

# HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH

## of CORN HILL

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Bishop Joe Vásquez  
Diocese of Austin



### Fourth Sunday of Lent March 19, A.D. 2023 Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday	Mar 18	5:00 PM	†Linda Grigsby, †AJ Tschoerner, †Gary Wood
Sunday	Mar 19	8:30 AM	Pro Populo
		10:30 AM	†Liv/Dec members of Louis & Mary Zrubek Family, †Paul Bonkowski, Sr., †Stanley Havelka
Monday	Mar 20	6:00 PM	Martha Pavelka (healing), Confraternity of Christian Mothers
Tuesday	Mar 21	7:00 AM	†Virginia & William McMaster, †Howard Mertink, †Louise Palousek
Wednesday	Mar 22	7:00 AM	Craig & Krystle, Agnes Maloney (healing), †Andre Ptak
Thursday	Mar 23	7:00 AM	Cooke Family †Manuel & Ethna Torres and family
Friday	Mar 24	6:00 PM	†Paul Straka, †Kathleen Valenta, †Joe Janosec
Saturday	Mar 25	7:30 AM	James Nemecek (in thanksgiving), All Austin Diocean Priests, nuns, Deacons & staff, †Lawrence Korenek
Saturday	Mar 25	5:00 PM	Sr. Incarnata, †Lena Love Drake, †Michael Cornelius
Sunday	Mar 26	8:30 AM	Pro Populo
		10:30 AM	Roger Conway (birthday blessing) & Roger & Maura Conway (53 <sup>rd</sup> wedding anniversary), †Floyd Lange

### Ministry Schedule for March 20 – 26

**Monday, March 20, 6:00 PM:**

Altar Server: Josh Jacobs  
Lector: Kitz Crawford

**Tuesday, March 21, 7:00 AM:**

Altar Server / Lector: Josh Jacobs

**Wednesday, March 22, 7:00 AM**

Altar Server / Lector: Pinto Nemecek

**Stations of the Cross:**

**Wednesday, March 22, 6:30 PM:**

Altar Servers: Brousseau (1)  
Bartkovaks (2)

**Thursday, March 23, 7:00 AM:**

Altar Server / Lector: Pinto Nemecek

**Friday, March 24, 6:00 PM:**

Altar Server / Lector: Josh Jacobs

**Saturday, March 25, 7:30 AM:**

Altar Server: James Nemecek  
Lector: Janine Nemecek

EMHC to Shut-Ins: March 26  
Route 1: Brandon Danek  
Route 2: Spencer Chaney

**Saturday, March 25, 5:00 PM:**

Altar Servers: Martin & Isaiah O.,  
Ben & Thomas C.  
Lector: Janine Nemecek

EMHC: Spencer Chaney, Jim Heurtz

Gift Bearers: Billy & Kathy Meissner

Head Usher: Donald Tschoerner

**Sunday, March 26, 8:30 AM:**

Altar Servers: Carter M., Lucas B., Alyssa B.  
Lector: Jennifer Marquis  
EMHC: Ray Nemecek, Michael Bartkovak  
Gift Bearers: Bartkovak Family  
Head Usher: Matt Mertink

**Sunday, March 26, 10:30 AM:**

Altar Servers: Michael & Jonah S.,  
Isabella H.  
Lector: Denise Sellers  
EMHC: Daniel & Hilda Perez  
Gift Bearers: Hodgson Family  
Head Usher: Frank Knapek

**It's time to start thinking about the Bazaar Raffle!** If you would like to donate a new item or gift card, please contact Stephanie Wright at 512-470-5204.

