

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH of CORN HILL



Pope Francis
Vatican City State



Bishop Joe Vásquez
Diocese of Austin

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 18, A.D. 2024

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday	Aug 17	5:00 PM	†Suzanne Schooley, †Emma Ann Rodriguez, †Allen R Wenlund
Sunday	Aug 18	7:30 AM 9:30 AM 11:30 AM	Harold & Cathy Malain (40 th wedding anniversary) Pro Populo Liv/Dec members of the Kajs family, †John & Betty Emge
Monday	Aug 19	7:00 AM	†Allen R. Wenlund
Tuesday	Aug 20	7:00 AM	†Tony & Delores Sladeczek
Wednesday	Aug 21	7:00 AM 6:30 PM	Janet & †Allen Wenlund (59 th wedding anniversary) †Dorothy Klepac
Thursday	Aug 22	7:00 AM	†Calvin Blackman Jr., †Helen Marie Kreitz
Friday	Aug 23	6:00 PM	The Cooke Family, †Floyd Lange
Saturday	Aug 24	7:30 AM	†Paul Rosipal
Saturday	Aug 24	5:00 PM	Ed & Patricia Ziegler (51 st wedding anniversary), †Tommie Martine, †Christopher Bigan
Sunday	Aug 25	7:30 AM 9:30 AM 11:30 AM	Mary Petrarca †Carol Maney, †Emil Danek, †Melissa Vrabel Pro Populo

Ministry Schedule for August 19 - 25

Monday, Aug. 19, 7:00 AM:

Altar Server/Lector: Leo Bringman

Tuesday, Aug. 20, 7:00 AM:

Altar Server/Lector: Josh Jacobs

Wednesday, Aug. 21, 7:00 AM:

Altar Server/Lector: Leo Bringman

Wednesday, Aug. 21, 6:30 PM:

Altar Server/Lector: Josh Jacobs

Thursday, Aug. 22, 7:00 AM:

Altar Server/Lector: Pinto Nemecek

Friday, Aug. 23, 6:00 PM:

Altar Server/Lector: Leo Bringman

Saturday, Aug. 24, 7:30 AM:

Altar Server: James Nemecek
Lector: Janine Nemecek

Saturday, Aug. 24, 5:00 PM:

Altar Servers: Thomas & Ben Chaney
Lector: Leo Bringman
EMHC: Spencer Chaney
Gift Bearers: Gene & Deanna Fojtik
Head Usher: Paul Melos

Sunday, Aug. 25, 7:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Adelaide & Brigid B.,
John Beyer

Lector: Louis Brousseau

EMHC: Ray Nemecek, James Nemecek

Gift Bearer: Clawson Family

Head Usher: Chuck Hartley

Sunday, Aug. 25, 9:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Michael Weber,
Wesley & Noah C.

Lector: Greta Reza

EMHC: Maria Messing, Josh Jacobs

Gift Bearer: Haesler Family

Head Usher: Jeff Voigt

Sunday, Aug. 25, 11:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Luke A., Martin & Isaiah O.

Lector: Jennifer Marquis

EMHC: James Castillo, Linda Castillo

Gift Bearers: Angel & Brianna Reyes

Head Usher: Frank Knapek

EMHC to Shut-Ins: Aug 25

Route 1: James Nemecek

Route 2: Joe Parks

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Bulletin Announcement Deadline: Tuesdays @ 2:30 pm

Weekend Masses: Saturday @ 5:00 pm

Sunday @ 7:30 am, 9:30 am & 11:30 am

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

Parish Contacts & Resources

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PAC Manager: Laura Fowkes 512-922-4808

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Cemetery Director: Johnny Martinka 512-966-4301

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

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Religious Articles Cabinet: Deanna Fojtik 254-217-2268

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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	\$ 6,372.20
Online Donations	\$ 2,291.00
Assumption of the Virgin Mary	\$ 1,927.25

