

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH OF CORN HILL



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Holy Trinity Prayer Journal: located in the vestibule of the church

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

Reconciliation: Saturday: 4:15–4:45 p.m.; Sunday: 7:15–7:45 a.m.

21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ AUGUST 25, 2013

Mass Schedule for the Week

Holy Trinity–Corn Hill

Saturday	Aug 24	5:00 PM	Pro Populo
Sunday	Aug 25	8:00 AM	Confraternity of Christian Mothers
Tuesday	Aug 27	6:00 PM	David & Jennifer Engledow (25 th Wed. Ann.)
Wednesday	Aug 28	7:00 AM	†Frances Vrabel
Thursday	Aug 29	7:00 AM	Jim Hightower & family (for healing)
Friday	Aug 30	6:00 PM	B.M. (for healing)
Saturday	Aug 31	7:30 AM	(no Mass)
Saturday	Aug 31	5:00 PM	Mary (& LeRoy) Tschoerner (for healing)
Sunday	Sept 1	8:00 AM	†Louis & Mary Stojanik

Sts. Cyril & Methodius-Granger

Saturday	Aug 24	7:00 PM
Sunday	Aug 25	10:00 AM
Tuesday	Aug 27	7:00 AM
Wednesday	Aug 28	6:30 PM
Thursday	Aug 29	6:00 PM
Friday	Aug 30	7:00 AM
Saturday	Aug 31	7:30 AM
Saturday	Aug 31	7:00 PM
Sunday	Sept 1	10:00 AM

(† in front of an intention denotes deceased) (Please note that the Saturday morning Masses do not fulfill your weekend obligation.)

Last Week's Collection: \$2,977.25

Assumption of Mary: \$767.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Mass	Lectors	Altar Servers	Present Gifts	Ministers Holy Communion
August 24 5:00 PM	Aaron Liles	Jacob Liles Ciara Hernandez	Liles family	Patsy Hightower, Aaron Liles, Irene Cavanaugh
August 25 8:00 AM	Nancy Zenner	Travis Clawson Thomas Clawson	Ray & Teresa Nemec	Barney Walther, Ray Nemec, Dorothy Walther
August 31 5:00 PM	John Obst	Matthew Klepac Nathan Klepac	Bill & Linda Montreuil	John Obst, Carolyn Barker, Keith Youngpeter
September 1 8:00 AM	Cynthia Edgar	Kelsey Marquis Carter Marquis	Pinto & Lucille Nemec	John Edgar, Cynthia Edgar, Lucille Nemec

Ministers of Holy Communion to Shut-Ins:

August 25: Ray Nemec

September 1: John Edgar

Holy Trinity Prayer Tree: For administrators, teachers and students returning to school ... and for the intentions in our Prayer Journal ... we pray to the Lord.

The **Confraternity of Christian Mothers** will meet today (Sunday, August 25) in the RE building following the 8:00 a.m. Mass.

The **Holy Trinity Parish Prayer Campaign for Church Vocations** is open to all parishioners. For information, or to sign-up, contact the parish office. This week, the crucifix will be in the home of Stanley & Louise Havelka. Next week, it will be in the home of the Bill & Monica Sherek family. Please pray for vocations.

Join us next Sunday, September 1, for **Hospitality Sunday and a Bazaar Meeting** in the PAC Building immediately following the 8:00 a.m. Mass. All Bazaar chairpersons are encouraged to attend so that we can make sure all is in order for the event.

- You are invited to:** (All events will have live music, live & silent auctions, games --- fun for everyone. See flyers on bulletin board.)
- ❖ **Sts. Cyril and Methodius Parish in Granger** will host their annual Bazaar next Sunday, September 1, at their Parish Hall. BBQ, fried chicken, dressing and trimmings will be served beginning at 11 a.m. Live Auction at 1:30 p.m.; games all afternoon; ending with a dance at 7:00 p.m. featuring Fritz Hodde & Fabulous Six.
 - ❖ Annual Feast at St. John's in Fayetteville – Sunday, September 1 – BBQ Beef & Pork & Sausage meal at 11:00 a.m.

PARISH ANNIVERSARIES CELEBRATION: In 2014, our parish will be 125 years old and our church building will be 100 years old! We will have a celebration for these anniversaries on Holy Trinity Sunday, June 15, 2014. **WE NEED TO START PREPARING!!!** We will have a "Celebration Committee" meeting on Tuesday, September 3, at 6:30 p.m., in the RE Building. WE WILL NEED A GROUP TO WORK ON THE NEW PICTORIAL DIRECTORY AND A GROUP TO WORK ON THE CELEBRATION DETAILS. All interested in being a part of this are invited and encouraged to attend. For information, contact the office.

