

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH OF CORN HILL



Sunday of Divine Mercy

April 3, 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	Apr 2	5:00 PM	Pro Populo
Sunday	Apr 3	8:30 AM	†Louis & Agnes Straka (incense)
Monday	Apr 4	6:00 PM	Confraternity of Christian Mothers
Tuesday	Apr 5	6:00 PM	†Bill Klepac
Wednesday	Apr 6	6:30 PM	†Johnnie Simek
Thursday	Apr 7	7:00 AM	†Alphonse Tschoerner
Friday	Apr 8	6:00 PM	For Healing
Saturday	Apr 9	7:30 AM	Kent Goettl (healing)
Saturday	Apr 9	5:00 PM	†Stanley Havelka
Sunday	Apr 10	8:30 AM	Pro Populo



Mass Ministry Reminders

Wednesday, April 6, 6:30 PM:

Altar Servers: John Danek, John Bruce, Abby Hodgson

Lector: Jennifer Klepac

EM's of HC: James Nemecek

Gift Bearers: 7th Grade Class

Saturday, April 9, 5:00 PM:

Altar Servers: Matthew & Nathan Klepac, Jakob Voigt

Lector: Janine Nemecek

EM's of HC: Patsy Hightower, Jennifer Klepac, Debbie Klaus

Gift Bearers: Johnny & Bernice Hernandez

Sunday, April 10, 8:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Jamie & Jenna Danek, Jarrod Hodgson

Lector: Louis Brousseau

EM's of HC: Ray Nemecek, James Nemecek, Johnny Martinka

Gift Bearers: Johnny & Dee Martinka

EMHC Route: April 3: John Edgar

Altar Flowers

To donate Altar Flowers in memory or honor of a loved one(s), please return an Altar Flower envelope (on bulletin tables or from website).

Collection

March 25: Holy Land: \$1,479.00

March 27: Easter Sunday: \$5,668.00



This Week At A Glance

Sat/Sun, April 2/3:

--Second Collection – Seminarian/Priest Education

Sunday, April 3:

--Hospitality Sunday

--Year of Mercy Holy Hour / Divine Mercy Celebration

--Senior Citizens' Supper

Monday, April 4:

--RCIA Class

Tuesday, April 5:

--CCE Classes

Wednesday, April 6:

--Christian Mothers Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, April 10:

Join us in congratulating Eric Thornell, of our parish family, for his Profession of Faith and reception of the Sacraments of Holy Communion and Confirmation at the Holy Saturday Vigil. May God's blessings be upon him and may he continue to grow in his faith and love of God and His Church.

Thank you to those who have returned their Lenten Ashes to Easter boxes! If you have not, please do so soon so that we can forward the donations, which will benefit the missions of our diocese. Thank you for your sacrificial Lenten almsgiving!

We will have a second collection for the Seminarians and Priest Education and Formation this weekend, April 2/3. To ensure an ample number of priests in the diocese to celebrate the sacraments, preach God's word and guide us on our journey with Christ, this collection provides support so that financial impediments do not prevent men from responding to God's call to the priesthood. Please be generous.

Join us today (Sunday, April 3) for Hospitality Sunday in the PAC Bldg, immediately following the 8:30 a.m. Mass. Thank you to the Havelka family for preparing the breakfast.

We will have our monthly Year of Mercy Holy Hour and Divine Mercy Celebration today (Sunday, April 3) 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 Kathy Windhauser. Next week, it will be with Henry, Agnes & Jeff Taylor.

Our monthly Senior Citizens' Supper will be held this Monday, April 4, at 6:30 p.m. in the PAC Bldg. Thank you to Catholic Life Insurance Branch #50 for preparing the meal.

RCIA: Class this Tuesday, April 5. Discussion: Living Our Faith Day by Day – A Call to Serve.

CCE: Class this Wednesday, April 6, from 6:15 – 8:00 p.m. Mass in the church at 6:30 p.m., followed by class in the RE Bldg.

The Confraternity of Christian Mothers will hold their annual **Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser** on Sunday, April 10, in the PAC Bldg, immediately following the 8:30 a.m. Mass. They will serve pancakes, sausage, fruit, coffee, juice and milk, all for a **free-will donation**, which will help support their various parish and community activities.

St. Mary's Parish in Temple invites everyone to their **Festival** on Sunday, April 10, at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Temple (2218 W Ave D). The fun begins at 10:30 a.m. and lasts until 4:00 p.m. with a Chicken & Sausage meal, raffle, live & silent auctions, games, general store and live music by the Billy Holt Band.

The **Men's Prayer Group** will not meet on Monday, April 4. Their next meeting will be Monday, April 11, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg.

The **Pastoral Council will meet** on Thursday, April 14, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg. Parishioners are invited to attend. The agenda for this meeting is posted on the bulletin board for your information and preparation.

We will fill the altars with beautiful flowers to celebrate all mothers on Mother's Day weekend (May 7/8). If you would like to donate toward the cost, please pick up and return a "Mother's Day Mass Remembrance" envelope (by the bulletins). You may honor your mother, grandmother, aunt, etc, both living and deceased, but please make sure you check living or deceased on the envelope so that we will know if it's in memory or honor of the person. Please turn in envelopes by Sunday, May 1. The memorials will be listed in the May 8 bulletin.

