

# HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH OF CORN HILL



## SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 1, A.D. 2015

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Weekend Masses: Saturday at 5:00 p.m. and Sunday at 8:30 a.m.

Reconciliation: Sat: 4:15–4:45 pm; Sun: 7:45–8:15 am; Wed: 5:45-6:15 pm

### MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday	Feb 28	5:00 PM	Liv/Dec of K.J.Z.T. #15 (Fst of St. Agnes of Bohemia)
Sunday	Mar 1	8:30 AM	Pro Populo
Tuesday	Mar 3	7:00 AM	†Pete Schwertner
Wednesday	Mar 4	7:00 AM	†Jerry Havelka
Thursday	Mar 5	7:00 AM	†Barbara Barabas
Friday	Mar 6	6:00 PM	†Dennis Martinka
Saturday (a.m.)	Mar 7	7:30 AM	†Mary Conlee
Saturday	Mar 7	5:00 PM	Pro Populo
Sunday	Mar 8	8:30 AM	For Our Confirmands

<i>Sacrifice</i>	<i>Prayer</i>
<b>L E N T</b>	<i>Giving of Alms</i>

### MASS MINISTRY REMINDERS

#### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 6:30 PM:

(Stations of the Cross only)

Altar Servers: Thomas Clawson, Maria Bruce, Jakob Voigt

#### SATURDAY, MARCH 7, 5:00 PM:

Altar Servers: Travis & Thomas Clawson, Jakob Voigt

Lector: Don Gudinas

EM's of HC: Keith Youngpeter, Debbie Klaus, Fred Mullenbach

Gift Bearers: Mark & Debbie Klaus

#### SUNDAY, MARCH 8, 8:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Nathan K, John D, John B, Carter M

Lector: Confirmation Students

EM's of HC: Jennifer Klepac

Gift Bearers: Confirmation Students

EMofHC to Shut-ins: March 8: Ray Nemece

### ALTAR FLOWERS

To donate for Altar Flowers, in memory or honor of a loved one, return an Altar Flower Envelope. (No flowers are needed for the season of Lent.)

### COLLECTION

February 18, Ash Wednesday: World & Home Missions \$1,576.00

February 22, 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent: \$3,151.00

### THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Monday, March 2: --Senior Citizens' Supper at 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 4: --Stations of the Cross at 6:30 p.m.

--CCE Class 6:15 – 8:00 p.m.

Friday, March 6: --First Friday Mass at 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, March 7: --First Saturday Mass at 7:30 a.m.

--Confirmation Rehearsal at 11:00 a.m.

--Parish Potluck after 5:00 p.m. Mass

Sunday, March 8: --Confirmation at 8:30 a.m. Mass

Please take the time to make a good confession during Lent! Below are some Lenten Penance Service dates/times:

Thursday, March 12, 7:00 p.m. – St. Elizabeth's in Pflugerville; Sunday, March 15, 5:00 p.m. – Holy Trinity of Corn Hill;

Sunday, March 29, 7:00 p.m. – St. Mary's in Taylor;

Wednesday, March 25, 7:00 p.m. and Monday, March 30, 1:00-6:00 p.m. – St. Williams in Round Rock

One of the acts that we should embrace and increase during the Lenten Season is that of **giving selflessly to others in need**. There are many different ways of doing this, but we would like to ask specifically for your **food donations**. Therefore, we are hosting – for the month of March – a **FOOD DRIVE**. All of the food (and monetary donations, if you so choose...) will be given to the Jarrell Food Pantry, which benefits our local community! Marked boxes are located in the foyer of the church and in the RE Bldg. Contact Lucille D'Elia for information (512-318-5149).

The **Holy Trinity Parish Prayer Campaign for Church Vocations** is open to all parishioners. To sign-up, contact the parish office. This week, the crucifix will be with the Tim & Gwyn Vrabel family. Next week, it will be with Mark & Debbie Klaus.

The parish's monthly **Senior Citizens' Supper** will be held on Monday, March 2, at 6:30 p.m. in the PAC. The Moravian Club will host.

**Please pray for Most Reverend Daniel E. Garcia, as he will be ordained** on Tuesday, March 3, at 2:00 p.m. at St. William Catholic Church in Round Rock. He is the first auxiliary bishop in the Diocese of Austin's 67-year history.

**CCE:** Class on Wednesday, March 4, 6:15 – 8:00 p.m.. **Stations of the Cross in the church at 6:30 p.m.** with class to follow in the RE Bldg. Parents are encouraged to stay and attend Stations of the Cross, which is an important, prayerful devotion during Lent!

