

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH

of CORN HILL

Pope Francis
Vatican City State

Bishop Joe Vásquez
Diocese of Austin



Sunday of Divine Mercy
(Second Sunday of Easter)
April 16, A.D. 2023



Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday	April 15	5:00 PM	Pro Populo
Sunday	April 16	8:30 AM	†Emil Danek, †Kathleen Valenta, †Cyril & Eileen Rosipal
		10:30 AM	†Emma Ann Rodriguez, †Barbara Simek, †Frank Rodriguez
Tuesday	April 18	6:00 PM	†Paul Bonkowski, Sr., †Tony & Delores Sladeczek
Wednesday	April 19	6:30 PM	†Paul Straka, †Floyd Lange, †David Vanicek
Thursday	April 20	7:00 AM	†Virginia & William McMaster, †Delores Viktorin
Friday	April 21	6:00 PM	†Calvin Blackman, Jr., †Edwin Cook
Saturday	April 22	7:30 AM	Craig & Krystle, †Lawrence Korenek
Saturday	April 22	5:00 PM	Friends & Family of †Virgil & Marla Tonn, †Andre Ptak
Sunday	April 23	8:30 AM	Pro Populo
		10:30 AM	Members & Mission of the Czech Catholic Foundation of TX Liv/Dec Mbrs of Catholic Daughters of the Americas # 2778 †Gerri King

Mass Ministry Schedule for April 18 - 23

Tuesday, April 18, 6:00 PM:

Altar Server: Leo Bringman
Lector: Virginia Loza-Lee

Wednesday, April 19, 6:30 PM:

Altar Servers: Emmaline S., Isaiah O.,
Mikey B.

Lector: Josh Jacobs

EMHC: Leslie Allen

Thursday, April 20, 7:00 AM:

Altar Server / Lector: Pinto Nemeč

Friday, April 21, 6:00 PM:

Altar Server / Lector: Leo Bringman

Saturday, April 22, 7:30 AM:

Altar Server: James Nemeč
Lector: Pinto Nemeč

Saturday, April 22, 5:00 PM:

Altar Servers: Carter M., Emmaline S.
Lector: Jennifer Marquis

EMHC: Jim Heuert

Gift Bearers: Jim & Mary Margaret Heuert

Head Usher: Stephanie Wright

Sunday, April 23, 8:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Lucas B., Bartkovaks (3)
Lector: Chris Stefek

Gift Bearers: Pinto & Lucille Nemeč

EMHC: Brandon Danek, James Nemeč

Head Usher: Frank Knapke

Sunday, April 23, 10:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Samuel W., Isabella H.

Lector: Denise Sellers

EMHC: Daniel & Hilda Perez

Gift Bearers: Roger & Maura Conway

Head Usher: Jeff Voigt

EMHC to Shut-Ins: April 23

Route 1: Brandon Danek

Route 2: Spencer Chaney



Vocations Crucifix Prayer Campaign

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

April 16 – 23: James Nemeč

April 23 – 30: Pinto & Lucille Nemeč

✠ Fr. Stephen Nestrsta ✠

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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

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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: 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: Kitzzi Crawford 512-635-5967

Religious Articles: Louise Straka 512-746-5322

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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)

Good Friday	\$ 2,502.65
Easter Weekend	\$ 12,132.35
Online Donations	\$ 2,117.10

Altar Flowers

To donate altar flowers in memory or honor of loved ones,
complete and return an 'Altar Flower Envelope'
(from the bulletin table or from our website).

This Week at a Glance

Sat/Sun, Apr 15/16 – Building Fund second collection after Masses

Sun, Apr 16 – Divine Mercy Holy Hour @ 3:00 pm in church

Mon, Apr 17 – Catholic Daughters Meeting @ 6:15 pm in RE Bldg

Tues, Apr 18 – Bible Study begins @ 12 noon in RE Bldg

Tues, Apr 18 – Holy Hour of Reparation @ 4:30 pm in church

Tues, Apr 18 -- RCIA Class @ 7:00 pm in RE Bldg

(Topic: Eschatology – The End Times)

Wed, Apr 19 – CCE classes @ 6:15 pm

Thurs, Apr 20 -- Adoration 3:00 – 9:00 pm

Thurs, Apr 20 – Pastoral Council Meeting @ 7:00 in RE Bldg

Sat/Sun, Apr 22/23 – Social Ministry second collection after Masses

Sun, Apr 23 – Family Fun Day 12 noon - 3:00 pm @ PAC

Rosary for Life

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

April 16 – 23: Keith & Stephanie Zimmerhanel

April 23 – 30: Daniel & Hilda Perez

We celebrate **Divine Mercy Sunday** this weekend. Join us for a **Divine Mercy Holy Hour** on Sunday, April 16, at 3:00 p.m. in the church.

Our Lenten Fish Fries were a great success, and we would like to thank all the organizations and volunteers that helped in the kitchen, dine-in and to-go lines. We raised a net profit of \$8,196.52. God bless you all!!

