

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH OF CORN HILL



FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT
MARCH 15, A.D. 2015

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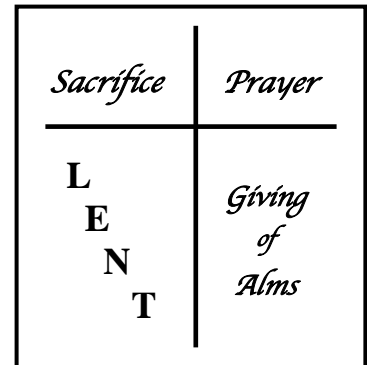
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Weekend Masses: Saturday at 5:00 p.m. and Sunday at 8:30 a.m.

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 14	5:00 PM	†John & Tillie Klepac
Sunday	Mar 15	8:30 AM	Pro Populo
Monday	Mar 16	7:00 AM	†Nancy Chambers
Tuesday	Mar 17	6:00 PM	†Pete Schwertner
Wednesday	Mar 18	7:00 AM	For All Priests
Thursday	Mar 19	6:00 PM	†John Nemeč
Friday	Mar 20	6:00 PM	†James & Mary Ziegler
Saturday (a.m.)	Mar 21	7:30 AM	†Clara Kaska
Saturday	Mar 21	5:00 PM	†Joe & Margaret Vrazel
Sunday	Mar 22	8:30 AM	Pro Populo
Sunday	Mar 22	10:30 AM	†Johnny and Emil E. Havelka



MASS MINISTRY REMINDERS

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18, 6:30 PM:

(Stations of the Cross only)

Altar Servers: John & Jenna Danek, Caleb Stefek

SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 5:00 PM:

Altar Servers: Matthew & Nathan Klepac, Jakob Voigt

Lector: Leo Bringman

EM's of HC: Jennifer Klepac, Debbie Klaus, Fred Mullenbach

Gift Bearers: John & Mary Ann Valenta

SUNDAY, MARCH 22:

8:30 AM: **Altar Servers:** John & Jenna Danek, Caleb Stefek

Lector: Pete Zenner

EMHC: Johnny Martinka, Nancy Zenner, John Edgar

Gift Bearers: Johnny & Dee Martinka

10:30 AM: **Altar Servers:** Al Kalinec

Lector: Cynthia Edgar

EM's of HC: Jerry David

Gift Bearers: (ushers/volunteers)

EMofHC Route: March 22: John Edgar

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 8: 3rd Sunday of Lent: \$2,797.00



THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

- 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.
 --Lenten Penance Service at 5:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, March 18:** --NO CCE Class (spring break)
 --Stations of the Cross at 6:30 p.m.
- Sunday, March 22:** --Second Mass at 10:30 a.m.
 --RE Fundraiser in PAC 11:00 – 1:00 p.m.

(PARISH OFFICE CLOSED ALL WEEK – MARCH 16-20)

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

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

A tremendous thank you, from the CYM, to all who attended their Fish Fry on March 27. A huge thank you, also, to Pinto, James and Ray Nemeč for frying and to the JR & HS CYM kids and parents that worked. The CYM made a profit of \$952.63.

Please Note: The parish office will be closed ALL WEEK (March 16-20). The bulletin deadline is the usual (Wednesday at 3:00 p.m.). If there is a need during the week, please contact Fr. Stephen or Lucille D'Elia.

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

Join us today (Sunday, March 15) for the Confraternity of Christian Mothers' annual **Pancake Breakfast fundraiser** in the PAC Bldg, immediately following the 8:30 a.m. Mass. **Free-will donations** are requested to support their annual activities.

The **K.J.T. #55** will meet today (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.

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 Louise Havelka. Next week, it will be with Bill & Monica Sherek.

CCE: NO Class on Wednesday, March 18, due to Spring Break. Though we don't have class, the children and their families are encouraged to attend Stations of the Cross on that Wednesday, March 18. We wish all of the children a fun, safe and refreshing week off!

Calling all teens! You've been confirmed --- what's next? On Wednesday, March 25, we will begin Holy Trinity's first **Bible Study – just for teens**. Come to the RE Bldg at 7:00 p.m. and find out what it's all about!

Mass for the feast day of St. Joseph (Thursday, March 19) will be at 6:00 p.m. and will be followed by the blessing of the **St. Joseph's Altar** (in the PAC) with a sampling of the food afterwards. Everyone is invited to help celebrate!

When you support our parish Religious Education Program, you directly support and enrich our CCE students! We will have an RE Fundraiser next 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. All proceeds will benefit our RE Program.

****RAFFLE TICKETS WILL BE SOLD this weekend (March 14/15) and next (March 21/22) after Masses 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 bulletin board for more 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 next Sunday, March 22 – and can be turned in at the parish office or to Monica.)

Due to the parish RE Fundraiser being held next Sunday, the **Confraternity of Christian Mothers will hold their monthly meeting on Sunday, March 29**, in the RE Bldg, immediately following the 8:30 a.m. Mass.



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.**

Don't forget – the Food Drive for the Jarrell Food Pantry continues through the month of March. Marked boxes are located in the church and in the RE Bldg.

Remember 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 for your sacrificial almsgiving!

St. Mary's Catholic School in Taylor offers a fully accredited PreK4 – 8th grade faith-based education with qualified teachers and affordable tuition. Every day is an open house. Call to schedule your tour or request more information today at 512-365-1431, or visit their website: www.stmarystaylor.org. Information and applications are also available in the foyer of the church.

Dear friends in Christ,

May the peace and love of our Lord Jesus Christ be with each of you. Thank you to everyone who made the Celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation so beautiful. Thank you to our DRE, Lucille D'Elia, Jennifer Klepac, Nancy Zenner, Barbara Janning, Ronnie Simek, Judith Stefek and all of the choir, Deacon Gene and the Altar Servers, Debbie Klaus, Becky Mertink and the Nemecek family for preparing the wonderful breakfast and for all else who helped in any other way. It was truly a special day.

Our Penance Service is tonight, Sunday, March 15, at 5:00 p.m. Four priests will be here to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation with us.

Lent is quickly passing by and Holy Week will be here soon. Some of you may already be making plans for Holy Week and Easter. Our Mass schedule for the Sacred Paschal Triduum will be as seen to the right.

**Holy Thursday - 7:00 p.m.
Good Friday - 7:00 p.m.
Holy Saturday - 8:00 p.m.
Easter Sunday - 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.**

The Sacred Paschal 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 on Palm Sunday, March 29, following Mass, for Holy Thursday. Altar Server practice for Good Friday will be after the evening Mass on Holy Thursday. Practice for Holy Saturday will be on Holy Saturday at 11:00 a.m.

Today we celebrate *Laetare Sunday*, the Fourth Sunday of Lent. *Laetare* is taken from the Latin translation Isaiah 66:10-11, which is used as the entrance antiphon for this Sunday as found in the Today's Missal. We rejoice that the Easter Mystery is drawing near and we await it with joyful anticipation.

In today's Gospel Jesus says that He must be lifted up on the cross just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert. All who looked at the serpent on the pole were healed. We too must look at Jesus on the cross if we are to be healed of our sinfulness. That is one reason why we have Jesus on the Cross in our church. It is the ultimate sign of God's love for us.

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

Fr. Stephen Nestrta, farā