HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH OF CORN HILL



Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

March 20, A.D. 2016

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Weekend Masses: Saturday at 5:00 p.m. and Sunday at 8:30 a.m. **Reconciliation:** Sat: 4:15–4:45 pm; Sun: 7:45–8:15 am; Wed: 5:45-6:15 pm

Mass Schedule & Intentions for the Week

Saturday	Mar 19	5:00 PM	Pro Populo
Sunday	Mar 20	8:30 AM	†Jerry Havelka
Tuesday	Mar 22	6:00 PM	†John and Emil Havelka
Wednesday	Mar 23	7:00 AM	For Healing

The Sacred Paschal Triduum Schedule

Mar 24	7:00 PM	For All Priests (incense)
Mar 25	7:00 PM	Passion, Veneration of Cross & Communion
Mar 26	8:00 PM	Pro Populo (incense)
Mar 27	8:30 AM	Pro Populo (incense)
Mar 27	10:30 AM	Pro Populo
	Mar 25 Mar 26 Mar 27	Mar 25 7:00 PM Mar 26 8:00 PM Mar 27 8:30 AM



Mass Ministry Reminders

(Stations) Wed, March 23, 6:30 PM:

Altar Servers: Caleb Stefek, Maria Bruce, Joseph Brousseau

Thursday, March 24, 7:00 PM:

Altar Servers: John & Maria Bruce, Carter Marquis, William Fonville

Lector: Kelly Godfrey

EM's of HC: Jim & Mary Margaret Heuertz Gift Bearers: Tommy & Cindy Sladecek

Friday, March 25, 7:00 PM:

Altar Servers: Thomas Clawson, Caleb Stefek, Jakob Voigt

Lector: Pete Zenner

Saturday, March 26, 8:00 PM:

Altar Servers: Jamie & John Danek, John & Maria Bruce

Lector: Leo Bringman

EM's of HC: Debbie Klaus, Fred Mullenbach **Gift Bearers:** Johnny & Bernice Hernandez

Sunday, March 27, 8:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Matthew & Nathan Klepac, Caleb Stefek, Carter Marquis

Lector: Henry Taylor

EM's of HC: Ray Nemec, Johnny Martinka, Kelly Godfrey

Gift Bearers: Ray & Teresa Nemec

and 10:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Travis & Thomas Clawson, Jakob Voigt

Lector: Nancy Zenner

EM's of HC: Pete & Nancy Zenner, Jerry David

Gift Bearers: (ushers/volunteers)

EMHC Route: March 27: Ray Nemec

Attn: Rosary Leaders: on Good Friday and Holy Saturday, there should be silence before the services, so please do not lead the praying of the Rosary on these evenings. Thank you.

Altar Flowers

To donate Altar Flowers in memory/honor of a loved one, return an Altar Flower envelope.

Remember: No flowers are needed during the Seasons of Lent or Easter.

Collection

March 13: Fifth Sunday of Lent: \$4,225.33



This Week At A Glance

Saturday, March 19: --St. Joseph's Altar

Sunday, March 20: --Altar Server Practice for Holy Thursday (after 8:30 a.m. Mass)

Tuesday, March 22: --Confessions from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

--NO RCIA Class

Wednesday, March 23: -- CCE Classes / Stations of the Cross / Confessions

--Year of Mercy Book Study (after Stations)

Thursday, March 24: --Altar Server Practice for Good Friday Service (after Mass)

Friday, March 25: --Parish Office Closed for Good Friday
--Confessions 11 a.m. – 12 noon

--Second Collection at Good Friday Service

--Confessions following the Good Friday Service
Saturday, March 26: --Altar Server Practice for Holy Saturday at 11:00 a.m.

Sunday, March 27: --Easter Egg Hunt after 8:30 a.m. Mass

Turn in your Lenten Ashes to Easter Boxes on Easter weekend!

Lenten Penance Service: St. William in Round Rock: Monday, March 21, 1-6 p.m.

For several more opportunities to go to Confession (here) before Easter, see the dates and times listed above in "This Week at a Glance".

In Memoriam: We extend our sympathies and prayers to the family and friends of **Beatriz Welsh**, who was recently buried here. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace.

This is your last weekend to turn in an Easter Flower Envelope, if you would like to help decorate the church in memory or honor of loved ones (envelopes are located by the bulletins). The memorials will be announced in the Easter bulletin.

The **Confraternity of Christian Mothers will meet** today (Sunday, March 20) in the RE Bldg, immediately following the 8:30 a.m. Mass. Agenda items include the Pancake Breakfast and the Austin DCCW Convention. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend.