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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

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PAC Manager: Marla Tonn 512-863-0755

Cemetery Information: Parish Office

Cemetery Director: Johnny Martinka 512-966-4301

Cemetery Maintenance: Scott Templeton 512-845-0221

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

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Pastoral Council: Brandon Danek 512-948-5292

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

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

Conf. of Christian Mothers: Kitz 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

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CEF Enrollments: Janine Nemecek 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	\$ 6,176.00
Online Donations	\$ 1,290.15

### This Week at a Glance

Sat/Sun, Mar 18/19 – Catholic Relief Svcs second collection after all Masses

Sun, Mar 19 – Lenten Penance Service here @ 5:00 pm in church

Mon, Mar 20 – St Joseph's Altar after 6:00 pm Mass in PAC

Tues, Mar 21 – Bible Study @ 12 noon in RE Bldg

Tues, Mar 21 – Holy Hour of Reparation @ 4:30 pm in church

Tues, Mar 21 -- RCIA Class starts @ 7:00 pm

(Topic: Catholic Social Teachings)

Wed, Mar 22 – CCE classes begins at 6:15 pm

Wed, Mar 22 – Stations of the Cross @ 6:30 pm in church

Wed, Mar 22 – Choir practice for Easter season a@ 7:00 pm in church

Thurs, Mar 23 – Pray & Play 1 – 3 pm @ PAC

Thurs, Mar 23 -- Adoration 3:00 – 9:00 pm

Friday, Mar 24 – Fish Fry 5:30 – 7:30 pm @ PAC

Sat/Sun, Mar 25/26 – Building Fund second collection after all Masses

### Lenten Prayer

Eternal God, the refuge of all your children,  
in our weakness, you are our strength,  
in our darkness, you are our light,  
in our sorrow, you are our comfort and peace.  
May we always live in your presence,  
and serve you in our daily lives;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.  
~St. Boniface



### Vocations Crucifix Prayer Campaign

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

**March 19 – 26: Phil & Mary Ann Everett**

*March 26 – April 2: Brousseau Family*

### BAPTISM



Monday, March 20th  
at 7 pm in the RE Building  
En Español  
3 de Abril a Las 6:00  
To register:  
htcdre@holyltrinityofcornhill.org



### Rosary for Life

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

**March 19 – 26: Michael Vrana**

*March 26 – April 2: Matt & Maria Messing*

We will have a **second collection** this weekend, March 18/19, for **Catholic Relief Services**, which helps children, women and families around the world. The six worldwide organizations supported by the collection provide immediate humanitarian aid, pastoral support and disaster relief to our suffering brothers and sisters around the globe. Please be generous.

Holy Trinity will honor St. Joseph with the celebration of a **St. Joseph Altar after the 6:00 p.m. Mass on Monday, March 20**. The Confraternity of Christian Mothers will host this beautiful tradition, an offering of love, labor & sacrifice in honor of St. Joseph. Fr. Stephen will bless the altar and then all participants may sample the meatless foods on the altar. In keeping with tradition, we will accept money or food donations to help the Jarrell Food Pantry. All are invited to celebrate & honor St. Joseph, the Protector of the Universal Church, and the Holy Family.

**Lunch with the Lord** continues this Tuesday, March 21, at 12 noon. If you are interested in joining this amazing bible study series or would like further information, please contact the Faith Formation office.

**Lenten Fish Fry** – Please join us for our Friday Fish Fries during the Lenten Season. Plates will be available for Dine-In and Drive Thru at the PAC from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m., or until sold out. **Dine-In Plates: Adults \$15 / Child \$7. Drive-Thru: Adults Only plates.** Eight (8) workers are needed each week from 5:00 p.m. til ? to work the Drive-Thru line. Please contact Becky Mertink (512-639-9091) to volunteer.

If you would like to help decorate the church for the Easter season with Easter Lilies & Flowers, in memory or honor of loved ones, you may do so by completing and returning an **Easter Flower Envelope** (located by the bulletins). Please turn in envelopes by Sunday, April 2, as the memorials will be listed in the Easter bulletin.



