

August 7, 2016

Ordinary Time
Nineteenth Sunday



We Live By Faith

As part of the lengthy *training session* Jesus conducted for disciples as they made their way to Jerusalem, today's gospel passage continues to teach us that faith can enable us to overcome fear. Thus, freed from fear we can give ourselves entirely to the service of the Kingdom. As stewards of this world's goods, we are responsible for caring for and sharing these goods with our fellow servants. In this way, all will be prepared for welcoming Jesus upon his return.

MASS INTENTIONS



Saturday, August 13
4:30 p.m. Annie & Frank Cerny
Sunday, August 14
8:00 a.m. Lillie & Alois Kalina
5:00 p.m. For the Success of the Picnic

Full, Conscious and Active Participation in the Liturgy



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

First Reading: Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10
Responsorial Psalm: 40
Second Reading: Hebrews 12:1-4
Gospel: Luke 12:49-53

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



August 10 – Julia Stryk
August 11 – Lori Janecka
August 12 – Steven Hill, Stephen Decker
August 13 – Christina Lesikar

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

We thank the following for their recent contributions:

In Memory of Paul Vrazel and Emma & Julius Stryk
Ellene Vrazel and Pam & Nathan Vrazel & Family - \$400

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

THE ASSUMPTION OF MARY
MONDAY, AUGUST 15

Mass Schedule

Praha: August 14, 5:00 p.m.

August 15, 10:00 a.m.

Moulton: August 15, 8:00 a.m.



On this day the church celebrates Mary's welcome to heaven. As we believe that Jesus was the first to rise from the dead, so we believe he has also received his mother first into eternity. Pope

Pius XII declared the bodily assumption of Mary into heaven as a dogma of the church in 1950.

Assumption Day is considered a Holy Day of Obligation, but if it falls on a Saturday or on a Monday, it is not obligatory by the church to attend Mass. This was amended in the Church Calendar by US (United States) bishops in 1991.

REFLECTION

Proactive Faith

According to an ancient Jewish legend, when Moses lifted his staff and outstretched his arm over the Sea of Reeds, the sea did not divide itself to leave a dry passage for the escaping Israelites. It was not until the first man had jumped into the sea did the waves recede. It is this quality of proactive faith that the author of *Wisdom* talks about today. The writer underscores his faith in the God who chose the Israelites, directed, supported and provided for them in the dessert. For their part, the Israelites were to remember God's goodness, be grateful for God's blessings and live in faith-filled response to God's love.

In the Letter of the Hebrews, the second reading Abraham is offered as an example of faith. He did not see the prosperity and the land God has promised him. Nevertheless, he believed and by faith moved in the direction God told him. Like Abraham and the Jew who jumped into the Sea, we are challenged to cultivate a proactive faith so as to continue to move, sight unseen, in the direction of those things in which we believe.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

August 12 – Elaine & Johnnie Hoffman

CHURCH PICNIC BULLETIN BOARD

PICNIC – MONDAY, AUGUST 15

Dear Friends,

Our Pražská Pout is only eight days away. Quite a lot is being done to get things ready for the day. It is great to see so many willing to do more than their share to make the Picnic successful. I am encouraged by the generosity and support of many out-of-towners who are also helping. It is only through God's grace and generous supporters like you that Maticka Praha has been restored and how proud we are of our Church. By giving to support our Church we affirm our faith in God and we return to God what belongs to God anyway. So let your light shine so others may praise God for your good works. Take a look at the donation lists and see where you can help. Our Meat Fund Barometer is only at the halfway mark, \$5,760. Last year by this time it was \$8,650. I am counting on you and pray that God may touch your heart to consider making a donation. May God bless you abundantly for your generosity and for all you do for the Church. Pray for a successful Picnic.