St. Joseph's Church in Cyclone invites everyone to their annual **Springfest** today (Sunday, March 20). Fried Chicken & Sausage plates will be sold from 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. for \$9 each. Dine-in or to-go. Also enjoy a raffle and country store.

The **Holy Trinity Parish Prayer Campaign for Church Vocations** is open to all parishioners. To sign-up, contact the parish office. **This week, the crucifix will be with Bill & Monica Sherek.** Next week, it will be with the Rodney & Gwenda Bruce family.

For the Holy Week, the parish office will be open Tuesday - Thursday and closed on Good Friday. Bulletin deadline is this Monday, March 21, at 3:00 p.m.

RCIA: NO Class this Tuesday, March 22. RCIA students should attend all Holy Week Services.

CCE: Class this Wednesday, March 23, from 6:15 - 8:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross in the church at 6:30 p.m., followed by class in the RE Bldg.

The Year of Mercy Book Study Group will meet this Wednesday, March 23, in the PAC Bldg, immediately after Stations of the Cross. Contact Pete Zenner (512-863-4038) for questions or information.

Special Collection on Good Friday (March 25): As requested by the Holy Father, Pope Francis, we will take up the annual collection to support Christians in the **Holy Land**. Please be generous.

Don't forget to return your Lenten Ashes to Easter donation box at the Easter weekend Masses! The money collected will benefit the missions of our diocese. Thank you for your sacrificial Lenten almsgiving!

All children (thru age 10) are invited to bring their Easter baskets on Easter Sunday to hunt for eggs after the 8:30 a.m. Mass!

Happy Easter!

The **67th annual Austin DCCW Convention** will be held April 11-12, at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Austin. All ladies of the Diocese of Austin are invited to attend. This year's theme is "Catholic Women, Sowers of Mercy and Hope". Any ladies of the parish interested in attending may contact Lucille Nemec (254-527-3615) for more information and/or a registration form. <u>Advance registration is requested by March 31.</u>

Catholic Life Insurance Branch #50 will have their annual branch social for its members on April 3, at 11:30 a.m. in the PAC Bldg. Enjoy a meal, attendance prizes, refreshments and a short meeting. RSVP to Sharon Lloyd (512-746-2458; kslloyd1702@gmail.com) or Tommy Sladecek (512-746-5881; tjsladecek@aol.com).

EIM (Ethics & Integrity in Ministry)

Many of you have seen *EIM* written in the bulletin or heard of it somewhere or another, and you still wonder what it is all about. Even after hearing about it, you may even think "this doesn't pertain to me" or "I don't need to do that". But, there is more to this program than meets the eye --- so please read the following, which will hopefully answer some of your questions so that you can take the proper steps to get certified if there is a need or want to do so!

The diocesan EIM program is in place to create awareness of the all-too-common problem of sexual abuse of children and vulnerable adults. There are many reasons why everyone should attend this workshop, some of them being: it makes us all aware of the situation and gives us the knowledge of what to look for in certain situations to help keep our children safe; it tells those who may be predators that we are all watching out for each other; and it allows us all to feel safer and secure in our group settings when acts of abuse could occur. It is not an easy subject to discuss or think about, but it does happen and we need to be vigilant and mindful of it.

With that being said, we are aware that not everyone will feel they need to become certified – BUT – there are many groups or individuals who MUST be certified in order to participate in the various ministries and organizations of the Church (in any parish or Catholic school of our diocese). If you are included in any of the following – or plan to be at any point in time – you MUST take the workshop and become certified in the Ethics & Integrity in Ministry program – which includes taking a refresher course every three years after – and all workshops are free of charge.

Mass Ministers (priests, deacons, altar servers over 18, lectors, extraordinary ministers of holy communion, music ministers, ushers)

Parish Council & Committee Members (pastoral council, finance council, cemetery committee, fundraiser committees, money counters)

Religious Education (CCE Catechists and volunteers, CYM coordinators and volunteers, RCIA program coordinators and volunteers, VBS volunteers)

Parish Event Coordinators (all officers of any parish organization – KJT, KJZT, CLIU, Christian Mothers, Prayer Groups, etc)

All Parish Employees must be certified and anyone who wants to volunteer their services for the parish in any capacity should be certified as well.

If you have a question about any of the above, or are not sure whether or not you should be certified, please call the parish office.

WE WILL BE HAVING AN EIM WORKSHOP ON SATURDAY, APRIL 16, AT 9:30 A.M. IN THE PAC BLDG.

