

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH

of CORN HILL

Pope Francis
Vatican City State



Bishop Joe Vásquez
Diocese of Austin



Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 17, A.D. 2023

Mass Schedule & Intentions

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| Saturday | Sept 16 | 5:00 PM | †Floyd Lange, †Howard Mertink, †Paul Bonkowski, Sr. |
| Sunday | Sept 17 | 8:30 AM | Pro Populo |
| | | 10:30 AM | Jim Staab., †Richard Danek |
| Monday | Sept 18 | 7:00 AM | †Lawrence Korenek, †Peter, Steve, Annie & Angeline Janish |
| Tuesday | Sept 19 | 6:00 PM | Liv/Dec members of the Weiss & Hill children, †Richard Gerik |
| Wednesday | Sept 20 | 6:30 PM | †Gerrie King, †Steve Janish, †Dorothy Klepac |
| Thursday | Sept 21 | 7:00 AM | †Sharon Parma, †Tony & Delores Sladeczek |
| Friday | Sept 22 | 6:00 PM | †Kathleen Valenta, †Dorlores Viktorin, †Gilbert Lefner |
| Saturday | Sept 23 | 7:30 AM | The Cooke Family, Whitney Thornton (healing), †Albert Rychlik |
| Saturday | Sept 23 | 5:00 PM | Martha Pavelka (healing), †Jeff Wright, †Hubert Klepac |
| Sunday | Sept 24 | 8:30 AM | †Berthold Weiss, †AJ Tschoner |
| | | 10:30 AM | Pro Populo |

Mass Ministry Schedule for September 18 - 24

Monday, September 18, 7:00 AM:
Altar Server/Lector: Josh Jacobs

Tuesday, September 19, 6:00 PM:
Altar Server: Leo Bringman
Lector: Kitz Crawford

Wednesday, September 20, 6:30 PM:
Altar Server: Christopher B., Ava H. Thomas & Ben C.
Lector: Josh Jacobs
EMHC: Leslie Allen

Thursday, September 21, 7:00 AM:
Altar Server/Lector: Pinto Nemec

Friday, September 22, 6:00 PM:
Altar Server/Lector: Leo Bringman

Saturday, September 23, 7:30 AM:
Altar Server: James Nemec
Lector: Janine Nemec

Saturday, September 23, 5:00 PM:
Altar Servers: Wesley & Noah C, Thomas & Ben C.
Lector: Theresa Orecchia
EMHC: Spencer Chaney
Gift Bearers: Jesus Alcala Family
Head Usher: Stephanie Wright

EMHC to Shut-Ins: Sept 24
Route 1: James Nemec
Route 2: Oscar Durham

Sunday, September 24, 8:30 AM:
Altar Servers: Isaac N., Stefek (3)
Lector: Chris Stefek
EMHC: Josh Jacobs, James Nemec
Gift Bearers: Tommy & Cindy Sladeczek
Head Usher: Tommy Sladeczek

Sunday, September 24, 10:30 AM:
Altar Servers: Martin & Isaiah O., Michael S., Luke A.
Lector: Denise Sellers
EMHC: Oscar Durham, Daniel Perez
Gift Bearers: Roger & Maura Conway
Head Usher: Frank Knapek

Rosary for Life

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

Sept 17 – 24: Frankie & Betty Ann Vrabel
Sept 24 – Oct 1: Michel Vrana

Vocations Crucifix Prayer Campaign

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

Sept 17 – 24: Phil & MaryAnn Everett
Sept 24 – Oct 1: Chaney Family

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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: 3:30–4:40 pm; Sun: 7:30–8:10 am & Wed: 5:30-6:10 pm (or by appt.)

Parish Contacts & Resources

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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)

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| Weekly Collection | \$ 5,347.38 |
| Online Donations | \$ 2,327.31 |
| Missions Appeals | \$ 3,374.44 |

Altar Flowers

The flowers at the Crucified Jesus are placed in loving memory of **Paul Bonkowski Sr.** and are donated by his family.

This Week at a Glance

Sun, Sept 17 – Annual Parish Bazaar @ PAC
Sun, Sept 17 – **NO** Youth Ministry classes
Tues, Sept 19 – Holy Hour of Reparation @ 4:30 pm in church
Tues, Sept 19 – RCIA @ 7:00 pm in RE Bldg
Wed, Sept 20 – CCE classes begin 6:15 pm
Thurs, Sept 21 – Adoration 3:00 – 9:00 pm
Sat/Sun, Sept 24 – Building Fund collection after all Masses

In Memoriam

We extend our sympathies and prayers to the families of **David Cole (father of Lisa Danek)** who died this past week. Funeral service will be held Saturday, September 23 at 1:00 p.m. at Gabriel's Funeral Home in Georgetown. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen

We congratulate **Robert & Jessica Little IV**, who celebrated the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony here this past Saturday. Please offer your prayers for them, that their lives together may be truly blessed by the Lord.

