

# HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH



Pope Francis  
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Bishop Joe Vásquez  
Diocese of Austin



## Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time February 23, A.D. 2025 Mass Schedule & Intentions



Saturday	Feb 22	5:00 PM	†AJ Tschoerner, †Louis & Mary Stojanik
Sunday	Feb 23	7:30 AM	Liv/Dec members of CLIU Branch #50
		9:30 AM	†Joanie (Havelka) Adkins
		11:30 AM	Pro Populo
Tuesday	Feb 25	6:00 PM	Leslie Allen, Joe & Diane Janish (for healing)
Wednesday	Feb 26	6:30 PM	†Wanda Coulter., †Fr. Michael O'Connor
Thursday	Feb 27	7:00 AM	†Kathleen Trial, †Ronnie Simek
Friday	Feb 28	6:00 PM	†Beverly Miller
First Saturday	Mar 1	7:30 AM	†William & Virginia McMaster
Saturday	Mar 1	5:00 PM	†Linda Gerik, †Fr. Michael O'Connor
		7:30 AM	†Willie Vlabel, †Ronnie Simek
		9:30 AM	Liv/Dec members of Kajs Family,
		11:30 AM	Liv/Dec members of KJZT St. Agnes # 15 Pro Populo

### Mass Schedule for February 25 – March 2

#### Tuesday, February 25, 6:00 PM

Altar Server: Josh Jacobs  
Lector: Virginia Loza-Lee

#### Wednesday, February 26, 6:30 PM:

Altar Servers: Thomas C., Landon B.,  
Brigid B., Micah & Amor V  
Lector: Janine Nemeec  
EMHC: Daniel Perez, Spencer Chaney

#### Thursday, February 27, 7:00 AM:

Altar Server: Pinto Nemeec  
Lector: Pinto Nemeec

#### Friday, February 28, 6:00 PM:

Altar Server: Leo Bringman  
Lector: Leo Bringman

#### First Saturday, March 1, 7:30 AM:

Altar Server: Leo Bringman  
Lector: Janine Nemeec

#### Saturday, March 1, 5:00 PM:

Altar Servers: Wesley & Noah C.  
Lector: Leo Bringman  
EMHC: Monica Snook  
Gift Bearers: Mike & Janine Nemeec  
Head Usher: Paul Melos

#### Sunday, March 2, 7:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Adelaide & Brigid B.,  
Manuel & Micah V.

Lector: Louis Brousseau  
EMHC: Ray Nemeec, James Nemeec  
Gift Bearer: John Sandelovic  
Head Usher: Chuck Hartley

#### Sunday, March 2, 9:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Michael, Alyssa &  
Christopher B., Fulton H.

Lector: Chee Hart  
EMHC: Joe Parks, Josh Jacobs  
Gift Bearer: The Haesler Family  
Head Usher: Bill McDonald

#### Sunday, March 2, 11:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Thomas & Ben C., Landon B  
Lector: Monica Sherek  
EMHC: Spencer Chaney  
Gift Bearers: Roger & Maura Conway  
Head Usher: Frank Knapek

#### EMHC to Shut-Ins: March 2

Route 1: James Nemeec

Route 2: Renee Reilly

#### Rosary for Life

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

**Feb 23 – Mar 2: Laura Halbleib**

*Mar 2 – 9: Mike & Janine Nemeec*

#### Vocations Crucifix Prayer Campaign

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

**Feb 23 – Mar 2: Daniel & Hilda Perez**

*Mar 2 – 9: Gary & Deborah Callahan*

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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.)

First Fridays 5:00 – 5:40 pm ; First Saturdays 8:00 – 9:00 am

### Parish Contacts & Resources

Director of Faith Formation: Virginia Loza-Lee 512-426-9795

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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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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 (512-426-9795)

### Last Week's Collection(s)

Weekly	\$ 6,335.00
Online Donations	\$ 1,945.00

### Altar Flowers

**Reminder:** No flowers are needed during the Lenten & the beginning of the Easter Season (March 5 – April 27)

### In Memoriam

We extend our sympathies and prayers to the family of **Thomas Bloomer** who died this past week.