God bless,

Drive Through Plates-To-Go

This year we are looking forward to a drive through Business Plates-to-go line as well as a drive through Plates-to-go line for individuals. The businesses will take FM 1295 to Praha and turn on South Knezek Road to pick up the plates on the east side of the Hall. The individuals picking up plates-to-go will take Hwy 90 and turn on South Knezek Road. Sign posts will be posted to direct both lines. The walk up Plates-to-go line will still be available at the usual place as in the past.

To book your Business Plates Order go to our Website www.stmaryspraha.org and download the form or contact the Parish Office at 361-596-4674.

Attention Picnic Chairpersons

To ease the congestion on Picnic morning, ALL Picnic Chairpersons are asked to contact Dennis Stryk at 979-743-6743 by Wednesday, August 10 to let him know the amount of starting change they will need for their booth.

Praha Cookbooks

The Praha Cookbooks will again be for sale at the Picnic. Kathleen Svatek and her crew will be selling the Cookbooks at the Country Store Booth. Tell you family and friends also while we still have some available.

Picnic Setup / Cleanup Schedule

August 11, 12 & 13 Tuesday, August 16

All help will be appreciated.

-- For more Picnic Donations see insert. --

Bingo Donations

2015 Bingo Donations \$1,115
 Donations So Far \$ 555
 Total № of Donors so far 23
 № of Parishioners who have given so far 21
 № of Non-Parishioners who have given 2

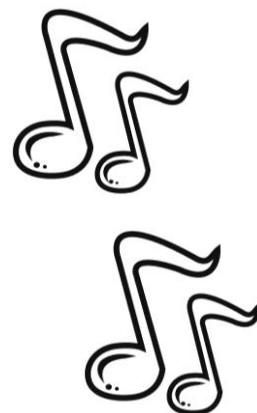
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| Stazy Hajek - \$10 | Pat Masek - \$20 |
| Ollie Pospisil - \$15 | Julia Stryk - \$25 |
| Betty Patalik - \$25 | Hattie Stryk - \$20 |
| Celina Kalina - \$10 | |
| Ellene Vrazel - \$20 | |
| Georgia Cerny - \$20 | |
| Helen Schaefer - \$25 | |
| Earlene O'Brien - \$25 | |
| Gail & Dennis Stryk - \$20 | |
| Anonymous Donor - \$100 | |
| Denise & Gary Greive - \$25 | |
| Jeanette & Carl Henke - \$25 | |
| Dennis Tousek Family - \$10 | |
| Gladys Seifert, Moulton - \$20 | |
| Georgiann & Louis Barta - \$20 | |
| Liz & Leo Janak - \$16.32 value | |
| Kathleen & Martin Svatek - \$25 | |
| Henrietta & Elton Moeller - \$50 | |
| Esther & Edward Brautigam - \$25 | |
| Pat & Tom Lawrence, Moulton - \$20 | |



Music Fund Donations

Our Goal This Year \$2,300
 Donations So Far \$ 1,820
 Total № of Donors so far 19
 № of Parishioners who have given so far 16
 № of Non-Parishioners who have given 3

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| Pat Masek - \$20 | |
| Julia Stryk - \$50 | |
| Ollie Pospisil - \$20 | |
| Betty Patalik - \$200 | |
| Liz & Leo Janak - \$25 | |
| Earlene O'Brien - \$225 | |
| Gail & Dennis Stryk - \$30 | |
| Anonymous Donor - \$500 | |
| M/M Filimon Grifaldo - \$50 | |
| Mary Ann & Emil Lev - \$25 | |
| Jeanette & Carl Henke - \$25 | |
| Dennis Tousek Family - \$50 | |
| Gladys Seifert, Moulton - \$25 | |
| Jenelle & Daniel Cerny - \$200 | |
| Henrietta & Elton Moeller - \$100 | |
| Esther & Edward Brautigam - \$50 | |
| Gail & Steven Hill, Houston - \$25 | |
| Kathleen & Martin Svatek - \$75 | |
| Dorothy & Robert Huebel, Sugar Land - \$125 | |



