

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH of CORN HILL



Pope Francis
Vatican City State



Bishop Joe Vásquez
Diocese of Austin

The Transfiguration of the Lord

August 6, A.D. 2017

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday	Aug 5	5:00 PM	Pro Populo
Sunday	Aug 6	8:30 AM	†Frank & Anastasia Knappek
Sunday	Aug 6	10:30 AM	†Hortense Svehlak
Monday	Aug 7	NO MASS	
Tuesday	Aug 8	NO MASS	
Wednesday	Aug 9	NO MASS	
Thursday	Aug 10	NO MASS	
Friday	Aug 11	7:00 AM	†Gary Giromini
Saturday	Aug 12	7:30 AM	Craig & Krystle
Saturday	Aug 12	5:00 PM	†Joe & Margaret Vrazel
Sunday	Aug 13	8:30 AM	Pro Populo
Sunday	Aug 13	10:30 AM	Liv/Dec Members of KJZT St Agnes Society #15

Altar Flowers

The flowers with the Blessed Virgin Mary and with St. Joseph are placed
in loving memory of **Fred & Barbara Palousek**
and are donated by Mary Dale Putegnat.

Last Week's Collection(s)

July 30: Seventeenth Sunday Ordinary Time: \$4,366.24

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Every Thursday in the church from 3:00 – 9:00 p.m.
Come and spend some time with the Lord.

Vocations Crucifix Prayer Campaign

is open to all parishioners. To sign-up, call the parish office.

August 6 - 12: Chris & Sora Garlasco
August 13 – 19: Keith Youngpeter

This Week at a Glance

Sunday, August 6:	--Hospitality Sunday --Bazaar Meeting
Monday, August 7:	--Senior Citizens' Supper --Men's Prayer Group
Thursday, August 10:	--Pro-Life Adoration
Sat/Sun, August 12/13:	--'Back to School' CEF

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Bulletin Announcement Deadline: Tuesdays @ 3:00 pm

Weekend Masses: Saturday @ 5:00 pm & Sunday @ 8:30 am

Reconciliation: Sat: 4:00–4:40 pm; Sun: 7:45–8:10 am;
& Wed: 5:45-6:10 pm (or by appt.)

Parish Contacts & Resources

Dir Rel Educ & Bookkeeping: Lucille D'Elia 737-215-1042

Parish Activity Center (PAC) Rentals & Info: Parish Office

Cemetery Information: Parish Office

Cemetery Director: Johnny Martinka 512-966-4301

Cemetery Maintenance: Ken Loudermilk 512-869-7351

Music Ministry / Choir: Ronnie Simek 512-630-5074

Finance Council: Tommy Sladeczek 512-746-5881

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Men's Prayer Group: Pete Zenner 512-863-4038

Conf. of Christian Mothers: Lucille Nemecek 254-527-3615

K.J.T. Society #55: John Danek 512-746-4168

K.J.Z.T. Society #15: Dorothy Klepac 512-746-2902

Catholic Life Insurance #50: Tommy Sladeczek 512-635-3496

Mass Ministry Reminders

Saturday, August 12, 5:00 PM:

Altar Servers: Matthew & Nathan Klepac, Preston Snook

Lector: Jennifer Klepac

EMHC: Jim & Mary Margaret Heuertz, Keith Youngpeter

Gift Bearers: Snook family

Head Usher: Donald Tschoerner

Sunday, August 13:

8:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Jamie, John & Jenna Danek

Lector: Cynthia Edgar

EMHC: John Edgar, James Nemecek, Johnny Martinka

Gift Bearers: Billy & Belinda Beyer

Head Usher: Jerry David

10:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Thomas C, Abby Hodgson

Lector: Monica Sherek

EMHC: L. Allen

Gift Bearers: Bill & Linda Montreuil

Head Usher: Bill Sherek

EMHC to Shut-ins: August 13: James Nemecek

CEF – Spiritual Bouquets

make appropriate gifts for any occasion. You can contact
Janine Nemecek (512-863-6892) for enrollments any time.

Lost & Found in the Church

We do have a basket (labeled Lost & Found) in the foyer of the church on top of the religious articles cabinet. If you have ever left something behind after Mass, please check there!

*****A ring was recently found in the church –
and is secure in the parish office. If you have
lost one, please call to identify the item.**

In Memoriam: We extend our prayers and sympathies to the families of: **Arlane Wright** (mother to Jeff Wright, of our parish family) – who passed away on July 28 and was buried in Houston; **Raymond Kubacak** (brother to the late Benny Kubacak, of our parish family) – who passed away on July 29 and was buried in Temple; and **Albina Sladeczek** (of our parish family) – who passed away on Tuesday, August 1. A Visitation and Rosary will be held at The Gabriels on Thursday, August 10, from 6-8 pm, and the funeral Mass and burial will be here on Friday, August 11, at 10:00 a.m. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and may they rest in peace.