We congratulate and welcome **Savion Roman Leslie** (son of Ryan & Shonell Leslie) into the Catholic Church and the parish family through the Sacrament of Baptism.

Cleanup Monday!!! On Monday, September 18, after the 7:00 a.m. Mass, we need help to cleanup after the Sunday Bazaar. We greatly appreciate all who are able to help and are usually finished by 12:00 noon.

We will have our monthly **Building Fund Collection** next weekend (September 23/24). Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Have a wonderful time at the Bazaar this weekend, enjoy the weather!! Our next meeting for the **Confraternity of Christian Mothers** will be on **Sunday, September 24th at 9:30am in the RE Building**. We're planning a fun filled October for our members to happily share with the parish – Respect Life Month, Senior Supper, and our Bake Sale are coming soon. All ladies of the parish are invited to join us for prayer, fellowship & fun.

Did you know that **Catholic Charities of Central Texas** serves people of all ages, faiths, ethnic backgrounds and economic circumstances? We are dedicated to eliminating poverty in our community so that all Central Texans may thrive in their God-given gifts and dignity. To learn more about the services available through Catholic Charities of Central Texas and how you can get involved, visit **www.ccctx.org**.

Catholic Daughters of the Americas will hold their monthly meeting on Monday, September 25 at 6:15 p.m. in the RE building. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend.

In October, we will have our annual **Pastoral Council Member nominations process**. Included in this bulletin is the nomination form. Please complete and return to parish office by Tuesday, October 3.



Holy Trinity has adopted Igo Elementary, and we need your help. By volunteering for just 30 minutes a week in a one-on-one reading session, you can improve a child's reading level. You can make a difference!

Education Connecton

For more info: htcdre@holytrinityofcornhill.org
To sign up: educationconnection.org

Holy Family Catholic Church Fall Fest in Copperas Cove: Saturday, September 30th from 10:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m. with fun and games for all ages! Evening fun with a live band and food trucks from 5:00-8:00 p.m. **RAFFLE TICKETS** with grand prize of \$10,000. Location: Holy Family Catholic Church (1001 Georgetown Road, Copperas Cove, TX)

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us! Join tens of thousands of fellow Catholics in prayer invoking the intercession of St. Michael during CatholicVote's upcoming Novena to Defend Catholics in America, September 20 - 28. To participate, visit catholicvote.org/novena and receive special access to all the prayers and a daily email during the Novena to remind you to pray. St. Michael the Archangel, defend us!

Cedarbrake retreats - Cedarbrake on the Road will be presented at St. Thomas More Parish in Austin on Sept. 28 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. As part of the U.S. Bishop's Eucharist Revival, Cedarbrake is offering a day retreat on "The Gift of the Holy Eucharist" at St. Thomas More Parish in Austin. Father Harry Dean will share insights on the Eucharist from a few saints, and Brian Egan will share Scripture passages about Our Lord who is truly present in the Eucharist. The retreat includes Mass and lunch. The cost is \$45. Please register through Cedarbrake at austindiocese.org/cedarbrake or call (254) 780-2436.

Message from Bishop Vásquez - Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, As Catholic social teaching underscores, our collective gifts must be shared in order to build up the common good. Each of us has a responsibility to carry forth Christ's mission through our vocations, relationships and in our service to one another. May we accept with joy the roles we are given to continue the mission of Christ in our world. I ask the intercession of our Blessed Mother, under her title of the Immaculate Conception, patron of our diocese, to intercede for us with her Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

~ **Bishop Joe Vásquez**

Dear friends in Christ,

May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. I would like to welcome all of our visitors with us today who are here to attend our parish bazaar. I hope all of you have a most blessed and enjoyable day. Thank you for coming to Holy Trinity Parish. We appreciate your presence here and your support.

Thank you to all those who designed, built and set up the new burning container at the BBQ pits last week. Y'all did an awesome job and I am sure it will be of good use for many years to come. I was told it weighs over 4000 lbs. This new burning container will burn safer and keep the fire under control.

Thank you to everyone who responded to **Fr. Anthony Male's Mission Appeal** for the Diocese of Kurnool Society last weekend. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. See the front of this bulletin for the amount that was donated.

This Thursday, September 21, we will celebrate the **Feast of St. Matthew**, one of the Twelve Apostles of Jesus. Mass will be at the usual time of 7:00 am. I encourage everyone who is able to attend as we honor St. Matthew for his faithfulness to Jesus and to His Church.

On Saturday, September 23, at the 7:30 am Mass we will celebrate the feast day of **St. Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)**, who lived from 1887 to 1968. He had the stigmata, the wounds of Jesus, during his lifetime on earth. He also was known for bi-location, being at two places at the same time. People would flock to him to go to confession. Padre Pio lived a very holy but difficult life. Come and celebrate this feast day with us at Mass.