**During the Season of Lent, it is important that we reconcile ourselves with one another and with God!**

***Please take the time for you and your family to go to Confession ... that your hearts, souls, and minds will be ready for the Sacrifice and Resurrection of our Lord. The following are several opportunities for Confession in our area:***

**Holy Trinity, Corn Hill: Sunday, March 19, 5 PM**

**St. Patrick, Hutto: Tues, March 21, 6:30 – 8:30 PM ; St. Mary's, Taylor: Wed, March 22, 10:30 AM – 12 noon**

**Our Lady of Guadalupe, Taylor: Wed, March 22, 6:30 – 8:30 PM**

**St. Helen's, Georgetown: Thurs, March 23, 9:30 – 11:30 AM & 7 – 9 PM**

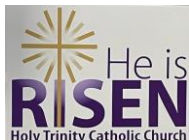
**St. William's, Round Rock: Wed, March 29, 7 – 9 PM ; St. Elizabeth's, Pflugerville: Thurs, March 30, 7 PM**

**St. William's, Round Rock: Mon, April 3, 1 – 6 PM**



**Youth Ministry Burger Sale!** Please join us on Sunday, March 26 from 11:30 – 1:30 at the PAC for a delicious burger meal to support our youth in going to Steubenville Lone Star, which is a Catholic youth conference. Hamburgers, Cheeseburgers, French Fries and Dessert will be available for purchase. Thank you for your support!

**Join us every Wednesday, during Lent, for the Stations of the Cross at 6:30 p.m. in the church. Take the time to reflect on the suffering and death of our Lord, Jesus Christ, on the Cross.**



**He is RISEN!!** The Knights of Columbus are selling Easter yard signs to help us celebrate the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. Let's proclaim the Good News with those around us by displaying these signs in front of our homes. The signs are double-sided, measure 18"x 24", and come with a metal stake. \$25 each. They will be available for purchase after the weekend masses for next few weeks or contact David Richardson at 737-444-9250. Thank you for your support.

We will have our monthly **Building Fund Collection** next weekend (March 25/26). Thank you in advance for your generosity.

**Ashes to Easter Second Collection.** Though we did not receive these Lenten boxes this year, we will be having a second collection the weekend of April 1/2 for the mission work of our diocese. Thank you for your sacrificial Lenten almsgiving and generosity.



Mother Angelica always reminded us to do the ridiculous so that God can do the Miraculous. Armor of God Catholic Radio will celebrate the miraculous spread of Catholic Radio beginning Tuesday, March 28 – 30 from 8 – 11 a.m. & 3 – 6 p.m. each day. We'll be broadcasting live from Saint Paul Chong Hasang. Contact Tom at 254-371-7566 or tom @armorofgodradio.com if you would like to volunteer.

The weather has been much warmer lately. Usually when summer approaches we are tempted to dress rather lightly or skimpy for Mass. We need to remember that as we come to Mass we come to worship God and to receive His Son in Holy Communion. We should dress in a way that shows respect for God. The general rule that I believe is appropriate is that anyone over 6 years of age should not wear shorts to Mass. Also, girls and ladies should wear blouses or dresses that are appropriate for Mass, nothing strapless or no spaghetti straps. Some say that God doesn't care what you wear to Mass. Well, that may be so. But the question should be "do you love God enough that you care what you wear to Mass?" Do you stand in honor in His presence? Also, if you dress appropriately for Mass you will not be cold in church from the air conditioning. If the air is blowing on you and you are cold, try to move to another part of the church.

#### **Dear Parishioners,**

Peace be with you. We will be having our **Lenten Penance Service this Sunday, March 19, at 5:00 pm.** Five priests will be hearing confessions so take advantage of this opportunity and make a good confession before Easter. If you cannot make it to our Penance Service there are other parishes that are still having their Penance Service before Easter. So, be sure to check the bulletin for confession times at other parishes within our deanery.

Lent is quickly passing by and Holy Week will be here soon. Try to attend the Stations of the Cross every Wednesday at 6:30 pm, including during Holy Week. Some of you may already be making plans for Holy Week and Easter. Our schedule for the Easter Triduum will be as follows:

**Holy Thursday - 7:00 p.m., Good Friday - 3:00 pm & 7:00 p.m., Holy Saturday - 8:15 p.m.,  
Easter Sunday - 6:30 am, 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.**

You may wonder why the Mass on Holy Saturday is so late in the evening. The Church states that we should wait until after sunset to light the Easter Fire. This way it is dark in the church and as we light the candles the light grows symbolizing the resurrection of our Lord.