We have SEVERAL parishioners, who are already certified, that need to take their three year refresher workshop in 2016. If you know your 'time is up' – please make every effort to attend this workshop and cross it off your to-do list! If you know you need a refresher sometime soon, but are not sure when, call the parish office and we can tell you. If you've never taken a course and want – or NEED – to become certified, please sign up for this workshop!

Here's how you do it: visit the diocesan website – www.austindiocese.org – go to the Ethics & Integrity in Ministry page and read and follow all of the directions. If you have questions about any of it, you can either contact the diocesan EIM office, or you may contact the parish office. If you do not have the internet, please call us and we will help you do what is needed.

It is truly our goal to have <u>everyone</u> certified, so we are here to answer your questions and help you in any way.

It's only a few hours of your time every three years. A very small sacrifice for the protection and well-being of our children and vulnerable adults!

Dear Parishioners,

Today we celebrate Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion, the beginning of Holy Week. Thursday through Saturday of Holy Week are the most solemn days of our Church Liturgical Year. This is a very sacred time and we should set aside all other activities so that we are able to attend all of the Holy Week celebrations. In order to really experience the fullness of these days, a person needs to attend every day as the theme of the Redemption is begun at the beginning of the Easter Triduum, Holy Thursday, and ends with the triumphant conclusion upon the celebration of the Resurrection of Our Lord on Easter Sunday. Our full attention should be given to celebrate these most sacred rites. All services should take priority over any other event because celebrating Holy Week is what we are all about as a Catholic People. Let us do our best to show our love for our Saviour by our faithfulness to these days. All of you should have made a good confession so that you are spiritually prepared to celebrate these holy days. If you have not had an opportunity yet to go to confession, I will be hearing confessions this week at various times. Please see this bulletin for the confession schedule.

We will be having Altar Server practice for each of the above celebrations. Altar Servers will have practice on Palm Sunday, March 20, following the 8:30 a.m. Mass, for Holy Thursday. Altar Server practice for Good Friday will be after the 7:00 p.m. Mass on Holy Thursday, and on Holy Saturday, practice will be at 11:00 a.m. All Altar Servers who are scheduled to serve at each of the above celebrations are asked to be at these practices. If you are not able to serve when scheduled, please find a substitute for you and be sure to tell them to be at the practice for that particular day. Also please call the parish office so that we will know who will be serving. Thank you to all of you for serving at God's Altar.

We will have Stations of the Cross this Wednesday at 6:30 pm. Please try to attend so that your experience of Holy Week can be all that it can be.

In today's gospel, we recall the event of Jesus' triumphal entrance into Jerusalem. Then, as we read the Passion, we hear about the arrest, suffering, crucifixion and death of Jesus. I would encourage you to spend some time today reflecting on these events and what meaning they have for you as you live your Christian faith.

Good Friday marks the beginning of the Divine Mercy Novena. Pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet daily and experience the mercy of God. We will have our Divine Mercy Devotion on Sunday, April 3, Divine Mercy Sunday, at 3:00 pm. This devotion will consist of the blessing of the image of Divine Mercy, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Divine Mercy Litany, Divine Mercy Chaplet and Benediction. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend.

May all of you have a spiritually renewing Holy Week and a joyful celebration of the Resurrection of our Lord on Easter Sunday.

Fr. Stephen, farář



Jubilee Year of Mercy

During Holy Week, we remember and we celebrate the greatest manifestation of God's mercy, God the Father's gift of His Son on the cross for our redemption. Jesus shared His Father's love for us and embraced His Father's will to save us when he suffered through the agony in the garden and the agony on the cross. This is God's mercy, God's love to the end. It wasn't an abstraction. It was something totally concrete. There were whips and thorns and nails and the rough wood of a cross.

This week, we will liturgically commemorate this great mystery, the Paschal mystery, the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus, the greatest revelation of God's merciful love, the love that redeems us, the love that conquers sin and death because it is more powerful than sin and death.

We are the recipients of the graces that flow from the Paschal Mystery: the gift of new life, reconciliation with God, redemption, liberation from sin and the promise of the resurrection, all fruits of Christ's sacrifice. May we hold these graces close to our hearts and always be mindful of and grateful for all He has bestowed upon us. All because He loves us – unconditionally!



The Corporal Works of Mercy

Feed the hungry
Give drink to the thirsty
Clothe the naked
Shelter the homeless
Visit the sick
Visit the imprisoned
Bury the dead

The Spiritual Works of Mercy

Admonish the sinner Instruct the ignorant Counsel the doubtful Comfort the sorrowful Bear wrongs patiently Forgive all injuries Pray for the living and dead