

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH of CORN HILL



Pope Francis
Vatican City State



Bishop Joe Vásquez
Diocese of Austin

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 20, A.D. 2017

Mass Schedule & Intentions

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| Saturday | Aug 19 | 5:00 PM | Mark & Debra Klaus – In Thanksgiving |
| Sunday | Aug 20 | 8:30 AM | Pro Populo |
| Sunday | Aug 20 | 10:30 AM | †Frank & Anastasia Knappek |
| Tuesday | Aug 22 | 6:00 PM | For Life |
| Wednesday | Aug 23 | 6:30 PM | Dec Members of Joseph & Annie Straka family |
| Thursday | Aug 24 | 7:00 AM | †Tommie Rose Martine |
| Friday | Aug 25 | 6:00 PM | †Albina Sladeczek |
| Saturday | Aug 26 | 7:30 AM | †Albin & Janette Zurovetz |
| Saturday | Aug 26 | 5:00 PM | †Stanley Havelka |
| Sunday | Aug 27 | 8:30 AM | Pro Populo |
| Sunday | Aug 27 | 10:30 AM | †Joe & Wilma Zgarba |

Altar Flowers

The flowers at the Tabernacle are placed
in loving memory of Miguel & Maria Soccoro Castro
and are donated by Rosamaria Martinez.

Last Week's Collection(s)

August 13: Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time: \$4,008.49
August 15: Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary: \$1,597.00

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 20 – 26: Kathy Windhauser

August 27 – September 2: Henry & Agnes Taylor

This Week at a Glance

Sat/Sun, August 19/20: --'Back to School' CEF
Thursday, August 24: --Pro-Life Adoration
--Pastoral Council Meeting

✠ Fr. Stephen Nestrta ✠

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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

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

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Cemetery Director: Johnny Martinka 512-966-4301

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Mass Ministry Reminders

Saturday, August 26, 5:00 PM:

Altar Servers: John & Maria Bruce, Natalie Mason

Lector: Jill Horner

EMHC: Jim & Mary Margaret Heuertz, Keith Youngpeter

Gift Bearers: John & Mary Ann Valenta

Head Usher: Donald Tschoerner

Sunday, August 27:

8:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Caleb & Amy Stefek, Joseph Brousseau

Lector: Louis Brousseau

EMHC: John & Cynthia Edgar, James Nemecek

Gift Bearers: Richard & Lisa Danek

Head Usher: A.J. Batla

10:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Thomas C, Heron Rodriguez, Jarrod Hodgson

Lector: Kelly Godfrey

EMHC: Kelly Godfrey

Gift Bearers: Richard & Julia Hodgson family

Head Usher: Frank Knappek

EMHC to Shut-ins: August 27: John Edgar

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.

Faith is daring the soul to go beyond what the eyes can see.

“For we walk by faith, not by sight.” 2 Cor 5:7

The family of Albina Sladeczek wishes to thank their parish family and friends for all of your thoughts, prayers, food, memorials and Mass intentions. Thank you, also, to those who prepared the meal after the services. May God bless you.

We would like to thank you for the time spent in your parish and for the hospitality of your parish community. We are so grateful we could spend much of our time right here with you. We have seen a lot of places around Texas, but the best place for us was Corn Hill. We will remember you in our prayers and we ask you also for your prayers to be good priests. Your pastor, Fr. Stephen, is a good example for us – of a good shepherd deeply rooted in Christ, who leads his sheep well.

Děkujeme! S Pánem Bohem.

--Deacons Jan Jurečka, Vojtěch Zahradka and Jiří Šustek

Our 'Back to School' CEF Enrollment drive will be held after Masses this weekend (August 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 seminarians.

CCE Program: Our CCE classes will begin on Wednesday, September 6, so PLEASE REGISTER BY AUGUST 23, 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.

Pro-Life Adoration this Thursday, August 24, 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.

The **Pastoral Council** will meet this Thursday, August 24, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg. All parishioners are invited to attend and the Agenda for this meeting is posted on the bulletin board for your information and preparation.