Meat Fund Donations

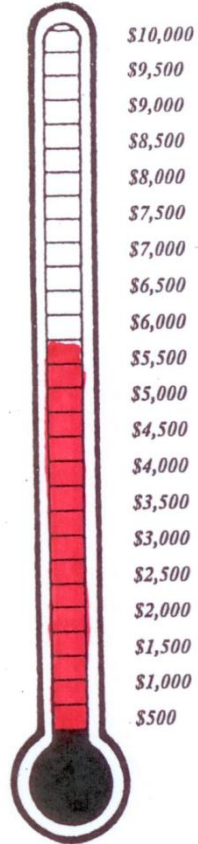
Our Goal This Year \$10,000
Donations So Far This Year \$5,760

2015 Meat Fund Donations \$11,605

We can reach our goal with your help.

Total No of Donors so far 41
No of Parishioners who have given so far ... 30
No of Non-Parishioners who have given 11

- Pat Masek - \$175
- Mary Jasek - \$30
- Julia Stryk - \$100
- Stazy Hajek - \$20
- Hattie Stryk - \$100
- Ollie Pospisil - \$75
- Ellene Vrazel - \$50
- Celine Kalina - \$50
- Betty Patalik - \$100
- Marcus Jasek - \$100
- Georgia Cerny - \$100
- Helen Schaefer - \$100
- Liz & Leo Janak - \$50
- Earlene O'Brien - \$250
- Patti & Jim Gready - \$200
- Carol & Randy Barta - \$50
- Gail & Dennis Stryk - \$200
- Denise & Gary Greive - \$50
- Mary Ann & Emil Lev - \$50
- Jeanette & Carl Henke - \$25
- Dennis Tousek Family - \$40
- Anonymous Donor - \$1,100
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- Deborah & Frank Riha - \$20
- Gladys Seifert, Moulton - \$25
- Jenelle & Daniel Cerny - \$100
- Georgiann & Louis Barta - \$50
- Frances & Leon Kubenka - \$50
- Henrietta & Elton Moeller - \$100
- Kathleen & Martin Svatek - \$200
- Virginia & Dennis Olsovsky - \$100
- Esther & Edward Brautigam - \$125
- Pat & Tom Lawrence, Moulton - \$25
- Cathy & Albert Bures, Yoakum - \$50
- Gertrude & Charlie Hajek, Waller - \$50
- The Outhouse Company, Flatonia - \$500
- Lisa & David Rothbauer, Moulton - \$100
- Ruth & Clarence Metzger, Houston - \$250
- Patricia & Dennis Otto, Schulenburg - \$50
- Rose & Marvin Rothbauer, Moulton - \$100
- Janet & Deacon Eddie Huse, Victoria - \$250
- Dorothy & Robert Huebel, Sugar Land - \$100



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Auction Items Donated

No of Auction Items Donated in 2015 420
Total No of Auction Items so far 69
No of Parishioners who have given so far 15
No of Non-Parishioners who have given so far .. 24

We thank for following for their recent donations:

- Stazy Hajek - 5 Gallon Crock
- Betty Patalik – Cedar Porch Swing
- Hostyn Noodles Makers – Noodles
- Lillie & Alois Kalina Family – Quilt
- Arlans, Schulenburg - \$25 Gift Card
- Georgia Cerny – Gallon Sugar Cookies
- Liz & Leo Janak – Antique Rose Picture
- New Beginnings, Flatonia – Antler Wine Rack
- Julia Stryk – Basket: Pickles, Jelly & Noodles
- Cathy & Mike Steinhauser, Flatonia - \$100 cash
- Tex Propane, Schulenburg – 100 Gallons Propane
- The Country Manor House, Schulenburg – 2 Dish Towels
- Potter Country Store, Schulenburg – Enjoy Each Day Sign
- Doloris & Dennis Mican – 2 Half-Gallon Homemade Noodles
- Balzer Feed, Schulenburg – 50# Bag NutreBeef Cattle Feed, 50# Purina Antler Max
- Celina Kalina – 2 Gallons Pickles, Jar of Poppy Seed, 2 Ferns, Norfolk Pine
- Kathleen & Martin Svatek – 2 Gallons Ranger Cookies, Basket: Chips & Salsa
- Mary Lou Dierschke – Giant Stuffed Animal: Dog with Puppy, Bird Bath, Metal Texas Sign
- Friend of the Parish – 2 Night Stay at *Reel Em Inn on the Bay* in Rockport (Home of the 1,000 Ft. Lighted Pier)
- Jeanette & Carl Henke – Tractor Seat Metal Glider, Peacock Wind Chime, 2 – 10 Square Bales of Tifton Hay
- Paul’s Supply, Shiner – 2 5-Gallon Buckets Tractor Hydraulic Transmission Fluid, 2 Boxes Red “N” Tacky Grease
- Patsy Zamykal, Moulton – Canned Good Basket: Picante Sauce, Jalapenos, Jellies (Peach, Jalapeno, Grape & Tomato)

