

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH

of CORN HILL

Pope Francis
Vatican City State



Bishop Joe Vásquez
Diocese of Austin



Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 5, A.D. 2023

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday	Feb 4	5:00 PM	†Agnes Hrcir, †Dorothy Klepac, † Emma Ann Rodriguez
Sunday	Feb 5	8:30 AM	†Gerrie King, †Linda Grigsby, †Frank & Anastasia Knapak
		10:30 AM	Pro Populo
Monday	Feb 6	6:00 PM	†Pope Benedict XVI
Tuesday	Feb 7	12 Noon	†Virginia & William McMaster, †Richard Gerik, † Emma Ann Rodriguez
Wednesday	Feb 8	6:30 PM	Bill Klepac Family, †Paul Straka, † John & Betty Emge
Thursday	Feb 9	7:00 AM	†Hugh Calkins Lobit, †Mark Walker, † Floyd Lange
Friday	Feb 10	6:00 PM	†Donald Stanek, †Greg Maney, † Calvin Blackman Jr.
Saturday	Feb 11	7:30 AM	Jensyn Templin (healing), Sr. Marie Bernadette, †Paul Bonkowski, Sr.
Saturday	Feb 11	5:00 PM	Pro Populo
Sunday	Feb 12	8:30 AM	Richard Buchhorn (healing), †Tony & Delores Sladacek
		10:30 AM	†Deceased members of Joseph & Annie Straka Family

Ministry Schedule for February 6 - 12

Monday, February 6, 6:00 PM:

Altar Server / Lector: Josh Jacobs

Tuesday, February 7, 12:00 Noon:

Altar Server / Lector: Josh Jacobs

Wednesday, February 8, 6:30 PM:

Altar Servers: Martin & Isaiah O., Rustin S.

Lector: Kitzi Crawford

EMHC: Jim Heuertz

Gift Bearers: CCE Students

Thursday, February 9, 7:00 AM:

Altar Server / Lector: Pinto Nemeč

Friday, February 10, 6:00 PM:

Altar Server / Lector: Josh Jacobs

Saturday, February 11, 7:30 AM:

Altar Server: James Nemeč

Lector: Janine Nemeč

EMHC to Shut-Ins: February 12: James N.

Saturday, February 11, 5:00 PM:

Altar Server: John Bruce

Lector: Janine Nemeč

EMHC: Joe Parks

Gift Bearers: Gene & Deanna Fojtik

Head Usher: Donnie Tschoerner

Sunday, February 12, 8:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Carter M., Isaac N.,

Bartkovaks (2)

Lector: Jennifer Marquis

EMHC: Ray Nemeč, Michael Bartkovak

Gift Bearers: Johnny & Dee Martinka

Head Usher: AJ Batla

Sunday, February 12, 10:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Martin & Isaiah O.

Lector: Kelly Wood

EMHC: Leslie & Linda Allen

Gift Bearers: Vargas Family

Head Usher: Daniel Perez

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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

Cemetery Maintenance: Scott Templeton 512-845-0221

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

Finance Council: Tommy Sladacek 512-635-3496

Pastoral Council: Brandon Danek 512-948-5292

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: Kitzi 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 Sladacek 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)

Weekly Collection	\$ 7,342.00
Online Donations	\$ 2,602.85
Social Ministry	\$ 969.00

Altar Flowers

The flowers at the Blessed Sacrament, Blessed Virgin Mary and St. Joseph are placed in memory of

Joseph & Angeline Havelka

and are donated by their family.

