

April 3, 2022

## Lent

### Fifth Sunday



#### **Liberated From Death**

**Emphasis on the reality of the resurrection is evident everywhere in the scripture readings and the liturgy, this Fifth Sunday of Lent. The raising of Lazarus is a sign that discloses God's glory and the power of the resurrection. Martha, a spokesperson and a witness to Jesus' own role as a believer says: Yes, Lord, I have come to believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God. Faith in Jesus liberates us not only in the future but also here and now.**

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Thursday, April 7

4:30 p.m. Stazy & Frank Hajek

Saturday, April 9

4:30 p.m. George Masek & Parents

Sunday, April 10

8:00 a.m. Lottie Metzger Weber

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 *Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord*. Prepare for the liturgy by reflecting on these passages from your Bible.

**First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7**

**Responsorial Psalm: 22**

**Second Reading: Philippians 2:6-11**

**Gospel: Luke 22:14—23:56**



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

#### **Praha Pancake Sunday Today**

*Come join us for a meal and fellowship.*

#### **Prepare to Celebrate Easter**



#### **Parish Lenten Reconciliation Service**

Monday, April 4

Moulton

5:00 p.m.

Friday, April 8

Praha

5:00 p.m.

*Priests from the area will be assisting.*

*\* No scheduled confessions in Praha during Holy Week.*

**Next Sunday we enter into Holy Week with the celebration of Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord.** We commemorate the entrance of the Lord



into Jerusalem according to ancient custom with a solemn procession. With songs and gestures, we imitate the Hebrew children who went to meet the Lord singing "Hosanna". In the procession we carry palm branches which are later taken home where

they serve as a reminder of the Victory of Christ.

Sunday is the only day that there are two gospel proclamations in the same liturgy. The first takes place in at the beginning of the liturgy before the procession. It recalls Jesus' entry into Jerusalem. The second gospel proclaimed takes place in the usual place at Mass. It is the proclamation of the Passion narrative. It is proclaimed without the usual ritual gestures: the greeting, the crossing of forehead, lips, and heart, no incense, no candles. This is the most pivotal moment in the life of the Lord and in our observance of Lent and the beginning of Holy Week.

*Come let us celebrate!*

#### **Holy Week At A Glance**

**Palm Sunday Procession:** We will gather in front of the School for the procession.

**Chrism Mass (Mass of the Oils):** April 12, 10:00 a.m., Our Lady of Victory Cathedral, Victoria.

**Holy Thursday:**

- The Mass of the Lord's Supper
- Gifts And Canned Food For The Needy

**Good Friday:** Celebration of the Lord's Passion.

**Holy Saturday:** We gather for the Easter Vigil.

*See Triduum/Easter Bulletin for more details.*



**The Sanctuary Light will be lit this week for a Special Intention.**

**Our Joyful Walk Toward Holy Easter**  
**The Fifth Sunday of Lent**

**Jesus, Resurrection and Life.**  
**Do You Believe This?**

In John's Gospel, the raising of Lazarus is the last of the seven signs that Jesus works in order to manifest the glory of the Father and announce his supreme personal glorification at his Passover.



This all-important *sign* is especially appropriate to the Sunday before Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, after the Gospels of the Living Water and the Man Born Blind. The raising of Lazarus is the *sign* that prefigures the definitive triumph of Jesus on the Cross, God's glory and the glorification of the Son victorious over death, who awakens us, making us pass, already here below to the life that bodily death cannot touch.

This is an event-sign to which each of us must try to relate. It requires from each of us a personal answer. *I am the resurrection and the Life ... Do you believe this?* None of us can evade this question and be a believer. With the assurance of one day sharing in the Lord's resurrection, we cannot however forget the inescapable step of the cross. Christ, Resurrection and Life, has gone through it with us. The raising of Lazarus has as its immediate consequence the condemnation of Jesus to death; he freely gave his life so that we might live forever. Like Thomas, we say, *Let us go to Jerusalem to die with him and with him to rise.*

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**



April 6 – Carl Henke  
 April 7 – Cole Campbell

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!**



April 8 – Margaret & Michael Hanslik

**Lenten Fish Fry**

**St. Joseph's Church, Moulton**  
**Fridays of Lent**

5:00-7:00 p.m., \$12.00 Per Plate

Next Friday is the last Fish Fry:

Next Friday's Menu: Fish, Hush Puppies,  
 Roasted Red Potatoes, Cole Slaw & Dessert

**Dine in the Social Center Or Drive-Thru Plates-To-Go**

\*All proceeds go to charities.

**K.J.Z.T. Family Life**  
**2022 District II Social, April 24**  
*Look out for details.*

**LENTEN BULLETIN BOARD**

**Second Collection Today – Rice Bowl**

Use your Rice Bowl envelope to help make a difference in someone's life.

**Easter Flowers:** To make a donation in memory of your loved ones, drop your Easter Flower Donation envelope in the collection basket or mail.

**Parish Lenten Mission:** Join us this Thursday from 6:00-7:30 p.m. at the Parish Hall in Moulton.

**Lenten Food Drive:** Leave your canned goods for the needy at the main entrance to Church.

**Stations of the Cross** Fridays of Lent, 5:30 p.m.

**Easter Eggs:** Donations of plastic eggs and individually wrapped candy for plastic eggs are welcome. To make a donation, contact the Parish Office.



**Moulton**  
**Easter Picnic**

**Sunday, April 17, 2022**

**St. Joseph's Social Center**

**Mass: 10:00 a.m.**

**Easter Egg Hunt After Mass**



**Fried Chicken Dinner**

**\$12 Per Plate - Begins at 10:30 a.m.**

**Dine Inside or Drive-through Plates-to-go**  
**Fried Chicken-to-go Available**

**Live Auction: 1:00 p.m.**

**Live Music**

**Ken Brothers 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

**Blue Denim 3:30 – 7:30 p.m.**

**Cake Walk**  
**Hamburgers**

**Plant Walk**  
**Refreshments**

**Country Store**  
**Kids Games ...**



For more information contact St. Joseph's Church: 361-596-4674 www.stjosephsmoulton.org

**Here is How You Can Help**

My donation to: The Meat Fund \$ \_\_\_\_\_

- The Mini-Auction: \_\_\_\_\_

Desserts/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](http://www.stjosephsmoulton.org). Designate donation as Moulton Easter Picnic.