

November 7, 2021

Ordinary Time

Thirty-second Sunday



The Cost of Authentic Discipleship

As Jesus was sitting in the temple area he observes how rich people put large sums into the treasury while a poor widow put in two small coins worth a few cents. He tells his disciples that *this poor widow put in more than all the other contributions*. Jesus points her out as a model of radical trust in God. Her gift indicates how much her life was turned to God. Her trust challenges our less-than-total commitment. Her total self-giving reminds us how shallow is our own faith and how distracted we sometimes are by material matters that pertain more to our abundance than to our real needs.

Today's Bulletin is sponsored
in honor of Mary & Charlie Bartos
on the occasion of their Golden Wedding Anniversary.



Flowers for the Altar this weekend are donated
by Mary & Charlie Bartos in thanksgiving to God
on the occasion of their Golden Wedding Anniversary
and in honor of all Veterans.

MASS INTENTIONS



Thursday, November 11
4:30 p.m. For the Praha Seven
Saturday, November 13
4:30 p.m. The Welfare of Parishioners
Sunday, November 14
8:00 a.m. Benedict Pokluda

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.

VETERANS MEMORIAL SERVICE TODAY



We welcome Msgr. Dan Kalich, our Veterans and our visitors to the Mass and program honoring our Veterans.

Pray For Peace This Veterans Day

Veterans Day celebrates those values, not the martial violence that puts America's soldiers to the test. The focus of this commemoration has always been on peace, not war. It was first called Armistice Day, for the November 11, 1918 peace agreement that ended World War I, what was then called the "War to end all wars." If Veterans Day has any message, it is to remind us of war's human cost and the many mourning families it leaves in its wake. It is also a reminder that armed conflict should never be accepted as an inevitability.

"We must never resign ourselves to the absence of peace. Peace is possible. Peace is urgent. Peace is an indispensable condition for a life worthy of the human person and society." – Pope Benedict XVI

On-line Giving: We thank the Praha parishioners and friends of the parish who have been supporting the church with their on-line donations. To make an on-line donation to the church visit us on:
<https://www.victoriadiocese.org/donate-assumption-praha>

Full, Conscious and Active Participation in the Liturgy

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

First Reading: Daniel 12:1-3

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 16

Second Reading: Hebrews 10:11-14, 18

Gospel: Mark 13:24-32



Rosary every Wednesday at 9:00 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 Benedict Pokluda.**

No Pancake Sunday Today

REFLECTION

1 Kings 17:10-16 Psalm 146
Hebrews 9:24-28 Mark 12:38-44

He Gave Everything Even His Own Life

As we approach the end of the liturgical year, the focus of our Sunday scripture readings turns to the end times and what is expected of those who claim to be faithful disciples of Jesus. As disciples, we live out the covenant relationship that God has initiated and we have accepted. Jesus is the norm by which we are to live as Christians.

Today's readings offer much wisdom and reflection that challenge us.

Psalm 146, the Responsorial Psalm for today, focuses our attention on the theme running through the Readings. We are invited to *praise the Lord* because our God is a God of Justice who *keeps faith forever*.

THANKSGIVING SERVICES



Nov. 24 – Thanksgiving Vigil Masses:

4:30 p.m., Praha 6:30 p.m., Moulton

Nov. 25 – Thanksgiving Day Mass:

8:00 a.m., Moulton in Family Room

Come celebrate God's goodness with the community. Canned goods and monetary offerings will be collected to help our less fortunate brothers and sisters in the county.



Food baskets have been made available at the Church entrance for your canned goods and non-perishable food items (rice, pasta, dry beans, etc.). You may drop your food items at any time. Monetary donations are also welcome. Drop monetary donations in the collection basket or mail during the month of November.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



November 7 – Briley Grahmann, Leo Janak

November 10 – Heather Jasek, Ken Stryk

November 12 – David Janecka

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!



November 8 – Robin & Gary Cerny

BARTERED BRIDE OPERA IN PRAHA NOVEMBER 20, 2:00 P.M., AT THE PAVILION

St. Mary's Church in Praha will be hosting the performance of Bedrich Smetana's opera *The Bartered Bride*, in a Road Tour, that is making its way to several Texas cities courtesy of the University of North Texas (UNT) and the Czech Educational Foundation of Texas.

The event is scheduled for Saturday, November 20, 2021 at 2:00 P.M. under the Pavilion adjacent to the Church. There is NO Charge. A good will offering will be accepted. Attendees are asked to bring a picnic lunch to enjoy prior to the performance. Seating will be available, or attendees may bring their own lawn chairs. Following the performance there will be a recitation of the Rosary at 4:00 P.M. in the Church followed by Holy Mass at 4:30 P.M. *The UNT performers in the touring group are being led by Dr. Thomas Sovik.*

2022 MASS BOOK OPENS NOVEMBER 10



Mass Stipend: It has been a long-standing tradition of the Church that an offering is made by parishioners when Mass (prayers) is requested. The donation given is an offering to God not a payment for the Mass. Parishioners are encouraged to be generous in their offering. A donation of \$5 is the least one may offer. It is to make it possible for even the poor to make a Mass request. Parishioners are encouraged to participate in the Mass they request for their loved ones and also to bring up the offertory gifts at Saturdays and Sundays Masses.

** Owing to the large volume of Mass requests for our beloved dead and other occasions each family is limited to 3 Masses per year. The Mass can be for a married couple, one person, or two individuals.*

Sanctuary Light and Bulletin: In addition to booking Masses or offering flowers for the Altar, you may also sponsor the Sanctuary Light (the candle burns for a week) or sponsor the Church Bulletin for a weekend. It could be: *in memory of, in honor of, in thanksgiving, Special Intention, etc.*

Sanctuary Light - \$20; Bulletin Sponsor - \$35

To book a Mass, Altar Flowers, Sanctuary Light or Bulletin call the Parish Office or put your intention and offering into the collection basket or mail. *Called in requests will be honored only upon receipt of donation.*