The **Confraternity of Christian Mothers** will meet next Sunday, August 27, in the RE Bldg, after the 8:30 a.m. Mass. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend. Members will sit in the front pews to lead the Rosary prayed before the 8:30 Mass.

The **Men's Prayer Group** will meet next Monday, August 28, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg. All men of the parish are invited to attend. Questions? – contact Pete Zenner (512-863-4038).

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 or to meet with Fr. Stephen.**



All High School Students – On November 18, the SMYRT Team from Texas A&M will be here at Holy Trinity to host a wonderful Retreat for all high school students and friends (grades 9-12). Please contact the CCE office to reserve your space.

The following are several opportunities to support fellow parishes of our diocese! (more info on flyers on the church bulletin board)

--**Sunday, August 27: St. Mary's Church**, near Ellinger, 67th annual Bazaar & Feast – Fried Chicken & Sausage Meal at 11 am and an afternoon of family fun (at the Ellinger Chamber of Commerce Community Center at 104 W Colorado Sky St, Ellinger)

--**Sunday, September 3: SSCM Church**, in Granger, Annual Bazaar – BBQ Beef & Fried Chicken Dinner at 11 am - \$10/adults & \$5/children; games & fun for the family; dance in the evening to music by Fritz Hodde & Fabulous Six (300 W Davilla St, Granger)

--**Sunday, September 3: St. John the Baptist Church**, in Fayetteville, annual Feast – BBQ Beef, Pork & Sausage Meal at 10:30 am - \$10/adults & \$5/children; afternoon of fun and a free dance in the evening (207 E Bell St, Fayetteville)

--**Sat, Sept 9 & Sun, Sept 10: St. Joseph Church**, in Marlin, Fall Festival – (Sat) 11 am – 7 pm – food & games for the family; (Sun) Chicken Fajitas Meal at 11 am - \$10/plate and afternoon of fun (both days at 311 Oaks St, Marlin)

--**Sunday, September 10: Sts. Cyril & Methodius Church**, in Marak, Annual Homecoming & Picnic – Home-Fried Chicken & Sausage Meal at 11 am - \$10/plate; entertainment for the entire family (7 miles NW of Cameron, FM 2269)

--**Saturday, September 16: St. Elizabeth**, in Pflugerville, Annual Fiesta Bingo & Dinner – Mexican Dinner at 6 pm - \$8/adults & \$5/children; Bingo at 7:30 pm (1520 N Railroad Ave, Pflugerville)

--**Sunday, September 24: St. Elizabeth**, in Pflugerville, Annual Fall Fiesta – 10:30 am – 5 pm – food, fun & entertainment for the entire family (1520 N Railroad Ave, Pflugerville)

--**Sunday, October 8: Our Lady of Guadalupe Church**, in Taylor – Jamaica 2017 – 8 am – 9 pm – traditional food, live music, games and more for the family (at Murphy Park in Taylor – 1600 Veterans Drive)

Dear friends in Christ,

Praised be Jesus Christ! Now and forever! Many schools have begun or will begin classes this week. Let us pray for all students, teachers and parents. May God's blessings be upon them and may they have the courage to live their faith and be witnesses of God's love to one another.

This Tuesday, August 22, we celebrate the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Mary was made Queen of Heaven after her assumption into Heaven. Please try to attend Mass this Tuesday as we honor the reality of Mary's special place in God's Kingdom.

Thursday is the Feast of St. Bartholomew, one of the twelve apostles. We honor him as he gave his life for Jesus Christ and for His Church.

Many people ask 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.

Today, in the Gospel, we see the extraordinary faith of the Canaanite woman. Jesus recognizes her faith and heals her daughter. She was not part of the "Chosen People", but Jesus answers her request. Today Jesus is challenging us to live the Gospel of justice and charity, reaching out to other people who are suffering from the demons of poverty, racism, unemployment, war, family breakup, hunger, abandonment, or from one of the other thousands of demons that exist in the world today ... demons that strike innocent people, regardless of where they live or who they are. We are to live the Gospel, not just mouth it to others. We are to live the justice and charity that we are commanded to live by Jesus Christ.

