

# HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH

of CORN HILL



Pope Francis  
Vatican City State



Bishop Joe Vásquez  
Diocese of Austin

Fourth Sunday of Lent  
March 10, A.D. 2024

## Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday	Mar 9	5:00 PM	†Paul Rosipal, †Helen Sustala
Sunday	Mar 10	8:30 AM	Pro Populo
		10:30 AM	The James kids (spiritual fortification), †Gilbert Lefner
Monday	Mar 11	7:00 AM	Karen Davis (healing), †Brad Gilbert
Tuesday	Mar 12	6:00 PM	Martha Palvelka (in thanksgiving), John Leary, †Dorothy Blackmore
Wednesday	Mar 13	7:00 AM	†Cyril & Eileen Rosipal, †Helen Sustala
Thursday	Mar 14	7:00 AM	†Tommie Martine, †Robert K. Ryan
Friday	Mar 15	6:00 PM	The Cooke Family, †Dave & Doris Cole
Saturday	Mar 16	7:30 AM	†Steve Janish, †Paul Rosipal
Saturday	Mar 16	5:00 PM	†Bill & Margie (Sladeczek) Stefek, †Hubert Klepac, †Deceased member of the Lopez family
Sunday	Mar 17	8:30 AM	†Albert Miller
		10:30 AM	Pro Populo

## Mass Ministry Schedule for March 11 - 17

**Monday, March 11, 7:00 AM:**  
Altar Server/Lector: Pinto Nemec

**Tuesday, March 12, 6:00 PM:**  
Altar Server: Josh Jacobs  
Lector: Kitz Crawford

**Wednesday, March 13, 7:00 AM:**  
Altar Server/Lector: Josh Jacobs

**Stations of the Cross**  
**Wednesday, March 13, 6:30 PM**  
Altar Servers: Bartkovaks (3)

**Thursday, March 14, 7:00 AM:**  
Altar Server/Lector: Pinto Nemec

**Friday, March 15, 6:00 PM:**  
Altar Server/Lector: Josh Jacobs

**Saturday, March 16, 7:30 AM:**  
Altar Server: Pinto Nemec  
Lector: Janine Nemec

**Saturday, March 16, 5:00 PM:**  
Altar Servers: Preston & Heather S.,  
Ava H., Eric Wood  
Lector: Theresa Orecchia  
EMHC: Monica Snook  
Gift Bearers: Donnie & Brenda T.  
Head Usher: Donnie Tschoerner

**Sunday, March 17, 8:30 AM:**  
Altar Servers: Adelaide & Brigid B.,  
Mikey B., Isaac N.  
Lector: Louis Brousseau  
EMHC: Brandon Danek, Josh Jacobs  
Gift Bearers: Matt & Amy Mertink  
Head Usher: Matt Mertink

**Sunday, March 17, 10:30 AM:**  
Altar Servers: Martin & Isaiah O., Rustin S.  
Lector: Denise Sellers  
EMHC: Joe Parks, Spencer Chaney  
Gift Bearers: Chad Allen family  
Head Usher: Jeff Voigt

EMHC to Shut-Ins: March 17  
Route 1: Brandon Danek  
Route 2: Josh Jacobs

**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.



Daylight Savings Time  
Begins this weekend. Move  
your clocks forward one  
hour before going to bed on  
Saturday, March 9.

✠ 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: 3:30–4:40 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: Laura Fowkes 512-922-4808

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

Finance Council: Tommy Sladeczek 512-635-3496

Pastoral Council: Stephanie Wright 512-470-5204

Pro-Life Prayer Group: Kathryn Streadwick 254-721-4530

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

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

Conf. of Christian Mothers: Deanna Fojtik 254-217-2268

Religious Articles Cabinet: Deanna Fojtik 254-217-2268

CEF Enrollments: Janine Nemec 512-289-9242

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

KJZT Society #15: Belinda Beyer 254-760-0255

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

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	\$ 9,162.00
Online Donations	\$ 1,776.00

## This Week at a Glance

Sat/Sun, Mar 9/10 – Catholic Relief Services second collection

Sun, Mar 10 – Confirmation @ 10:30 am Mass

Sun, Mar 10 – Lenten Penance Service here @ 5:00 pm in church

Mon, Mar 11 – 33 Day Consecration @ 6:30 pm at RE Bldg

Tues, Mar 12 – Holy Hour of Reparation @ 4:30 pm in church

Tues, Mar 12 – RCIA @ 7:00 pm in RE Bldg

Wed, Mar 13 – Stations of the Cross @ 6:30 pm in church

Wed, Mar 13 – NO CCE Classes

Wed, Mar 13 – Choir practice for Easter season @ 7:00 pm in church

Thurs, Mar 14 – Bible Study @ 12 noon in RE Bldg

Thurs, Mar 14 – Adoration 3:00 – 9:00 pm

Fri, Mar 15 – Fish Fry 5:30 – 7:30 pm in PAC

Sat, Mar 16 – Lenten Retreat 9:00 – 4:30 pm in PAC

Sun, Mar 17 – NO YM/Confirmation classes



*We congratulate and pray for those  
receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation  
here today! May the Holy Spirit dwell  
within them and may they continue to  
grow in their Catholic faith.*

### Vocations Crucifix Prayer Campaign

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

**March 10 – 17: Leo & Diane Bringman**

March 17 – 24: Bill & Monica Sherek

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.