This Week at a Glance

Sun, Aug 18 – Grotto Dedication after the 11:30 am Mass at Grotto

Mon, Aug 19 – Catholic Daughters Meeting @ 6:15 pm in RE Bldg

Tues, Aug 20 – Holy Face Prayers/ Hour of Reparation @ 4:10 pm

Thurs, Aug 22 – Adoration 3:00 – 9:00 pm in church

Sat/Sun, Aug 24/25 – Building Fund collection after all Masses

Vocations Crucifix Prayer Campaign

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

Aug 18 – 25: Pinto & Lucille Nemecek

Aug 25 – Sept 1: Josh & Steffani Jacobs

Rosary for Life

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

Aug 18 – 25: Matt & Maria Messing

Aug 25 – Sept 1: Mike & Diana Hovatter

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Our Catholic tradition teaches that human dignity is respected and a strong community is maintained only if our human rights are protected, and our responsibilities are met. Our responsibilities include advocating for the common good and helping the poor and vulnerable who cannot advocate for themselves. One of the most powerful ways to participate in our democracy is to vote in our local, state and national elections. The Catholic Church does not tell the faithful for whom or for what party to vote, instead the faithful are to form their consciences in accordance with God's truth. As we prepare to cast our votes, we must pray for God's guidance and study sacred Scripture, church teaching and Catholic social teaching (<https://austindiocese.org/catholic-social-teaching>). Then we must learn about the candidates and the issues at stake in each election. Only then will we have fulfilled our civic responsibility as we cast our ballots on election day. ~ Bishop Joe Vásquez

We congratulate **Brady & Chandler Corbitt**, 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 welcome all visitors and appreciate you for joining us for Mass! If you are new to the parish, or have been attending for a while, and would like to become a registered family/member, please complete and return a **Parish Registration Form** (from the bulletin tables or our website). And, if you are a registered parishioner and have had a change of address, phone number, etc, please let us know so that our records are up to date.

St. Monica Parish in Cameron will host its annual Homecoming Festival August 18 on the parish grounds. The day begins with a polka Mass at 10 a.m. Barbecue beef and sausage plates will be served at 10 a.m. for \$15 a plate until sold out. There will be game booths for all ages, food booths, and a live auction. Live entertainment throughout the day by Jodie Mikula Band and Eric Landeros. All are welcome!

Catholic Daughters of the Americas will hold their monthly meeting on Monday, August 19 at 6:15 p.m. in the RE building. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend.

The Caring Place in Georgetown needs our help! Toiletries for their clients are needed as they are experiencing over 4,000 people a month needing assistance, an increase of 61% over last year. This includes toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap, shampoo, deodorant, laundry detergent, etc. **We will have a toiletry drive for the Caring Place during the weekends of August 24/25 & August 31/September 1.** For questions, please contact Stephanie Wright at 512-470-5204.

All are invited to the **35th Annual Rural Life Mass**, Tuesday, August 20 at 6:00 p.m., at St. Mary of the Assumption, 408 Washburn St., Taylor, TX 76574. Bishop Joe S. Vasquez will be the Celebrant. This is an annual celebration in thanksgiving of God's gift of harvest and in honor of our farmers and ranchers. After the Mass, there will be a reception and dinner in the KC Hall, 2201 East Fourth St., Taylor, TX 76574.

We will have our monthly **Building Fund Collection** next weekend (August 24/25). Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Catholic night at the Round Rock Express! Join fellow Catholics from throughout the Diocese of Austin on August 30 at 7:15 p.m. for a Catholic Night at the Round Rock Express. Bring your family and friends for a fun-filled night of baseball, fellowship and faith. All are invited to enjoy the game, cheer for the Express, and stay for the spectacular postgame fireworks! Secure your tickets online at milb.com/round-rock > select single game ticket > then select the date (Aug. 30) and use the coupon code "Catholic" for an exclusive discount on lawn seats or infield seats in sections 112 and 113. Don't miss out on this fantastic opportunity to connect with your Catholic community and share in the excitement of America's favorite pastime. We can't wait to see you there!

Sts. Cyril and Methodius Parish in Granger will host its annual Bazaar on September 1 from 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. in the parish hall. The day will begin with Mass at 10:00 a.m. A barbecue and sausage dinner will be served for \$15 per plate. There will be fun games for all ages, a live auction at 1:30 p.m. and the dance begins at 6:00 p.m. (\$10 per person). All are welcome!



CCE & YM

Registration

CLASSES BEGIN:

Sept. 4 Kinder-7th
Sept. 8 8th-12th

Sacraments are a two year process. Already confirmed? Youth Ministry is for you.



TO REGISTER:



Parents or Godparents seeking baptism

Baptism Preparation Class

Monday, August 26, 2024

6:30-9:00pm

RE Building

RSVP to Virginia

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Catholic Charities of Central Texas seeks to help the most vulnerable in our communities to thrive in their God-given gifts and dignity. **Next weekend is Catholic Charities Weekend throughout the Diocese of Austin.** Stay tuned for more information at next week's mass, check out our social media, and visit www.ccctx.org next weekend to learn how you can become part of Catholic Charities' mission!

