

# HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH



Pope Francis  
Vatican City State



Bishop Joe Vásquez  
Diocese of Austin



## Fourth Sunday of Advent December 18, A.D. 2022

### Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday	Dec 17	5:00 PM	†Virgil Tonn, †Agnes Hrcir, †Linda Grigsby
Sunday	Dec 18	8:30 AM	Pro Populo
		10:30 AM	†Stanley Havelka, †Anita Galvan, †Helen Postma
Monday	Dec 19	7:00 AM	†Joyce Nesrsta, †Frank Rodriguez
Tuesday	Dec 20	6:00 PM	†Agnes Hrcir, †Mary Burke, †Dorothy Klepac
Wednesday	Dec 21	6:30 PM	†Alice Sokolowsky, †AJ Tschoner, †Kathleen Valenta
Thursday	Dec 22	7:00 AM	†Margie Gallagher, †Paul Bonkowski Sr., †Lavinia Anne Herr
Friday	Dec 23	6:00 PM	†Joyce Nesrsta, †Eula Ann Witte, †Albert and †Johnnie Sladeczek
Saturday	Dec 24	7:30 AM	†Joe & Annie Klepac, †Bill Klepac
<b>Christmas – the Nativity of the Lord – Holy Day of Obligation</b>			
Saturday	Dec 24	4:00 PM	Pro Populo
		6:00 PM	Pro Populo
		12 Midnight	Pro Populo
Sunday	Dec 25	8:30 AM	Pro Populo
		10:30 AM	Pro Populo

### Ministry Schedule for December 19 - 25

#### Monday, December 19, 7:00 AM:

Altar Server/ Lector: Josh Jacobs

#### Tuesday, December 20, 6:00 PM:

Altar Servers: Preston & Heather S.

Lector: Kitzzi Crawford

#### Wednesday, December 21, 6:30 PM:

Altar Server/Lector: Leo Bringman

#### Thursday, December 22, 7:00 AM:

Altar Server/Lector: Pinto Nemeč

#### Friday, December 23, 6:00 PM:

Altar Server/Lector: Leo Bringman

#### Saturday, December 24, 7:30 AM:

Altar Server: Josh Jacobs / Lector: Janine Nemeč

#### Christmas Masses

##### Saturday, December 24, 4:00 PM:

Altar Servers: Preston & Heather S., Emmaline S.

Lector: Theresa Orecchia

EMHC: Monica Snook, Jim Heuert

Gift Bearers: Bill & Brionne McDonald Family

Head Usher: Bill McDonald

EMHC to Shut-Ins: Dec 25: Brandon Danek

#### Saturday, December 24, 6:00 PM:

Altar Servers: Michael & Jonah S., Isabella H

Lector: Monica Sherek

EMHC: Leo Bringman

Gift Bearers: Matt & Amy Mertink

Head Usher: Bill Sherek

#### Midnight Mass (Incense)

Altar Servers: Carter M., Jenna D. Stefeks

Lector: Kitzzi Crawford

EMHC: Ray Nemeč

Gift Bearers: Tommy & Cindy Sladeczek

Head Usher: Tommy Sladeczek

#### Sunday, December 25, 8:30 AM: (Incense)

Altar Servers: Brousseaus (3), Christopher B.

Lector: Louis Brousseau

EMHC: Maria Messing, Josh Jacobs

Gift Bearers: Cassidy Goode & Ronnie Vrabel

Head Usher: AJ Batla

#### Sunday, December 25, 10:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Samuel W., Martin & Isaiah O.

Lector: Denise Sellers

EMHC: Daniel Perez

Gift Bearers: Voigt Family

Head Usher: Jeff Voigt

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Bulletin Announcement Deadline: Tuesdays @ 2:30 pm

Weekend Masses: Saturday @ 5:00 pm

Sunday @ 8:30 am & 10:30 am

Reconciliation: Sat: 3:45–4:40 pm; Sun: 7:30–8:10 am

& Wed: 5:30-6:10 pm (or by appt.)

