

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH OF CORN HILL



THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT
MARCH 8, A.D. 2015

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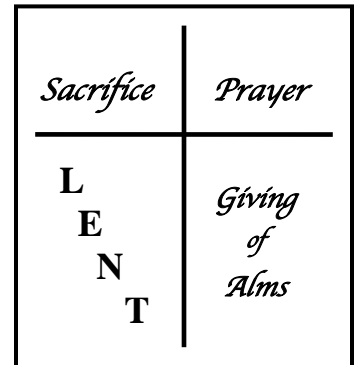
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Weekend Masses: Saturday at 5:00 p.m. and Sunday at 8:30 a.m.

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	Mar 7	5:00 PM	Pro Populo
Sunday	Mar 8	8:30 AM	For Our Confirmands
Tuesday	Mar 10	6:00 PM	In Thanksgiving
Wednesday	Mar 11	7:00 AM	Lauren Buchhorn (for healing)
Thursday	Mar 12	7:00 AM	†Mildred Kasper
Friday	Mar 13	6:00 PM	†Bill Klepac
Saturday (a.m.)	Mar 14	7:30 AM	†Arnold Kramr
Saturday	Mar 14	5:00 PM	†John & Tillie Klepac
Sunday	Mar 15	8:30 AM	Pro Populo



MASS MINISTRY REMINDERS

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11, 6:30 PM:

(Stations of the Cross only)

Altar Servers: John Bruce, Carter Marquis, William Fonville

SATURDAY, MARCH 14, 5:00 PM:

Altar Servers: John & Maria Bruce

Lector: Janine Nemec

EM's of HC: Patsy Hightower, Irene Cavanaugh, Janine Nemec

Gift Bearers: Johnny & Bernice Hernandez

SUNDAY, MARCH 15, 8:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Thomas Clawson, Abby Hodgson, Carter Marquis

Lector: Nancy Zenner

EM's of HC: James Nemec, Jim & Mary Margaret Heuertz

Gift Bearers: Tommy & Cindy Sladeczek

EMofHC Route: March 15: Jim & Mary Margaret Heuertz

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

March 1: 2nd Sunday of Lent: \$3,098.50



THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Wednesday, March 11: --Stations of the Cross at 6:30 p.m.

--CCE Class 6:15 – 8:00 p.m.

Saturday, March 14: --Special Collection at 5:00 p.m. Mass

--RE Fundraiser Raffle Tickets sold after Mass

Sunday, March 15: --Special Collection at 8:30 a.m. Mass

--Pancake Breakfast after 8:30 a.m. Mass

--K.J.T. Meeting in PAC at 10:00 a.m.

--RE Fundraiser Raffle Tickets sold after Mass

--Lenten Penance Service at 5:00 p.m.

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

We would like to congratulate those who are receiving the **Sacrament of Confirmation** today (Sunday, March 8). It is our prayer that they will embrace the presence of the Holy Spirit in their lives – filling them with the love, guidance and peace of our Lord.

During Lent, we should embrace and increase the act 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).

Don't forget to put some coins into your Ashes to Easter boxes and pray for the missions each day during Lent. Return your donation box on Easter and the money collected will benefit the missions of our diocese. Thank you, in advance, for your sacrificial almsgiving!

Our new parish Cookbooks are in route and we will start selling them as soon as we get them – for only \$15 each! They will be sold after Mass on the weekends and you can also contact Marla (512-863-0755) or the parish office to purchase them. We are excited to finally receive them and to start trying out some new 'family' recipes!

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 Mark & Debbie Klaus. Next week, it will be with Louise Havelka.

CCE: Class on Wednesday, March 11, 6:15 – 8:00 p.m.. **Stations of the Cross in the church at 6:30 p.m.** with class to follow.

Coming soon to Holy Trinity! **A BIBLE STUDY for teens!** Watch for more details in next week's bulletin.

We will have a **special collection** next weekend, March 14/15, for the **Catholic Relief Services**, which supports Catholic organizations that carry out international relief and solidarity efforts. Please be generous.

The Confraternity of Christian Mothers will hold their annual **Pancake Breakfast fundraiser** (serving pancakes, sausage, fruit, coffee, juice and milk) next Sunday, March 15, in the PAC Bldg, 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.

The **K.J.T. #55 will meet** on Sunday, March 15, at 10:00 a.m. in the PAC Bldg (in youth room). K.J.T. State Director, Thomas Arellano, will be present to discuss the benefits of K.J.T. All K.J.T. members and anyone else interested in finding out more about the K.J.T. and what they have to offer are welcome to attend.

You are invited to help celebrate! In commemoration of St. Joseph's feast day, on Thursday, March 19, the Confraternity of Christian Mothers will have a **St. Joseph's Altar** (in the PAC) after the evening Mass of 6:00 p.m. (in the church). The tradition of this altar started in Sicily when Italians gave thanks to St. Joseph for the end to a severe drought. Cakes, cookies and meatless items are placed on the altar, which is in the shape of a cross. After the Mass, we will join in the PAC, at the altar, and Fr. Stephen will bless it. Those present may then sample the food items on the altar.