Last week we heard of the necessity to be a forgiving people. This week Jesus stresses it all the more. In today's gospel Jesus tells us, "*So will my heavenly Father do to you, unless each of you forgives your brother from your heart.*" And in the Sermon on the Mount, Matthew 6:14-15, Jesus tells us, "*If you forgive the faults of others, your heavenly Father, will forgive you yours. If you do not forgive others, neither will your Father forgive you.*" I think that we need to take these words very seriously and reflect upon them to determine how well we are doing in forgiving others.

In order for us to be forgiven and to forgive others we need to realize that there are certain conditions of forgiveness.

1. The first is that we recognize our need to be forgiven. This is the starting place of all forgiveness. Have you ever tried to forgive someone who did not want to be forgiven? I think you would find it an impossible task. No matter how much forgiveness there may be in your heart, you cannot give it to the person who doesn't want it. In the same way if we do not seek God's forgiveness in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, then we will not be forgiven.

2. The second condition is that we accept forgiveness. Forgiveness is a free gift. We do not earn it or pay for it. But we do have to accept it. Otherwise, it does no good. Forgiveness does not take away the sin we have done, but it does restore our relationship with God and also with the person whom we have sinned against and hurt. When you and I sin, we violate a trust. We alienate ourselves from someone who loves us. Forgiveness takes us back and trusts us once again. We must swallow our pride and accept the free gift of forgiveness. And that includes forgiving ourselves as well.

3. There is one other condition to being forgiven. And it is that we share it. The man in today's gospel was a failure at this point. He was forgiven but he refused to forgive the debt of a fellow servant. The result was that his debt was reinstated. This story simply means that an unforgiving person cannot be forgiven until they are willing to forgive.

If forgiveness is to become a reality in your life and mine, these three conditions must be met. First, we must recognize our need to be forgiven. Second, we must accept the forgiveness. And third, we must share this forgiveness with others. We must not go through life unwilling to forgive one another. Unless you and I forgive one another, no one, not even God, will forgive us. But if I forgive you and if you forgive me, we have the promise that God forgives us both, whatever our failures might be.

May all of you have a blessed and forgiving week.

In Christ, Fr. Stephen Nesrsta, farář

K ZAMYŠLENÍ: Minulou neděli jsme otevřeli stejnou kapitolu evangelia, ale věnovali jsme se autoritě a moci v církvi, které jsou svěřeny vedení. Na to plynule navazuje text ukazující, že ani vedení církve či společenství nemůže jednat svévolně. Nikdo nemůže chtít stanovovat hranice odpuštění podle lidských představ. To je věc Boží. Podobenství o nemilosrdném služebníku směřuje Kristus především apoštolům. Ale texty platí přeneseně i pro každého člověka, protože odpuštění je základním opěrným bodem života ve společenství i s Bohem. Touha po pomstě nebo nenávisť člověka zcela zničí. Lze pak domýšlet i další detaily příběhu, např. jak se mohl nemilosrdný služebník domnívat, že se nikdo o jeho chování nedoví? Proč se nezachoval po příkladu svého Pána? Nebo to, že chudoba neznamená automaticky milosrdný postoj, a naopak, každý bohatý nemusí hned být nemilosrdný člověk.

24th Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario: Las lecturas de la Escritura para esta gran fiesta nos recuerdan del amor misericordioso de Cristo y de su sacrificio por nosotros ¿Cómo somos reflejo del amor de Dios en nuestro mundo? ¿Cómo podemos mostrar amor misericordioso y dispuesto al sacrificio a extraños o incluso a enemigos? ¿Qué acto de amor o sacrificio puede usted hacer por los pobres, un prisionero, un enemigo esta semana en gratitud por el gran amor que Dios le ha mostrado?

Welcome to Holy Trinity Church's 2023 annual Bazaar!

A fun-filled day of family activities and good food!



Here is the schedule of events for Sunday:

FOOD

11 a.m. – 1 p.m. – BBQ/Chicken Dinner - Dine-in meal
(Adults - \$15; Child - \$7; Desserts - \$1)

11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. – To-go plates - Drive-thru only
(all plates \$15)

8 a.m. to noon – BBQ at the Pit
(brisket & pork sold by the pound)

10 a.m. – Kolache Sales (\$10/half dozen)

2:30 p.m. – Hamburgers



ACTIVITIES

10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. -- Silent Auction - 1 round only

11 a.m. – 1 p.m. -- Polka Music

11:30 a.m. – Cake Walk, Children Games

1:30 p.m. - Auction & Bingo

► Raffle Tickets will be sold during the day with the drawing immediately after the Live Auction (need not be present to win). Tickets are \$3 each or 6 for \$15. We have 24 prizes, valued at more than \$6,500.

► If you would like to make a monetary donation to help offset the cost of groceries and supplies. Bazaar Donation envelopes are available by the bulletins. All donations, no matter the size, are very much appreciated!

► In order to accommodate our guests, bazaar workers are asked to park east of the PAC on the hill next to the cemetery. Thank you!