We congratulate and welcome Dyana Chloe Tentchou Djomi (Daughter of Armand Djomi Tchoutang & Mireille Tamen Doussi) into the Catholic Church and the parish family through the Sacrament of Baptism this at the Holy Saturday Vigil.

Join us in congratulating Brendie Engledow, of our parish family, for her Profession of Faith and reception of the Sacraments of Holy Communion and Confirmation at the Holy Saturday Vigil. May God's blessings be upon her and may she continue to grow in her faith and love of God and His Church.

We will have our monthly **Building Fund Collection** this weekend (April 15/16). Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Catholic Daughters of the Americas will hold their monthly meeting on Monday, April 17 at 6:15 p.m. in the RE building. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend.



Join us as we dive into our next study "The Mass, Heaven on Earth". We will meet this Tuesday, April 18 at noon in the RE Building. This is a four-week study where we explore the source and summit of our faith-the Eucharist. Bring your lunch and your hunger to learn more about the Mass. To register, contact Virginia at htcdre@holyltrinityofcornhill.org. Cost is \$10.

We will have fresh beautiful flowers to celebrate all mothers on Mother's Day weekend (May 13/14). If you would like to donate toward the cost, please pick up and return a "Mother's Day Mass Remembrance" envelope (by the bulletins). You may honor your mother, grandmother, aunt, etc, both living and deceased, but please make sure you check living or deceased on the envelope so that we will know if it's in memory or honor of the person. Please turn in envelopes by Sunday, May 7. The memorials will be listed in the May 14th bulletin.

The Weir Volunteer Fire Station will be having a Weir BBQ on Saturday, April 22 from 12 noon – 3:00 p.m. at the fire station. Dine in or Take out \$12 adult plate / \$6 children plate. For more information, visit weirfd.org.

The Pastoral Council will meet Thursday, April 20, at 7:00 pm in the RE Bldg. Everyone is invited to attend. The agenda for this meeting is posted on the bulletin board for your information and preparation.

We will have a **Second Collection** next weekend, April 22/23, for the **benefit of our Social Ministry Fund**, which supports the Caring Place in Georgetown, the Jarrell Food Pantry and our local community needs. Thank you for your generous support!

Holy Trinity's **Confraternity of Christian Mothers** will meet again on Sunday, **April 23, at 9:30 a.m.** in RE Building. This week we'll be attending the Austin DCCW Convention to celebrate the work we happily offer to Our Lord. **Happy Easter!! He is RISEN!!**



Our Parish Family Picnic and Fun Day is approaching, which will be held Sunday, April 23, from noon to 3:00 pm. There will be lots of games for children, teens, and adults. A hamburger/hotdog meal with all the trimmings will be provided. Please bring your own drinks and chairs for outdoors. We will supply drinking water. There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer of the church this weekend for those who are planning to attend. **Please sign up by Sunday April 16th.** Contact Stephanie Wright @ 512-470-5204 for information.

HAVE YOU, OR HAS SOMEONE YOU KNOW, EXPERIENCED ABUSE? Bishop Joe S. Vásquez and the Diocese of Austin are committed to providing compassionate care to persons who have experienced abuse, particularly if committed by clergy or a church representative. If you or someone you know have experienced such abuse, contact the diocesan Coordinator of Victim Assistance and Pastoral Support at ileanahinojosa@austindiocese.org or (512) 949-2400. Report abuse of a minor, elderly adult or an adult with a disability to local law enforcement or to the Texas Abuse Hotline at www.txabusehotline.org or (800) 252-5400 and to the diocese at www.austindiocese.org/report-abuse or (512) 949-2447.

Upcoming EIM Workshop at Holy Trinity - For those of you who have never attended an EIM In-Person Workshop, and are interested in working with our parish ministries, **Holy Trinity is hosting an Ethics & Integrity in Ministry (EIM) Workshop Saturday, May 20 from 9:00 a.m. – 12 noon** in the PAC Bldg. If you want to attend this workshop – you **MUST** do some things prior to the class! You must have an EIM account to attend this workshop. Please go to VIRTUS.org and click "first-time registrant". Go through the registration process (appx. 5 minutes) and sign up for a live training workshop. You will see a list of workshops once you register. You need to attend a workshop within 30 days. The live training workshop is about 3-hours long and trains you to spot and report abuse as well as how to establish healthy boundaries.



On behalf of the Board of Directors and all our Volunteers, **a huge note of Thanks to the entire Parish Community for supporting Armor of God Radio's Spring Membership Drive.** We are once again overwhelmed by the outpouring of love and generosity! God Bless each and every one of y'all! Put ON the Armor of God!

Our **ANNUAL PARISH BAZAAR** will be held on Sunday, September 17, and we are already preparing!

You can help us get the ball rolling by donating **RAFFLE PRIZES!**



If you are interested in donating a prize for our Raffle, please contact Stephanie Wright (512-470-5204). Seems that Gift Cards have been the trend, but any and all (new item) donations will be gladly accepted. You may consider combining resources with a friend or family member for a larger priced card or item ... but no item is too small ... and all are very much appreciated!