Reminder: No flowers are needed during the Lenten & the beginning of the Easter Season (Feb 22 – April 16)

This Week at a Glance

Sat/Sun, Feb 4/5 – Blessing of the Throats at all Masses

Sun, Feb 5 – Hospitality Breakfast after 8:30 am Mass

Mon, Feb 6 – Senior Supper @ 6:30 pm at PAC

Tuesday, Feb 7 – Holy Hour of Reparation @ 4:30 pm in church
Tuesday, Feb 7 – RCIA Class starts @ 7:00 pm (Topic: Marriage)

Wednesday, Feb 8 – CCE Classes begins at 6:15 pm

Thursday, Feb 9 – Adoration 3:00 – 9:00 pm

Thursday, Feb 9 – Knights of Columbus meeting @ 6:30 pm

Rosary for Life

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

Feb 5 – 12: Louis & Louise Straka

Feb 12 – 19: Janet Havelka

Vocations Crucifix Prayer Campaign

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

Feb 5 – 12: Josh & Steffani Jacobs

Feb 12 – 19: Helen Havelka

The new year is in full swing, yet there are still several boxes of assigned 2023 Contribution Envelopes that have not been picked up so if you haven't already, please pick yours up. If you are not currently using them and would like a box, please put your name on the sheet provided or contact the parish office, and one will be put out for you.

We will have the **Blessing of Throats** at all Masses this weekend (February 4/5) as February 3 is the feast of St. Blaise and it is our tradition to bless the throats of the faithful asking for St. Blaise to protect us from all illness, especially that of the throat.

All visitors and parishioners are invited to our **Hospitality Sunday** this Sunday, February 5 in the PAC Bldg after the 8:30 a.m. Mass. We appreciate the Moravian Club for preparing the breakfast.

Our monthly **Senior Citizens' Supper** will be held this Monday, February 6, at 6:30 p.m. in the PAC Bldg. following Mass at 6:00 p.m. We thank the Moravian Club for preparing the meal.

Knights of Columbus (KC) – Holy Trinity Council: There will be a KC meeting this Thursday, February 9, at 6:30 p.m. in the RE Bldg. All members are invited. All men interested in becoming a member of the KC, or in transferring into the Holy Trinity Council from another, are also invited and encouraged to attend. For questions or more information, contact James Von Der Vellen (512-868-6415 or vondervellen@suddenlink.net).

We will have a **second collection** next weekend (February 11/12) for the **Catholic Higher Education** fund to support Campus Ministries within the Diocese of Austin, including communities at the University of Texas, Texas A&M University, Baylor University, Texas State University, Mary Hardin-Baylor, St. Edward's University and other smaller college campuses. The goals of Catholic campus ministry are to build a faith community, bring the message of Christ to the academic world and prepare future leaders of society and our Church.

Starting Monday February 13, we will be hosting a **33-day Consecration to Saint Joseph**, ending on his feast day March 19. This consists of daily prayer and readings highlighting many things you may have never known about Jesus's earthly father, including serious devotions from some of the Church's earliest fathers and greatest saints. We will also have five weekly in-person meetings every Monday night starting at 5:30 p.m. - dinner will be provided. For those who attended last year, you are also welcome - this can be an annual renewal of your consecration. Come and learn about Saint Joseph as we deepen our devotion to this Protector of the Universal Church. Requires purchase of book by Father Donald Calloway. For more information or to sign up, please contact Spencer Chaney: 512-534-1520 or spencer_chaney@yahoo.com.



KJT # 55 Corn Hill will be having a bake sale the weekend of February 18/19 following the Saturday Mass at 5:00 p.m. and the Sunday Masses at 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. Proceeds will help offset the cost of Hospitality Sundays, Senior Meals, Bazaar donations as well as a donation being made to the Priest & Religious Retirement Fund.



Czech Mass - Vítame Vás na Corn Hill: In February we celebrate the Feast Day of Sts. Cyril and Methodius, patron saints of the Czech Republic and patron saint of Slavic peoples. In honor of these saints a Czech Mass will be celebrated on, **Sunday, February 19, at 5:00 p.m.**, at Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Corn Hill. All prayers, readings and hymns will be in the Czech language. After Mass, a Dinner will be served in the Parish Activity Center. Everyone is welcome to come and celebrate this special feast day of Sts. Cyril and Methodius.

