

# HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH

## of CORN HILL



Pope Francis  
Vatican City State



Diocese of Austin



### Fifth Sunday of Lent April 6, A.D. 2025 Mass Schedule & Intentions



Saturday	Apr 5	5:00 PM	Pro Populo
Sunday	Apr 6	7:30 AM 9:30 AM 11:30 AM	For Rain, †Ronnie Simek, †Joanie (Havelka) Adkins Joseph Jacobs, †Thomas Bloomer †Calvin Blackman, Jr., †Georgia Barnard
Monday	Apr 7	7:00 AM	Liv/Dec Benefactors of the Czech Seminarian Fund
Tuesday	Apr 8	6:00 PM	†Jan Hein, †Patrick Martine, †Howard Mertink
Wednesday	Apr 9	7:00 AM	†Greg Maney, †Mary Ortega, †Mary Halbleib
Thursday	Apr 10	7:00 AM	Sherry Bowman, †John & Betty Emge
Friday	Apr 11	6:00 PM	The Cooke Family †Willie Vrabel
Saturday	Apr 12	7:30 AM	Bernard & Lucille Nemec (45 <sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary), †Gilly Riojas, †Mary Jean Halbleib
Saturday	Apr 12	5:00 PM	†Helen Theaker, †AJ Tschoerner, †Paul Rosipal
Sunday	Apr 13	7:30 AM 9:30 AM 11:30 AM	Pro Populo Frank A. Valenta (healing), †Irene Cavanaugh, †Beno Hellinger Armor of God Catholic Radio Donors, †Pete & Eleanora Schwertner

### Mass Schedule for April 7 - 13

**Monday, April 7, 7:00 AM:**  
Altar Server/Lector: Josh Jacobs

**Tuesday, April 8, 6:00 PM:**  
Altar Server: Leslie Allen  
Lector: Virginia Loza-Lee

**Wednesday, April 9, 7:00 AM:**  
Altar Server/Lector: Leo Bringman

**Stations of the Cross:**  
**Wednesday, April 9, 6:30 PM:**  
Altar Servers: Christopher & Alyssa B.,  
Adelaide B.

**Thursday, April 10, 7:00 AM:**  
Altar Server: Leslie Allen  
Lector: Laura Halbleib

**Friday, April 11, 6:00 PM:**  
Altar Server/Lector: Josh Jacobs

**Saturday, April 12, 7:30 AM:**  
Altar Server: James Nemec  
Lector: Janine Nemec

**Saturday, April 12, 5:00 PM: Palm Sunday**  
Altar Servers: Fulton H., Martin & Isaiah O  
Lectors: Blake Dominguez (narrator)  
Leo Bringman (voice)  
EMHC: Leslie & Linda Allen  
Gift Bearers: Haesler Family  
Usher: Gene Fojtik

**Sunday, April 13, 7:30 AM: Palm Sunday**  
Altar Servers: Preston & Heather S.  
Adelaide & Brigid B.

Lectors: Janine Nemec (narrator)  
Louis Brousseau (voice)  
EMHC: Ray Nemec, Brandon Danek  
Gift Bearers: Ray & Teresa Nemec  
Usher: Frank Knapke  
Head Usher: Chuck Hartley

**Sunday, April 13, 9:30 AM: Palm Sunday**  
Altar Servers: Amy S., Mikey, Christopher &  
Alyssa B.

Lector: Denise Sellers (narrator)  
Chris Stefek (voice)  
EMHC: Joe Parks, Josh Jacobs  
Gift Bearers: Mark & Debbie Klaus  
Usher: Stephanie Wright  
Head Usher: Dave Richardson

**Sunday, April 13, 11:30 AM: Palm Sunday**  
Altar Servers: Michael S., Thomas & Ben C.  
Lectors: Monica Sherek (narrator)  
Spencer Chaney (voice)

EMHC: Tanja Swartz, Helena Hatch  
Gift Bearers: Bill & Linda Montreuil  
Usher: Bill Sherek  
Head Usher: Charles Marquis

**EMHC to Shut-Ins: April 13**  
**Route 1: Josh Jacobs**  
**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.)

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

Financial Bookkeeper: Rebecca Melend 512-863-3020

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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

Finance Council: Tommy Sladeczek 512-635-3496

Pastoral Council: Stephanie Wright 512-470-5204

Pro-Life Prayer Group: Vacant position

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: Wendy Staab 903-316-9658

CEF Enrollments: Janine Nemec 512-289-9242

K.J.T. Society #55: John Valenta 281-507-5686

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

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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	\$ 6,470.00
Online Donations	\$ 1,665.00
Catholic Relief Svcs	\$ 1,916.00