Dear friends in Christ,

May the peace and love of our Lord Jesus Christ be with each of you. For the third Sunday in a row we hear and ponder in the sixth chapter of John what is known as the Bread of Life discourse. These verses which we read today are direct and to the point. They clearly refer to the Eucharist and the belief of the earliest Christians.

In this passage, these words of Jesus caused considerable bewilderment and alarm in Jesus' listeners, and these words should be a source of unease in us as well. Because if someone asked us to eat their flesh and drink their blood, we would be concerned. We would probably suggest some mental-health treatment. The idea of it is really quite awful. For the Jews, the disturbing nature of Jesus' suggestion goes even deeper.

Jews were forbidden by the Law of Moses to drink the blood of animals. Blood was the symbol of life. To suggest His blood was life-giving was for them a statement of blasphemy by Jesus. Only God gives life. We can understand and sympathize, therefore, with the opening lines of next Sunday's continuation of the sixth chapter of John, when some of the disciples are quoted as saying, "This saying is hard; who can accept it?"

This passage should cause us as Catholics further unease because it is a direct reference to the Eucharist. We must ask ourselves about our relationship to the Eucharist, to the Mass. We can never escape the directedness of the statement "...unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, you do not have life within you."

This is a very strong statement said by Jesus. How can we possibly ever miss being at Mass and sharing in the Body and Blood of Christ if this is in fact what we believe?

In our second reading, Paul cautions us. Paul's words say to us, "Watch carefully how you live..." For us as Christians, living is something more than just mere existence. Life means something. Paul is cautioning new Christians not to live as the pagans. They were pursuing meaning in life through drunken debauchery. Immediate fun and immediate gratifications was the purpose of life. Sounds like people of today, doesn't it. With excitement and fun life had meaning. Without it, life did not. For the Christian, however, there is much more to life.

The lesson of the Eucharist is that we can have the things of this world, but they offer nothing. Jesus emptied Himself in complete self-giving. If we were to offer our flesh and blood, we would have to die to make it available. This is what Jesus did. In that self-sacrifice, life was made possible and the secret of finding happiness and meaning was given to us.

The bread and wine we put on our altar become for us, through Jesus' sacrifice, the real Body and Blood of Christ. Participating in the Eucharist means that we ourselves are going to have to practice a bit of self-surrender. We have to come to the table. We have to give up all that would keep us from it, we have to give up sin. In so doing, we can discover the God who made us and the love He offers us.

"Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him." We have to face this passage from Sacred Scripture. We cannot ignore it as many choose to do. The lesson of the Scriptures is that all that ever lasts is somehow connected to God. Jesus offers us a connection to the Father through the food on our altar. Paul learned this and urges us to attempt to grasp this reality.

We yearn for fulfillment and meaning. We have the opportunity in the gift of Jesus Himself. If Jesus' Body and Blood, which we receive in the host each time we come to Holy Communion, is Life, then we must partake of It. If not, we, too, will die having cheated ourselves by refusing to accept this life in Christ by the way we live our own lives, living in sin, separated from the Body of Christ. If you are separated from our Lord by not being able to receive Him in Holy Communion, do whatever it takes to become once again in good standing with the Church and follow the teachings of our Lord and so that you are able to receive His presence in the Eucharist. In next week's gospel we will hear that many turned and walked away from our Lord and could not accept this teaching about receiving His Body and Blood. Please do not do the same, but humble yourself before our Lord and receive Him.

Since the celebration of the Eucharist is the most important event of our week, we are reminded to dress appropriately for Mass. Remember that we are coming to the banquet of the Lord. Anyone six years of age and older should not be wearing shorts to Mass. I know that it is hot, but may the way we dress reflect what we believe about the Eucharist and how sacred of a celebration it is to us. Also, we should not wear something that is distraction to someone else. So try to avoid wearing shirts with pictures, or other artwork, or that has writing on the shirt. People tend to read your shirt or look at the artwork and it can be distracting during Mass when you are sitting right in front of someone. Let us all try to help one another to be focused on what is happening during Mass.

May you all have a most blessed week.