### Rosary for Life

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

**March 10 – 17: Louis & Louise Straka**

March 17 – 24: Janet Havelka

We will have a **second collection** this weekend, March 9/10, 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.

**Choir practice for the Easter season** continues on Wednesday, March 13, at 7:00 p.m., in the church after Stations of the Cross. All those interested in singing with the choir should contact Ronnie Simek at 512-630-5074.

**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 10, 5 PM**

**Sts. Cyril & Methodius, Granger: Wednesday, March 20, 7 PM ; St. William's, Round Rock: Wednesday, March 20, 7 PM**

**St. Elizabeth's, Pflugerville: Thursday, March 21, 7 PM**

**St. William's, Round Rock: Monday, March 25, 1 – 6 PM**

**Knights of Columbus (KC) – Holy Trinity Council:** There will be a KC meeting Thursday, March 14, at 6:30 p.m. in the PAC Bldg. All members are invited. All men interested in becoming a member of the KC, are also invited and encouraged to attend. For questions or more information, contact James Von Der Vellen (512-868-6415 or vondervellen1958@gmail.com).



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 \$8.**  
**Drive-Thru: Adults Only plates.**

**Catholic Daughters of the Americas** will hold their monthly meeting on Monday, March 18 at 6:15 p.m. in the RE building. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend.

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, March 24, as the memorials will be listed in the Easter bulletin.

**Ashes to Easter Second Collection.** Though we did not receive the Lenten boxes this year, **we will be having a second collection the weekend of March 23/24 for the mission work of our diocese.** Thank you for your sacrificial Lenten almsgiving and generosity.

**MARRIED COUPLES:** The car needs a tune-up, the house needs repainting, the grass needs cutting and the garage needs to be cleaned out. The list of things to do seems to never end. What about your marriage? Isn't it time to place your relationship at the top of the list of things that need tending to? Make a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend and give your marriage a tune-up. An upcoming weekend is scheduled for April 12-14 at Cedarbrake Renewal Center in Belton. To apply online visit: [austinme.org](http://austinme.org) or contact Zeb & Geraldine Evans: 512-677-WWME (9963) or email [wwmeaustin@gmail.com](mailto:wwmeaustin@gmail.com). Call early to ensure a space. Para información en español llamar al 512-844-0785.

### **Novena Prayer to St. Joseph**

(Please pray the following with your family from March 10 - 18, A.D. 2024)

O Glorious St. Joseph, faithful follower of Jesus Christ, to you do we raise our hearts and hands to implore your powerful intercession in obtaining from the Merciful Heart of Jesus all the helps and graces necessary for our spiritual and temporal welfare, particularly the grace of a happy death, and the special favors we now implore... *(you may add your own petitions here)*

O Chaste Guardian of Jesus Christ, The Word Incarnate, we have great confidence that your prayers on our behalf will be graciously heard before the throne of God.

V. Glorious St. Joseph, through the love you bore toward Jesus Christ and for the glory of His name,

P. Hear our prayers and obtain our petitions.-*Let us pray-* O Glorious St. Joseph, Spouse of the Immaculate Virgin Mary, help us to be pure, humble and charitable in body, mind and soul, and to have perfect resignation to the Divine Will. Be our guide, our father and our model through life, that we may merit to die in the arms of Jesus and Mary as you did.

**St. Joseph, friend of the Sacred Heart, pray for us!**

## Dear Parishioners,

Praised be Jesus Christ! Congratulations to all those who are receiving the **Sacrament of Confirmation** this week. May their hearts be open to God's Spirit dwelling within them.

Our **Penance Service** is this Sunday, March 10, at 5:00 p.m. Please come and take advantage of this opportunity of other priests being here to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

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 p.m. & 7:00 p.m., Holy Saturday - 8:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday - 6:30 a.m., 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

**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, March 24, following the 10:30 a.m. 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 let me know so that we will know who will be serving. Thank you to all of you for serving at God's Altar.