### This Week at a Glance

Sun, Apr 6 – Hospitality Breakfast after 9:30 am Mass in PAC  
**Sun, Apr 6 – Confirmation @ 11:30 am Mass**  
Mon, Apr 7 – Senior Supper @ 6:30 pm in PAC Bldg  
Tues, Apr 8 – Holy Face Prayers/ Hour of Reparation @ 4:00 pm  
Tues, Apr 8 – RCIA @ 7:00 pm in RE Bldg  
Wed, Apr 9 – Stations of the Cross @ 6:30 pm in church  
Wed, Apr 9 – CCE Classes begin @ 6:15 pm in RE Bldg  
Thurs, Apr 10 – Will-O-Bell Mass @ 10:00 am  
Thurs, Apr 10 – Adoration 3:00 – 9:00 pm  
Fri, Apr 11 – Lenten Fish Fry 5:30 – 7:00 pm at PAC



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



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:

St. Patrick, Hutto: Tuesday, April 8, 6:30 – 8:30 PM ;

Sts. Cyril & Methodius, Granger, Wednesday, April 9, 7 PM

St. William's, Round Rock: Wednesday, April 9, 7 PM ;

St. Elizabeth's, Pflugerville: Thursday, April 10, 7 PM

St. William's, Round Rock: Monday, April 14, 1 – 6 PM

#### Rosary for Life

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

**April 6 – 13: Matt & Maria Messing**

*April 13 – 20: Mike & Diana Hovatter*

#### Vocations Crucifix Prayer Campaign

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

**April 6 – 13: Helen Havelka**

*April 13 – 20: Louis & Louise Straka*

#### **Bazaar Raffle Update!**

We are blessed to have 1 of the top raffle prizes donated! Please consider donating the other \$1,000 top prize. If you would like to donate a new item or gift card, please contact Stephanie Wright at 512-470-5204.

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, April 13, as the memorials will be listed in the Easter bulletin.**



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.



Lenten Fish Fry – Join us this Friday and 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, pickles and tartar sauce.



**Holy Trinity Catholic Church is currently seeking input for the Veterans Memorial to be built on the cemetery grounds. Please see the easel in the church foyer for further details.**

All visitors and parishioners are invited to our **Hospitality Sunday** this Sunday, April 6 in the PAC Bldg after the 9:30 a.m. Mass. We appreciate the Fojtik Family for preparing the breakfast.

Our monthly **Senior Citizens' Supper** will be held **Monday, April 7, at 6:30 p.m. in the PAC Bldg.** We appreciate the Catholic Life Insurance Group for preparing the meal.

The Moravian Club members would like to thank everyone who came out and braved the weather last weekend to support their BBQ fundraiser. It was a success because of the support and is much appreciated!

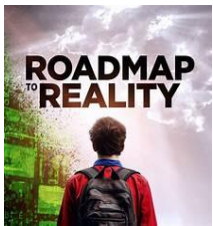
Join us for a **Rosary Retreat on Saturday, April 12 from 8:30 – 11:30 am at the Parish Activity Center (PAC).** Discussions will cover the history and the power of the Rosary, why we pray it, the mysteries and more! Need a Rosary repaired? Jim Staab will be there to help! Cost for registration, breakfast and light refreshments is **\$ 5.00 per person.** Walk-ins are welcomed! Please contact Wendy Staab (903) 316-9658 for questions.

**St. Joseph's Church in Cyclone** (20120 FM 485, Burlington, TX 76519) invites everyone to their annual **Springfest Sunday, April 13.** Fried Chicken & Sausage plates will be sold beginning at 11:00 a.m. for \$ 15.00 a plate. Dine-In or To-Go. Festivities include a Silent Auction, County Store and much more!



We pray that you'll be tuning in next week from **April 8 - 10 for our Spring Membership Drive.** Father Boniface from Saint Mary's in Lampasas, will kick off the week at 8:00 am. And over the course of the 3 days of our Live broadcast, we'll hear some incredible and remarkable stories about how Catholic Radio has changed people's lives. Each day we'll have a drawing for very unique gifts. Of course, we will also have a drawing for the VIP Pilgrimage

to EWTN Studios and the Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament in Hanceville, Alabama. Plus we've got some very special guests that we think you're going to love! April 8th – 10th, 8:00 -11:00 am and 3:00 -6:00 pm. Check out our website, [armorofgodradio.com](http://armorofgodradio.com), to download our app, listen to our stream, or get more info about our Membership Drive.