### Parish Contacts & Resources

Director of Faith Formation: Virginia Loza-Lee 737-215-1042

Financial Bookkeeper: Rebecca Melend 512-863-3020

Parish Activity Center (PAC) Rentals: Parish Office

PAC Manager: Marla Tonn 512-863-0755

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Cemetery Director: Johnny Martinka 512-966-4301

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

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Pastoral Council: Ken Loudermilk 512-818-1144

Pro-Life Prayer Group: Position Vacant

Knights of Columbus: James Von Der Vellen 512-868-6415

Catholic Daughters of the Americas: Monica Sherek 512-864-4748

Conf. of Christian Mothers: Kitzzi Crawford 512-635-5967

Religious Articles: Louise Straka 512-746-5322

K.J.T. Society #55: John Danek 512-819-4362

KJZT Society #15: Belinda Beyer 254-527-3657

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

CEF Enrollments: Janine Nemeč 512-289-9242

Marriage Preparation: Contact the priest before setting a wedding date and at least 9-12 months before the desired date.

Baptisms: Contact Virginia Loza-Lee for questions and requirements (737-215-1042)

### Last Week's Collection(s)

Immaculate Conception	\$ 2,024.00
Weekly Collection	\$ 9,243.06
Online Donations	\$ 3,665.16
Clergy & Retired Priests	\$ 2,295.50

### This Week at a Glance

Sat/Sun, Dec 17/18 – Building Fund 2<sup>nd</sup> collection after all Masses

Sunday, Dec 18 – Decorate Church for Christmas after 10:30 Mass

Sunday, Dec 18 – Advent Penance Service @ 5:00 pm in church

Tuesday, Dec 20 – Darlene Svehlak funeral @ 10:00 am

Tuesday, Dec 20 – Holy Hour of Reparation @ 4:30 pm in church

Tuesday, Dec 20 – RCIA Class starts @ 7:00 pm (Topic: Baptism)

Wednesday, Dec 21 – NO CCE Classes

Thursday, Dec 22 – Play & Pray 1:00 – 3:00 pm @ PAC

Thursday, Dec 22 -- Adoration 3:00 – 9:00 pm



The Parish Office will be closed for the holidays the week of December 26 - 30, and will reopen on Tuesday, January 3. Bulletin announcements for the Dec. 31/Jan. 1 bulletin are due by Wednesday, Dec. 21 by 2:30 p.m.

### Rosary for Life

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

**Dec 18 – 25: Michael Vrana**

*Dec 25 – Jan 1: Mike & Diana Hovatter*



### Vocations Crucifix Prayer Campaign

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

**Dec 18 – 25: Bill & Monica Sherek**

*Dec 25 – Jan 1: Phil & Mary Ann Everett*

***The Season of Advent – our time of preparation for the birth of our Lord & Savior, Jesus Christ – begins this week.***

Holy Trinity, Corn Hill – Sunday, December 18, 5:00 PM

St. William – Round Rock – Thursday, December 22, 1:00 – 6:00 PM

**We will also have confessions here on Wednesday, December 21 from 5:30 PM to 6:10 PM and then 7:00 PM until there is no one to go to confession. Confessions will also be here on Friday, December 23 at 11:00 AM - 12:00 noon.**

**PLEASE NOTE: NO CONFESSIONS SATURDAY DECEMBER 24, CHRISTMAS EVE**

**In Memoriam** - We extend our sympathies and prayers to the family of Darlene Svehlak who died this past week. Mass of Christian Burial on Tuesday, December 20, at 10:00 am here at Holy Trinity. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace. Amen.

We will have our monthly **Building Fund Collection** this weekend (December 17/18). Thank you in advance for your generosity.

**If you would like to help decorate the church for the Christmas Season** with beautiful poinsettias --- in memory or honor of loved ones --- you may do so by completing and returning a "Christmas Flower Envelope" (located by the bulletins). **Please turn in your envelope by Sunday, December 18.** All memorials will be announced in the December 25 bulletin.

**Food Drive:** Thank you to all parishioners who participated in the food drive sponsored by the KJT Corn Hill Society #55. We donated more than 1,000 pounds of food and \$600 to the Jarrell Community Food Pantry. An additional \$205 was donated to The Caring Place in Georgetown. "The actual food donation could not have come at a better time for us. Please thank everyone for us," said the pantry coordinator. God bless you for your generosity.

**Christmas Collection** – With Christmas being on a Sunday this year, the second collection next weekend (Dec 24/25) will be for Christmas, Please use the " for those who have boxed contribution envelopes.

