all the Masses and will speak about the work Cross Catholic is doing in the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, Central and South America.

Fr. Gabriel will take a break from Mass for the weekend.

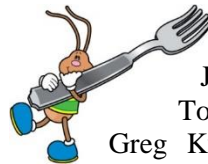
Praha Picnic

SUNDAY, AUGUST 15, 2021

Update on Picnic Chairpersons Meetings

The Picnic plans are coming together. We met this week with the Picnic Chairpersons. We thank all the chairpersons for their continued dedication and hard work for the success of our Picnic. Here is a brief breakdown of the meeting:

The Meal Chairpersons: Junior Chaloupka (*Stew*); Johnnie Hoffman & Jared Tousek (*Chicken Frying*); Helen Schaefer & Josie Kubenka (*Kitchen*); Theresa Tousek (*Plates-to-go*); Alphonse Kubenka, Greg Kubenka, Irene Bartek and Pat Masek (*Kettle Cashier / Dinner Tickets / Business Plate Distribution / Plate Distribution*) are finalizing their supply lists. Leon Kubenka is retiring after many years of service as Dinner Tickets Inside CP. Greg Kubenka is taking over as CP.



– Update to be continued next week.

Look out for Picnic Letter/Raffle Tickets Mailing this week.