June 5, 2022

Pentecost Sunday

Solemnity

"Receive The Holy Spirit"

Pentecost, the descent of the Holy Spirit, like the empty tomb of Easter, is hard for us to get our heads around. The Spirit's presence is evidenced by faith in action – the faith of the early Church and our faith today. We know the Spirit is with us today because the Church continues to journey together in spite of our human frailty. There are still heroes among us who pay the prophet's price. Like the disciples we are living in the days beyond the victory. We live the hope and the joy of the empty tomb here and now.

Flowers for the Altar this weekend are donated by the Praha Altar Society.

MASS INTENTIONS

Thursday, June 9
4:30 p.m. Bobby Pesek
Saturday, June 11
4:30 p.m. Georgiann Barta
Sunday, June 12
8:00 a.m. The Deceased of the Josephine & Paul Machac Family

Full, Conscious and Active Participation in the Liturgy

Next weekend is *The Most Holy Trinity*. Prepare for the liturgy by reflecting on these passages from your Bible.

First Reading: Proverbs 8:22-31
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 8
Second Reading: Romans 5:1-5
Gospel: John 16:12-15

Remember the sick in your prayers this week, especially Margaret Hanslik.

2022 DIOCESAN SERVICES APPEAL

2022 Assessment ……..…….. $ 9,725.00
Contributions So Far ……..…….. $ 4,435.00
Amount Yet to be Contributed …..…… $ 5,290.00

Do please consider making a donation.

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

We thank the following for their recent contribution:

In Memory of Anna Joyce Masek - $25
Pat Masek

In Honor of Kathleen & Martin Svatek's 50th Wedding Anniversary - $50
Dennis Brown, Houston, TX

ST. MARY'S MEMORIAL FUND

In memory of Joyce Masek
Mary & Charlie Bartos

ST. MARY'S CEMETERY FUND

In Honor of Kathleen & Martin Svatek's 50th Wedding Anniversary
Carol & Randy Barta

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 go to:
https://www.victoriadiocese.org/donate-assumption-praha

SPECIAL FATHER'S DAY MASS – JUNE 19

To have your father specially remembered in the Mass Intention of the day, drop your Father's Day envelope in the collection or mail by June 14.

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.

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

The Sanctuary Light will be lit this week in memory of Merlene & Edward Jurek.

REFLECTION

Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11 Psalm 104
Romans 8:8-17 John 14:15-16, 23b-26

Witnesses of Christ with The Holy Spirit

When we hear the gospel reading of today, it is not uncommon to think "What I wouldn't give to have been there! Such a momentous event would have certainly enlivened my faith and strengthened my resolve to serve others." St. Paul however assures that we did not have to be there to receive the power of the Spirit. We have all been baptized into the body of Christ. As members of the body, we proclaim that Jesus, not any human power, is Lord. This is a real challenge in a world that holds up wealth and comfort, fame and power as idols to be worshiped. The Spirit has come to us not through a mighty wind or the breath of the Risen Lord, but through the waters of baptism and the oils of anointing. To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit. What is it for you?

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

June 5 – Jessica Schneider
June 6 – Gayle Hill, Collin Hummel
June 8 – Beatrice Patek
June 9 – Madison Vrazel

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

June 8 – Patricia & James Gready
June 11 – Barbara & Larry Prause

PRAHA PANCAKE SUNDAY TODAY

ALWAYS THE FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

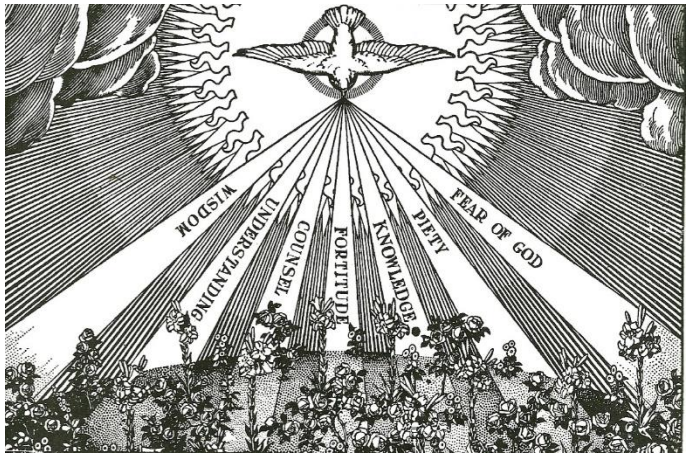
Join us in the Praha Hall for pancakes, scrambled eggs, breakfast meats, juice, coffee & milk. All are welcome. A free will donation will be appreciated.

*** The July Pancake Sunday has been canceled since it falls on July 3 (the 4th of July weekend).**

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Today – Praha Pancake Sunday
– Sacred Heart Church Spring Picnic, Flatonia
June 8 – Moulton Catholic Daughters Plates-to-go
June 12 – St. Mary's Church Picnic, St. Mary's
June 19 – Moulton: Pancake Breakfast at St. Joseph's
June 26 – Sts. Peter & Paul Parish Feast, Plum
July 11-15 – St. Joseph's - Moulton, Vacation Bible School
July 30 – St. Mary's - Praha Vacation Bible School

Veni Sancte Spiritus
Come Holy Spirit



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.

LITURGICAL ORIENTATION

Pentecost is the celebration of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the Church.

Throughout the Easter season the Paschal candle, which has been prominent in Church by the ambo since Holy Saturday, will now stand by the baptismal font. All year round it will be lit at Baptisms and funerals, a reminder that these are celebrations of the resurrection of the Lord.

After the intensity of Lent, Triduum and Easter, we return to Ordinary Time.

Sunday Solemnities: Ordinary Time begins with two great Feasts of the Lord:

- The Most Holy Trinity (next Sunday), where the Lectionary Readings draw us into the mystery of God: Father, Son and Spirit.
- The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, where the passages focus our attention not only on the ways God nourishes the life of his people, but also on the fact that by sharing in the Eucharistic bread and cup, we become one Body of Christ in the Church.

After that, the *Numbered Sundays* of Ordinary Time will follow without interruption for many weeks beginning with The Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, June 26th.

Pray for the repose of the soul of
Pamela Jasek
and the comfort of her loved ones.
May she rest in peace.

PRAHA PICNIC - MONDAY, AUGUST 15
Look out for details