Our religious tradition gives us thousands upon thousands of examples of people who lived a life of justice and charity. Examples that range from the time of Jesus to the present. People like St. Nicholas, St. Wenceslaus, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, or St. Francis of Assisi. Also people like Angelo Roncalli, who became Pope John XXIII. In 1943, while he was Archbishop Roncalli, he went to an extreme effort to help rescue Jewish refugees from the Nazi Holocaust. There were no boundaries to his Catholic Christianity.

We also have people such as St. (Mother) Teresa who went to Beirut to help rescue orphans from the bombing, almost all of whom were Muslim. In her eyes, they were all children of God, made in His image and likeness. That was all that mattered.

I believe St. Pope John Paul II says it all in his encyclical *Evangelium Vitae*, "The Gospel of Life". St. John Paul II says, "Every innocent human being is absolutely equal to all others." He would have no difficulty helping the Canaanite woman in today's Gospel.

And, of course, we have people in our own parish who help people of other faiths, such as those who volunteer and work at places of charity and assistance. What better place to find examples of people living true justice and charity than within our own parish community.

In today's Gospel, Jesus grants the Canaanite woman's request to show that God's love has no limits and accepts no boundaries. Today, Jesus challenges us to go beyond our boundaries and to be like God, who shows mercy to people of all races and all backgrounds. How are we going to respond to this challenge? Jesus hesitated before responding to the Canaanite woman who begged him for help. We, too, need time to pray and reflect on our lives so that we will know how we are to help others. Let us not forget that our first priority in life is to love God and to love others as ourselves. How well are we living this commandment? Think about it.

May all of you have a most blessed week.

In Christ,
Fr. Stephen Nesrsta, farář

What We Believe...

"Our profession of faith begins with *God*, for God is the First and the Last, the beginning and the end of everything. The Credo begins with God the *Father*, for the Father is the first divine person of the Most Holy Trinity. Our Creed begins with the creation of heaven and earth, for creation is the beginning and the foundation of all God's works."

---the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 198

Point to Ponder...

"Of all the virtue, the most necessary is trust in God, because without it ... He can do nothing, and with it ... He can do everything."

—Fr. Jean Nicolas Grou, *The Spiritual Life*

✠ PARISH BAZAAR ✠

Our annual Bazaar is just around the corner! On Sunday, September 17, we will host a BBQ & Fried Chicken Dinner from 11 am – 1 pm in the PAC Bldg (adult plate drive-thru from 11 am – 12:30 pm). Adults \$10 / Children \$5. We will have a full day of eats, treats and family fun, including homemade kolaches for sale, live polka music during the meal, cake walk, children's games, bingo, silent & live auctions and a raffle drawing! BBQ by the Pound – at the Pit – from 8 am – noon. Hamburgers in the PAC at 2:30. Invite your family and friends!

★ **This weekend after Mass – don't forget to stop by the 'Raffle Table' to pick up more tickets to buy or sell, 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! More tickets are also available during the week at the office.

★ **If you would like to donate for the groceries and other expenses of the Bazaar,** 'Bazaar Donation' 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. No donation is too small and all are very much appreciated!

★ **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, etc.
- ❖ **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 the PAC the morning of the Bazaar)
- ❖ **Sweets for the dinner Dessert Table** (all types and flavors!) (bring to the 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/functions of the Bazaar – and we need as many helpers as possible to make the day enjoyable for everyone!** A list of **Function Leaders** can be found in your Bazaar Packet, and is also posted on the church bulletin board, so please call the Leader(s) in the area(s) you would like to work in. New parishioners are always welcome and this is a great way to meet and get to know your parish family!

★ **Mark your calendars for Set-Up!** Men, women and teens are encouraged to come help set-up, both inside and out (tables, chairs, games, tents, etc). On Friday, September 15, we will begin in the late afternoon and work 'til dark ... and ... what doesn't get finished on Friday continues on Saturday morning 'til it's done! Refreshments will be provided both days. For specific information, contact Billy Beyer (254-541-5992) or the parish office.

*Thank you, in advance, for your participation in, and generous contributions for, our annual fundraiser.
Please don't hesitate to contact the parish office for general information or questions (512-863-3020).*