Eternal rest, grant unto him, O Lord,  
and let perpetual light shine upon him.

May he rest in peace. Amen.

### This Week at a Glance

Sat/Sun, Feb 22/23 – Building Fund collection after all Masses

**Sun, Feb 23 – No YM or Confirmation 1 classes**

Tues, Feb 25 – Holy Face Prayers/ Hour of Reparation @ 4:00 pm

Tues, Feb 25 –RCIA @ 7:00 pm in RE Bldg

Wed, Feb 26 – CCE Classes begin 6:15 pm in RE Bldg.

Thurs, Feb 27 -- Adoration 3:00 – 9:00 pm

Sun, Mar 2 – Hospitality Breakfast after 9:30 am Mass at PAC

Sun, Mar 2 – Confirmation 1 Retreat (YM will attend)

We will have our monthly **Building Fund Collection** this weekend (February 22/23). Thank you in advance for your generosity.

**Catholic Life Insurance Branch #50 Corn Hill** will hold their annual social on Sunday February 23 at 11:30 a.m. in the PAC. All Catholic Life members are invited to attend. For more information, contact Sharon LLOYD (512) 630-5527; Email [kslloyd1702@gmail.com](mailto:kslloyd1702@gmail.com) or Tommy Sladeczek (512) 635-3496; Email [tjsladeczek@aol.com](mailto:tjsladeczek@aol.com).

**First Saturday of the month – March 1:** Saturday's Mass is at 7:30 a.m. and will conclude with our devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The 7:30 a.m. Mass & Litany to our Blessed Mother, we will pray the Holy Rosary and reflect on a mystery. Bring your children and friends to start each month with this beautiful devotion. Information about the devotion is available in the foyer.

All visitors and parishioners are invited to our **Hospitality Sunday** next Sunday, March 2 in the PAC Bldg after the 9:30 a.m. Mass. We appreciate the Pro-Life Group for preparing the breakfast.

Our monthly **Senior Citizens' Supper** will be held Monday, March 3, at 6:30 p.m. in the PAC Bldg. We thank the Catholic Daughters of the Americas for preparing the meal.

**The Lenten Season begins** on Ash Wednesday, March 5. **Mark your calendars** to attend one of our three Masses that day (7:00 a.m., 12:00 Noon, or 6:30 p.m.) and to attend Stations of the Cross each Wednesday evening (beginning March 12) at 6:30 p.m. (during Lent, our Wednesday weekday Mass will be celebrated at 7:00 a.m.).

**Fast and Abstinence During Lent:** Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence and Fridays are obligatory days of abstinence. The norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal. Two smaller meals may also be taken, but not to equal a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding from age 14 onwards. If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus and to prepare ourselves to share more fully, and to celebrate more readily, His Resurrection.

As you may have already heard, **Bishop Vásquez has been appointed as the Archbishop of Galveston-Houston**, with the installation March 25 in Houston. Please hold Bishop Vásquez in your daily prayers as he prepares for this new mission and as he continues to lead the Diocese of Austin until his installation. **Join us at a farewell Mass to say goodbye to Bishop Vásquez, Thursday, March 6 at 5:30 p.m. at St. Luke Parish in Temple (2807 Oakdale Dr, Temple, TX 76502); reception to follow in their parish hall.**



**Lenten Fish Fry – Beginning on Friday, March 7**, we will be having a Fish Fry every Friday during Lent (not Good Friday). Plates will be available for Dine-In and Drive Thru at the PAC from 5:30 – 7:00 p.m., or until sold out. **Dine-In Plates: Adults \$15 / Child \$8. Drive-Thru: Adults Only plates.** Meal consists of American catfish, potato salad, cole slaw, pinto beans, hush puppies, peaches, pickles and tarter sauce.