All parishioners and visitors are invited to **Hospitality Sunday** today (Sunday, August 6) in the PAC Bldg, immediately after the 8:30 a.m. Mass. We thank the K.J.T. #55 for preparing the breakfast.

We will have a **Bazaar Meeting** today (Sunday, August 6) in the PAC Bldg during Hospitality Sunday. All Bazaar Committee Members and Function Leaders are encouraged to attend, as well as anyone interested in learning more about, or volunteering for, our annual Bazaar.

Our monthly **Senior Citizens' Supper** will be held this Monday, August 7, at 6:30 p.m. in the PAC Bldg. We thank the Confraternity of Christian Mothers for preparing the meal.

The **Men's Prayer Group** will meet this Monday, August 7, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg, to continue their discussion of the 5th & 6th Apparitions of Fatima. All men of the parish are invited to join them!!

The **Georgetown/Round Rock DCCW** will meet this Thursday, August 10, at 10:00 a.m. at Santa Rosa in Andice. All ladies are welcome and encouraged to attend. You may call Linda Montreuil (512-864-2451) for any questions or information.

Pro-Life Adoration this Thursday, August 10, from 3:00 – 9:00 p.m. in the church. Everyone is invited to come and spend some time with the Lord, present in the Holy Eucharist.

Our **'Back to School' CEF Enrollment drive** will be held after Masses the weekends of August 12/13 and 19/20, for those wishing to enroll their children, grandchildren, godchildren, etc, and even teachers, as they soon begin another school year! Enrollments for other occasions can also be made at this time. The usual offering is \$2 per person, per card, and benefits the education of our diocesan seminarians.

CCE Program: Our CCE classes will begin on Wednesday, September 6, so please register NOW, so that we have adequate books and materials for each student! Registration forms can be found in the church, CCE/parish offices and on our website. For all CCE information, please contact the Director, Lucille D'Elia, at 737-215-1042 or htcdre@yahoo.com.

RCIA Classes to Begin in September - RCIA is the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults -- a process for welcoming new members into the Roman Catholic Church. The RCIA is mainly for non-Catholics who want to become Catholic, but adult Catholics who have not received all of the Sacraments (Communion, Confession, Confirmation) may also come into full communion with the Church through the RCIA process. Catholics who would like to learn more about their faith are also welcome to attend. Classes will be held every Tuesday evening at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg, beginning on Tuesday, September 12. Please call the parish office to register for the classes and/or meet with Fr. Stephen.

PARISH BAZAAR

Stop by the 'Raffle Table' after Mass to pick up more raffle tickets or to turn in your ticket stubs and money! We very much appreciate your efforts in selling tickets to your family members, coworkers, friends and neighbors!

If you would like to donate for the groceries and other expenses of the Bazaar, envelopes can be found on the bulletin tables and can be put in the collection plate, mailed/brought to the parish office, or turned in at the Raffle table at the weekend Masses.

Donations for the Bazaar games, silent and live auctions, etc, are needed and very much appreciated! Please see the list below of suggested items, and all donations can be brought to the PAC Bldg (which will be open every weekend after Mass) or to the parish office during business hours.

--**Live Auction** – NEW & Unused items – valued at \$25 or more – please contact Jacqueline Danek (512-423-2598) for suggestions and other questions.

--**Silent Auction** – NEW & Unused items – religious articles, homemade goods, crafts, candles, small tool & garden sets, kitchen items, lotion/bath sets.

--**Bingo Prizes** – NEW & Unused items - valued at \$5 or more – coffee, sugar, snacks, candy, laundry and/or dish detergents, etc.

--**Toy Walk Prizes** – NEW & Unused items - valued at \$5 or more – stuffed animals, Barbies/dolls, tractors, trucks, crafts, Legos, board games, etc.

--**Ring Toss Game** – 2 liter sodas (any brand / any flavor)

--**Cake Walk** – cakes ONLY (bring to PAC the morning of the Bazaar)

Needed: kolache bakers for the booth at the Bazaar. Please call Dorothy Klepac at 512-746-2902 or Barbara Danek at 512-746-2015 for more information.

Volunteers are needed for all areas of the Bazaar – and we need as many helpers as possible to make the day enjoyable for everyone! A list of Function Leaders is in your Bazaar Packet, as well as posted on the church bulletin board, so please call the Leader in the area(s) you would like to work in. New parishioners are always welcome!