Mark your calendars: **Ash Wednesday Masses** (February 22) will be at 7:00 a.m., 12:00 noon and 6:30 p.m. There will be a special collection for the **World & Home Missions** at these Masses, to support the Catholic Church abroad. This envelope is in your contribution vellope box. Please be generous. Also, during Lent, we will have Stations of the Cross on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. (starting on March 1) and Mass for those Wednesdays will be at 7:00 a.m.

Dear friends in Christ,

Peace be with you. We are happy to announce that Joshua Jacobs of our parish has been accepted into the Formation Program for Deacons. This is a 5-year program. Please keep Josh in your prayers as he begins his studies and formation and as he continues to discern God's calling him to the diaconate.

Saturday, February 11, is the feast of **Our Lady of Lourdes and also the World Day of the Sick**. We will have the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick during Mass at 7:30 am for those who wish to receive it.

February 14 is the feast day of Sts. Cyril and Methodius, patron saints of the Czech Republic and of all Slavic peoples. We will be having our annual Czech Mass in their honor on **Sunday, February 19, at 5:00 pm**. All music, readings and Mass will be in Czech. After Mass a meal will be served in the PAC building. Everyone is invited. It is not necessary to speak Czech to attend!

In today's Gospel we hear about salt and light. As we all know, salt is good for many things and its uses have not varied much since the time of Jesus. It still gives flavor to food, and it is still used as a preservative. Its use as a preservative has given us a certain taste for various foods, like bacon, ham and other meats. Life depends on salt. We cannot function properly without it. The proper functioning of our nervous system depends on salt, sodium, although we know that too much salt can hurt us as well.

The people of Jesus' day depended upon salt, maybe more-so than we do, so salt was a good image for Jesus to use. The main source of salt was, and still is, the sea or ancient sea beds that have become dry. Seaweed was a great source of salt also. It would be put in the pot while the food was cooking and then removed before the food was served. The salty flavor remained in the pot. One piece of seaweed could be used several times and then thrown out into the street where it would be "trampled under foot."

In Jerusalem and the surrounding area the more common source of salt was the Dead Sea. However, it contains many other elements which had to be extracted from the salt and then thrown out. Many times the salt would go flat and be good for nothing and had to be thrown away. How often this is an experience of our fellow humans. We meet someone new and immediately have a strong attraction to the person. He or she truly "adds spice to life." But, sometimes such people prove to be shallow, and we find ourselves being disappointed by them. We might even go so far as saying "He, or she, is useless!"

Many times this is the experience of faith. It expresses itself well for a limited period of time, but it really does not change life very much. We are drawn to church services that are beautiful. We expect good preaching and good music and singing. But many times this is our only expectation. Basically we have the expectation of being entertained by our worship. Eventually, life will become difficult, and no amount of entertainment will serve us. Our faith has to be deeper than simply being present at Mass on Sundays, or it will go flat and will be good for nothing but to be thrown out.

Jesus also uses the image of the lamp in today's Gospel. The lamp is meant to be used. A hidden lamp is useless. The same is true with the gift of faith. It is meant to be used. Faith is meant to be shared. It must also be seen. This is the faith that makes a difference. Simply going to church for prayer, which is very important, is, however, not enough. We must put faith into action.

Isaiah gives us a blueprint for such faith. The context of our first reading today concerns the proper use of fasting. Fasting was long a spiritual practice of the Jews. Physical comfort and need were sacrificed so that the spiritual life and spiritual needs would be focused upon. But Isaiah saw fasting become something to brag about. He meant to return fasting to its intended purpose which was to make a difference in the lives of the faithful. When a person fasted, he or she did not merely give up food. They either gave it or the equivalent value away. They gave alms. Isaiah shows faith in action. "Share your bread with the hungry, shelter the oppressed, clothe the naked."

