

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH OF CORN HILL



The Baptism of the Lord

January 10, A.D. 2016

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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	Jan 9	5:00 PM	Pro Populo
Sunday	Jan 10	8:30 AM	†Pete & Eleanora Schwertner (incense)
Tuesday	Jan 12	6:00 PM	†Morris Burlin
Wednesday	Jan 13	6:30 PM	†Johnny and Albert Sladeczek
Thursday	Jan 14	7:00 AM	†Frank & Anastasia Knappek
Friday	Jan 15	6:00 PM	†Ted & Gabriella Nemec
Saturday	Jan 16	7:30 AM	†August & Louise Batla
Saturday	Jan 16	5:00 PM	†Gus Richards
Sunday	Jan 17	8:30 AM	Pro Populo
Sunday	Jan 17	10:30 AM	For Life



Mass Ministry Reminders

Wednesday, January 13, 6:30 PM:

Altar Servers: Thomas Clawson, John Danek

Lector: Jennifer Klepac

EM's of HC: James Nemec

Gift Bearers: 5th Grade Class

Saturday, January 16, 5:00 PM:

Altar Servers: John & Maria Bruce

Lector: Kelly Godfrey

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

Gift Bearers: Bill & Linda Montreuil

Sunday, January 17, 8:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Thomas Clawson, Abby Hodgson, Carter Marquis

Lector: Michael Vrabel

EM's of HC: Jerry David, Lucille Nemec, Pete Zenner

Gift Bearers: Billy & Belinda Beyer

and 10:30 AM: Altar Server: Travis Clawson

EMHC Route: January 17: Jerry David

Altar Flowers

You may donate flowers for the Altars in loving memory or honor of loved ones by turning in an 'Altar Flower Envelope' (located by bulletins or from website).

Flowers will not be needed during the Lenten Season –
February 10 through March 27.

Collection

January 1: Solemnity of Mary: \$1,757.58
January 3: Feast of the Epiphany: \$3,385.00

This Week At A Glance

Sunday, January 10:	--Year of Mercy Holy Hour
Tuesday, January 12:	--RCIA Class
Wednesday, January 13:	--CCE Class
Sunday, January 17:	--2 nd Collection for Catholic Charities --RE/CYM Fundraiser

Jubilee Year of Mercy

When we think about pilgrimages, we probably think about medieval people walking great distances to awe-inspiring churches. Yet, Pope Francis describes what is at the heart of pilgrimage and encourages us to each make one during this Jubilee of Mercy. He writes that "life itself is a pilgrimage, and the human being is a viator, a pilgrim traveling along the road, making his way to the desired destination" (MV, no. 14). Pope Francis encourages each of us to make a pilgrimage to the Holy Door in our diocese some time during this Jubilee of Mercy. Being committed to the journey of pilgrimage helps us focus our attention on our spiritual journey and walk closer with God. Similarly, our daily journey to live out the mercy of God "is also a goal to reach and requires dedication and sacrifice" (MV, no. 14).

- With your family or a parish group, plan a pilgrimage to the Holy Door within your diocese for some time during this year.
- Each day, give yourself one small goal of mercy, compassion, and love to journey toward—for example, being kind to a difficult coworker—so that, by those actions, you are able to walk closer to God on the pilgrimage of Christian life.



Year of Mercy: Join us today (Sunday, January 10) for a **Holy Hour, with the Divine Mercy Chaplet**, at 3:00 p.m. in the church.

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 Jim & Mary Margaret Heuertz.** Next week, it will be with Frances Nemec.

RCIA: Class on Tuesday, January 12, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg. Discussion: Holy Orders (Priesthood/Diaconate).

CCE: Class on Wednesday, January 13. Mass in the church at 6:30 p.m., followed by class in the RE Bldg.

We will have a **second collection next weekend, January 16/17, for Catholic Charities.** This organization helps so many disaster victims in their time of need, and they have responded, once again, to those who are suffering from the tornadoes and storms that affected north central Texas during the holidays. In light of the Year of Mercy, this is a wonderful way of incorporating the Corporal Works of Mercy into your life for those in need.

Our annual **RE/CYM Fundraiser** will be held next Sunday, January 17. We will also have a 10:30 a.m. Mass that day. Join us for a delicious meal of Chicken-fried Pork Cutlets with all the trimmings. Adults \$9 / Children \$5. Adult to-go plates available. Desserts are appreciated from parishioners for the dessert table. We will also have a Silent Auction during the meal. All proceeds will benefit the children and youth in our CCE and CYM programs.

The **Finance Council will meet** on Thursday, January 21, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg. All parishioners are invited to attend.

