

July 1, 2018

# Ordinary Time

Thirteenth Sunday



### *Finding God in the Detours*

Today Jesus heals a woman afflicted with hemorrhages for twelve years and raises a dead girl to life. Jesus' willingness to be inconvenienced and to allow others' needs to set his agenda continues to challenge us, to whom he has entrusted with his ministry. Good things happen in the detours of life, and these can be as fulfilling as any well thought out life plan.



Flowers for the Altar this weekend are donated by Lori & David Janecka in thanksgiving to God on the occasion of Fr. Gabriel's Fortieth Priestly Ordination Anniversary.

### MASS INTENTIONS



Saturday, July 7  
4:30 p.m. The Deceased of the Joseph & Mary Janecek Jasek Family  
Sunday, July 8  
8:00 a.m. The Deceased of the Kalina & Stryk Families

### Full, Conscious and Active Participation in the Liturgy



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

**First Reading:** Ezekiel 2:2-5  
**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalm 123  
**Second Reading:** 2 Corinthians 12:7-10  
**Gospel:** Mark 6:1-6a

### 2018 DIOCESAN SERVICES APPEAL

2018 Assessment ..... \$7,761.00  
Contributions So Far ..... \$ 3,380.00  
Amount Yet to be Contributed ..... \$ 4,381.00

*We thank the following for their recent contributions:*

*Anonymous Donor*

*Debra & Frank Pargac*

*Tracie Holub & Ronnie Pfeil*

Do please consider making a donation.

### PRAHA PANCAKE SUNDAY TODAY – JULY 1

*Pancake  
Breakfast*



**ALWAYS THE FIRST SUNDAY  
OF THE MONTH**

*Come out and join us Sunday, July 1,  
9:00 – 10:30 a.m. in the Parish Hall. A  
free will donation will be appreciated.*

*All are invited.*

### 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 intentions:**

- For Riba's Birthday*
- For Myles & Brittany*
- For Konrad Egger's Soul*
- For Stepfather – Daughter*
- For Bianca D. – Breast Cancer*
- For Nathan's Future & Summer Job*
- In Thanksgiving For Many Blessings*
- For Isaac C. To Be Safe & Know Christ*
- For Freedom From Depression & Overeating*
- For Debbie J. - Peace, Finances, Christ's Protection*
- For The Peaceful Repose of The Soul of Hayden Hummel*
- Pray For Elena & Rita, A Lost Child, A Wife Gone Too Soon*
- For Our Family To Know God More & To Be Faithful To Our Church*
- For My Son, Gustavo Jose To Have The Light of The Holy Spirit & Grow Close To God*
- For A Friend, Linda In Danger of Losing Her Faith, That Her & Her Family May Be Reconciled To One Another & To God*

– Votive Candle Intentions to be continued

### SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

The **Peter's Pence** collection enables the Holy Father to respond with emergency financial assistance to requests to aid the neediest throughout the world – those who suffer as a result of war, oppression, and natural disasters.

*Please be generous.*

## REFLECTION



### *Jesus, the Authority Over the Forces of Death*

In today's Gospel, two miracles are joined together so that they can interpret each other. The miracles include the subject of faith, the question of life and death, the span of twelve years, and the power of God in Jesus. In the story, a distraught father comes openly to Jesus. He throws himself at the feet of Jesus and pleads with him. The hemorrhaging woman, on the other hand, has been the victim of both her ailment and of those who attempted to heal her. Her funds have been depleted and because of her hemorrhage she is ritually unclean. She does not approach Jesus directly, but deliberately touches Jesus secretly. Both the woman and the man act out of faith. They believe Jesus has the power to heal and Jesus grants their wishes. The woman in the story and the girl at the point of death are linked together by the fact that both are referred to as "daughter," both are ritually unclean. Twelve years is the duration of the woman's ailment and the girl's entire lifetime. Jesus disregards the ritual impurity the woman had and does not accept the finality of the girl's death and touches her lifeless body. In both cases, the touch that would have rendered another unclean is the means through which Jesus transfers the power of God. The healing of the woman, though performed in public, because of the crowd was really a private affair. The raising to life of the girl, though accomplished in private, risked becoming widely known. At the heart of each of the stories is the question of faith in Jesus and his power over sickness and death.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



July 1 – Elizabeth Decker  
July 4 – Patricia Michna

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!



July 1 – Congratulations Fr. Gabriel on your 40<sup>th</sup> Priestly Ordination Anniversary (celebration at a later date)

## HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY JULY 4, 2018



### *Independence Day Prayer*

*God, source of all freedom, this day is bright with the memory of those who declared that life and liberty are your gift to every human being.*

*Help us to continue the good work begun long ago. Make our vision clear and our will strong, that only in human solidarity will we find liberty, and justice only in the honor that belongs to every life on earth. Turn our hearts toward the family of nations to understand the ways of others, to offer friendship, and to find safety only in common good of all. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

## CHURCH PICNIC BULLETIN BOARD

### CHURCH PICNIC – AUGUST 15

#### **Update on Picnic Chairpersons Meetings**

#### **Outdoor Games/Booths (continued):**

- Jane Schneider & Marcel Kleihege are preparing for a fun day of Bingo. Bingo donations are being solicited.
- Robin Cerny & Sharon Crowe need 200+ baked items. Can you help by donating home baked cakes, pies, brownies, cookies, cupcakes, kolaches, rosettes? Last year the Cake Walk brought in \$2,460.95 for the Praha Altar Society.
- Georgia Cerny & Nancy Jasek reported that our guests look forward to the good old-fashion canned goods; homemade noodles, jellies, kolaches, cookies... at the Country Store.
- Mary Bartos & Staci MacDonald always have the Fish Pond & Toy Box filled with a variety of toys for the kids. As in the past, they are accepting monetary donations and toys (\$5 value).
- Pat Lawrence reported that she needs at least one more volunteer to help at the Plant Walk. Doug Janda (Hostyn Hill Greenhouses) is growing the plants with his usual TLC.
- Amy Koncaba & Hilary Grahmann are no longer able to chair the Ring Toss booth. We thank them for their many years serving as CPs of the booth.
- Frances Kubenka has the t-shirts designed for the Picnic. Make sure to stop by the Souvenir booth to buy a shirt.
- Jason Bartos has the bands lined up for the Picnic. Get your dancing shoes ready.