**The Confraternity of Christian Mothers will be having a Religious Articles Sale the weekend of March 8 & 9 after all Masses in the St. Cecilia Choir Room. More information in next week's bulletin.**

**Join the celebration of Holy Trinity's St Joseph Altar at the PAC (right after the Stations of the Cross) on Wednesday, March 19th.** As we're learning, the St Joseph Altar is a source of petition, thanksgiving & generosity. It is an offering of love, labor & sacrifice in honor of St Joseph, the patron saint of families & workers. Many families believe that having a small St Joseph Altar in their homes can bring blessings. Some home altars have a basket where written petitions may be placed. They love to share stories about answered prayers & petitions, which are in turn attributed to the family's dedication to St. Joseph. As Lent approaches, gather your family together to pray and ask St Joseph for his help and protection. And keep praying for good rain for our farmers.



**All are invited to be Pilgrims of Hope during Jubilee 2025** - Jubilee 2025 is a year of grace, reconciliation and spiritual renewal for the Universal Church. Inaugurated on Dec. 24, 2024, when Pope Francis opened the Holy Door at St. Peter's Basilica in Rome, bishops across the world have now opened the Jubilee in their local churches, with Bishop Joe Vásquez opening the Jubilee here in the Diocese of Austin at St. Mary Cathedral on Dec. 29. Celebrate the Jubilee within the diocese by receiving a plenary indulgence, visiting one of our 11 pilgrimage sites, and joining with Catholics from around the world in becoming "Pilgrims of Hope." Learn more at [www.austindiocese.org/jubilee-2025](http://www.austindiocese.org/jubilee-2025).





Join us every Wednesday, during Lent, beginning March 12 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.



### What are the Stations of the Cross?

The Stations of the Cross is one of the most simple, yet powerful, ways to prayerfully walk alongside Jesus and encounter him like never before. There are fourteen Stations of the Cross. Each is an invitation to contemplate and experience a pivotal moment from Jesus' sentencing to his death to his burial. They are a powerful way to step into some of the most significant moments in human history and encounter Jesus like never before. One of the most impactful times to pray the Stations of the Cross is during Holy Week. For over 1000 years, Catholics have been devoted to praying the Stations of the Cross. And for over 1000 years, this deep spiritual exercise has been transforming lives. Dive into this ancient and powerful meditation on the sacrifice of Jesus and it will change your life too.

### How Many Stations of the Cross Are There?

There are traditionally fourteen Stations of the Cross. Each station represents a different moment in Jesus' Passion and Death, including:

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| 1. Jesus is Condemned to Death            | 2. Jesus Carries the Cross            |
| 3. Jesus Falls for the First Time         | 4. Jesus Meets His Mother             |
| 5. Simon Helps Jesus Carry His Cross      | 6. Veronica Wipes the Face of Jesus   |
| 7. Jesus Falls a Second Time              | 8. Jesus Meets the Women of Jerusalem |
| 9. Jesus Falls a Third Time               | 10. Jesus is Stripped of His Garments |
| 11. Jesus is Nailed to the Cross          | 12. Jesus Dies on the Cross           |
| 13. Jesus' Body is Removed from the Cross | 14. Jesus is Laid in the Tomb         |

### Dear friends in Christ,

Peace be with you! Thank you to everyone who helped out with our Sts. Cyril and Methodius celebration last weekend. The choir sang beautifully as always. The meal was wonderful as well. We all had an enjoyable evening.