**Commemorative Book: Treasures of the Diocese of Austin** - Commissioned by Bishop Joe S. Vásquez in celebration of the 75th anniversary of the Diocese of Austin, this beautifully bound book captures the history and images of our vast diocese. From its earliest days, when residents, settlers and newly arrived migrants came to Texas, building towns and living their Catholic faith, to the present day, this almost 300-page book tells the history in text and photos The "Treasures of the Diocese of Austin" book is a keepsake and will be a wonderful addition to every home. The book is \$40 (cash or check) and may be purchased in the parish office.

The **2023 Collection Envelopes** are available in the church by the Risen Lord statue. If you do not have a box in there please put your name on the list provided. If you are now making your donations online and no longer need a box of envelopes, please let the office know.

If you would like a **2022 Donation Report** for tax, or other, purposes, please let the office know. If you received one this past year, you will automatically receive one again. Reports will be mailed out by January 31.

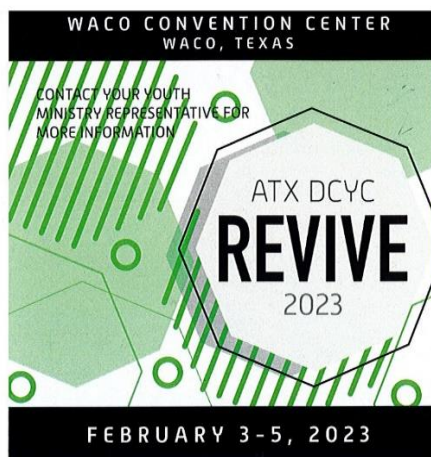
**A Message from Bishop Vásquez** - In the Diocese of Austin, we are privileged to call Mary, under her title of the Immaculate Conception, our patroness. During this season of Advent, may our Blessed Mother lead us closer to her Son, our Savior. May our devotion to the mother of our Lord show our unity with Jesus, Mary, and one another during the 75th anniversary of this local church.

**Preparation for Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary** - In Fatima, Our Lady said, "My Immaculate Heart will be your refuge and the way that will lead you to God." Please join thousands of Faithful throughout our Diocese for 33 days of preparation prayer for Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary. The prayers begin on February 20 and are done privately using the preparation book. Please visit [www.TexasToJesusThroughMary.org](http://www.TexasToJesusThroughMary.org) by January 18 to receive your FREE copy of the Montfort preparation prayer book.

**For those interested in becoming an Altar Server** (4<sup>th</sup> grade and up, with the appropriate sacraments), we will have an **Altar Server Practice** Sunday, January 15, at 4:00 p.m. in the church. Contact the parish office to sign-up or for more information.

**--For our current Altar Servers – the practice, on Sunday, January 15 is for you, too, so please make every effort to attend.**

**--After practice, all new and current Altar Servers and their families are invited to the PAC Bldg for our annual Altar Server Appreciation Supper (at 5 pm). Please RSVP to the parish office to give us a head count of those attending the meal.**



### Dear friends in Christ,

Today is the 4th Sunday of Advent. Christmas is just around the corner. Christmas begins the evening of December 24 and continues until Monday, January 9. Keep your Christmas lights shining brightly all throughout the Christmas Season. Let us celebrate this season in its fullness. During the Christmas Season are several important Feast Days. During the Octave of Christmas we have The Nativity of the Lord on December 25, St. Stephen on December 26, St. John on December 27, The Holy Innocents on December 28, The Holy Family on December 30, St. Sylvester on December 31, and Mary, the Holy Mother of God on January 1. In the remainder of the Christmas Season we have The Epiphany of the Lord on January 8 and The Baptism of the Lord on January 9. Try to attend as many of these Masses as possible. Of course, December 25, January 1 and January 8 are all Holy Days of Obligation so I will definitely see you at Mass on those days, unless you are traveling out of town. The Lord has given us so much and so many ways in which we can truly experience His love and presence in our life and in the life of our family. Let us accept all He gives us and be united with Him and with one another. Below are a few thoughts about this season:

