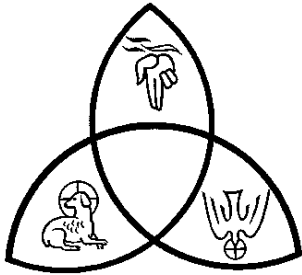


June 11, 2017

**First Sunday After Pentecost
The Most Holy Trinity
Solemnity**



This God Who Loves Us

Today the liturgy holds the mystery of the Most Holy Trinity before us, not explaining or defining it, but simply showing us some of the facets of the mystery through the prayers and the Sacred readings proclaimed today. As we contemplate the family of God we have come to call the Trinity, we also realize that the underlying motive prompting all of God's actions is his unconditional love for us.



Flowers for the altar this weekend are donated by Barbara & Larry Prause in thanksgiving to God on the occasion of their 1st Wedding Anniversary.

MASS INTENTIONS



Saturday, June 17
4:30 p.m. Sp. Int. – Fathers Specially Remembered
Sunday, June 18
8:00 a.m. Sp. Int. – Fathers Specially Remembered

PREPARING FOR SUNDAY LITURGY



Next weekend is *The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ*. Prepare for the liturgy by reflecting on these passages from your Bible.

First Reading: Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14b-16a
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 147
Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 10:16-17
Gospel: John 6:51-58

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



We thank the following for their recent contributions:

In Memory of Mary M. & Charles A. Vana
Marcella & Henry Joe Henke Jr., Hallettsville - \$5,000
(previous donation - \$10,000)

St. Peter The Apostle Church, Boerne, TX - \$100
(The Church ladies joined us for Mass on May 20)

To make a tax deductible donation towards *St. Mary's Restoration Endowment Fund Maintaining & Preserving Maticka Praha* contact Fr. Gabriel at 361-596-4674.

ST. MARY'S MEMORIAL FUND

In Memory of Lillie Zimmerhazel
Mary & Charlie Bartos

SPECIAL FATHER'S DAY MASS NEXT SUNDAY

To have your father specially remembered in the Mass intention of the day, drop your Father's Day envelope in the collection basket or mail by June 13.

Extra envelopes available at the main entrance to Church

VOTIVE CANDLE INTENTIONS

The Catholic custom of lighting candles is rooted in Church teaching that Christ is the Light of the World. Candles serve as an outward sign of the light of faith burning in our hearts. They are our silent sentinels lifting up our prayer intentions to the Lord.

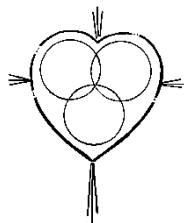


Remember to pray for the following prayer requests:

- For Hunter Hanson*
- For Mary Llewelly*
- For Peace on Earth*
- For Brenda L. Mann*
- For My Mom & Dad*
- To Restore Our Marriage*
- For My Mother-in-law Carmen*
- To Send Love To Angels of Past*
- To Help My Husband Find A Job*
- That My Husband & I Find Jobs*
- For My Deceased Husband & 2 Sons*
- That Claudia Will Have Job Security*
- For Alice Paciello, Mother of Dorothy*
- Healing For Tanya & Comfort For The Family*
- Pray For Miss Maxine & Relief of Her Parkinsons*
- To Help My Teacher Miss Jane Get Better, She is very ill*
- For Richard, W. Tom & W. Tom Pearson, Jr., Jack Shelton*
- For The Health & Happiness of the Fedor & Novak Families*

– Votive Candle Intentions to be continued

REFLECTION



“God So Loved The World That He Gave His Only Son”

As we contemplate and celebrate the Trinity today, we also consider all the dimensions and expressions of love it reveals. No greater love story has ever been told than the one that Jesus shared with Nicodemus: “God so loved the world that he gave his only Son.” Today’s Gospel affirms that God’s motivation for desiring to be engaged with us is love. As is reflected in salvation history love characterized all of God’s overtures and interactions with human beings. When God chose Israel to be integral to the divine plan, the reason was love. It was this unconditional love that became flesh in Jesus and dwelt among us. This love of God offers us a daily reason for celebration. As recipients of this great celebratory love, we bring condemnation upon ourselves if we do not respond to this love of God. Faith is the only appropriate response – a lived faith that is translated into a deliberate decision to love God and to love others as an expression of our love for God.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



June 13 – Louise Barcak
 June 14 – Georgiann Barta
 June 15 – Henrietta Moeller
 July 17 – Emily Hill

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!



June 13 – Louise & Johnny Barcak
 June 14 – Beatrice & Rudy Patek

Pray for the repose of the soul of
Andrew Louis Farmer
 and for the comfort of his loved ones.
May he rest in peace.



AREA PICNICS

Today – St. Rose Picnic, Schulenburg
 – St. Mary’s Picnic, St. Mary’s (near Hallettsville)

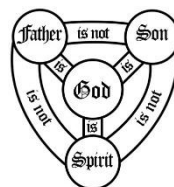
FLAG DAY – JUNE 14



Flag Day, is a day for all Americans to celebrate and show respect for our flag, its designers and makers. Our flag is representative of our independence and our unity as a nation.....one nation, under God, indivisible.

ORIENTATION

The Most Holy Trinity



After the glories of the Easter Season, the Church leads us back into Ordinary Time by gentle degrees. Before the Sundays return to green vestments, we celebrate two wonderful solemnities: the Most Holy Trinity and the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. The timing of these solemnities is significant, at Pentecost, the Holy Spirit came in transforming power upon the disciples, and the life of faith that we know, began. Today’s celebration, the Most Holy Trinity dates to the Seventh Century. It has been on the Church’s universal calendar for nearly seven hundred years. The mystery of the Trinity is the central mystery of Christian faith and life. It is the mystery of God in himself. The history of salvation is the history of how God gradually reveals himself to humanity as the one true God.

Praha Picnic

TUESDAY, AUGUST 15

Picnic Raffle Update: A big THANK YOU to the 51 individuals, families and businesses who donated a total of \$7,950 in Raffle prizes including gift cards, gift certificates, a 10 qt. Fryer w/bottle, a gift basket, and 2 American Eagle Silver Dollars. The raffle will have 40 prizes to be given away with the top prize being a \$2,000 gift card. The tickets will sell for \$2 each or 6 for \$10.

Special thanks to Melvin Hutzler for donating a total of \$2,100 to the Raffle this year.

Thomas Petru & Liz Janak, Raffle Chairpersons

Picnic Chairpersons (CPs) / Co-CPs Meetings:

- Jun. 21 – Stew, Chicken & Kitchen, Plates-to-go, Plate Distribution & Dinner Tickets, 6 p.m.**
- Jun 21 – Beer Stand, Beer Tickets, Soda Stand & Sno Cones, Country Store, Souvenirs, Raffle, Cake Walk, Bingo, Fish Pond/Toy Box, Ring Toss, Bands & Publicity, 6 p.m.**

Auction & Finance Meetings TBA

The meetings will be held at the pavilion.

Picnic Letter/Raffle Ticket Mailing: It’s not too soon to start thinking about what to donate to the auction and other Picnic donations. Look out for something in the mail soon.