CCE: Please see the following for class schedules, etc, and please notice that some changes have been made to class times!

- ❖ **Registration** will be held (for all grades) on Wednesday, September 4, at 6:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg. Fee is \$15 per child.
- ❖ **Grades K-8th:** Classes will begin on Wednesday, September 4, and will be held from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.
- ❖ **High School:** Classes will begin on Sunday, September 8, and will be held from 9:00 – 10:30 a.m.
- ❖ **Mass will be held on the 1st, 3rd & 5th Wed's of each month at 7:30 p.m. for the CCE children/parents and the parish.**

2013 BAZAAR:

- ❖ The **Bazaar Chairperson List** is posted on the bulletin board and on our website. Please contact the appropriate people to volunteer for one or more areas. **WE NEED MANY VOLUNTEERS TO MAKE THIS DAY ENJOYABLE AND SUCCESSFUL!**
- ❖ The sign-up poster for **Bazaar Kitchen Donations** is on the table in the vestibule of the church. **Kitchen Donations should be turned in by NEXT Sunday, September 1.** They can be left on the table in the vestibule of the church on the table.
- ❖ **Donation boxes for the Silent Auction, Bingo, Toy Walk and Ring Toss** (2 liter sodas) are in the vestibule of the church.
- ❖ **Live Auction donations** are also needed and can be directed to Jacqueline Danek at 512-423-2598.
- ❖ K.J.Z.T. St. Agnes Society #15 will sponsor the **Kolache/Sweets booths** at the Bazaar. **Kolache bakers are needed.** Packages of trays are available in the vestibule. For questions, call Dorothy Klepac at 512-746-2902, or Barbara Danek at 512-746-2015.

Dear friends in Christ, Peace be with you! I would like to thank all of you for the hospitality that you have shown to the Deacons from the Czech Republic. Thank you to all who brought food to the rectory or provided monetary support. It seems that this year the Czech Deacons were out of town more than they were here with us. I hope to be able to schedule things better next year so that more of you can visit with the new group that will come during July/August 2014.

Today's gospel is Jesus' teaching about the locked door and entrance into the Kingdom of Heaven. Jesus says that not all who know Him will be allowed to enter. Why? Because, instead of listening to Him and following Him, they did their own thing in life. They did not keep the commandments, which would include keeping the Sabbath Day, Sunday, holy by going to Mass. Don Schwager gives a further reflection on this Gospel: *What does the image of a door say to us about the kingdom of God? Jesus' story about the door being shut to those who come too late suggests they had offended their host and deserved to be excluded. It was customary for teachers in Jesus' time to close the door on tardy students and not allow them back for a whole week in order to teach them a lesson in discipline and faithfulness. Jesus told this story in response to the question of who will make it to heaven. Many rabbis held that all Israel would be saved, except for a few blatant sinners who excluded themselves! After all, they were specially chosen by God when he established a covenant with them.*

Jesus doesn't directly answer the question, however; but his response is nonetheless unsettling on two counts. First, Jesus surprised his listeners by saying that one's membership as a covenanted people does not automatically mean entry into the kingdom of God. Second, Jesus asserts that many from the gentile nations would enter God's kingdom. God's invitation is open to Jew and Gentile alike. But Jesus warns that we can be excluded if we do not strive to enter by the narrow door. What did Jesus mean by this expression? The door which Jesus had in mind was himself. I am the door; if any one enters by me, he will be saved (John 10:9). Jesus opens the way for us to enter into God's kingdom through the cross where he has laid down his life as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. If we want to enter and remain citizens of God's kingdom, then we must follow Jesus in the way of the cross. The word strive can also be translated agony. To enter the kingdom of God one must struggle against the forces of temptation to sin and whatever would hinder us from doing the will of God (even apathy, indifference, and compromise). The good news is that we do not struggle alone. God is with us and his grace is sufficient! As we strive side by side for the faith of the gospel (Philippians 1:27) Jesus assures us of complete victory! Do you trust in God's grace and help, especially in times of testing and temptation?

May all of us strive to enter through the "narrow gate".

In Christ, Fr. Stephen Nestrta, farář