If you would like a **2015 Donation Report** (for tax, or other, purposes), please let us know. If you have received one in the past, you will automatically receive one again. If not, please call or email the parish office to put your name on the list. The reports will be sent out by January 31.

Our Lady of the Angels Maternity Shelter invites you to join them for their **13th Annual Benefit Banquet** on Friday, February 5, at the Bell County Expo Center, with guest speaker, Bishop Daniel E. Garcia. Social and Raffle 6:00 p.m., followed by dinner and program. Tickets are \$50/person or \$375/table of 8. Please call St. Luke's, Temple, at 254-773-1561, for information or to sign-up. Proceeds will be used for operating and maintaining the shelter.

Preparation for Total Consecration to Jesus Through Mary: Beginning February 20, 2016, please join thousands of Faithful throughout our Diocese for 33 days of preparation prayer for Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary. Each day of prayer, representing one year in the life of Christ, is done privately in your own home using the consecration preparation prayer book. Please visit www.TexasToJesusThroughMary.org by January 31 to receive your **FREE** copy of the Monfort prayer book. Your book will be mailed to you. Following, all are invited to collectively make or renew our consecration at a special Holy Mass on April 4, 2016 (more details to come).

Dear friends in Christ,

Praised be Jesus Christ! Now and forever! The glory of the Son has been revealed to us in many ways during these past few weeks. Let us share in His glory by sharing in His life.

This weekend, the Season of Christmas comes to an end as we celebrate the feast of the Baptism of the Lord. Our Christmas lights and decorations will be taken down and stored away for another year. Tomorrow, the Season of Ordinary Time begins and will continue until the beginning of Lent on February 10. During Ordinary Time, we reflect on the daily life and ministry of Jesus Christ. As we all know, His life and ministry was not so ordinary. Therefore, our life and ministry should not be so ordinary either. Jesus calls us, by virtue of our baptism, to live a radical life of faithfulness to Him and to His Church. In this day and time, this means that we are to be and act much differently than most other people in the world. Just think about the past Seasons of Advent and Christmas. How difficult was it to wait to turn on your Christmas lights until the third or fourth week of Advent or until Christmas Eve? How difficult was it for you to keep your lights on until today? Most people so easily give in to the secular and ungodly ways of the world and do things the way the ungodly do them. When the Israelites did the same, as we read in the Old Testament, God allowed them to become slaves of other kingdoms. When the people returned to the ways of God, then they experienced peace. What will happen to us? Will it be the same? Did you think to yourself, "What will the neighbors think of me?" Most people hesitate when it comes to being different than everyone else around them. However, if we surround ourselves with people who live the faith faithfully, then it is not so difficult to be different than most people in the world because we have people around us who support us and we, in turn, support them. This is one reason that Jesus gave us the Church, to be a means of supporting one another in living the faith. If we stray from the Church, from THE Truth, then we will not be living the faith according to what Jesus intended. We need to be faithful to our own baptismal profession. So, surround yourself with people who are truly trying to be faithful and you will also be faithful. This is very important when you are seeking someone to marry and to spend your entire life with. Part of the marriage commitment is supporting one another in living a life of faithfulness to our Lord and to His Church by being faithful to your baptismal commitment. As Jesus gave His support to John by allowing Himself to be baptized by John, let us also support one another in living our faith in this Ordinary Time. By doing so, our lives will not seem so ordinary and will be full of the Spirit which leads us in not so ordinary ways. In today's Gospel, we hear God say about Jesus, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." Do you think God says the same thing about you? About me? Be faithful and He will repeat these words when you meet Him face to face.

May all of you have a very blessed week.

Fr. Stephen Nerssta, farāj

Ethics & Integrity in Ministry (EIM): Are you aware of sexual or physical abuse or neglect of a child or vulnerable adult? The Diocese of Austin is committed to preventing harm from happening to any of our children or vulnerable adults. If you are aware of sexual or physical abuse and/or neglect of a child or vulnerable adult, state law requires you to report that information to local law enforcement or to the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services at (800) 252-5400 or www.dfps.state.tx.us. Additionally, if the suspected abuse is by clergy or an employee or volunteer of any diocesan parish, school or agency, a Confidential Notice of Concern should be submitted to the diocesan Ethics and Integrity in Ministry Office at (512) 949-2400. The Confidential Notice of Concern can be found at www.austindiocese.org (click on the link HOW TO REPORT ABUSE). Reports may be made anonymously.

If you would like to become EIM Certified, or are in need of a refresher course (which must be taken every three years), please visit the diocesan website - - - go to the Ethics & Integrity in Ministry page and simply follow the directions. There are several workshops and refresher courses available throughout the diocese.