Dear friends in Christ,

Peace be with you! This week we celebrate the Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord. In today's gospel, Jesus takes Peter, James, and John on the mountain with Him in order to help prepare them for His upcoming passion, death, and resurrection. Jesus wanted them to see His transfigured body, that is, His glorified body, and he also wanted them to see Moses and Elijah, so that Peter, James, and John would be strengthened in faith and know that he is truly sent by God. I believe that for Peter, James, and John, this moment in their life is what we would call a Kodak moment. I am sure that all of us have had times and experiences in our life that we wish would never end, like your wedding day, or maybe a birthday party, a trip to a special place, the baptism of your son or daughter, or maybe just spending an evening or day with your friends, and you wanted to capture this experience on your camera or video recorder so that you could enjoy that experience again later on in life. This is what Peter tried to do in today's gospel. He wanted to build three booths because he wanted the experience to last forever. The booth or tent was seen as a special place where God dwelt and Peter wanted to capture this moment so that it would not end or go away. However, God reminds Peter that this is a heavenly experience and that he is still on earth and, therefore, it must come to an end. This experience is meant to encourage the apostles to continue their journey with Jesus through His death and on to His resurrection. This encounter will also fill them with hope as they experience a small portion of the Father's love for the Son. It helps these three apostles to realize that life on earth is not the end or the goal for which they strive, but that their ultimate goal is to live a glorified life in heaven.

In the second reading, taken from the Second Letter of Peter, Peter recalls his experience of being with Jesus on the mountain, when Jesus was transfigured, in order to encourage the Christians in Asia Minor who are being threatened with persecution. In the first reading, Daniel is given the opportunity to see a vision of the establishment of the Kingdom of God. Daniel already sees the Son of Man, Jesus Christ, in all His glory, which we hope to see as well after our death and resurrection.

Today's readings remind us of that gift of faith and also of the gift of hope, faith in God and hope of eternal life with God, faith in and hope of our own transfiguration after our death. Today's gospel is a powerful reminder that we and the world are already being transfigured as we journey along in life. Here and now, each of us is growing closer to Christ by listening to His word and by receiving Him in Holy Communion. Just as Christ was transfigured in today's gospel reading, so will we be transfigured when we are fully united with God in Heaven. In order for this change to take place, we must undergo some suffering. All of you know how difficult change is in life, whether it be a change that takes place within the family, such as a son or daughter leaving home, or having a new baby in the home, or a change in employment, or even just having to deal with our changing bodies during puberty around the age of eleven or twelve, and all the changes that take place in our bodies and daily lives while we are in high school, or the changes during mid-life crises, and then facing those changes in us as we enter our elder years in life. All these times of change, and there are many others, are opportunities for us to grow, to become better human beings, and to grow closer to God. By listening to God's Word and following the teachings of Christ we begin the transfiguration process. This process continues as we encounter Christ each day at Mass. Christ gave us the Sacraments so that this process of transfiguration may continue throughout our lives. This transfiguration continues each time we receive the sacraments of the Church, especially when we are baptized, confirmed, and receive Holy Communion. One of the greatest sacraments which we can receive very often is the Sacrament of Reconciliation, or Confession. Through this sacrament, we are purified, cleansed of all our sins. We are made whole again and united to Christ. We should receive this sacrament as often as possible, at least once a month, so that we will remain pure and in the grace of God. There is no greater feeling than to know that we are loved and forgiven of all the stupid and wrong things we do in life, than to experience that love and forgiveness of God. The more we go to Confession, the more we have an opportunity to experience this love. By our receiving the sacraments as often as possible, we can be all we can be while we live here on earth. So let us keep our eyes focused on the transfigured Christ and receive His grace through the Sacraments to be strengthened in faith and hope as we strive to reach our final goal which is eternal life with God -- a life of eternal glory, eternal happiness, eternal joy, eternal peace, eternal good health ... all of which we find in the eternal love of God.

This week, the Czech Deacons and I will be visiting priests in the Diocese of Lafayette. On Friday, the deacons will be going to West and will stay there until Sunday. Also on Friday, Fr. Michal Jadavan and three friends of his from the Czech Republic will be visiting for a couple of days. We welcome them to Corn Hill.

Don't forget to pick up your raffle tickets and sell as many as possible. Take them with you when visiting family and friends, or when attending other events. Most of the time people are very happy to be able to buy them. Your efforts are greatly appreciated.

Many people asks questions about the Church's teaching on important issues like abortion, sterilization, in vitro fertilization, vasectomy, tubal ligations, gay marriage, end of life issues, feeding tubes, breathing tubes, and many others. It is important to know what the Church teaches about these topics. For information you can go to the Catechism of the Catholic Church and also to an excellent website, www.ncbcenter.org (National Catholic Bioethics Center). This website will answer most, if not all, of your questions. Please take some time to explore it and be up-to-date on these issues.

May all of you have a most blessed week.

**In Christ,
Fr. Stephen Nesrsta, farář**

“God is a Father, a friend, and a judge. But he is a Father whose love is boundless, and whose power is as great as His love. He is a friend whose friendship knows no change, and is at the mercy of all our needs. He is a judge, but always just, always moved by our appeals and quick to answer them. He loves our persistence; He wants us to appeal to Him, to ask of Him, so that He can be sure of our love, and taste the joy of having a proof of it, even if it be a selfish one.”

-Dom Augustin Guillerand