Looking For Something to Put In The Auction

The Picnic is a week away and you still don’t know what to donate to the auction. We have wood crafted items and quilts available for sale at the Parish Office in Moulton. Wood Crafted Items: Benches, Crosses, Signs and more Quilts: (Pieced, Machine Quilted)

- Red, White & Blue Quilt - \$200
- Angel Quilt/Wall Hanging - \$175
- Fan Quilt - \$150
- Bears Quilt - \$150
- Basket Quilt - \$100
- Bow Tie Quilt - \$100
- Baby Quilts Also Available - \$20 and up

Contact the Parish Office, purchase your item and we will get it delivered to Praha for the Picnic Auction.

How You Can Help With The Picnic?

Auction: Donate items of value to the auction. We need a variety of items for our guests. If you haven't decided what to donate to the auction yet, there are some quilts and wood crafted items available at the Parish Office in Moulton at reasonable prices. Stop by to make a selection.

Drop Off Auction Items At The Morgan Building

Friday, **August 12, all day**

Saturday, **August 13, 9 a.m. – 12 Noon & 3 p.m. – 6 p.m.**

Sunday, **August 14 after Mass – Noon & 4 p.m. till**

We are trying to tag as many items as possible to avoid the big rush on Picnic Day. See list on reverse side. If you have large auction items that need to be picked up prior to the picnic contact Lori or David Janecka or the Parish Office.

Meat Donation Fund: Our Meat Donation Fund Goal this year is \$10,000. We have a long way to go to meet our goal. Last year we exceeded our goal.

Raffle Tickets: Have you turned in your raffle stubs and donations yet? Contact Thomas Petru or Liz Janak to pick up extra tickets to sell.

Bingo & Music Fund Donations: It takes a lot to have good music for our guests. Bingo donations are needed as well. Can you help?

Country Store: The out-of-town people love homemade jelly, home-canned and home-baked goods, and hand-made crafts. Can you spare a few jars of canned goods? Let's make sure we have plenty on hand for our visitors.

Fr. Gabriel's Cake: Fr. Gabriel's Cake will be auctioned off at the Picnic. Make a donation towards it for a piece of cake. Last year the cake brought in \$4,320. Help us break this record.

Other Donations: Miscellaneous Donations are welcome.

Desserts & Cake Walk:

Get your ovens ready. We need at least 200 cakes for the cake walk and can never have enough desserts for the meal.

Publicity: Invite all your friends and family to the Picnic.

Contributions from out-of-town friends of the parish are accepted and appreciated.

Put your donation in the collection basket or mail to: St. Mary's Church, 821 FM 1295, Flatonia, TX 78941



My donation to the Auction: _____
(Do list the market value of each item donated.)

My donation to: Meat Fund \$ _____ Bingo \$ _____

 Fr. Gabriel's Cake \$ _____ Music \$ _____

Country Store: _____

Other donations: _____

Sign me up for work at: _____

Name: _____ **Telephone:** _____