Today we celebrate *Laetare Sunday*, the Fourth Sunday of Lent. *Laetare* is taken from the Latin translation of Isaiah 66:10-11, which is used as the entrance antiphon for this Sunday as found in the Today's Missal. We are happy that the Easter Mystery is drawing near and we await it with joyful anticipation.

In today's first reading, we are told of the unfaithfulness to God by the people of Judah. They were punished for their failure to repent and change their ways. They failed to listen to prophet after prophet. Their fate was ultimately placed in the cruel hands of the king of the Chaldeans who punished them severely. They were taken into exile in Babylon and not freed for seventy years. This was all thought to be the will of God. It was their understanding of sin, punishment, and forgiveness.

The Christian community has grown in its understanding of God since the Book of Chronicles was written. In our second reading, Paul tells us that God is rich in mercy, so much so that God sent us Jesus when we were dead in sin. It is because we are in sin that God gives us new life in Jesus. This fuller understanding of God contrasts with the Old Testament understanding of a God of justice who brings affliction on his people. Paul also says that salvation in Jesus is God's gift to us. It is not a reward...we did not earn it...it is pure gift. God gives, not according to our merit, but out of unlimited goodness. The good we do is in response to God's goodness to us.

In today's gospel from John, Jesus reveals to us the mercy of God the Father. If we understand the teaching of Jesus about God, we can grow in our relationship with God. We move from a nation that God punishes, to a nation God loves unconditionally. In order to grow in faith we must grow in our relationship with God. The gospel tells us that God sent his Son to save us from our sins. This is the ultimate act of mercy, the greatest gift given by God. The grace given by God, in Jesus, benefits us when we can name the sin and evil in our lives. We must name the evil in order to admit our need for God's mercy and grace. We must call on God for the grace to live in the light and act in truth.

God is merciful and full of compassion. Let us continue our Lenten journey to Easter, seeing our relationship with God and Jesus in a new way, so that we will continue to let God come closer to us. May our prayer be like the words of the spiritual hymn: "Just a closer walk with Thee, grant it Jesus if you please, daily walking close to me, let it be, dear Lord, let it be". May all of you continue to have a spiritually renewing Season of Lent as we prepare ourselves for Holy Week and the celebration of Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord.

**Fr. Stephen Nesrsta, farář**

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**K ZAMYŠLENÍ:** Janovo evangelium zachytilo Ježíše, jak vysvětluje Boží pohled na člověka: „Bůh přece neposlal svého Syna..., aby svět odsoudil, ale aby svět byl skrze něho spasen.“ Bůh stojí o záchranu člověka a o to, aby žil. Proto Hospodin znovu a znovu hledá cesty, kterými povstává naděje, i když člověk mnoha způsoby opakovaně sestupuje do „tmy“. „Tak Bůh miloval svět...“ Jak by bylo dobré, kdyby křesťanství znovu objevilo nesmírnou velikost Boží lásky ke světu (v řečtině „kosmos“) a člověku! Bůh svět nezavrhl, neodmítl. Naopak, pozval nás do plnosti života! (Vira.cz)

**Cuarto Domingo de Cuaresma:** En la primera lectura de hoy, Crónicas nos recuerda lo que pasó a los israelitas cuando ignoraron a los profetas. En el Evangelio Jesús dice a Nicodemo que Dios envió a su hijo no a condenar al mundo, sino a salvarlo. Sabemos que el mensaje de los profetas fue sobre relaciones justas: vivir de una manera que proteja a los pobres y vulnerables. Sabemos que el mensaje de Jesús al final del Evangelio de Juan también es sobre relaciones. Nosotros, somos discípulos de Jesús atrapados en el amor de Dios y llamados para vivir con amor para todos ¿Está creciendo nuestro amor esta Cuaresma? ¿Cómo estamos mostrando el amor de Dios, particularmente por los pobres y vulnerables?

# Holy Trinity Lenten Retreat The Passion of Christ

**SATURDAY, MARCH 16, 2024**

**9:00-4:30**

**PARISH ACTIVITY CENTER**

**8626 FM 1105 JARRELL**

**LIGHT BREAKFAST AND LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED**

**COST: EARLY BIRD \$30 REGISTRATION**

**AFTER MARCH 9 \$35**

**REGISTER AT :**

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## YOUTH MINISTRY ENCHILADA DINNER



**March 17, 2024**

**11:00 til 1:00 or until sold out  
Desserts available for purchase  
Help support the Youth  
Thank You!**

Holy Trinity  
Youth Ministry  
Presents

## LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Wednesday, March 27 @6:30pm

We will begin in front of the Church.  
Please park at the PAC or the side of  
the Church.

Please follow the "People of Jerusalem"  
All are welcome. This is a community  
event. Invite your friends.  
Refreshments will be served.