**The Easter Triduum during Holy Week is our most sacred and solemn week of the whole year. We should make it a priority to attend the celebrations on Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday, and Easter Sunday, setting aside other non-religious activities that may conflict with these sacred days. Let us be faithful to God.**

We will be having Altar Server practice for each of the above celebrations. Altar Servers will have practice for Holy Thursday on Palm Sunday, April 2, following the 10:30 am Mass. Altar Server practice for Good Friday will be after Mass on Holy Thursday. Altar Server practice for Holy Saturday will be at 11:00 a.m. on Holy Saturday. 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 that they must attend the practice as scheduled for that particular day. Also please call Monica to let her know so that we will know who will be serving. Thank you to all of you for serving at God's Altar.

In today's Gospel we have the story of Jesus healing the man born blind from birth. This event follows Jesus encounter with the woman caught in adultery and also several other encounters with the Pharisees. This discourse with the Pharisees is rather lengthy and during this discourse the jealousy of the Pharisees is made visible and they become angrier and angrier with Jesus. The healing of the blind takes place on the Sabbath day, a day when no one was to do any work. This action of Jesus is seen as he violating the Law concerning the Sabbath. The healing of the blind man also proves that his sins are forgiven, something which only God can do. Yet, Jesus in His humanity, heals and forgives sins. Jesus continues this action today through the actions of the priest in the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick and the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession). Maybe you can somewhat imagine the joy that the blind man must have experienced at being able to see for the first time in his life. You can also probably imagine the anger of the Pharisees because all of us have been jealous of others and angry at them at some time in our life. Maybe you still are today! All this anger continues to build each week as we approach Holy Week and the Pharisees begin to make plans to arrest Jesus and to have Him put to death. As we enter into these last weeks of Lent let us reflect on how our lives reflect that of the lives of the Pharisees and let us ask the Lord to open our eyes so that we can see clearly the things we need to change in our lives so that we can truly be the light of Jesus to one another.

May all of you continue to have a spiritually renewing Season of Lent as we prepare ourselves for Palm Sunday and Holy Week, and, the celebration of the Resurrection of our Lord at Easter.

**Fr. Stephen Nesrsta, farář**

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**Myšlenky:** Dnešní evangelium mluví o velikém zázraku - o prohlédnutí člověka, který byl od narození slepý. Celé dějiny křesťanství však mluví o něčem mnohem větším, totiž o uzdravení člověka ze slepoty, ve které nevnímá nebo odmítá Spasitele - Ježíše. Kdyby šlo jen o medicínskou záležitost, sotva by si křesťané vybrali toto evangelium jako důležitý podklad pro závěrečné katecheze dospělých před jejich křtem. V tom evangeliu je totiž velmi názorně ukázáno, co může znamenat setkání s Ježíšem. Co může znamenat setkání, které je neseno vírou, setkání, ve kterém člověk přijme Ježíše bez předsudků. S takovým člověkem se stane něco, co nikdo nečekal a co je bezpochyby dobré - otevrou se mu oči víry. Slepý v evangeliu totiž neodchází od Ježíše jen jako ten, kdo vidí, ale jako ten, kdo v Ježíše věří. A to je něco ještě mnohem většího. Člověk sám ze sebe totiž nemá schopnost, se kterou by překonal slepotu hříchu, se kterou by překonal vzdálenost, která ho od Boha dělí. Nejde přece jen o to, aby člověk nějak pochopil, že existuje Bůh. Jde o to, aby mu uvěřil, aby mu porozuměl, aby se mohl rozhodnout žít s ním a udělat ho největší jistotou svého života. Aby prohlédl a přestal spoléhat na nespolehlivé a zdánlivé jistoty, aby prohlédl a neviděl sebe samého jako toho, kdo je nejdůležitější.