In Christ, Fr. Stephen Nestrta, farář

K ZAMYŠLENÍ: Jíst něčí tělo? To je děsivá představa. Jíst ovšem znamená, že díky pokrmu se my sami stáváme života schopnými. Možná by nám pomohlo srovnání s mateřským kojením, kdy se dítě sytí z těla matky. Bez její pomoci by nepřežilo. V eucharistii se setkáváme s Kristem, který se za nás zcela vydal – zemřel. To je obraz oběti, která byla obětována místo obětníka! Oběti podle Písma se účastnili ti, kdo jedli maso z ní připravené jako pokrm. Ježíš využil starozákonní představy, aby nabídl zcela nový způsob osobního setkání s darujícím se Bohem. On se vydává nám a my se sytíme jeho obětí. A tak máme život! (Vira.cz)

20° Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario: Jesús es el pan vivo del Cielo. Cuando participamos de la Eucaristía, Jesús nos alimenta con su cuerpo y sangre. Entramos en comunión con Él y mutuamente entre nosotros. Jesús en el pan y vino sagrados nos hace más como Él. Por lo tanto, nosotros también seremos pan para el mundo. Que el pan vivo nos sostenga y nos prepare para ese día en el que iremos al banquete celestial.



Holy Trinity of Corn Hill Bazaar

Sunday, **September 15**, we will host our annual Parish Bazaar at the Parish Activity Center (PAC). It is a full day of good food and family fun. The meal of barbecue brisket & Corn Hill Fried Chicken will be served beginning at 11 a.m. Adult plates are \$15. Children eat for \$8. Adult plates are available in the drive-thru from 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. BBQ by the Pound can be purchased at the pit from 8 a.m. till noon. Desserts are available for purchase during the meal.

Homemade kolaches and ice cream will be sold. The activities include cake walk, children's games, bingo, live and silent auctions and a raffle drawing. Hamburgers are available at 2:30 p.m. Invite your friends & family!

All Parish Families can help with this event. Information about what is needed, as well as raffle tickets, is being given to our registered parishioners. After Mass, please drop by the table **in the foyer of the church** to turn in your sold raffle tickets and pick up more at this table. Raffle tickets can also be picked up at the parish office or from Stephanie Wright (512-470-5204). Stubs and money can be returned in the collection, by mail, at the office or given to Stephanie.

Monetary Donations are being accepted to help offset the cost of groceries, supplies, etc. There are Bazaar Donation envelopes by the bulletins. You can drop it in the collection or bring it by the office. All donations, no matter the size, are very much appreciated!

We have several events where items/prizes are needed. Below are some suggestions.

- **Live Auction** – NEW & Unused items – valued at \$30 or more. Contact Jacqueline Danek for all Live Auction information (512-423-2598).
- **Silent Auction** – NEW & Unused items – religious articles, homemade goods, crafts, candles, plants, small tool & garden sets, lotion/bath sets, etc. **Need BIG baskets to group items together.**
- **Bingo Prizes** – NEW & Unused items - valued at \$5 or more – crafts, coffee, sugar, snacks, candy, laundry and/or dish detergents, etc.
- **Toy Walk Prizes** – NEW & Unused items - valued at \$5 or more – stuffed animals, Barbies/dolls, tractors, trucks, crafts, Legos, board games, etc.
- **Ring Toss Game** – 2-liter sodas – will need 200 (any brand / any flavor)
- **Cake Walk** – full-size cakes ONLY (bring to the PAC the morning of the bazaar)
HTCC families are asked to bring at least 1 cake
- **Desserts** – Homemade baked items, such as cakes, pies, bars & cookies
(bring to the PAC on bazaar morning)



Beginning in August, all donated items can be brought to the PAC, which will be open after each weekend Mass. If you need to bring them during the week, they can be dropped off at the office during regular hours (Tuesday – Friday, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.). They may also be brought to the PAC from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Saturday, September 14.

All parishioners – new and seasoned – are welcome and encouraged to share their time & talents!

The Bazaar is a full day and a lot of fun but it's a lot of work and takes the effort of all of our parish family! Many people are needed to work in the various areas of the bazaar, so please see the Function Leader list in your Bazaar envelope or on the church bulletin board and consider volunteering. We thank you and appreciate all that you do for your parish!

For any Bazaar questions or information, please don't hesitate to contact the **parish office 512-863-3020, Charles (512-818-6765) or Jennifer (254-718-9697) Marquis - marquisfab5@gmail.com.**