Have you received the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) this Advent? We will have our **Penance Service** this Sunday, December 18 at 5:00 pm. Five priests will be hearing confessions so come and make a good confession before Christmas. Prepare yourself to celebrate the upcoming Christmas Season in its fullness by receiving the love and forgiveness of God in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. **St. William in Round Rock will also have confessions on Thursday, December 22, at 1:00 pm to 6:00 pm. I will also be hearing confessions on Wednesday, December 21 from 5:30 pm to 6:10 pm and from 7:00 pm until there is no one to go to confession. Also, I will hear confessions on Friday, December 23 at 11:00 am to 12:00 noon.**

On this Fourth Sunday of Advent we read from the first chapter of the Gospel of Matthew. It begins with verse 18: "This is how the birth of Jesus Christ came about" and then continues to tell us of how Mary was found with child and Joseph, in a dream, was told not to be afraid but to take Mary as his wife. This passage also says how this was all prophesied by the prophet. So, this passage is the fulfillment of our first reading today taken from Isaiah 7:10-14. Both the first reading and the Gospel focus on the fact that "the virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall name him Emmanuel." Jesus is Emmanuel, "God is with us," which is the meaning of Emmanuel. Jesus is both God and Man and came to be among His people. Jesus continues to be among us through His Church and especially in the Blessed Sacrament, the Eucharist. He is with us every day. All we have to do is to have the eyes of faith to recognize His presence among us. May we all have these eyes of faith and recognize Him as we receive Him in Holy Communion. May we also recognize His presence with us as we live our lives day-by-day as His disciples wherever we may be in this journey of life.





Inserted in this bulletin is my annual Christmas letter. May all of you have a very peaceful and joyful final week of Advent.

**Fr. Stephen Nersis, farář**

**K ZAMYŠLENÍ:** Evangelium by se dalo uchopit jako událost z jedné rodinné historie. Pro Josefa jde o velmi delikátní okamžik. Jeho snoubenka je těhotná s někým neznámým. Zvažuje zrušení plánované svatby tichým a nekonfliktním způsobem. Zákonitě však do jeho srdce vstoupila nedůvěra vůči Marii... Ale Bůh má události ve své moci. Josef uvěří Božimu poselství a Bůh mu vloží do srdce pokoj. Proto se může stát pro Marii důležitou oporou. Mnohé biblické příběhy ukazují, že Bůh často nevolí jednoduché cesty k dosažení svých záměrů. (Vira.cz)

**Cuarto Domingo de Adviento:** El misterio de la Encarnación ocurrió a través de María, y a través del Espíritu Santo que nos es dado durante el Bautismo y la Confirmación, también estamos llamados a personificar la presencia de Dios ¿Hemos nosotros, como María, dicho que sí a Dios? ¿Somos como José, alimento y protección de la vida dentro de nosotros? Mientras celebramos esta temporada santa de nacimiento ¿estamos dando a luz en nuestras vidas los frutos del amor de Dios: justicia, paz, amabilidad, humildad y gozo?