**Cuarto Domingo de Cuaresma:** Este domingo, invitamos a Dios a curar nuestra ceguera y nuestra tendencia a ver solo la apariencia de las cosas y las personas. El pecado nos ciega y necesitamos ser liberados del pecado para poder ver tal como Dios nos ve a nosotros y vivir como Dios desea que vivamos. ¿Hay alguna persona o situación en nuestra vida que necesitamos ver de manera distinta? ¿Qué nueva visión o que nueva perspectiva Dios desea que veamos? ¿Cómo trabaja Dios para curar la ceguera en nosotros?

We have added Eucharistic Meditations from the National Eucharistic Revival series that are designed to help you spend 30 minutes to an hour in meditation and silent prayer with Jesus during Eucharistic adoration. Even if you cannot be physically present in a church or adoration chapel with the Blessed Sacrament, you can unite yourself spiritually to the Eucharist as you spend this time in prayer. Thank you for praying with us as we seek to spend time with our Eucharistic Lord.



## Fourth Sunday of Lent: Jesus Heals

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**THE GRACE I SEEK:** to believe that Jesus longs to bring me healing and strength

**IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER, AND OF THE SON, AND OF THE HOLY SPIRIT. AMEN.**

*Jesus, the Lord of Life, has given himself to you in the Eucharist. He is gazing upon you, his beloved child, with great love at this very moment. Pause for a few moments and wonder at his gift for you. Allow yourself to rest in his loving gaze.*

*Thank Jesus for the gift of himself in the Eucharist.*

**ASK FOR THE GRACE:** Jesus, help me to believe you are longing to transform my life with your healing.

**SCRIPTURE MEDITATION** — Read slowly, 3-4 times. Allow the words of Scripture to wash over your mind and heart. Allow the Holy Spirit to speak to you through this passage.

**“Not as man sees does God see, because man sees the appearance, but the LORD looks into the heart.” [...] Then Samuel, with the horn of oil in hand, anointed David in the presence of his brothers; and from that day on, the spirit of the LORD rushed upon David.” (1 Samuel 16:7b, 13a)**

**REFLECTION QUESTION** — Allow yourself to sit with these questions for a while, being attentive to how the Lord is speaking in your heart.

Knowing that Jesus sees into the recesses of the heart, where in your heart is Christ’s healing needed the most? Is there a place in your heart where you have never allowed the Lord to go? Ask Jesus for the grace to allow his spirit to “rush” upon that place to heal any wounds or sickness hidden there.

**SCRIPTURE MEDITATION** — Read slowly, 3-4 times. Again, allow the words of Scripture to wash over your mind and heart. Let the Holy Spirit speak to you through this passage.

**“They brought the one who was once blind to the Pharisees. [...] So then the Pharisees also asked him how he was able to see. He said to them, ‘He put clay on my eyes, and I washed, and now I can see.’” (John 9:13, 15)**

**REFLECTION QUESTION** — Allow yourself to sit with these questions for a while, being attentive to how the Lord is speaking in your heart.

Jesus, the Good Physician, knows our weaknesses of body, heart, and mind. He longs to heal us in ways we cannot imagine. Gazing upon the Eucharist, ask Jesus to help you “see” his providential care. Ask for the eyes to recognize his healing presence in your life, and thank him for this healing.

*Remain in silence with the Lord. Allow him to speak in the silence, in your heart. Receive his presence. If it helps, write down what you sense the Lord communicating to you during this time of prayer.*

**CLOSING PRAYER** — O God, who through your Word reconcile the human race to yourself in a wonderful way, grant, we pray, that with prompt devotion and eager faith the Christian people may hasten toward the solemn celebrations to come. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. (Collect, Fourth Sunday of Lent)

**SUNDAY MASS CONNECTION** — At every Mass, Jesus offers himself to the Father for us. We can always join our own offerings with Jesus at Mass. This Sunday, offer your desire for spiritual healing.