When you support our parish Religious Education program, you directly support and enrich our CCE students! We will have an RE Fundraiser on Sunday, March 22. (We will also have an additional Mass that day at 10:30 a.m.) **Enjoy a delicious BBQ Chicken dinner with all the trimmings!** The meal will be served from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. in the PAC Bldg (to-go plates will be available at the drive-thru). Adults \$9 / Children \$5. Parishioners are asked to bring sweets for the dessert table. We will also have a **Silent Auction and Raffle** drawing** during the meal. Proceeds benefit our RE Program.

****RAFFLE TICKETS WILL BE SOLD: Saturday, March 7 – at the Potluck; Sunday, March 8 – after Mass; March 14/15 after Masses and also the weekend of (and at) the fundraiser. Tickets are \$2 each and the prizes are as follows: 1st – queen size, handmade quilt; 2nd – 2013 American Eagle Silver Dollar (collectible); 3rd - \$50 City Lights Theater Card; 4th - \$25 Applebee's Card; 5th - \$25 Dining Card** (see flyer on bulletin board for more specific prize details).

Our HS CYM will host a **'Lock-In'** for all high school students from both Holy Trinity and Sts. Cyril & Methodius (Granger) on Saturday, March 28, in the PAC Bldg. **Permission slips and further information can be found in the foyer of the church.** For questions, please call Monica Sherek (512-864-4748). (Permission slips must be returned by March 22 – and can be turned in at the parish office or to Monica.)



If you would like to help decorate the church for Easter with beautiful Easter lilies, you may donate (in memory or honor of loved ones) by turning in an **Easter Flower envelope** (located by the bulletins). The memorials will be announced in the Easter bulletin. **Donation deadline is Sunday, March 29.**

Enrollments in the Clerical Endowment Fund (CEF) – Spiritual Bouquets – make appropriate gifts for any occasion (birthday, anniversary, death, graduations, sacraments, etc). You can contact our parish CEF chairperson, Janine Nemec (512-863-6892), for enrollments any time.

Dear friends in Christ,

Congratulations to all who are receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this weekend. May the Holy Spirit help them to know God's love for them and to assure them of God's presence and guidance in their lives.

Our Penance Service is next Sunday, March 15, at 5:00 p.m. There will be four priests hearing confessions. Take advantage of this opportunity and make a good confession in this Lenten Season.

On this Third Sunday of Lent, we have, in today's Gospel, the story of Jesus throwing the money changers out of the Temple. The money changers were a necessary part of regular Temple religious activities. The problem was that these money changers were lying, cheating, and stealing from the people whom they were there to serve. They were breaking the Ten Commandments as given to us in today's First Reading from the Book of Exodus. In doing so, they were defiling or desecrating the Temple in Jerusalem, making it impure for worship. Jesus could not allow this to happen.

Do we have the same zeal for the House of the Lord, our church, by keeping it as God would want it to be kept? Do we desecrate it by our actions or by the words we speak when we enter this building? Do we recognize our church as the House of God? Do we act with reverence when we are in church? Do we show respect to one another and offer to each other the love of God while we are in church? May we have the same zeal for the House of God as Jesus.

You may want to take some time to reflect upon the Ten Commandments and then read today's Responsorial Psalm, which comes from Psalm 19, verses 8-11. Do we view God's Law as it is described in this Psalm?

Don't forget to attend Stations of the Cross every week during Lent with your family. Stations are on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. Come and pray the Way of the Cross and walk with our Lord in His suffering so that you can experience the resurrection with Him.

Fr. Stephen Nesrsta, farář

Minutes of Pastoral Council Meeting held February 5, 2015

Old Business:

1. The Jarrell Post Card Campaign for Christmas Mass Schedules was a success. An Easter mailing targeting Sonterra is being considered.
2. A good crowd attended the first Parish Potluck.
3. A committee is still working on the Pastoral Council Norms.

New Business:

1. Season of Lent

- Wednesday mornings – Mass / Wednesday evenings – Stations of the Cross (with CCE classes attending)
- Fridays - Regular Mass Schedule
- CYM Fish Fry will be held after 6:00 p.m. Mass on Friday, February 27
- Easter Sunday Masses will be held at 8:30 and 10:30

2. Ministry/Committee Reports

- The Clothing drive will continue through the end of February.
- A March Food Drive will target the new Jarrell Food Pantry.

3. Religious Education

- We will have a Barbeque Chicken Dinner, Silent Auction and Raffle on Sunday, March 22, to benefit the RE program.
- A 10:30 a.m. Mass will be held on that day as well.

Parishioners are being reminded that talking in church after Mass should be minimized in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament. The **next council meeting** will be held on Thursday, April 9, at 7:00 p.m.