

August 29, 2021

Ordinary Time

Twenty-second Sunday



Authentic Holiness

The readings of today warn us against sinking into that place of disconnectedness called hypocrisy and urges us toward integrity and authenticity of life. To guard against this emptiness, requires a daily reconnection with God through Jesus.

MASS INTENTIONS



Thursday, September 2

4:30 p.m. Arthur Klekar

Saturday, September 4

4:30 p.m. Patricia Michna

Sunday, September 5

8:00 a.m. Ben Smolik

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.

Full, Conscious and Active Participation in the Liturgy

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

First Reading: Isaiah 35:4-7a

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 146

Second Reading: James 2:1-5

Gospel: Mark 7:31-37

Remember the sick in your prayers this week, especially Scott MacDonald & Virgil Price.



The Sanctuary Light will be lit this week in memory of Mike Decker.

PRAHA PANCAKE SUNDAY – NEXT SUNDAY

ALWAYS THE FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH



Join us at the Praha Hall at 9:00 a.m. for a delicious breakfast, prizes and fellowship. All are welcome.

A free will donation will be appreciated.

Our next Praha Pancake Sunday is Sunday, September 5th. We would like to invite parishioners who would like to sign up to help serve and prepare breakfast. We need eight people each month and the time commitment is from 7:15-10:30 a.m. All supplies are provided - we need your helping hands and smiling face!

Please contact Lori Janecka if you would like to sign up for any month.....friends and family welcome to help!

Thank you for your enthusiastic support of the Praha Altar Society!

Lori Janecka, Tracie Holub & Robin Cerny

PRAŽSKÁ POUT UPDATE

5,645 plates were served at this year's Picnic. We thank all parishioners and friends of the parish who helped to make the Picnic a success. Look out for a full Picnic Report soon.

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



We thank the following for their recent contribution:

Grace & Roger Howard, San Antonio, TX - \$500

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>

THANK YOU NOTE

Flatonía Fire Rescue thanks you for your recent donation in the amount of \$250.00. Your contribution is greatly appreciated.

*Sincerely,
DeDe Elliott
Firefighter*

* The Flatonía Fire Department comes out every year to hose down the pavilion prior to the Church Picnic. We thank the firefighters for their service to the community.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

This Sunday we return to Mark's gospel after our sojourn through John's sixth chapter. We resume today as Jesus continues his mission: Pharisees and scribes pick on Jesus' disciples for their table manners. Jesus blasts the religious leaders for paying more attention to human rules than to divine ones. It is the evil within that makes us unclean.

Today's three readings bring up one of the most vexing issues of our faith. Just what religious rules and regulations does God demand we keep, and which ones can we discard? Is it possible that some of our most fervently kept laws don't come from God? This was especially brought front and center in a mid-1960s poll of American Catholics. The Catholics were asked just one question: "Which is the more important law: love of neighbor or not eating meat on Friday?" The majority responded, "Not eating meat on Friday."

Over the centuries, many of us were led to believe the religious rules came directly from God. But now we're not too certain. Are there no limits? Just what can we change and what can't we change? And how do we know?

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



August 29 - Johnny Barcak, James Pfeil, Gail Stryk
August 30- Rylie Noska
September 1 - Bradley Kubecka
September 4 - Bryn Stryk

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!



August 30 - Elyse & Eugene Chaloupka

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

*Catholic Communications Campaign
Black & Native Americans
Catholic University
Please be generous.*



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

**Moulton Picnic Raffle Tickets available. \$30 a ticket.
Only 750 tickets printed. Grand prize - \$5,000.
To purchase Raffle Tickets, call 361-596-4674.
Raffle Tickets are not sold on Picnic Day.**

MOULTON CHURCH PICNIC

Dear friends,

We had a very successful Picnic this year. Thanks to your hard work and the support of many people. Parishioners from our Sister Parish were on hand to help. Moulton's Picnic is September 19. Only three Sundays away. Consider helping Moulton parish as parishioners did for us.

*The celebration begins with **Mass** at 10:00 a.m. inside the church. The **Picnic Meal** consists of the Moulton famous fried chicken and stew, potatoes, sauerkraut, green beans in mushroom sauce and dessert (and tea for on-site dining only) all for a donation of only \$12. Those who choose to dine-in may do so in the spacious Social Center. Picnic tables will be provided for those who choose to eat outside in the open. A drive-through plates-to-go will also be available.*

***Music** under the pavilion provided by **Ken Brothers** from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. **Mark Halata & Texavia** will play inside the Social Center from 2:00 to 6:00 p.m. The **Auction** will be held under the pavilion beginning at 1:00 p.m. Auction items include quilts, afghans, wood-crafted and metal-crafted items, plants, livestock, antiques, homemade noodles, home canned goods and other items. Many more fun activities are planned for under the pavilion/on Picnic grounds including a country store, plant walk, fish pond, train ride, ring toss, ball throw and other games. A raffle drawing will be held, with \$7,400.00 worth of gift certificates to be given away. **Grand Prize - \$5,000.** Plenty of refreshments, soda-pop, popcorn, hamburgers and other snacks will be on hand all afternoon.*

*There will be a shuttle service to bring visitors to and from the parking lots to the Social Center grounds. We are putting all measures in place to keep all safe and we ask for your cooperation. Please mark your calendar and come join us for a good time **September 19th**.*

God bless,

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Here is How You Can Help

My donation to:

- The Auction: _____

- The Meat Fund \$ _____ Fr. Gabriel's Cake \$ _____

Other donations: _____

Sign me up to help at: _____

Name: _____

Telephone: _____

A donation may be made to St. Joseph's Church, P. O. Box 399, Moulton, TX 77975 - or - online giving available at our website www.stjosephsmoulton.org. Designate donation as Moulton Picnic.

MOULTON CHURCH PICNIC



Sunday, September 19, 2021

St. Joseph's Social Center

AREA CHURCH PICNICS

Sept. 5 – Fayetteville, Hallettsville, High Hill, Shiner

Sept. 12 – Yorktown

September 19 – Moulton Church Picnic

Sept. 26 – Sweet Home