Deadline for prize donations is Sunday, May 7.

Dear friends in Christ,

He is Risen! He is Truly Risen! Today is the Octave Day of the Easter Season. We continue to focus on and celebrate the resurrection of Jesus.

This Second Sunday of Easter is often known as Doubting Thomas Sunday. St. Thomas doubted the resurrection of our Lord but the moment he saw Jesus he believed. Many people have many doubts in today's world. Where is their faith? Faith is believing in that which cannot be completely seen or understood. We all need to pray for an increase in faith.

Also in today's Gospel Jesus tells the apostles, "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven then, and whose sins you retain are retained." We as individuals can forgive everyone who does something bad to us. But we do not have the power to retain their sins, to keep another person in the condition of sin. So what is Jesus talking about here? He is referring to the Sacrament of Reconciliation or Confession. He is giving the apostles the same authority that He has in forgiving the sins of another person or retaining their sins, leaving them in a sinful condition. Why would Jesus retain the sins of anyone? Well, usually Jesus told people after He had forgiven them to "go and sin no more." When a person is not sorry for their sins and/or freely decides not to try to change their life, then the sin is retained. This authority was given by Jesus to His apostles by their consecration as His first bishops. This authority is passed along from the bishops through the rite of ordination to other bishops and also to priests. This has been the teaching of the Church since the time of the apostles. Nothing has changed. Yet, so many people refuse to accept this teaching. Many people just want to make everything easy for themselves so they just say that they do not have to go to a priest for confession. In doing so they are ignoring what Jesus has himself established. A person can fool themselves all day every day, but one day they will have to answer to our Lord face to face and then what will they tell Jesus when He asks them that why they did not accept what He had given them? The only thing they will be able to say is that because they were filled with pride and made themselves their own authority instead of allowing Jesus to be the authority in their life. It is sad. Jesus wants them to receive His love and mercy and they turn away from Him thinking that they do not need it. May all people have eyes that are opened to the reality of the Truth that has been given. Living in one's own fantasy world will not get you to heaven. Wake up before it is too late!

Today is **Divine Mercy Sunday**. May we all be open to receiving the love and mercy of God. We will have our Divine Mercy Service at 3:00 pm today. Everyone is welcome to attend and celebrate the mercy of God.

The **Diocesan Council of Catholic Women** are having their Annual Convention in Austin this Monday and Tuesday, April 17 & 18. Let us pray that the Holy Spirit may be upon them all and upon the important work they do in supporting Vocations to the Priesthood and in supporting women throughout the Diocese of Austin.

Warmer weather has arrived. Usually when spring and summer begin 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 and are you willing to do something special for Him?" 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.

May all of you continue to experience the joy of the resurrected Lord in this Easter Season.

Fr. Stephen Nestrta, farář

K ZAMYŠLENÍ: „Blahoslavení, kdo neviděli, a přesto uvěřili...“ Janovo evangelium neobsahuje blahoslavenství, jak je známe z Matouše či Lukáše. Ale velkým vrcholem setkání učedníků se Vzkříšeným jsou tato slova směřovaná Tomášovi. Díky jemu zaznívájí ke všem, kdo chtějí Ježíše následovat, ale nikdy ho neviděli. Nejde o to spekulovat, jak dokázal projít dveřmi... Ale vyznat: „Můj Pán a můj Bůh.“ Tomášova zatvrzelost, která asi byla inspirována hněvem nebo závistí ostatním, není cesta, jak si na Bohu vytrucovat dotyk Zmrtvýchvstalého. Cesta vede přes pokornou připravenost setkat se s ním, až přijde. (Vira.cz)

Domingo de la Divina Misericordia (Segundo Domingo de Pascua): Tomás cree que Jesús se ha levantado de entre los muertos únicamente después de que lo ve y pone sus dedos en sus heridas. Puede que nosotros no podamos poner nuestras manos físicamente en Jesús todos los días, pero podemos ver su presencia en aquellos alrededor de nosotros ¿Cómo estamos ayudando a otros a ver a Jesús hoy?

How to Pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet

(One form of prayer)

Make the Sign of the Cross

Say the opening prayer:

You expired, Jesus, but the source of life gushed forth for souls, and the ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world. O Fount of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelop the whole world and empty Yourself out upon us.

Then repeat this prayer three times:

O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fountain of Mercy for us, I trust in You!

Next say an Our Father, a Hail Mary, and the Apostle's Creed

On the large bead before each decade say

Eternal Father, I offer you the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your Dearly Beloved Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.

On the ten small beads of each decade say

For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

Repeat for the remaining decades

After the five decades are complete, say this prayer three times:

Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

Then close with this prayer:

Eternal God, in whom mercy is endless and the treasury of compassion — inexhaustible, look kindly upon us and increase Your mercy in us, that in difficult moments we might not despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence submit ourselves to Your holy will, which is Love and Mercy itself.