These are things we do as an expression of faith. We do not do these things for personal reward or glory, nor to earn plaques and testimonials. We do them to show the glory of the Lord. If we do these things, God's light will shine through us. People will see it like a city on a mountaintop, and they will want to go to that city. It is like the words in the hymn: "They will know we are Christians by our love." We come to Mass to support one another in our faith. If my friends see me here, they will gain support from my presence.

Faith is not something that is taken. It is something that is expressed. Certain kinds of faith, like certain kinds of salt, can go flat or like a lamp we can hide it. Don't let that happen to you. Keep your faith alive. Nurture it through prayer, reading of the Bible and coming to Mass every Sunday and receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation often. Then the light of Christ will shine through you.

May all of you have a most blessed week.

Fr. Stephen Nesrsta, farář

K ZAMYŠLENÍ: Být sůl není zrovna vábivá představa. Ale Ježíš mluví o tom, že naším úkolem je dávat chuť. Ztráta chuti je v řeckém originále označena slovem 'mórainó', což znamená jak 'pokazit se', tak 'stát se pošetilým'. Představa „pošetilé“ chuti zní divně. Ale umíme si vybavit „pachutí“. A tak by se dalo dnešní evangelium parafrázovat: „...když budete mít jen pachutí světa, co vám dodá skutečnou chuť?“ Kristus nás zve na radikální cestu. Nemusíme „chuť“ hledat. K tomu stačí plnohodnotně evangelium žít. Lacinost bez chuti je cestou k prázdnotě. (Vira.cz)

Quinto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario: Este domingo retomamos la siguiente sección del famoso Sermón de la Montaña del Evangelio de Mateo el cual seguiremos escuchando las siguientes semanas. Como discípulos de Jesús estamos llamados a ser la luz y la sal del mundo. Ambas, luz y sal son agentes de cambio y eso es lo que estamos llamados a ser. Pero primero debemos permitir que el poder de Dios nos cambie – de manera que seamos capaces de vivir y actuar como Cristo lo hizo. Cuando permitimos que el poder de Dios trabaje en nosotros, entonces nuestras acciones de caridad y justicia; de alimentar al hambriento; vestir al desnudo; alojar al que no tiene hogar y al oprimido serán Buenas Noticias para otros. Entonces estaremos actuando como agentes de la luz de Dios con el condimento del amor de Dios por los otros ¿A quién conoce que necesite la luz y la sal? ¿cómo puede usted dárselas?

Holy Trinity Catholic Church Corn Hill, Texas



Healing Mission

With Paul Rymniak

“He has appointed me to preach Good News to the poor, to heal the broken hearted, and announce that God is ready to give blessings to all who come to HIM.”

Luke 4:18

Paul conducts his Healing Mission in approximately 30 churches a year, along with being the director of The Center for Peace. He also publishes a monthly newsletter that reaches thousands of people all over the world. He has had his own Catholic T.V. Program which many noted Catholics appeared on. He has a series of tapes which includes the one tape that started his ministry... THE HEALING ROSARY. With his busy schedule, he has written a book about healing called...THE MYSTERY OF HEALING. This book details his life in the healing ministry along with his own personal story on how it all began.

Paul sees it as an honor to be at our parish to conduct his HEALING MISSION, which includes the ROSARY and the STATIONS OF THE CROSS. Paul will offer his healing efforts to all who seek it. So if you are in need of a HEALING, be it Mental, Emotional, Physical or Spiritual, you might want to consider coming to this Healing Mission.

MANY DOCUMENTED HEALINGS HAVE OCCURRED AT THESE SERVICES.

Paul will also speak at the Weekend Masses, and the schedule for the 3 evenings is as follows:

Monday, February 27th, 2023

7:00 pm – Evangelization...Individual Prayer and Confessions.

Tuesday, February 28th, 2023

7:00 pm – Evangelization...Individual Prayer and Confessions.

Wednesday, March 1st, 2023

7:00 pm – Evangelization...Individual Prayer and Confessions.