

August 23, 2015

Ordinary Time

Twenty-first Sunday



Staying or Leaving

The Choice of Keeping Faith With God

Our consideration of Jesus' teaching about the bread of life leads us to the threshold of decision. Will we choose Jesus, despite the incredible claims he makes? Or will we decide to stay where we are; satisfied with the lives we are living? For believers, faith in Christ consists in recognizing Jesus as the savior who has "the words of eternal life." Choosing Jesus will bring us deeper into the mystery of the Eucharist. Are you willing to go there?

MASS INTENTIONS



Wednesday, August 26

6:00 p.m. For the Welfare of the Parish

Saturday, August 29

4:30 p.m. Louis, Mary & Albina Smolik

Sunday, August 30

8:00 a.m. Ernest Chaloupka

Full, Conscious and Active Participation in the Liturgy

Read ahead and be prepared for next weekend, *The Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time*. Prepare for the liturgy by reflecting on these passages from your Bible:

First Reading: Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 15

Second Reading: James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27

Gospel: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23



BIBLE STUDY

Come join us for a bible study class after Mass on Wednesdays until 7:30 p.m.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Aug. 23 – Doris Kalina

Aug. 24 – Marilyn Cerny, Joyce Kubecka

Aug. 25 – Nathan Vrazel

Aug. 27 – Anna Fishbeck, Kathleen Svatek

Aug. 29 – Gail Stryk

Restoring Maticka Praha

Church Restoration Fund Donations

We thank the following for their recent donations:

In Honor of Living & Deceased Members of the Matilda (Greive) & Frank Janek Family
Janek Family Reunion - \$350

In memory of Annie Migl

Hattie Stryk - \$12

Robin & Gary Cerny - \$50

Leona Herzik & Family - \$50

In memory of Eugene Patalik, Sr.

Robin & Gary Cerny - \$50

In Honor of Josef & Terezie Stryk

Celine Kalina - \$100

Daniel Stryk, Victoria - \$100

Joan & Bob Riley, San Marcos, TX - \$100

Dorothy Fajkus Jasek, LaPorte, TX - \$100

* Total contributions to date in memory of Josef & Terezie Stryk - \$10,200.

To make a tax deductible donation towards the restoration project: Restoring Maticka Praha contact Fr. Gabriel at 361-596-4674.

Society News

Praha Altar Society Meeting Today, August 23 after the 8:00 a.m. Mass. Cookbook update and upcoming activities will be discussed.

Praha Cookbook Update: Cookbook sales were great the Picnic. We sold almost 600 cookbooks! Thanks to all those submitted recipes and bought cookbooks. It is deeply appreciated. Cookbooks will be sold after the 4:30 p.m. Mass on Saturday and the 8:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday. Cost \$25 each. Buy one for yourself and more for gifts!

St. Anne's K.J.Z.T. #4 Praha Bake Sale, September 5 beginning at 5:30 p.m. on the front porch of St. Mary's School Chapel. The proceeds from the Bake Sale will benefit the Flatonia Fire & Rescue and the Turtle Wing Foundation of Schulenburg.

Pray for the repose of the soul of

Eugene A. Patalik, Sr.

and for the comfort of his loved ones.

May he rest in peace.



More Music Fund Donations

Dennis Tousek Family - \$50

Julia Stryk - \$75

Roddie Shelley, Pearland - \$20

Barbara Janak - \$20

Anonymous Parishioner - \$500

Jill & Brian Noska - \$50

Delores Hrcncir, Yoakum - \$25

Gail & Dennis Stryk - \$20

Gayle & Steven Hill, Houston - \$50

Dolores & David Labay, Conroe - \$20

Betty Lou & Hubert Novak, Shiner - \$100

Barbara & James Haenel, San Marcos - \$20

Picnic Update

Dear Friends,

What a Picnic! It just keeps getting bigger and better. There were people everywhere having a good time. I heard many compliments. Those who picked up plates at the Drive Thru were very appreciative of the improvement. They did not have to park and work their way through the crowd. The food, they said, was the best so far and there were comments about how helpful and friendly people were to them at the various booths. The addition to the kitchen was well appreciated by the Chicken Frying Crew.