# Pray the Scriptures with us during the month of January 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> The Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord Nm 6:22-27  Ps 67:2-3,5,6,8 Gal 4:4-7 Lk 2:16-21 <b>Mary, The Holy Mother of God</b>	<b>2</b> 1 Jn 2:22-28 Ps 98:1-4 Jn 1:19-28 St. Basil the Great St. Gregory Nazianzen bishops, doctors of the Church	<b>3</b> 1 Jn 2:29 - 3:6 Ps 98:1-3c-6 Jn 1:29-34 <i>The Most Holy Name of Jesus</i>	<b>4</b> 1 Jn 3:7-10 Ps 98:1,7-9 Jn 1:35-42 St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, religious	<b>5</b> 1 Jn 3:11-21 Ps 100:1b-5 Jn 1:43-51 St. John Neumann, bishop	<b>6 † First Friday</b> 1 Jn 5:5-13 Ps 147:12-15,19-20 Mk 1:7-11 <b>or</b> Lk 3:23-38 <i>St. André Bessette, religious</i> <i>Sacred Heart of Jesus</i> <i>Devotion</i>	<b>7 First Saturday</b> 1 Jn 5:14-21 Ps 149:1-6a,9b Jn 2:1-11 <i>St. Raymond of Peñafort, priest</i> <i>Immaculate Heart of Mary</i> <i>Devotion</i>
<b>8</b>  Is 60:1-6 Ps 72:2,7-8,10-13 Eph 3:2-3a,5-6 Mt 2:1-12 <b>The Epiphany of the Lord</b>	<b>9</b> End of the Christmas Season Is 42:1-4,6-7 <b>or</b> Acts 10:34-38 Ps 29:1-2,3-4,9-10 Mt 3:13-17  <b>The Baptism of the Lord</b>	<b>10</b> Heb 2:5-12 Ps 8:2ab,5-9 Mk 1:21-28	<b>11</b> Heb 2:14-18 Ps 105:1-4,6-9 Mk 1:29-39	<b>12</b> Heb 3:7-14 Ps 95:6-7c,8-11 Mk 1:40-45	<b>13 †</b> Heb 4:1-5,11 Ps 78:3,4bc,6c-8 Mk 2:1-12  <i>St. Hilary, bishop,</i> <i>doctor of the Church</i>	<b>14</b> Heb 4:12-16 Ps 19:8-10,15 Mk 2:13-17
<b>15</b> Is 49:3,5-6 Ps 40:2,4,7-10 1 Cor 1:1-3 Jn 1:29-34 <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	<b>16</b> Heb 5:1-10 Ps 110:1-4 Mk 2:18-22	<b>17</b> Heb 6:10-20 Ps 111:1-2,4-5,9,10c Mk 2:23-28  St. Anthony, abbot	<b>18</b> Heb 7:1-3,15-17 Ps 110:1-4 Mk 3:1-6	<b>19</b> Heb 7:25 - 8:6 Ps 40:7-10,17 Mk 3:7-12	<b>20 †</b> Heb 8:6-13 Ps 85:10-14 Mk 3:13-19  <i>St. Fabian, pope, martyr</i> <i>St. Sebastian, martyr</i>	<b>21</b> Heb 9:2-3,11-14 Ps 47:2-3,6-9 Mk 3:20-21  St. Agnes, virgin, martyr
<b>22</b> Is 8:23 - 9:3 Ps 27:1,4,13-14 1 Cor 1:10-13,17 Mt 4:12-23 <b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	<b>23</b> Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children Heb 9:15,24-28 Ps 98:1-6 Mk 3:22-30  <i>St. Vincent, deacon, martyr</i> <i>St. Marianne Cope, virgin</i>	<b>24</b> Heb 10:1-10 Ps 40:2,4ab,7-8a,10-11 Mk 3:31-35  St. Francis de Sales, bishop, doctor of the Church	<b>25</b> Acts 22:3-16 <b>or</b> Acts 9:1-22 Ps 117:1-2 Mk 16:15-18 <b>The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle</b>	<b>26</b> 2 Tm 1:1-8 <b>or</b> Ti 1:1-5 Ps 96:1-3,7-8,10 Mk 4:21-25 <b>or</b> Lk 10:1-9 Sts. Timothy and Titus, bishops	<b>27 †</b> Heb 10:32-39 Ps 37:3-6,23-24,39-40 Mk 4:26-34  <i>St. Angela Merici,</i> <i>virgin</i>	<b>28</b> Heb 11:1-2,8-19 (Ps) Lk 1:69-75 Mk 4:35-41  St. Thomas Aquinas, priest, doctor of the Church
<b>29</b> Zep 2:3; & 3:12-13 Ps 146:6-10 1 Cor 1:26-31 Mt 5:1-12a <b>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	<b>30</b> Heb 11:32-40 Ps 31:20-24 Mk 5:1-20	<b>31</b> Heb 12:1-4 Ps 22:26-28,30-32 Mk 5:21-43  St. John Bosco, priest	<b>Note:</b> January 1 thru 9 are part of the Christmas Season. January 10 begins the First Week in Ordinary Time.	<b>Monthly Devotion The Holy Childhood of Jesus.</b> Meditate on our Lord's years as a child and teenager and pray for our children of today.	<b>Some other saints:</b> 18 <sup>th</sup> - Panna Maria, Matka jednoty křesťanů  	Every Sunday is a Solemnity. Weekdays with <b>bold</b> print are either a Solemnity or a Feast Day. All other weekdays are either Memorials or Optional Memorials or without a specific memorial. <i>Optional Memorials are in            italics.</i>

† The Bishops of the United States have asked that we observe Fasting and Abstinence on every Friday for the intentions of Life, Marriage, and Religious Freedom.