Today's readings are about mercy. Even the Responsorial Psalm speaks about the mercy of God, "The Lord is kind and merciful." In the first reading we hear about King Saul chasing down David. David was always kind to Saul but David was hailed as a great warrior as he defeated Goliath and other armies. Saul became jealous of David and thought the people would like David better and would make him king. Several times Saul and his men go out to find David in order to kill him. As we read today, David and his men walk into Saul's camp at night undetected. They have an opportunity to kill Saul and his inner circle. But David says, "Do not harm him, for who can lay hands on the Lord's anointed and remain unpunished?" David takes the spear and water jug that was beside Saul's head and they leave. When they get a good distance away David yells at Saul and his men to let them know that he was there and that he took Saul's spear and water jug. He tells Saul that even though he could have killed him, he did not. Saul will once again pledge not to do harm to David but that is short lived. Saul will once again try to go after David a little while later. David was merciful to Saul, who was out to kill him. Are you merciful to those who are out to get you?

In the Gospel Jesus tells us to love our enemies. He also gives us the golden rule: "Do to others as you would have them do to you." We all know this is easier said than done. When we get jealous and envious of others we act more like King Saul than like Jesus or David. We seem to always seek revenge and we tend to hold grudges for years. Jesus tells us in today's Gospel as well as throughout the Gospels to "Forgive and you will be forgiven." How good are you at forgiving others? Remember in the Lord's Prayer, the "Our Father", we always pray, "...Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us." Do you really mean what you are saying when you say this as you pray? If so, then be sure you do forgive everyone who has offended or hurt you. For if you do not forgive, then you will also not be forgiven by God. It is time that all people take very seriously what Jesus says in the Gospels. He was not joking when He says what He says.

May we always be merciful as God is merciful to us. He always gives us a chance to go to confession and be forgiven of our sins. May we do the same to those who have offended us and offer them the love of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**May all of you have a wonderful and forgiving week filled with the mercy of God. Fr. Stephen Nesrsta, farář**

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**K ZAMYŠLENÍ:** Ježíš volá člověka k něčemu, co není normální! Copak je běžné prokazovat dobro těm, kdo nás nenávidí? Nebo snad žehnat těm, kdo nás proklínají? Kristus apeluje na míru lásky, kterou máme jako křesťané mít ke všem, kdo jsou jiní, vzdálení, zlí, mají jiný názor... Následování Krista znamená zamilovat si člověka, lidství a lidskost. Když lásku nemají druzí, Kristus ji má stále a za všech okolností. Jaký je náš Bůh, když miluje i nevděčné a zlé? Bohu tak nesmírně záleží na lidech! Křesťané, jsme Kristovi služebníci nesoucí jeho srdce... (Vira.cz)

**Séptimo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario:** Misericordioso y lleno de gracia es el Señor; Él nos redime de la destrucción. Que volteemos hacia el Señor aún cuando hayamos pecado. Que amemos a los demás como Dios nos ama.



# LENT & EASTER

## ASH WEDNESDAY LENT BEGINS



Emphasizes our mortality and our need for ongoing repentance.

## PALM SUNDAY



Commemorates Jesus' triumphal entry into the city of Jerusalem.

## HOLY THURSDAY

Celebrates the Last Supper with the disciples and Passover.



## GOOD FRIDAY

We remember the Passion and Jesus' sacrifice for us on the cross.



## EASTER SUNDAY HE HAS RISEN!



Alleluia!  
The principal feast of the ecclesiastical year. Jesus has risen!

Easter is an 8 day celebration leading to Easter Season, which ends on Pentecost.

## DAYS OF FASTING

ASH WEDNESDAY  
GOOD FRIDAY

### What is Fasting?

One full meal and two smaller meals

Strict Fasting  
Bread and water only

## DAYS OF ABSTINENCE

ASH WEDNESDAY  
GOOD FRIDAY  
EVERY FRIDAY DURING LENT

### WHAT IS ABSTINENCE?

No meat.

# 40

The 40 days of Lent are based on two accounts: the 40 years of wandering by the Israelites and our Lord's 40 days in the wilderness at which point He was tempted by Satan.

## PILLARS OF LENT

PRAYER  
FASTING  
ALMSGIVING

The key to understanding the meaning of Lent is simple: Baptism.

