

## COMING EVENTS

Novena April 17th thru 25th

Pilgrimage Sunday April 25th

Mass at 11:00 AM

Rosary and Novena Prayers before Mass

Mass Times at St. Wenceslaus Home of the  
National Shrine of the Infant Jesus

Saturday Night Vigil 5:00 PM

Sunday 11:00 AM

Tuesday through Friday at 9:00 AM

Rosary Prayer Before Mass.

Gift Shop hours are Tues-Fri 10am to 3pm

Sunday 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm

This newsletter is published monthly to promote  
the devotion to the Infant Jesus of Prague at the  
National Shrine in Oklahoma USA.

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## THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF THE INFANT JESUS OF PRAGUE April 2021

THE MORE YOU HONOR ME  
THE MORE I WILL BLESS YOU



“...I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat: but if it dies, it produces much fruit. Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will preserve it for eternal life..” this verse in the Gospel of John this Fifth Sunday of Lent bring me back to my youth life many years ago while still in Viet Nam.

Viet Nam produces a lot of rice. The main dish of many families is rice. I learn how to grow rice. One single rice can produce many. First, we must choose a good grain of rice to begin and then we will put them into a bag and sink it down in the water for a time, until the outside skin of the grain of rice breaks through and the shoot comes out then we will spread them out on a small field until they are ready to put in the ground to grow. During this time, the smell of the rice is awfully bad and ugly as it looks. And a lot of care must perfume to protect this precious single young grain of rice. However, when it grows it will look beautiful and the most important is that it will multiply a hundred or more rice from each single grain of rice and of course everybody will happily have a full bowl of rice from a single rice at the start.

Jesus Christ is the single grain of rice from Heaven to earth and after he goes through many trials on the Cross He produces much fruit for all to have eternal life. And each one of us is a single rice sprout from Him. Many times, we look more of Jesus as Easter and miss His Passion. I believe God reveals Himself to each person in His own way. The story of the rice I learn in my country many ears ago helps me to understand more about the Word of Jesus in the Holy Scripture. I pray and hope that you will understand the meaning of the Word of Jesus and be able to celebrate Jesus of Easter and Jesus of the Passion on the Cross in your life.

May the Infant Bless all of us and Bless the whole World.

Thank you for your love, your care, and your support of the Shrine.

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THE MORE I WILL BLESS YOU.

Sincerely,

Father Long Phan Ngoc

**Greetings to all our Shrine members  
and their families:**

**May 12th will be Mother's Day and as usual we will  
honor all the women in our life with Mother's Day Flowers.**

**It can be a wife, mother, aunt or loved one which you  
like to recognize on this special day. The flowers will  
be displayed throughout the Shrine along with a board  
showcasing each name.**

**We hope everyone had a blessed Easter Season. The next  
newsletter we will feature the Shrine during Easter.**

**Each of you and your families are prayed for daily at the  
Shrine of the Infant Jesus of Prague.**

**MOTHER'S DAY FLOWERS**

Each name will be recognized with a flower

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For the Holy Father and All

*Religious men and women*

*Vocations to the Service of God*

*Souls in Purgatory and for All Souls*

*For Good Health and All the Sick*

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6-DAY VIGIL @ \$5.00: \_\_\_\_\_

VOTIVES @ \$1.00 \_\_\_\_\_

MASS STIPEND @ \$10 \_\_\_\_\_

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