Thanks to all the parishioners and out-of-town helpers who worked so hard together for a noble cause. Even though I arrived at the Hall by 4:00 a.m. Helen Schaefer and her Potatoes Crew again this year beat me to the Hall. The potatoes were beautiful this year and did not take much to clean. Special thanks to all those who worked behind the scenes to get it all ready; those who worked in the various booths/work stations; those who helped with the cleanup the following day, and the many individuals and businesses who generously donated to make it such a successful day. And my cake! WOW! I could not believe it sold for over \$4000. Thanks to Mary & Staci Bartos and the rest of the family for the hard lobbying. The Auction was exceptionally great thanks to Lori & David Janecka and Chris Masek. The \$11,000 quilt blew my mind. That is how generous people are to Maticka Praha.

Thanks also to Charlie & Edward, Picnic Chairpersons, and their families for a job well done. We hope to have the final figures soon. Once again, thank you for all you do for Maticka Praha.

More Meat Fund Donations

Julia Stryk - \$150
Barbara Janak - \$20
Jill & Brian Noska - \$50
Gail & Dennis Stryk - \$70
Delores Hrcir, Yoakum - \$25
Josie & Alphonse Kubenka - \$75
Anonymous Parishioner - \$1,500
Virginia & Dennis Olsovsky - \$75
Patti & Ron Kallus, Cypress - \$20
Dolores & David Labay, Conroe - \$20
Susan & Barry Jackson, Boerne - \$500
Rose & Marvin Rothbauer, Moulton - \$50
Betty Lou & Hubert Novak, Shiner - \$100
Benigna & Kenneth Gerdes, Yoakum - \$300

Cistern Picnic Today

2015 Picnic Raffle Winners

1. \$800 Gift Card - Blake Sitka, Hallettsville
2. \$500 Gift Card - Delores Hrachovy - Schulenburg
3. \$400 Gift Card - Carol Ohnheiser - Schulenburg
4. \$300 HEB Gift Card - Jack Jameyson, Flatonia
5. \$200 Gift Card - Pam Svatek, Flatonia
6. \$200 Gift Card - Jonathan Velasquez, Flatonia
7. \$200 HEB Gift Card - Dennis Freytag, Flatonia
8. \$200 Gift Card - Libby Koncaba, Flatonia
9. \$200 Gift Card - Theresa Klekar, New Jersey
10. \$200 Gift Card - Jason Jackson, Flatonia
11. \$200 Gift Card - Roger Franke, Austin
12. \$200 Gift Card - Emily Garrett, College Station
13. \$200 Gift Card - Rose Klekar, Schulenburg
14. \$100 HEB Gift Card - Paul Scott, Weimer
15. \$100 Gift Card - Patrick Henke, Moulton
16. \$100 Gift Card - Hattie Stryk, Flatonia
17. \$100 Grahmann's True Valve Gift Certificate - Arnold Bohuslav, Moulton
18. \$100 Gift Card - George Goff, Sealy
19. \$100 Gift Card - Braidy Fike, Flatonia
20. \$100 Gift Card - J. J. Alvarado, Flatonia
21. \$100 Gift Card - Justin Meisetschleager, Moulton
22. \$100 Gift Card - Kelley Holub, Cypress
23. \$100 Gift Card - H. Rushion, Cypress
24. \$75 Parker Lumber Co. Gift Certificate - Elaine Simper, Moulton
25. \$75 Floy Farm Interior Gift Certificate - JoAnn Macha, Yoakum
26. American Eagle Silver Dollar - Dorothy Huebel, Sugar Land
27. Gift Basket of Assorted Commemorative Coins - James Anderle, West Point
28. Two 2015 United States Mint Uncirculated Coin Sets - Arlene Holmes
29. 10 Quart Fish Fryer with Propane Bottle - Elmer Michna, Moulton
30. \$50 Gift Card - Barbara Vavra, Schulenburg
31. \$50 Flatonia Veterinary Clinic Gift Certificate - Hilbert Henke, Hallettsville
32. \$50 Oakridge Smokehouse Gift Certificate - Mary C. Escobedo, Flatonia
33. \$50 Werner's Restaurant Gift Certificate - Art Zarosky, Richmond
34. \$50 Brookshire Bros. Gift Card - Rebekah Estrada, Schulenburg
35. \$50 Wal-Mart Gift Card - Daniel James Jalufka, Moulton
36. \$50 Patek Grocery & Market Gift Certificate - Suzanne Jackson, Boerne
37. \$50 Gift Card - Shirley Lanni, Flatonia
38. \$30 Lowe's Gift Card - Leonard Pokluda, Pt. Lavaca
39. \$25 Balzer Feed Mill Gift Certificate - Doris Pustka, Shiner
40. \$25 Arlan's Market Gift Certificate - Charles Wagner, Schulenburg
41. \$25 Robert's Steakhouse Gift Certificate - Jeanette Henke, Moulton