**On Sunday April 27, 2025, the first Millennial Saint, Carlo Acutis, will be canonized in Rome.** That same day, a movie about his life will be in movie theaters nationwide entitled, ***Carlo Acutis: Roadmap to Reality***. For three days, April 27-29, it will be shown in 945 theaters across the United States. Once the first 5,000 tickets are sold, the movie has been guaranteed an additional three days in theaters. All proceeds of this movie will greatly benefit our youth, to further spread the message of Saint Carlo and to help fund future National Eucharistic Congresses. Locations and advanced ticket sales are available at [www.carloacutisfilm.com](http://www.carloacutisfilm.com).

#### Prayer for a New Bishop

**Almighty and ever living God, grant our Holy Father, Pope Francis, wisdom in discernment as he chooses a new bishop for this local Church. By your divine providence, grant us a shepherd, after the heart of Jesus, the Good Shepherd, whose benevolent care and kindly zeal will strengthen the people of God by the light of the Gospel and the power of the sacraments. Lord, as you now prepare to call our new bishop to the Diocese of Austin, give him courage and generosity to respond with a spirit of joyful hope. Invoking the intercession of our patroness, Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception, we ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

#### Dear Parishioners,

Peace be with you. Here we are on this Fifth Sunday of Lent. For the next two weeks our statues will be covered to remind us that we are in the most solemn time of our Church year. The covering of the statues reminds us that we are to give up all that is pleasing to our senses during this remaining time of Lent and focus upon the suffering of our Lord. Let us enter into these final days of Lent with our entire our entire being, mind, body and soul, so that we can even more intensely experience the joy of the resurrection and salvation.

Please check the bulletin for the remaining Penance Services in the parishes of our deanery. Plan on making a good confession before you celebrate the Resurrection of the Lord at Easter.

Next Sunday is Palm Sunday, the beginning of Holy Week. Our Mass schedule for the Easter Triduum will be as follows:

**Holy Thursday - 7:00 p.m.**

**Good Friday - 3:00 pm & 7:00 p.m.**

**Holy Saturday - 8:30 p.m.**

**Easter Sunday - 7:30 am, 9:30 a.m. & 11:30**

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. Please consider making it a priority in your life and the life of your family, 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, April 13, following the 9:30 a.m. Mass. Altar Server practice for Good Friday will be after the 7:00 p.m. Mass on Holy Thursday, and on Holy Saturday practice will be at 11:00 a.m. 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 to be at the practice for that particular day. Also please call the parish office so that we will know who will be serving. Thank you to all of you for serving at God's Altar.

In today's gospel Jesus meets the woman who was caught in the sin of adultery. The Pharisees and the Scribes condemn the woman. However, Jesus points out their own sinfulness which leaves them speechless. Then, turning to the woman he offers her God's love and forgiveness. He then tells her "Go, and from now on do not sin any more." Many people go to God and ask for forgiveness. They may say that God will forgive every sin so they have nothing to worry about. But, they often forget that Jesus said "Go, and from now on do not sin any more." They ignore the fact that God expects a change to take place within us, that He expects us to change our way of life. This is the only qualification that God puts on forgiveness. Let us pray that we can respond to God's request so that we can truly live in the freedom of the children of God.

May all of you continue to have a spiritually renewing Season of Lent as we prepare ourselves for Holy Week and the celebration of the Resurrection of our Lord at Easter.

**Fr. Stephen Nesrsta, farář**

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**K ZAMYŠLENÍ:** Dnes již nevíme, zda bylo reálné v době Ježíšově skutečně odsoudit cizoložnou ženu ke kamenování a zabít ji. Ale Zákon to opravdu říká. Farizeové ani tolik nechtěli usvědčit ženu jako Ježíše. Chtěli ho „doběhnout“ v situaci, kdy by měl buď podpořit plnění Božího zákona, anebo ho popřít. Tím by dokázal, že není od Boha, vždyť Boží Zákon přeci nelze popřít! Ježíš mlčí. S některými lidmi nelze vést diskuse, lze je pouze usvědčit z pokrytectví. Bohu nejde o smrt hříšníka, ale aby se obrátil a žil. Ježíšovi jde nejen o ženu, ale i o žalobce, kteří potřebují pochopit, že jednájí podle tvrdého srdce. (Vira.cz)

**April 5-6, Quinto Domingo de Cuaresma:** Cuando los oficiales llevaron a Jesús a la mujer sorprendida en adulterio, él no la condenó, sino que, con compasión y perdón la invitó a una nueva manera de vivir. Nosotros también somos beneficiarios de la compasión y el perdón de Dios. Nosotros también participamos en la vida de Dios a través de nuestro bautismo ¿Somos nosotros, en reciprocidad, signos irresistibles de la misericordia y la compasión de Dios? ¿Somos sacramentos del amor transformador de Dios en el mundo? ¿Ven los otros en nosotros la esperanza y la promesa del Reino de Dios ya activos en nuestro mundo?