Cross Catholic Outreach offers their sincere thanks for welcoming Fr. Dennis Rausch on his recent visit. "On behalf of the poorest of the poor, we thank you for having shared in their lives. May our Lord continue to bless all of you for your love and support." Cross Catholic Outreach

E I M (Ethics & Integrity in Ministry)

The diocesan EIM program is in place to create awareness of the all-too-common problem of sexual abuse of children and vulnerable adults. If you are included in any of the following – or plan to be at any point in time – you **MUST** take the workshop and become certified in the Ethics & Integrity in Ministry program – which includes taking a refresher course every three years after – and all workshops are free of charge.

Mass Ministers (priests, deacons, altar servers over 18, lectors, extraordinary ministers of holy communion, music ministers, ushers)

Parish Council & Committee Members (pastoral council, finance council, cemetery committee, fundraiser committees, money counters)

Religious Education (Catechists and volunteers, CYM coordinators and volunteers, RCIA coordinators and volunteers, VBS volunteers)

Parish Event Coordinators (all officers of any parish organization – KJT, KJZT, CLIU, Christian Mothers, Prayer Groups, etc)

All Parish Employees must be certified and anyone who wants to volunteer in the parish in any capacity should be certified as well.

WE WILL HAVE AN EIM WORKSHOP HERE ON SATURDAY, APRIL 16, AT 9:30 A.M. IN THE PAC BLDG.

Here's how you do it: visit the diocesan website – www.austindiocese.org – go to the Ethics & Integrity in Ministry page and read and follow all of the directions. If you have questions about any of it, you can either contact the diocesan EIM office, or you may contact the parish office. If you do not have the internet, please call us and we will help you do what is needed.

It's only a few hours of your time every three years. A very small sacrifice for the protection of our children and vulnerable adults!

Dear friends in Christ,

He is Risen! He is truly Risen! Today is the Octave Day of the Season of Easter. The Octave Day is the 8th day, which represents a new creation and new life. It also refers to the new creation that will take place at the Second Coming of Jesus, which is beyond time. Jesus truly gave us a new creation, a new life and a new meaning to life with His death and resurrection. May we always think about what that means to us as we live as His disciples each day.

On this Second Sunday of Easter, we hear in today's Gospel about Thomas and how he doubted the resurrection of our Lord. He is offered the mercy of Jesus. Jesus forgives him of his doubt. We also may sometimes doubt the resurrection of the Lord or even His presence with us in our lives of faith. Maybe we even deny knowing Him, or we walk away from Him, because we just do not understand the way He is working in our life or in the lives of those we love. Maybe we are just not able to see His presence in the world. Jesus says, "Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." It is through faith that we are able to believe. Sometimes we have to pray for the gift of faith. We need to pray each day that we do not lose our faith and that it becomes stronger within us. Also, believing means putting into practice what we have received in faith. May all of us grow in our faith and in our belief by living lives of faithfulness to our Lord.

Today is Divine Mercy Sunday. Between 1930 and 1938, Jesus appeared to Sister Faustina, a Sister of Mercy in Poland, who initiated the Divine Mercy devotion. She was canonized on April 30, 2000, the Sunday after Easter, the Feast of Divine Mercy. On Good Friday, 1937, Jesus requested that Sr. Faustina make a special novena before the Feast of Mercy, from Good Friday through the following Saturday. Jesus also asked that a picture be painted according to the vision of Himself as the fountain of mercy. He gave her a chaplet to be recited and said that it was appropriate to pray the chaplet at three o'clock each afternoon (the Hour of Great Mercy). May we all be open to receiving the love and mercy of God. A Divine Mercy Holy Hour will take place this Sunday, April 3, at 3:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend.

May all of you continue to experience the joy of the resurrected Lord in this Easter Season.

Fr. Stephen Nerssta, farář

Jubilee Year of Mercy



While Lent was a penitential season, the Easter season (which lasts longer than the Lenten season!) reminds us of the joy we have in the merciful love of God. The most obvious example of God's merciful love was shown to us in the Paschal Mystery of Christ. The culmination of this Paschal Mystery, following the suffering and Death of Christ, is his Resurrection, which is our assurance that Christ triumphs over death. Not only do we rejoice in this eternal victory, we also rejoice that, through our faith and participation in the sacraments, we can share in Christ's triumph as God extends his salvific mercy toward us. The Jubilee of Mercy reminds us that God "delights in mercy" (Mi 7:18), and so should we!

At the end of the day, spend some time in reflection, on your own or with others, rejoicing in the love and mercy that was shown to you by God and others today. Even if you had a rough day, where did you see God's love present in your life?

The Corporal Works of Mercy

Feed the hungry
Give drink to the thirsty
Clothe the naked
Shelter the homeless
Visit the sick
Visit the imprisoned
Bury the dead

The Spiritual Works of Mercy

Admonish the sinner
Instruct the ignorant
Counsel the doubtful
Comfort the sorrowful
Bear wrongs patiently
Forgive all injuries
Pray for the living and dead