This Friday and Saturday (March 6 & 7) are the **first Friday and Saturday of the month**. Friday's Mass is at 6:00 p.m. followed by a time of Adoration, our devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and Benediction. Saturday's morning Mass is at 7:30 a.m. and will conclude with our monthly devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary by praying the Litany.

Join us on Saturday, March 7, for our bimonthly **Parish Potluck Supper**, in the PAC Bldg, immediately following the 5:00 p.m. Mass. Remember to bring your favorite dish or dessert to share (which you can drop off prior to Mass if needed). The Havelka family will host.

We will have **Confirmation Rehearsal** on Saturday, March 7, for our Confirmands and their sponsors at 11:00 a.m. in the church.

Please pray for all those who will receive the **Sacrament of Confirmation** next Sunday, March 8, at the 8:30 a.m. Mass.

St. Mary's Catholic School in Temple will be open on Saturday, March 7, from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. for **school tours and registration for the 2015/16 school year**. For more information about the school, call 254-778-8141 or visit [www.stmarys-temple.org](http://www.stmarys-temple.org).

**Daylight Savings Time begins** next weekend! Don't forget to **turn your clocks forward one hour** before bed on Saturday evening (March 7).

The Confraternity of Christian Mothers will hold their annual **Pancake Breakfast fundraiser** (serving pancakes, sausage, fruit, coffee, juice and milk) on Sunday, March 15, in the PAC, immediately following the 8:30 a.m. Mass. **Free-will donations** are requested to support the various parish and community activities they promote throughout the year.

**YUM! BBQ Chicken and all the trimmings!** Come and enjoy a delicious, homemade meal with us on Sunday, March 22. (We will also have an additional Mass that day at 10:30 a.m.) The meal will be served from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. in the PAC (to-go plates will be available at the drive-thru). Adults \$9 / Children \$5. We will also have a **Silent Auction and Raffle drawing** during the meal. All proceeds will benefit our parish Religious Education Program. **RAFFLE TICKETS WILL BE SOLD MARCH 7/8 & 14/15 AFTER MASSES AND AT THE MEAL.**

**Dear friends in Christ,**

Peace be with you! Thank you to all who sent birthday greetings to me this past week. I appreciate your thoughtfulness and your words of kindness and encouragement. May God bless you all in return.

Please pray for all who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation next weekend. May the Holy Spirit stir the flame of faith alive in their hearts. May they have the courage to call upon the Spirit to be their guide and counselor throughout their lives.

May the peace, love, hope, joy and forgiveness of God be with each of you. How is your observance of the Season of Lent going? In his annual Lenten Message in the year 2009 Pope Benedict VI spoke of the significance of the three disciplines of Lent: prayer, fasting and almsgiving. However, in his letter, he mainly focuses on fasting and the spiritual and temporal benefits that it has to offer to each of us. Pope Benedict wrote: *"The faithful practice of fasting contributes, moreover, to conferring unity to the whole person, body and soul, helping to avoid sin and grow in intimacy with the Lord. St. Augustine, who knew all too well his own negative impulses, defining them as 'twisted and tangled knottiness', writes: 'I will certainly impose privation, but it is so that he will forgive me, to be pleasing in his eyes, that I may enjoy his delightfulness'. Denying material food, which nourishes our body, nurtures an interior disposition to listen to Christ and be fed by His saving word. Through fasting and praying, we allow Him to come and satisfy the deepest hunger that we experience in the depths of our being: the hunger and thirst for God. At the same time, fasting is an aid to open our eyes to the situation in which so many of our brothers and sisters live. In his First Letter, St. John admonishes: 'If anyone has the world's goods, and sees his brother in need, yet shuts up his bowels of compassion from him - how does the love of God abide in him?' Voluntary fasting enables us to grow in the spirit of the Good Samaritan, who bends low and goes to the help of his suffering brother."* Do we have the hunger and thirst for God of which he wrote? Even in these difficult economic times, we, as Americans, still have more than the majority of the people of the world. We still consume more than any other nation on earth. A little fasting would be good for us all. Let us try to practice fasting before it is forced upon us by conditions beyond our control. If these conditions do materialize in time, which I believe they will in the future, we will be able live through them with greater peace and calm because we have taken the time and opportunity to fast, pray and give alms regularly during our life, which strengthens us in mind, body and soul, and in our resolve to live a life faithful to God and to His Church.

Please take time to attend the Stations of the Cross each Wednesday evening. This is a very powerful devotion which will foster an increase in your love for what Jesus has done for you.

**Fr. Stephen Nerssta, farář**