## *How to Enter into Holy Week*

This is what it's all for – those forty days of prayer and penance. We've been watching with Christ in the desert these weeks to be able to enter into His Passion with Him.

Holy Week offers us a set chronology from Palm Sunday to Easter, enabling us to walk step by step with Jesus through His Passion. The actions of Holy Week do not just symbolize what happened over two thousand years ago, but through the mystical time of the liturgy enable us to enter into them and participate in the realities that present us. We enter into Holy Week primarily through the liturgy, but also by reading the Gospels and taking more time for silent prayer.

Beginning with Palm Sunday, we literally greet Christ in His procession into Jerusalem with palms. We greet Christ with the crowds and children, singing Hosanna and acclaiming Christ's kingship. We recognize that the blessed one who comes in the name of the Lord has entered into our midst. We quickly, however, must also recognize that we are the same crowd that both acclaims Him and brings about His Crucifixion. Palm Sunday becomes Passion Sunday as we read the Gospel account of the Passion and literally shout: "Crucify Him! Crucify Him!" Those dreadful words show that He truly died for our sins – our sins have brought our Savior to this moment.

Early in Holy Week Jesus enters Bethany, taking time to prepare with His friends, especially through the anointing of His feet. He reenters Jerusalem, cursing the fig tree, and cleanses the Temple as the high priest plots His death. Monday has been referred to as Fig Monday and Wednesday as Spy Wednesday, while Judas spies upon Jesus to prepare his betrayal. These events help us to place ourselves at Jesus' feet with Mary Magdalene, seeking cleansing like the Temple, and to reflect on how we have betrayed Jesus.

Maundy Thursday, named for the mandate that Jesus gave His disciples at the Last Supper, begins the great liturgical drama of the Triduum. The fact that we name the day for Jesus' new commandment to love others as He has loved us shows us the Holy Thursday's deep theological meaning. Jesus invites us into His mission of self-gift for others, flowing from the Father's love. It's a day when priests are asked to renew their priestly promises at the Chrism Mass (though this is ordinarily moved earlier in the week). We commemorate the great gifts of the priesthood and the Eucharist, which are realities present to us sacramentally, but are portrayed to us in a more pronounced way at the Holy Thursday Mass.

At the end of the Holy Thursday Mass we begin our accompaniment of Jesus through His Passion. He is processed away from the altar, representing His captivity, as it is stripped, and conveyed through a solemn procession to the altar of repose. We chant the great hymn, *Pange Lingua*, that Thomas Aquinas composed for the first feast of Corpus Christi. The third verse brings us to the Lord's Supper:

***On the night of that Last Supper,  
Seated with His chosen band,  
He, the Paschal Victim eating,  
First fulfils the Law's command;  
Then as Food to all his brethren  
Gives Himself with His own Hand.***

With Jesus at the altar of repose, we try to make good the failure of the Apostles in the Garden to keep watch even for one hour. It is a tradition to visit the altars of repose of at least three churches, as we keep watch with Jesus on this night of His abandonment.

Prayer, silence, and fasting make Good Friday a particularly powerful day for uniting ourselves to the Cross. The hours between twelve and three on Good Friday, when Jesus hung on the Cross, have been considered a sacred time for prayer and silence. I would encourage you to try to get off of work these hours and spend them in church or praying as a family. Watching the Passion of the Christ before or after those hours of silence can help our imagination to enter into the mystery of Jesus' suffering. In the Stations of the Cross we can place ourselves in the place of so many of its figures, but especially Simon of Cyrene, as we reluctantly carry the cross of our lives with His Cross. The culmination of the day comes in another liturgical reading of the Passion and our veneration of the Cross.

There is a different kind of silence that settles over the world on Holy Saturday: God is dead and we await with sorrowful anticipation the triumph of Christ. Some continue the fast of Good Friday into this day to prepare for the Vigil. In the midst of the darkness of the suffering of the past days, and of the sinful world, the light of the Vigil fire breaks forth, representing the new life and the renewal of faith as it carries through the church. The Vigil brings new life to the initiated, while everyone embraces the fruits of the Resurrection as they renew their baptismal vows. The Vigil places our redemption in a cosmic perspective, recapitulating creation and the covenants God has made with His people. *And then comes the celebration!*

*by R. Jared Staudt*

